

1) What does it mean to Praise The Lord (PTL)? Why do we praise (magnify) God?

2) How does the way you spend your time and money shape and form what you worship?

3) Share within your OIKOS what it means to live a life of worship vs. going to a worship service. Record your thoughts and conversation here. How does this reflect the church as a who rather than a what?

Readings for this week:

Acts 2:42-47

Psalm 150

Revelation 4 & 5

Colossians 3:1-17

- 4) Based on the readings for the week:
 - a) What does Acts tell us what it means to be the church? What aspects do you see at St. Mark's? What aspects do you see in your OIKOS?
 - b) How are we to Praise The Lord?
 - c) In Revelation (chapters 4 & 5) we are given words of praise. John the Revelator gives us an image of worship in the heavenly realm. From a recent worship bulletin, how many of these words or phrases can you find as we sing or say them? What part of the worship service (liturgy) do you find them?
 - d) How does Colossians invite us into a life of worship? What activities does Paul name for this life of worship?

5) Questions regarding the teaching or the readings? Please submit at least 1 question per person, attach their name to each question please. Remember, there are no stupid questions.

6) Practice magnifying God this week. What aspects of worship can you bring into your OIKOS community from those things that we celebrate in the worship gathering? (sharing of the peace? Blessing? Baptismal remembrance? sharing the meal?)