Prayer REV. JOSH DESCH NEPC SERMON SERIES SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2024

Sermon Title: "Praising Prayer" (#4 in the Sermon Series)

Scripture text: Psalm 148

Main Points:

- 1. Who Should Praise God?
- 2. Why Should We Praise God?
- 3. When Should We Praise God?
- 4. How Should We Praise God?

Questions:

- 1. Ice Breaker Question What is an example in our culture of something serving as a "means to an end"?
- 2. **Transition Question** Do you think that sometimes people, even Christians, see God as a means to an end, especially in regard to prayer?
- 3. **Observation Question** Read Psalm 148 out loud. What word occurs 10 times in this Psalm? [It is the word "all," but give your LG a chance to figure out the answer].
- 4. Interpretation Question What is the significance of the word "all" in this passage?
- 5. **Reflection Question** Do you delight in praising God?
- 6. Application Question How can you incorporate praise into your prayer life?

