



Worship Participants

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Acts 1:8-9

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight.

Gathering

Welcome

*Call to Worship (based on Hebrews 4:14, Revelation 5:10,12)

Jesus Christ has come into heaven and is at God's right hand—
with angels, authorities, and powers in submission to him.

Since we have a great high priest who has gone into heaven—

Jesus, the Son of God—

let us hold firmly to the faith we profess.

Let us praise his holy name!

Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!

Blessing, glory, wisdom, thanks, honor, power, and strength

be to our God forevermore!

Alleluia, Amen!

Alleluia!

*Song: "Jesus Shall Reign"

LUYH 219:1,2,5

*Prayer of Adoration (based on Eph. 4:8, Phil. 2:10-11, Hebrews 12:2)

Almighty God,

we thank you that you have highly exalted your Son, Jesus Christ.

Before him every knee shall bow and every tongue confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord.

He has made captivity itself a captive;
and has given gifts to his people.

We rejoice that Jesus Christ,

the pioneer and perfecter of our faith,

has triumphed most gloriously and is our Lord.

Bring us at last into your presence,

so that we can live and praise you

together with all the saints forever and ever.

Amen.

*Song: "The First Place"

LUYH 15

*God Greets Us, We Greet One Another

*Song: "He Is Lord"

LUYH 227:1,3

Sending

*Benediction

*Song: "Salvation Belongs to Our God"

LUYH 608

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!
 Is He worthy? Is He worthy? He is! He is!**

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Word

Children's Blessing: "Oh, How Good Is Christ the Lord" LUYH 192

Children ages 3 years old through 1st grade are invited to go downstairs to the Multi-Purpose Room for a time of worship designed especially for young children. Our young guests are welcome to participate in this service. Parents, we invite you to walk your children downstairs to help get them settled in.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Acts 1:1-11 p.1690

Sermon: "Heaven on Earth" Pastor Joel Kok

Response

*Song of Response: "You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd" LUYH 225

*We Profess Our Faith: Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 49 LUYH 213

Installation of New Elders and Deacons

Prayers for the Church and World

Renewal

Call to Confession: Romans 8:38-39

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from death to life and crowned him Lord of all.

We confess that we have not always bowed before him or acknowledged his rule in our lives.

We have gone along with the ways of the world many times and failed to give him glory.

Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the church, his body.

Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (based on I John 2:1-2)

If anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

In Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

Song of Thanksgiving: "Is He Worthy"

*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.***

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Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?

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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.