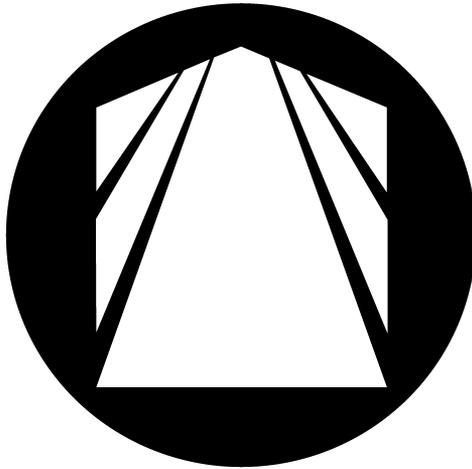


“He sitteth on the right hand of God the Father’—the summit has been reached, the perfect tenses lie behind us and we enter the realm of the present. That is what we have to say of our time—that is the first and the last thing that matters for our existence in time. At its basis lies this existence of Jesus Christ, his sitting at the right hand of God the Father. Whatever prosperity or defeat may occur in our space, whatever may become and pass away, there is one constant, one thing that remains and continues, this sitting of his at the right hand of God the Father. There is no historical turning-point which approaches this. Here we have the mystery of what we term world history, Church history, history of civilisation; here we have the thing that underlies everything.”

Karl Barth, *Dogmatics In Outline*



ASCENSION  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

July 5, 2015



**CALL TO WORSHIP • Isaiah 42:10a**

Sing to the LORD a new song,  
his praise from the end of the earth.

# Crown Him With Many Crowns

Text: Matthew Bridges • Music: *Diademata*, George Elvey • Public Domain

Alto

The musical score is written for an Alto voice part in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are: 'Crown him with man-y crowns, the Lamb up-on his throne; Hark how the heav'n-ly an-them drowns all mu-sic but its own; a-wake, my soul and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy match-less king through all e-ter-ni-ty.'

Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his  
4 throne; Hark how the heav'n - ly an - them drowns all  
7 mu - sic but its own; a - wake, my soul and sing of  
11 him who died for thee, and hail him as thy  
14 match - less king through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Crown him the Lord of love, behold his hands and side,  
those wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.  
No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,  
But downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed over the grave,  
and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save.  
His glories now we sing, who died, and rose on high,  
who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scepter sways  
from pole to pole, that wars may cease, and all be prayer and praise.  
His reign shall know no end, and round his pierced feet  
fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of Heaven, enthroned in worlds above,  
crown him the King to whom is given the wondrous name of Love.  
Crown him with many crowns, as thrones before him fall;  
crown him, ye kings, with many crowns, for he is King of all.

## PRAYER OF INVOCATION

### CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN • 1 John 4:10

In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

### CONFESSION OF SIN

*Our Father in heaven, we confess that we have doubted your gracious love. Instead of living like you delight in us, we avoid you in shame and guilt. Instead of receiving your favor as a gift, we try to earn it with our efforts. Instead of accepting your freedom, we prefer our chains. Instead of pursuing your purposes, we cling to our own agendas. Forgive us. Embrace us. Cleanse us. Heal us. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.*

(Silent confession)

### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS • 1 John 4:15

Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God.

May the peace of Christ be with you.

*And also with you!*

### OFFERING • 2 Corinthians 9:6-8

Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work.

### DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!*

*Praise him, all creatures here below!*

*Praise him above, ye heavenly host!*

*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.*

### OLD TESTAMENT READING • Psalm 8

1 O LORD, our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory above the heavens.

2 Out of the mouth of babies and infants,

you have established strength because of your foes,

to still the enemy and the avenger.

3 When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,

4 what is man that you are mindful of him,

and the son of man that you care for him?

5 Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings  
and crowned him with glory and honor.  
6 You have given him dominion over the works of your hands;  
you have put all things under his feet,  
7 all sheep and oxen,  
and also the beasts of the field,  
8 the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea,  
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.  
9 O LORD, our Lord,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

The Word of the Lord.  
*Thanks be to God!*

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

The Lord be with you.  
*And also with you.*  
Let us pray...

Jesus, remember us when you come in your kingdom,  
*Have mercy upon us and hear our prayers.*

For all who carry out your ministries within your church,  
*We ask for grace and wisdom.*

For those who don't yet believe the gospel,  
*We ask for your faithful love.*

For governors and rulers in every land,  
*We ask for your guidance.*

For people who suffer and grieve,  
*We ask for your healing peace.*

Holy God, your Son, Jesus Christ has spoken to us the word of reconciliation. We come to you now in the words He taught us, saying:

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

# To You, O Lord, I Lift My Eyes

Text: Psalm 123 • Music: Matthew H. Curl • Used by Permission

Tenor

To You, O Lord, I lift my eyes,  
O Lord our God, Your mer-cy show,  
To You en - throned a - bove the skies.  
For hu - man pride and scorn we know.  
As ser - vants  
Re - proach and  
watch their mas - ter's hand, Or  
shame your saints en - dure, From  
maid - ens by their mis - tress stand,  
sin - ners who ap - pear se - cure.  
So to the Lord our eyes we raise,  
To You O Lord, I lift my eyes,  
Un - til His mer - cy He dis - plays.  
To You en - throned a - bove the skies.

# How Deep The Father's Love For Us

Text & Music: Stuart Townend • ©1995 Thankyou Music

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'How Deep The Father's Love For Us'. It consists of ten staves of music in a 4/4 time signature with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The score includes measure numbers 3, 5, 7, 10, 13, and 15. The lyrics are: 'How deep the Fa-ther's love for us, how Be-hold the man up-on the cross, my I will not boast in an-y thing, no vast be-yond all mea-sure, that sin up-on His should-ers; a-gifts, no pow'r, no wis-dom; but He should give His on-ly Son to shamed, I hear my mock-ing voice call I will boast in Je-sus Christ, His make a wretch His trea-sure. How out a-mong the scof-fers. It death and res-ur-rect-ion. Why great the pain of sear-ing loss; the Fa-ther turns His was my sin that held Him there un-til it was ac-should I gain from His re-ward? I can-not give an face a-way as wounds which mar the com-plished. His dy-ing breath has an-swer, but this I know with cho-sen one bring man-y sons to glo-ry. brought me life, I know that it is fin-ished. all my heart: His wounds have paid my ran-som.'

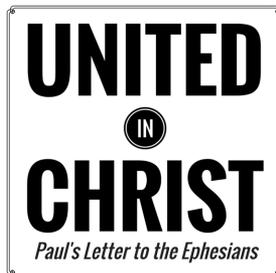
## **NEW TESTAMENT READING • Ephesians 1:15-23**

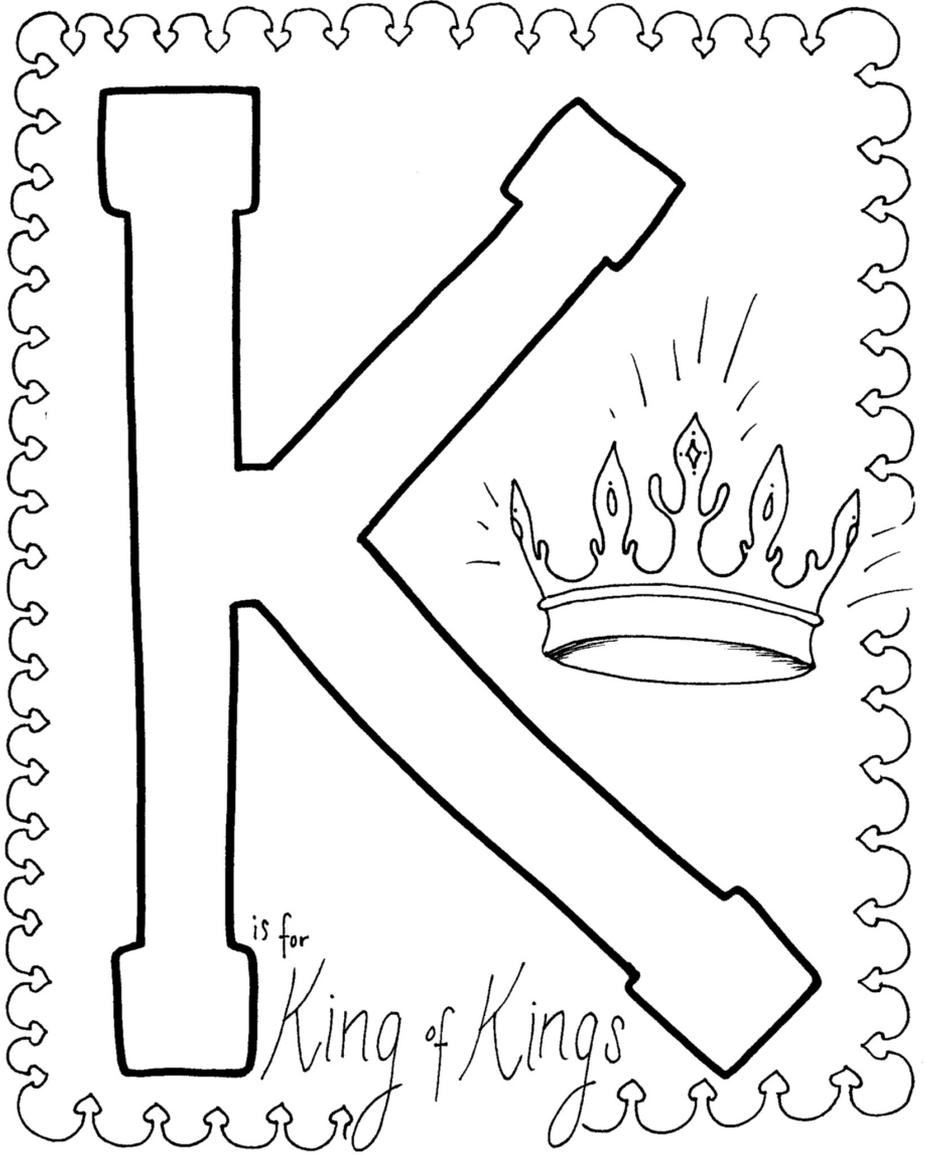
<sup>15</sup> For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, <sup>16</sup> I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, <sup>17</sup> that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, <sup>18</sup> having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, <sup>19</sup> and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might <sup>20</sup> that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup> far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. <sup>22</sup> And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, <sup>23</sup> which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God!*

**SERMON • “Jesus Is Lord” (Rev. Eric Costa)**







THE UPPER ROOM



**CONFESSION OF FAITH (Romans 10:9; 1 Corinthians 12:3; Philippians 2:9-11)**

Christian, who is the Lord of your life?

*Jesus is Lord!*

Who is the Lord of the church?

*Jesus is Lord!*

Who is the Lord of heaven and earth?

*Jesus is Lord! Amen.*

**PASSING OF THE PEACE • Colossians 3:15**

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.

(Greet with the words, “*The peace of Christ be with you.*”)

**INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE AND PRAYER**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION • 1 Corinthians 11:23-26**

**THE MYSTERIUM FIDEI • 1 Corinthians 11:26; 5:7-8**

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

*Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.*

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*Therefore let us keep the feast.*

The gifts of God for the people of God.

**GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP**

(All who confess faith in Jesus Christ may partake of this Sacrament: baptized members of a congregation that proclaims the Gospel, who are at peace with God and with their brothers and sisters in Christ, and who seek God’s grace to live more faithfully for him in this world. Please come forward after the musicians. The glasses on your right contain grape juice for those who do not want wine. There are gluten-free crackers on the table. An Elder is available in the back for prayer [James 5:13-16].)

## In Christ Alone

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The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'In Christ Alone'. It consists of ten staves of music in a 3/4 time signature with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words hyphenated across lines. The score includes a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a 3/4 time signature. The lyrics are: In Christ a - lone my hope is found, He is my In Christ a - lone, who took on flesh, ful - ness of There in the ground His bo - dy lay, light of the light, my strength, my song; This Cor - ner - God in help - less babe! This gift of world by dark - ness slain; Then burst - ing stone, this so - lid ground. firm through the love and right - eous - ness, scorned by the forth in glor - ious day up from the fier - cest drought and storm. What heights of ones he came to save: 'Till on that grave He rose a - gain! And as He love, what depths of peace when fears are cross as Je - sus died, the wrath of stands in vic - to - ry sin's curse has stilled, when striv - ings cease! My com - fort - er, my all in God was sa - tis - fied. For ev - 'ry sin on Him was lost its grip on me, for I am His and He is all, here in the love of Christ I stand. laid; here in the death of Christ I live. mine, bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me;  
from life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from his hand;  
'till he returns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

# It Is Well With My Soul

Text: Horatio G. Spafford • Music: Phillip P. Bliss • Public Domain

Tenor

When peace, like a riv - er, at -  
Though sa - tan should buf - fet, though  
My sin, O the bliss of this  
tend - eth my way, when sor - rows like sea bil - lows  
tri - als should come, let this blest as - sur - ance con -  
glo - ri - ous thought! My sin, not in part, but the  
roll; what - ev - er my lot, thou hast taught me to  
trol, that Christ has re - gard - ed my help - less es -  
11 whole, is nailed to the cross and I bear it no  
8 say, "It is well, it is well with my soul." It is  
tate, and has shed His own blood for my soul.  
15 more; Praise the Lord! It is well with my soul!  
well... with my soul; it is well, it is well with my  
21 soul!

O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,  
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,  
the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,  
even so, it is well with my soul.

*(Chorus x2)*

## BENEDICTION • Revelation 1:4-5

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

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**Side By Side Conversations** • 9am Sundays. Join us this summer for discussions of Ed Welch's book, *Side By Side: Walking With Others In Wisdom And Love*. Next week (July 5): chapters 8 & 9.

**Mercy Sunday** • On the first Sunday of each month (today) we collect a special offering—*Alms*—during the Lord's Supper, to help meet needs in our congregation and community. After Worship, please bring donations for the teaching garden at W. L. Henry Elementary.

**Summer Picnic** • Today after Worship at the Walnut Street Park.

**Gospel-Centered Life Home Group** • Sun., July 12, after Worship at the home of Joe and Cindy Pope.

**Moms' Group** • 10am Tue., July 7 and 21. Contact: jerilee.costa@gmail.com.

**"Ask The Pastor"** • 6-8pm Tue., July 14, at the home of Joe and Tracy Edwards. Children going into third grade and above are invited to join us for pizza, root beer floats, a short magic show by the Edwards boys, and a Q&A time with Eric. Kids, please come with your hardest question about God written on a piece of paper—we'll draw the questions from a hat one at a time. Parents are welcome either to stay or drop off their kids. We want to create a respectful environment where children feel comfortable asking their questions, so if parents need to stay to help their children participate, please do. RSVP to Tracy (tracyedwards78@yahoo.com, 503-819-1013).

**It Takes A Church To Raise A Christian Home Group** • Sun., July 19 at the Costa home.

**Church Campout** • Aug. 28-30 (Friday through Sunday) at Oxbow Regional Park in Gresham on the Sandy River. Contact Tim Sery to reserve a spot.

**Nursery Volunteers** • Contact: Jerilee Costa (jerilee.costa@gmail.com).

Today: Hamilton      Next Sunday: Pope

**Refreshments Volunteers** • Contact: Nicole Hamilton (neh.hamilton@gmail.com).

Today: Costa      Next Sunday: Hamilton

**Regular Gatherings** • For information about our meetings like home groups and bible studies for men and women, visit [ascensionpc.org/calendar](http://ascensionpc.org/calendar).



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