

Worship Resources

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The Good News of the gospel is that **all** –
Those who are near and those who were far off are invited;
All are members of the household and citizens of the realm of God.

All: **All are invited.**
All – Jew and Greek.

One: All are members of the household.
All – male and female.

All: **All are citizens of the realm of God.**
All – persons who are temporarily able bodied and persons who have disabilities.

One: All those who are near and those who were far off
are members of the household and citizens of the realm of God.

All: **This is indeed good news for all!**

(adapted from “A Call to Covenant Community” by the Covenant Network of Presbyterians)

PRAYERS AND LITANIES:

All praise and honor to Christ!
Christ lives forever to intercede for us, who is always our advocate.
Sustained by faith we pray:

Remember your people, O Christ.

As we gather as your people, Sun of Justice, we invoke your name upon the entire human race,
that those who are able-bodied, and those with disabilities, may enjoy your never failing light

Remember your people, O Christ.

Preserve the covenant which you have ratified, making of us a new people in your love,

Remember your people, O Christ.

Remember your assembly, O Christ, and all who have come, whether they have walked in,
moved here in wheelchairs, or been brought in with the assistance of others.

Remember your people, O Christ.

Guide all pilgrim travelers along the path of peace and justice, prosperity and mercy, no matter how we move upon this earth, or the many ways we communicate with each other, so that we may reach heaven's gates together, in solidarity with one another.

Remember your people, O Christ.

Let your light free us from the darkness of society's attitudes towards those with disabilities. Let the dawn of resurrection bring radiance to all of us. We pray this in the name of the risen Christ.

Amen

Let us all praise God, who chose to become one of us, a brother, a friend, in all things. In prayer, we ask of Jesus:

Share with us from the treasure of your love.

Hope of the ages, we pray to you alongside those with swiftly moving hands, especially the hands of those who are deaf, and in our grace-full gestures we dedicate this day to you.

Share with us from the treasure of your love.

In the hearts of all of us, regardless of our abilities or limitations, you emit a presence of love that shines through and to us all.

Share with us from the treasure of your love.

At everyday and at every hour we are surrounded with opportunities to catch a glimpse of your Spirit. May we have the courage of faith that is not dependent upon sight, to walk or move in the way of your Spirit.

Share with us the treasure of your love.

O God, you remain a mystery to all ages. You surround us with hope that is beyond our rational thinking. May we enjoy the vision of the glory to come.

Share with us the treasure of your love.

Triune God, free us from the misconceptions we have of one another, and of you. Let the light of resurrection dawn within our hearts, to bring us to the radiance of eternal life. **Amen**

“May we who are made in your image, O God, mirror your compassion, creativity and imagination as we work to reshape our society, our buildings, our programs, and our worship so that all may participate. In you we are no longer alone, but united in one body, but united in one body. Trusting in your wisdom and grace, we pray gratefully in Jesus' name.”

HYMN SUGGESSTIONS (from *Sing the Faith*):

#2222 The Servant Song

#2228 Sacred the Body

#2236 Gather us In

#2238 In the Midst of New Dimension

#2243 We All Are One in Mission

#2246 Word of God in Human Language

#2265 Time now to Gather