## Responsive Reading: Psalm 44:1-8 Congregation reads the **bold**, **italic** lines

Pastor: We have heard with our ears, O God; our fathers have told us what You did in their days, in days long ago.

Congregation: With Your hand You drove out the nations and planted our fathers;

Pastor: You crushed the peoples and made our fathers flourish.

Congregation: It was not by their sword that they won the land, nor did their arm bring them victory;

Pastor: it was Your right hand, Your arm, and the light of Your face, for You loved them.

Congregation: You are my King and my God, who decrees victories for Jacob.

Pastor: Through You we push back our enemies; through Your Name we trample our foes.

Congregation: I do not trust in my bow, my sword does not bring me victory;

Pastor: but You give us victory over our enemies, You put our adversaries to shame.

Congregation: In God we make our boast all day long, and we will praise Your Name forever.