

DIGITAL LITURGY

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Town + Field
CHURCH

INTRODUCTION

We are definitely living in a season with rapidly changing times. But with all great change also comes the chance for great opportunity. While our option to gather together on Sundays in person has been stopped for the time being, our mission as a church remains the same: we are a community practicing the way of Jesus, together, for the renewal of our city.

Today we would like to lead you through a guided worship routine that we hope will become our new normal for the next season of our church life together. In addition to being united in the gospel and relationships (which aren't going away), another layer of connection can be found in our common practice and habits. By studying the same Bible passages, singing the same songs and repeating the same prayers, we are reminded of our connection that goes far beyond a common meeting space.

We hope that as you walk through this that you would be encouraged by God to place your hope in Him and to continue to seize the chances to be and make apprentices of Jesus wherever you are.

If you are able, please share on Facebook or Instagram how God is using this time in your life and family.

GATHER TOGETHER

Town + Field Church family, we have the opportunity to worship the Triune God! Be creative and look for ways to incorporate children and adults of all ages who are in the room as readers and participants.

CALL TO WORSHIP

"Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe," (Hebrews 12:28, NIV)

SING TOGETHER

"Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations." (Psalm 100:1-5 ESV)

Singing together is a gift that allows us to both rehearse what is true and to express the cry of our soul in a unique way. Feel free to either sing along with the following playlist ([LINK](#)) or have someone in the room lead you on an instrument or a cappella.

"Lord, I Need You"

"God With Us"

"Christ is Risen"



"Humble yourself, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you." (1 Peter 5:5-6, ESV)

Take a moment of silence to be still, and then invite God to make his home in you.

Corporate Confession & Assurance

Paul tells us in Ephesians that we were dead in our transgressions and sins... But today is a celebration because when there was nothing that we could do to resuscitate ourselves... God made us alive with Christ! Today we admit our need for Him and celebrate the brand new life he brings!

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

Leader: Lord, bring new love where our hearts have become hard.

All: *Bring forgiveness where we feel hurt and where we have hurt others.*

Leader: Bring mercy when we are overwhelmed by our mistakes.

All: *Bring resurrection power where we lack the strength to change.*

Leader: Bring your nearness when we are bored or anxious.

All: *Bring new life where we are weak and tired.*

Leader: Give us today a grace-filled encounter with your resurrected life.

All: *Fill us with joy, confidence, and hope as we live in your death-defeating love.*

Assurance of Pardon:

Reader: Paul tells us in 1 Corinthians 15 that: "Death has been swallowed up in victory... Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting? The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!"

Leader: Friends, by the cross and by His resurrection, Jesus offers us new life and a brand new beginning!

All: *Amen!*

Sermon - [Link Online](#)

1 Peter 2:11-25

Discussion Q's

1. Which part of the sermon resonated with you most?
2. Who is someone that influenced you by their compelling character? Was it by what they didn't do or by what they did?
3. What is a desire you justify or compromise with that is actually at war with your soul? What would life look like if you didn't allow this desire to shape your heart or actions?



CELEBRATE
+ REMEMBER
TOGETHER

If you have the means to celebrate communion together, please do so - remembering the broken body and shed blood of Jesus for you.

"For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, 'This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes."
(1 Corinthians 11:23-26, ESV)

GIVING

Our giving at Town + Field Church is primarily an act of worship - a response to the generosity of Jesus towards us. ([Link to Giving Page](#))

*Holy Father, there is nothing we have that You have not given us.
All we have and all we are belong to You, bought with the blood of Jesus.*

*To spend selfishly and to give without sacrifice
is the way of the world,
but generosity is the way of those who call Christ their Lord.*

*So, help us to increase in generosity
until it can be said that there is no needy person among us.
Help us to be trustworthy with such a little thing as money
that You may trust us with true riches.*

*Above all, help us to be generous
because You, Father, are generous.
May we show what You are like to all the world.*

IMAGINE
TOGETHER

In this next section, begin to dream together: what does it look like for you to be the church this week where God has placed you? What does that look like on your block, your street, at your work, in your family and with your friendships?

We would love to hear your ideas and suggestions on how you can be the Body of Christ in this new and unprecedented time. Feel free to share your ideas by emailing the staff or by posting on Facebook.

Benediction - Prayer of Sending:

"May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ."
(Romans 15:5-6, ESV)

PRAYER
REQUESTS
+ NEEDS

If you would like someone to pray for you or you need help with a need, please contact: connect@townandfield.ca or fill out the form at townandfield.ca.

