

Laity Sunday 2022 Worship Resources:
Rise up and Testify to God's Grace!

Call to Worship:

God gives us grace, often in unusual ways.

Let us be more aware of the ways God's grace comes to us.

May we always show gratitude and praise God, especially for the ultimate gift of grace, Jesus!

We praise God for all the gifts God has given, especially God's gift of Jesus.

The man who was lame from birth received something unexpected and praised God!

Like him, help us to rise up and testify to the goodness of God.

United, let us share God's love and grace with others.

Unison Prayer:

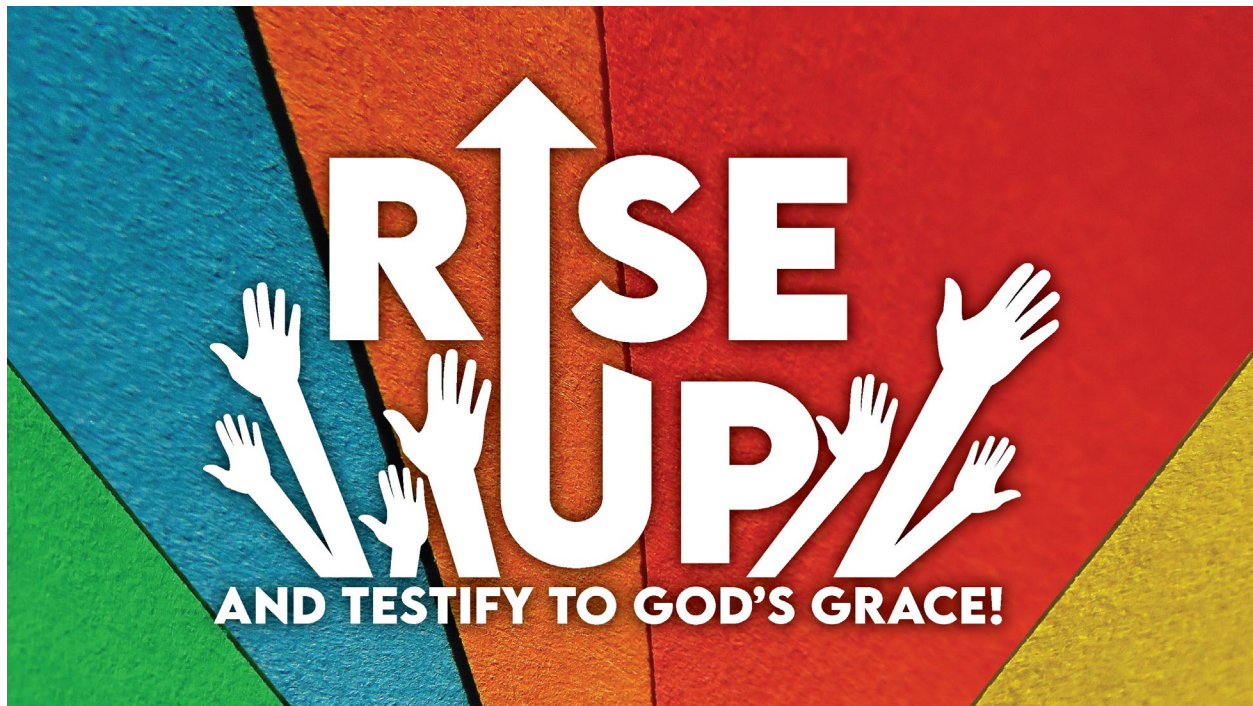
Almighty God, we are so grateful that you often surprise us with your grace. Help us to be like the lame man, who walked, leaped, and praised you! Help us to rise up, testify and praise your Glory, as we witness and share the grace of Jesus with all we meet. We ask this, in the name of your beloved son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Offering Introduction: Introduction

God gives us blessing upon blessing, even when we don't recognize them right away. Our tithes and offerings are one way to praise God's name and give thanks for those blessings. Let today be the day that you proclaim the goodness of God with your generosity.

Offertory Prayer:

Gracious and loving God, we are humbly thankful for our blessings, including the unexpected and surprising ones you give us. In return, we offer ourselves that we may be conduits to help others to rise up. May the treasures we bring today be used to shower others with love and grace so that they, too, may walk and leap and praise you! In the name of our savior, Jesus Christ, we pray, amen.



Music Suggestions (Traditional):

TFWS #2005 – Arise, Shine
TFWS #2084 – Come, Let Us With Our Lord Arise
UMH #57 – O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing/ UMH
#59 Mil Voces Para Celebrar
UMH #98 – To God be the Glory
UMH #139 – Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Music Suggestions (Contemporary):

Love of God by Marilyn Kinelski (GNJ lay person)
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Rise Up – CCLI #7108026
Great Are You Lord – CCLI #6460220
Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace) – CCLI #7019974 /
Vasijas Rotas (Sublime Gracia) – CCLI #7024659