

# Lydia House Worship

## Candle-lighting

## Call to Worship

**Leader:** Come, let us worship together.

**All:** **Let us praise the one and only God whose son Jesus lived and died for us, and was raised from the dead, and lives forever.**

**Leader:** Let's worship the LORD with joy and thanksgiving!

**All:** **Rejoice in the LORD always! Again, I say, Rejoice!**

## Song

### Lord I Lift Your Name on High

Lord I lift your name on high; Lord I love to sing your praises.  
I'm so glad you're in my life; I'm so glad you came to save us!  
You came from heaven to earth to show the way,  
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay  
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the skies  
Lord I lift your name on high!

## Prayer

### Sharing of favorite verse or lesson learned from Lydia study

#### Declaration of Faith (read together)

We believe in God, our one eternal Father, powerful, yet merciful and ever-loving. We trust Him to open our hearts to His Word just as He opened the heart of Lydia of Philippi by the river long ago.

We believe in Jesus Christ, God's only son, who is the promised Messiah, who welcomes everyone who trusts in him, who through his death on the cross makes possible our complete forgiveness and who offers us the gift of eternal life.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, who leads us, guides us, teaches us the truth about God, and comforts us in difficult times. This spirit who lives in us is the same spirit that lived in Paul and Lydia and all the believers over the years. This same spirit unites us all by faith.

We believe our citizenship is in heaven. Therefore, we joyfully stand firm in the LORD, seeking to share God's love with others through love, hospitality, and the grace of giving so that we may shine like stars in the universe as we hold out the Word of Life.

In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, One God forever,

**AMEN.**

**Song: Lydia by June Armstrong**

Long ago there was a woman named Lydia who worshipped God.  
One day she met a man named Paul who said God loved us so he sent his  
Son.

Then God opened up her heart to believe the things Paul said,  
and she asked to be baptized, she and all her house.

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One day she met a man named Paul who said God loved us so he sent his  
Son.

Then she opened up her house for the new Philippian church,  
and they rejoiced in Christ the Lord, God's one and only Son.

Giving more than they were able, they excelled through grace,  
Holding out the Word of Life, they all shone like stars.

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**Scripture Reading:**

**Message:**

**Communion:**

**Prayers around the circle**

**Prayer:**

**Benediction: (2 Corinthians 13:14)**

*May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
be with you all. AMEN*