

Have Scripture, Will Worship

The goal of this workshop is to give you resources for preparing a worship service. PRAY before, during, and after. You will be amazed at the connections the Holy Spirit will make as you write, and then participate in, worship. On-line worship is best when it is 30-40 minutes long. Expect to give at least an hour or two in preparing the service. Consider the time and energy you spend on preparing a worship service to be part of your Devotional Life. You are soaking yourself in Holy Scripture. And that's a good thing!

Example Scripture: Philippians 2:1-18

RESOURCES

Presenter: Rex Phipps (Jordan)

STUDY BIBLE

Read the Introduction on the book and the notes on the scripture(s) for that Sunday.

BOOK OF COMMON WORSHIP (purchased electronic copy)

Order of Worship

The Christian Year section for lectionary and special holidays

MINISTRYMATTERS.COM (on-line resources)

Suggest buying a subscription, but not necessary

Click on WORSHIP tab and use lectionary resources OR search for particular scripture

Worship elements, hymn suggestions, sermon resources

Presenter: Teresa Kendall (Deer Lodge)

HOLY SCRIPTURE

Call to Worship - Look for verses that get us ready to hear the Word of God.

The following are based on Philippians 2:1-2, 12-13, 16

If you have any encouragement in Christ

Any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit,

Any compassion and sympathy,

Make God's joy complete:

Be of the same mind, having the same love,

Being in full accord and of one mind.

We will work out our own salvation with fear and trembling;

For God is at work in us,

Enabling us to both to will

And to work for God's good pleasure.

We will hold fast to the Word of Life

And shine like stars in the world.

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Prayer of Confession - Look for verses that say what NOT to do, or need to be corrected in our lives and then close with a verse that asks God/Jesus/Spirit to help us.

The following is from Philippians 2:3-4, 14

Almighty God/Loving Father/God of all compassion

“Forgive us for our selfish ambitions and conceit.”

“Forgive us for regarding ourselves as better than others.”

“Forgive us for the times we murmur and argue.”

“Give us the same mind that was in Christ Jesus”; in whose name we pray. Amen.

Affirmation of Faith - Look for scripture that says something about God/Jesus/Holy Spirit.

Philippians 2:5-11 - Ancient hymn to Christ

Dedication - Scripture that calls us to DO something

The following are suggestions from Philippians 2:5, 12, 15, 16”

“We dedicate our lives to having the same mind that was in Christ Jesus.”

“We will work out our own salvation with fear and trembling.”

“We dedicate ourselves to shining like stars in the world.”

“We promise to hold fast to the Word of life.”

GLORY to GOD Hymnal INDEXES (thorough)

Scriptural

Lectionary

Topical

BLUE Hymnal INDEXES (brief)

Scriptural

Topical

BOOK of COMMON WORSHIP (purchased hard copy)

Mark it!

Additional Texts for suggestions for parts of worship

The Christian Year for lectionary suggestions and prayers

Responsive readings of Psalms

Ancient and Classic Prayers

Special Services - Baptism, Wedding/Funeral, Ordination/Installation/Commissioning

HYMNARY.ORG (on-line hymn suggestions)

May also buy a subscription, but not necessary.

Click on Left Bar: Lectionary or Exploration Tools/Scripture

Click on Philippians 2

Write down possible hymns. It can be helpful to have your hymnal open to the Index of First Lines.

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Presenter, Ben Larson (St Andrew)

HYMN SEARCH on YOUTUBE

Search YouTube for the hymn title.

Click on a particular video according to congregational needs/tastes:

Do you want band or choir or soloist/duet or pictures?

Do you want the words visible?

Look for “Licensed” language listed under the video. Avoid these.

VIDD.LY

The basic version is free and adequate, or you may purchase a more advanced subscription.

This program downloads the YouTube video (without commercials) as an mp4 and can then be attached to your power-point or on-line worship format.