

OUR KEY PURPOSES

WEEK 3: WORSHIPPING GOD IN ALL THAT WE DO

1) When was the last time that you found yourself cheering and applauding? (or, what types of situations, in general, do you tend to find yourself cheering and applauding?)

Sports event

Music concert

Political event

Live theater

Theme park/Thrill ride

Other _____

2) Discuss the specific details behind your choice(s) that you made above with your group.

3) What it is about these events that made you spontaneously want to cheer and applaud?

4) Was your response a form of “worship?” If not, what made it different?

Read Psalm 95:1-7a

5) List all of the specific acts of worship mentioned in these verses:

6) Which of them do we do today in our services of worship?

7) With respect to the ones that we don't do specifically (like bowing), what do we do that carries the same meaning? What do they mean?

8) List all of the reasons WHY we worship that are stated in these verses:

9) How would you summarize these reasons into one summary statement?

10) What are the elements within a typical worship service that tend to have the biggest impact on you?

11) What are the elements within a typical worship service that tend to have the least impact on you?

12) Read aloud together our third Key Purpose as a church:

Worshipping God in All That We Do

A key purpose of Gurnee Community Church is to engage and inspire all who enter here, regardless of age or background, to actively and regularly worship God, both collectively and individually, as followers of Christ empowered by the Holy Spirit, primarily through biblical teaching, prayer, the sacraments, and expressions of praise.

13) What are some examples of worship-focused ministries or events you have observed or been involved with at GCC that fit this Key Purpose? What makes that ministry or event a good example of this Key Purpose? Are there ways that ministry could be improved to fit this Key Purpose even better?

14) Are there ministries you have observed or participated in that seemed to be out-of-sync with this Key Purpose? Why?

(Spend some time in prayer for one another)