Called to More Week 1: Called to Abundant Life Worship Resources

**Scripture Passage:** John 10:7-11

**Call to Worship:**

The gentle shepherd beckons!

**We cast our eyes down focused on obtaining material abundance.**

The compassionate shepherd calls!

**We listen to the noise of the world focused on labels and boundaries.**

The loving shepherd opens the gate!

**Help us to see, hear, and feel the abundant love and grace of the Good Shepherd.**

**Opening Unison Prayer:**

Holy one, we gather together to hear the voice of the Great Shepherd. Help us drown out that which seeks to destroy or kill us and focus instead on the life-giving voice and words of Jesus. Through the strength of your Spirit, be present to us as our compassionate guide and lead us into the gate of life. Amen.

**Confession and Pardon:**

Holy God,

You know us better than we know ourselves.

As a shepherd watches over their sheep,

you watch over us in love,

desiring peace and protection for us.

But too often, we ignore your voice calling to us,

and we opt for another path besides the one you lay out for us.

Forgive us, Lord.

Help us to hear you, to see you, to love you, and to follow you,

for it is in your Way that we find abundant life. Amen.

Jesus said, “I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me.”

Our Savior knows us and loves us completely, without condition, and with limitless grace.

In the name of Jesus Christ, praise God, we are forgiven!

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**Offering Introduction:**

In a world that calls us to seek for ‘me’, we struggle to understand and see the abundance among ‘us’. As we prepare to give our gifts this day, we reflect on the places of abundance in our community and pledge to continue creating these places. Prick our hearts for the places of lack and need in our community and in our world, that we might be your hands and feet to them.

**Offertory Prayer:**

Gracious God, we are grateful for knowing that every good and perfect gift comes from you. Not just material things, but joy, strength, peace of mind and our eternal hope. We are reminded though the laborers are few, the harvest is plenty. So, as we return these gifts in offering to you, may we be ever mindful of the need to offer gifts of service, of love, benevolence, and compassion, both now and always. In Christ, Amen.

## Music Suggestions:

CLUW #101: 나의 갈 길 다 가도록 / All The Way My Savior Leads Me

CLUW #115; UMH #136: 주 나의 목자 되시니 / The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want

CLUW #300: 하나님의 사랑을 사모하는 자 / Everyone Who Longs For

MVPC #237; UMH #128: Me gua El / He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought

UMH #381: Saviour, Like A Shepherd Lead Us

TFWS #2218: You Are Mine

\*CLUW=Come, Let Us Worship (Korean), MVPC=Mil Voces Para Celebrar (Spanish), TFWS=The Faith We Sing, UMH=The

Called to More Week 2: Facing the Dark to Reach the Light Worship Resources

**Scripture Passage:** 1 John 1:3-10

**Call to Worship:**

Come, walk in the light!

**The darkness will fall away as we live into our vulnerability.**

Knock down the human made walls and live into transparency.

**With love, we come as children of God.**

Nothing shall separate us from the love of God.

**God knows us and calls us each by name.**

**Opening Unison Prayer:**

What a joy it is for us to be in fellowship with you, O God, and with your son, Jesus Christ! As we worship your holy name and stand in the light of your presence, we pray that you will give us the humble strength to look at our ourselves with honesty and truthfulness. Help us take off the masks we wear, the sins we hide and the wrongs we have done. And by the strength of your Spirit, may our darkness be redeemed by the light of your love. We pray this in the beautiful name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Confession and Pardon:**

God of Light,

You have created us for relationship:

to love one another, to be honest,

and to maintain the bonds of peace.

We confess that there are times when we keep the truth hidden,

hoping that we can keep everyone around us in the dark,

so that no one will be able to see our imperfections.

But God, you are light, and in you all things are made known.

We ask for your forgiveness and your help,

that we would be children of the light and find our joy in your truth.

We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.

Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life,

and in the mercy of Christ, we can fellowship with the God who leads and loves us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, praise God, we are forgiven!

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**Offering Introduction:**

As we prepare to give this day, we acknowledge that individually and collectively we struggle to be honest about the difficulties we have in our lives and faith journeys. Today we ask God to use us, just as our monetary gifts are used, to further the kin(g)dom by living into our full God-given potential.

**Offertory Prayer:**

As we bring these gifts to you oh God, open our eyes to you. Awaken our spirits to receive you in new ways. Revive our hearts that we might make room for more of you. Flow through our church and our ministry, that your love and your light might flow through us and into our community and this dark world in which we live. In the name of Jesus, our Light and our Salvation. Amen.

**Song Suggestions:**

CLUW #264; TFWS #2173: 주여 사랑의 빛을 비추사 / Shine, Jesus, Shine

CLUW #266: 빛의 사자들이여 / Heralds Of Light, Speed Away

CLUW #305; UMH #349: 네 마음에 근심 있느냐 / Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

MVPC #240; UMH #451: Oh, Dios s mi visin / Be Thou My Vision

W&S #3177: Here I Am To Worship

CCLI #7115744: Way Maker

Called to More Week 3: You Are Not Your Sin Worship Resources

**Scripture Passage: John 8:1-11**

**Call to Worship:**

As the fingers traced in the sand, the truth was revealed.

**Break open our hearts, to receive the truth.**

Cast off your stones of condemnations and labels.

**Let Jesus enter into our lives and show us the way.**

Receive God’s grace and love.

**Let us worship today with eyes clear and hearts open.**

**Opening Unison Prayer:**

Forgiving and merciful God, even in our worst moments, you see us through the lens of love and you offer us redemption. It is more than we can ever earn and it is more than we deserve. We gather as humble and thankful people to worship and praise your holy name. By the strength of your Spirit, help us to see ourselves and others through your lens of love. Amen.

**Confession and Pardon:**

God of New Beginnings,

When we can only think the worst of others,

you see every good thing that is possible.

When we can only speak ill of others,

you call us each by name and sing songs of love over us all.

When we cannot even see ourselves as those made in your image,

you remind us that we are your children,

and that you would lay down everything for us.

Empower us by your grace to be gracious to all. Amen.

While the world stands ready to condemn, Jesus stands ready to forgive;

and not only forgive, but also restore us to full and abundant life.

In the name of Jesus Christ, praise God, we are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, praise God, we are forgiven!

**Offering Introduction:**

This day we admit that we have limited ourselves and the potential within us because we doubt that we are enough. This day we claim that who we are in this moment is exactly who God wants to use to further the kin(g)dom. As we give today, we pray to claim that we are enough.

**Offertory Prayer:**

God of our Salvation, as we give these offerings to you, we give ourselves to you also; recognizing that in you, we live and breathe. Thank you that we are new creatures in Christ; that our pasts are not our identity, and that grace still abounds. We bring these gifts to you, sowing seeds that this message of hope and salvation might go beyond these four walls, through us, your church. In your Son’s name, Amen.

**Song Suggestions:**

CLUW #290; UMH #714: 아 하나님의 은혜로 / I Know Whom I Have Believed

CLUW #293: 오 놀라운 구세주 / A Wonderful Savior Is Jesus My Lord

MVPC #287; UMH #577: Dios de gracia, Dios de gloria / God Of Grace And God Of Glory

UMH #365: Grace Greater Than Our Sin

W&S #3122: Christ Has Broken Down The Wall

CCLI #7051511: Come To The Altar / Ven Ante Su Trono (Spanish, #7093022)

Called to More Week 4: There is More Worship Resources

**Scripture Passage: Mark 1:35-39, Philippians 3:12-16**

**Call to Worship:**

Take a deep breath and feel the spirit rise from the depths of your soul.

**We gather together in community to nurture our faith.**

In the rays of the morning sun, persevere and trust in God.

**In joyful spaces and serene spaces, we come to worship today.**

Come let us worship.

**In meditation, we are grounded to our Creator God.**

**Opening Unison Prayer:**

We love you Lord. We gather praying that this will be a time set apart from the world to be renewed and restored. Even when the demands of the world call us away from you, help us remain grounded in you. By the strength of your Spirit, help us pursue the prize of God’s upward call in Christ Jesus. Amen.

**Confession and Pardon:**

God of Grace and Glory,

We come to you to ask you to save us

from the weight of our past.

We remember the ways we have hurt others,

and we are truly sorry.

Take the heavy yoke of our sin from us,

and give us what we need to restore broken relationships.

We pray in the name of Jesus, in whom all things are made new. Amen.

Our confidence is to be found in Christ, and our righteousness comes through faith in Christ.

Let us press on toward the goal of becoming more and more like him in all that we do.

In the name of Jesus Christ, praise God, we are forgiven!

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**Offering Introduction:**

Today we affirm that our strength to resist the temptations around us comes from our connection to God and to community. As we give today, we celebrate the ways God is at work in our connections and relationships in this place.

**Offertory Prayer:**

Draw us close, oh God, closer to you, and closer to one another. May your Spirit overflow and your love run deep. May we be renewed in you. And even as we give these financial gifts to you, may you open our hearts and minds to a deeper awareness of our new identity in you. In Christ’s name we pray, Amen.

**Song Suggestions:**

CLUW #291; MVPC #244; UMH #133: 주의 친절한 팔에 안기세 / Dulce communin / Leaning On The Everlasting Arms

CLUW #296; MVPC #242; UMH #314: 저 장미꽃 위에 이슬 / A solas al huerto / In The Garden

CLUW #330; MVPC #248; UMH #496: 내 기도하는 그 시간 / Dulce oracin / Sweet Hour Of Prayer

UMH #352: Standing In The Need Of Prayer

UMH #397: I Need Thee Every Hour

W&S #3148: There’s A Spirit Of Love In This Place

Called to More Week 5: The Gods We Make Worship Resources

**Scripture Passage: Exodus 32:1-14**

**Call to Worship:**

Like the stars of heaven, the promise awaits.

**Come down from the mountain.**

With grace-filled exaltation, all are welcome here.

**Come down from the mountain.**

Lead us in a way where all exclusions become inclusions.

**Come down from the mountain.**

We worship today in harmony and praise for the One who has and will come.

**Opening Unison Prayer:**

Persistent God, even when we are obstinate, you have been faithful and steadfast. We live in a world with tempting gods of power, privilege, status and more. In this season of Lent, as we journey toward the cross of redemption and sacrifice, we pray that you will give us patience for your timing, trust in your goodness and wisdom to guard against false gods. In the strength of your Spirit, keep us faithful in our love for you alone. Amen.

**Confession and Pardon:**

Holy God,

How easily do we forget you!

How easily are we distracted from your call.

And yet, you turn away from the wrath which is rightfully yours,

and you turn your face toward us.

We are neither crushed nor destroyed by your heavy hand,

but rather we are humble recipients of your mercy.

Save us from our stubbornness and open our eyes,

that we may turn our faces again and again toward you.

In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob is the God who has set us free.

The God of Sarah, Rebecca, and Rachel is the God in whom all things are made new.

In the name of Jesus Christ, praise God, we are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, praise God, we are forgiven!

**Offering Introduction:**

Today we celebrate the ways God is transforming us in our understanding and knowledge. We celebrate the ways God is redefining love in each of us. We celebrate that God is still moving and changing hearts and minds.

**Offertory Prayer:**

Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on us. As we bring these gifts to you today, help us to refocus on you, to be centered in you. Mold and shape us. Remove anything that we have allowed to come between you and us. And may the gifts be a seed sown as we recommit to you and you only today. Amen.

**Song Suggestions:**

CLUW #81; MVPC #30; UMH #140: 오 신실하신 주 / Grande es tu fidelidad / Great Is Thy Faithfulness

CLUW #86: 그 크신 하나님의 사랑 / The Love Of God

TFWS #2169: God, How Can We Forgive

UMH #121: There’s A Wideness In God’s Mercy

CCLI #5508444: One Thing Remains (Your Love Never Fails)

CCLI #7067555: Do It Again

Called to More Week 6: Passion/Palm Sunday Worship Resources

**Scripture Passage:** Matthew 21:1-11; Matthew 27:15-23

**Call to Worship:**

The sacred space opens as we turn to see the One.

Who is this?

We enter with triumph and praise.

Hosanna!

In the midst of our joy, we also raise our cold and broken hallelujahs.

With mercy and love we shall endure together.

**Opening Unison Prayer:**

Today we sing our hosannas and lay our palm branches before you, Lord Jesus. It is such a joy to be in a crowd of believers where we all praise and celebrate your coming, together! In the strength of your Spirit, help us to sing and praise your name even in the crowds that turn against you. Amen.

**Confession and Pardon:**

God who reigns,

so many powers push and pull us,

threatening to overwhelm and destroy.

We hear seductive promises and we believe them;

we are persuaded by the allure of self-preservation;

we follow the crowd instead of risking vulnerability.

Fix our eyes on you, that we would not be led astray.

Forgive us for the times we have wandered and draw us home again.

We pray this in the name of Jesus the Messiah. Amen.

In Christ’s humility, we find victory. In Christ’s righteousness, we find hope.

In Christ’s suffering, we find salvation. In Christ’s love, we are made whole.

In the name of Jesus Christ, praise God, we are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, praise God, we are forgiven!

**Offering Introduction:**

As we prepare to give today, we celebrate the hope around us. Though the world may say otherwise, God shows us that each of us is welcomed and invited to a table that grows wider with each addition. We hope that what we give today helps to extend that table in the world.

**Offertory Prayer:**

Holy God, in times where crowds may be shouting one thing or another, we join our voices together to shout your praises. We honor your great gift to us, by giving you these gifts, by giving you our praise, and giving you our worship. Receive these gifts today, great and holy God, in the name of Jesus our Christ. Amen.

**Song Suggestions:**

CLUW #130; UMH #160: 맘 정결한 자들 / Rejoice, Ye Pure In Heart

CLUW #178; MVPC #136; UMH #279: 흥분한 군중들이 / Mantos y palmas / Filled With Excitement

CLUW #180; TFWS #2112: 골짜기 외로운 길 / Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley

UMH #278: Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

UMH #280: All Glory, Laud, And Honor

CCLI #4662491: Hosanna (Praise Is Rising) / 호산나 (Korean, #6352534)

Called to More Week 7: Easter Sunday, Raised to Life Worship Resources

**Scripture Passage: Matt: 28:1-10; Ephesians 2:4-8**

**Call to Worship:**

Death does not have the final word.

**He is risen!**

The redemptive power of Christ lives and reigns.

**He is risen!**

We are loved wholly, deeply, and completely.

**Christ is risen indeed!**

**Opening Unison Prayer:**

Resurrected Christ, overwhelm our hearts with the Good News of this day! The empty tomb reminds us of your power over sin and death and frees us to live fully forgiven, redeemed and loved. By the strength of your Spirit, let our Alleluias fill us with such joy that we are transformed to live as your Easter people. We pray this in the beautiful name of Jesus. Amen.

**Offering Introduction:**

While fear can overwhelm, God shows us on this day of resurrection that there is an awesome power--to change the world, to subvert systems of injustice and to live contrary to the world as people of forgiveness and grace. This day we celebrate that God is in the restoration business, calling us into relationship and calling us home.

**Offertory Prayer:**

Thank you, great God, for restoring us, forgiving us, saving us and communing with us. Now receive these offerings as we honor you; and may they be used for your glory as we go out in the world to share these gifts with all we encounter.

**Song Suggestions:**

CLUW #190; UMH #318: 주 사셨다 / Christ Is Alive

CLUW #193; MVPC #152; UMH #302: 예수 부활했으니 / Cristo ya resucit, Aleluya! / Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

CLUW #194; MVPC #155; UMH #308: 주님께 영광 / Tuya es la gloria / Thine Be The Glory

W&S #3105: In Christ Alone

CCLI #7119315 : Raise A Hallelujah

CCLI #7106807: Living Hope / Mi Esperanza Está En Jesús (Spanish, #7125175)