



Morning Services of Divine Worship – June 1, 2025

“Themes for a Growing Church: Spiritual Gifts”

1 Corinthians 12:1–11, 28–31

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1. The center is the confession that Jesus is Lord. (12:1–3)
 - Let us confess Jesus as Lord.

2. The diversity of gifts flows from the character of the Triune God. (12:4–6)
 - Let us thank God for diversity in creation and redemption.

3. The Spirit dispenses gifts for the common good. (12:7)
 - Let us seek the common good.

4. Every gift of the Spirit is essential, yet there are ‘higher gifts’. (12:8–11, 28–31)
 - Let us use our gifts and attend to the higher gifts.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR GROUPS:

1. Why is the confession of Christ as Lord the starting point for all spiritual gifts?
2. Do you have a good sense of your God-given gifts? How are you exercising them today?
3. Do you have respect for every gift? Take time to explain how every gift mentioned in the New Testament promotes the common good.
4. How has the church misused the teaching on gifts? Explain how "the principle of participation" cures a common error.
5. Explain "the priesthood of believers." How does it lead us to use our gifts well?