

# Call to Worship

Today, we remember that we are called to respond to the Lamb who is worthy, Jesus Christ. We respond with our bodies and our mouths. We respond by kneeling before him, by lifting our hands, and yes, by singing loudly. When we do these things, not only are we responding, but declaring God's worthiness to each other. As we sing and make much of God today, let your bodies respond to what God has done for you in Jesus, and do so with your eyes open as you see others around us worshipping. Let this be a tangible reminder that one day we, along with the myriads in the hosts of heaven, will be singing praises together to our Triune God. Feel the freedom today to sing with loud voices and hands raised because God is worthy of our praise.

**Please have someone read the following passage of scripture out loud:**

## **Revelation 5:11-13**

*Then I looked, and I heard the voices of many angels and living creatures and elders encircling the throne, and their number was myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands. In a loud voice they said: "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and blessing!" And I heard every creature in heaven, and on earth, and under the earth, and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying: "To Him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb, be praise and honor and glory and power forever and ever!"*

**Have one reader read the "Lead" portion, and then everyone read the "ALL" portion, responding with "Worthy is the Lamb Who was Slain:"**

**Lead:** Lord, you are infinitely worthy of our praise. Even when our sorrows overtake us,

**ALL:** Worthy is the Lamb Who was Slain.

**Lead:** Though our fears and anxieties have overrun and pervaded our thoughts,

**ALL:** Worthy is the Lamb Who was Slain.

**Lead:** When we are unsure of what tomorrow may bring,

**ALL:** Worthy is the Lamb Who was Slain.

**Lead:** If we say that there is no way out,

**ALL:** Worthy is the Lamb Who was Slain.

**Lead:** When we give in to the pride of our heart and the lust of our eyes,

**ALL:** Worthy is the Lamb Who was Slain.

**Lead:** If we say in our hearts that the darkness is all around us,

**ALL:** Worthy is the Lamb Who was Slain.

**Lead:** Even if our bodies fail us, and sicknesses overtake us,  
**ALL:** Worthy is the Lamb Who was Slain.

**Lead:** We join with the hosts of heaven and we declare  
**ALL:** Worthy is the Lamb who was slain! Worthy is the Lamb who was slain!

**Please take a moment to meditate on what we just read. Then take some time to pray together, consecrating your time to the Lord.**

## **Worship Through Singing**

Let's sing today because God is infinitely worthy of our praise.

[Revelation Song](#) by Jennie Lee Riddle ([Capo'd version in C](#))

### [Lyric Video](#)

*Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
Holy, holy is He  
Sing a new song to Him who sits on  
Heaven's mercy seat*

*Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty  
Who was and is and is to come  
With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings  
You are my everything, and I will adore You*

*Clothed in rainbows of living color  
Flashes of lighting, rolls of thunder  
Blessing and honor, strength, and glory, and power be  
To You the only wise King*

*Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder  
At the mention of Your name  
Jesus Your name is power, breath, and living water  
Such a marvelous mystery*

## **Prayer of Confession**

Let's take some time to pray together.

**Have one reader read the “Lead” portion, and then everyone else responding in the “ALL” portion:**

**Lead:** Lord, you alone are worthy, but we continue to be unworthy disciples of your name. We come to you today in humility, and with a contrite heart. Sorrow and sadness is part of our lives because of our sin. How long, oh Lord, until things are set right? How long until you rescue us, oh Lord? How long must we wait? Waiting is so hard. Our loud weeping, our fierce lamenting, our tears, our deep groanings may last for the night, but joy must come in the morning.

**ALL:** In this we greatly rejoice, even though now for a little while, we have been distressed by various trials, so that the proof of our faith, *being* more precious than gold which is perishable, even though tested by fire, may be found to result in praise, and glory, and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

**Lead:** Lord you meet our sorrow with 10,000 reasons to be grateful, humble, and joyful. You sent your Son to a world filled with sorrow upon sorrow, to suffer and die that we might know you and that we might have joy in you—real joy, eternal joy. Even now help us to be glad participants of heaven’s joy.

**ALL:** Help us to humbly lament and wail over this broken world, but we ask that you turn our sorrow into joy as we remember your worthiness, your holiness, and your goodness towards us.

Take some time to pray around the room, confessing any sins, any discouragements, and any ways we have been disturbed by the trials and temptations of life this past week. Encourage one another to humbly repent and cry out to God to mercy on them. Again, don’t rush through this time, as it’s another opportunity to remember that ALL of our hope is found in Christ, and to really know Christ is to know joy in the “hope of the glory of God” (Romans 5:2).

## **Assurance of Pardon**

Let’s remember our God who demonstrates his lovingkindness through Jesus. Who gives us hope today through the resurrection of Jesus.

**Have one reader read the “Lead” portion, and then everyone else responding in the “ALL” portion:**

**1 Peter 1:3-5, 1 Peter 5:10-11**

**Lead:** *Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to obtain an inheritance which is imperishable and undefiled and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for us, who are protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.*

**ALL:** *After we have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who called us to His eternal glory in Christ, will Himself perfect, confirm, strengthen and establish us. To Him be dominion forever and ever. Amen.*

[Is He Worthy?](#) by Andrew Peterson and Ben Shive ([Capo'd version in C](#))

### [Lyric video](#)

*Do you feel the world is broken? (We do) Do you feel the shadows deepen? (We do)  
But do you know that all the dark won't stop the light from getting through? (We do)  
Do you wish that you could see it all made new? (We do)*

*Is all creation groaning? (It is) Is a new creation coming? (It is)  
Is the glory of the Lord to be the light within our midst? (It is)  
Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? (It is)*

*Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole? Is anyone able to break the seal and open the  
scroll?*

*The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave  
He is David's root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave  
Is He worthy? Is He worthy of all blessing and honor and glory?  
Is He worthy of this? He is*

*Does the Father truly love us? (He does) Does the Spirit move among us? (He does)  
And does Jesus, our Messiah, hold forever those He loves? (He does)  
Does our God intend to dwell again with us? (He does)*

*Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole? Is anyone able to break the seal and open the  
scroll?*

*The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave  
He is David's root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave  
From every people and tribe, every nation and tongue  
He has made us a kingdom and priests to God to reign with the Son  
Is He worthy? Is He worthy of all blessing and honor and glory?  
Is He worthy? Is He worthy? Is He worthy of this?  
He is, He is, He is, He is  
He is worthy! He is worthy of all blessing and honor and glory  
He is worthy of this, He is*

## Sermon

## Prayer for One Another

**Take some time to reflect on the sermon with each other. Afterwards, take a moment to pray before continuing to sing.**

# Communion

Redemption Hill Church believes the Lord's Supper was given to the gathered church to promote corporate reflection on the person and work of Jesus, and to promote rich corporate unity around the hope of the gospel. At this time, we can lament the fact that we cannot partake of the Lord's Supper together, but we look forward to the day when we can gather again to do so.

[To God All Praise and Glory](#) by Brian Eichelberger, Frances Elizabeth Cox, and Johann Jakob Schütz ([Capo'd version in G](#))

## [Lyric Video](#)

*Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation  
The God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation  
He fills my soul with sweet relief, and make my faithless murmur cease*

*To God all praise and glory, to God all praise and glory  
To God all praise and glory, to God all praise and glory*

*The Lord is never far away, but through all grief distressing  
An ever-present help and stay, our peace and joy and blessing  
And in my Father's tender care, His love eclipses my despair*

*When life is hard and days are long, I'll sing aloud His praises  
That men may hear the grateful song, my joyful spirit raises  
My heart revived, my soul restored, my heart rejoices in the Lord*

*Let all who claim Christ's holy name give God all praise and glory  
Let all who lean on the Spirit's strength declare the wondrous story  
Cast every idol from its throne, for Christ is Lord and Christ alone*

# Sending on Mission

**Have someone read the following out loud:**

As we are sent out today, we remember that we are under the mighty hand of God. He reigns as Sovereign and Lord over this world, even right now, and is working to accomplish His Sovereign purposes in our lives even in the midst of our trials, the Coronavirus, and cancer. In the middle of all our circumstances, we can rejoice because our God has overcome the world. We can choose to find joy in all our hardships. Our good and right response to Him and to those around us should be that of humility.

## Read out loud together:

### 1 Peter 5:5

*Clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, “God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble.”*

## Giving

While we continue to not be able together as the larger Redemption Hill Church, we are still operating per usual (rent, staffing, supporting missionaries). We humbly encourage you to continue to give [through our online system](#).

Listen to these words that David prays to God:

### 1 Chronicles 29:12-14

*Wealth and honor come from you; you are the ruler of all things. In your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all. Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name. But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand.*

Everything that the Lord has entrusted to us is ultimately His. All things, everything, belong to and they come from God. When we give cheerfully, sacrificially, and regularly, we are merely giving back to God what He already and rightfully owns. Our giving is a response to the grace that has been richly given to us in Jesus Christ. The giving of our finances is an act of worship, EVEN when we can't all gather together in the same place. It's still a way that God invites us to participate in His work, so we commend you to do so today [online by clicking here](#).

## Passing of the Peace

Even though we are scattered for a time, the Lord has still called us here today. He has called us to worship, to remember His good news to us, and to fellowship with one another. He has also called us here to be able to **encourage one another with the good news of Christ**. Take some time today to phone, text, or email both those you know, and those you've just met recently, and ask them how you can be praying for them. THEN, respond by praying with them right then. Whether that's on text, phone, or email. Setup a time for you to talk and hangout on Zoom, Google Hangout, FaceTime, or Skype, and use the opportunity again to encourage them in Christ, and to pray for them. We want to continue to reflect the glory, and holiness, and goodness of God, even if it can't be in person right now.