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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Public Worship on the Lord's Day  
July 24, 2016

  
THE WORD  


**CALL TO WORSHIP • Hebrews 13:15**

Through Jesus then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name.

# Hosanna In The Highest

Text: The Book of Common Prayer • Music: Benjamin Wilkinson • Used by Permission

Tenor

8 Ho - san - na to the liv - ing Lord! Ho - san - na to the  
O Sav - ior with pro - tect - ing care, a - bide in this thy  
4 Be ho - nor, praise, and glo - ry giv'n, by all on earth and  
8 liv - ing word! Where we thy par - ting prom - ise claim, as -  
house of prayer; and make our se - cret soul to be, a  
7 all in heav'n, to God the Fa - ther and the Son, and  
8 semb - led in thy sa - cred name; to Christ, cre - a - tor  
tem - ple pure and ho - ly; be hon - or praise and  
10 God the Spi - rit three in one, be hon - or praise and  
8 Sa - rior, King, let earth, let heav'n, Ho - san - nas sing! Ho - san - na!  
glo - ry giv'n, by all on earth and all in heav'n.  
14 glo - ry giv'n, by all on earth and all in heav'n!  
8 \_ Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na! in the high - est! \_

## **PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

He is risen!

*He is risen indeed!*

Let us pray...

## **CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN • Psalm 145:8-9**

The LORD is gracious and merciful,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.  
The LORD is good to all,  
and his mercy is over all that he has made.

## **CONFESSION OF SIN**

*Fountain of Living Waters, you give to all mankind life and breath and everything. But we have refused to honor you or give you thanks. We stubbornly pretend that we don't need you, that we can help ourselves. We actively resist your presence and will in our lives. We thoughtlessly ignore you, which may be the worst slight of all. Yet you remain a God of light and life and love, and, in your grace, you have invaded this world to save us from ourselves. Your presence and will, as seen in Jesus, is better than our autonomy. We are sorry for our foolish rebellion. Please forgive us, and fix our eyes on Christ, who came to seek and save the lost, in whose name we pray. Amen.*

(Silent confession)

## **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS • Psalm 145:18-20**

The LORD is near to all who call on him,  
to all who call on him in truth.  
He fulfills the desire of those who fear him;  
he also hears their cry and saves them.  
The LORD preserves all who love him,  
but all the wicked he will destroy.  
May the peace of Christ be with you.  
*And also with you!*

## **OFFERING • 1 Corinthians 16:1-2**

Concerning the collection for the saints: as I directed the churches of Galatia, so you also are to do. On the first day of every week, each of you is to put something aside and store it up, as he may prosper.

## **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 125

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...

Holy Father, our great God, we praise you for your perfect holiness.

*We thank you for not sparing your own Son but giving him up for us all. We love you for adopting us as your children by your grace. We trust you to use every circumstance for our good as your people.*

Our Lord Jesus Christ, we praise you for taking our condemnation on yourself.

*We love you for the pity you showed in rescuing us from our sins. We rest in you because you are constantly interceding for us with the Father. We thank you that absolutely nothing can separate us from your love.*

Holy Spirit of God, we praise you for giving us new life and living with us constantly.

*We thank you for the war you wage against sin in our lives. We delight in the assurance you give us that we are God's sons in Christ. We love you for searching our hearts and helping us in our weakness.*

Hear us as we pray in the words of the Lord himself, 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.*

# Peace, Perfect Peace

Text: Edward H. Bickersteth (1875) • Music: Matthew H. Curl (2008) • Used by Permission

Tenor



8  
Peace, per-fect peace, in this dark world of  
4  
Peace, per-fect peace, with sor - rows surg - ing  
8  
sin, the blood of Je - sus whis - pers peace with -  
8  
round, on Je - sus' bo - som naught but calm is  
8  
in. Peace, perfect peace, by throng - ing du - ties  
12  
found. Peace, perfect peace, with loved ones far a -  
8  
pressed, to do the will of Je - sus, this is rest. \_\_\_\_\_  
17  
way, in - Je - sus' keep - ing we are safe and they. \_\_\_\_\_  
8  
It is e - nough: earth's strug - gles soon shall cease, when  
21  
Je - sus calls us to hea - ven's per - fect peace. \_\_\_\_\_ It is e -  
26  
8  
nough: earth's strug - gles soon shall cease, when Je - sus calls us  
30  
8  
home to a per - fect peace.

Peace, perfect peace, our future all unknown,  
Jesus we know, and he is on the throne.  
Peace, perfect peace, death shadows us and ours,  
Jesus has vanquished death and all its pow'rs.  
*It is enough: earth's struggles soon shall cease,  
when Jesus calls us to heaven's perfect peace.*  
*It is enough: earth's struggles soon shall cease,  
when Jesus calls us home to a perfect peace.*

# Before The Throne Of God Above

Text: Charitie Lees Bancroft • Music: Vikki Cook • ©1997 Sovereign Grace Worship

Alto

The musical score is written for an Alto voice part in treble clef, with a key signature of two sharps (D major) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The score consists of six staves of music, with measure numbers 4, 7, 11, 14, and 17 indicated at the beginning of their respective staves. The lyrics are: "Be-fore the throne of God a - bove I have a strong and per-fect plea A great High Priest whose name is love Who ev-er lives and pleads for me My name is gra-ven on His hands My name is writ - ten on His heart I know that while in heav'n He stands No tongue can bid me thence de - part No tongue can bid me thence de - part".

Be-fore the throne of God a - bove I have a  
strong and per-fect plea A great High Priest whose name is  
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while in heav'n He stands No tongue can bid me thence de -  
part No tongue can bid me thence de - part

When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within,  
upward I look to see him there, who made an end of all my sin.  
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free,  
for God, the Just, is satisfied to look on him and pardon me,  
to look on him and pardon me.

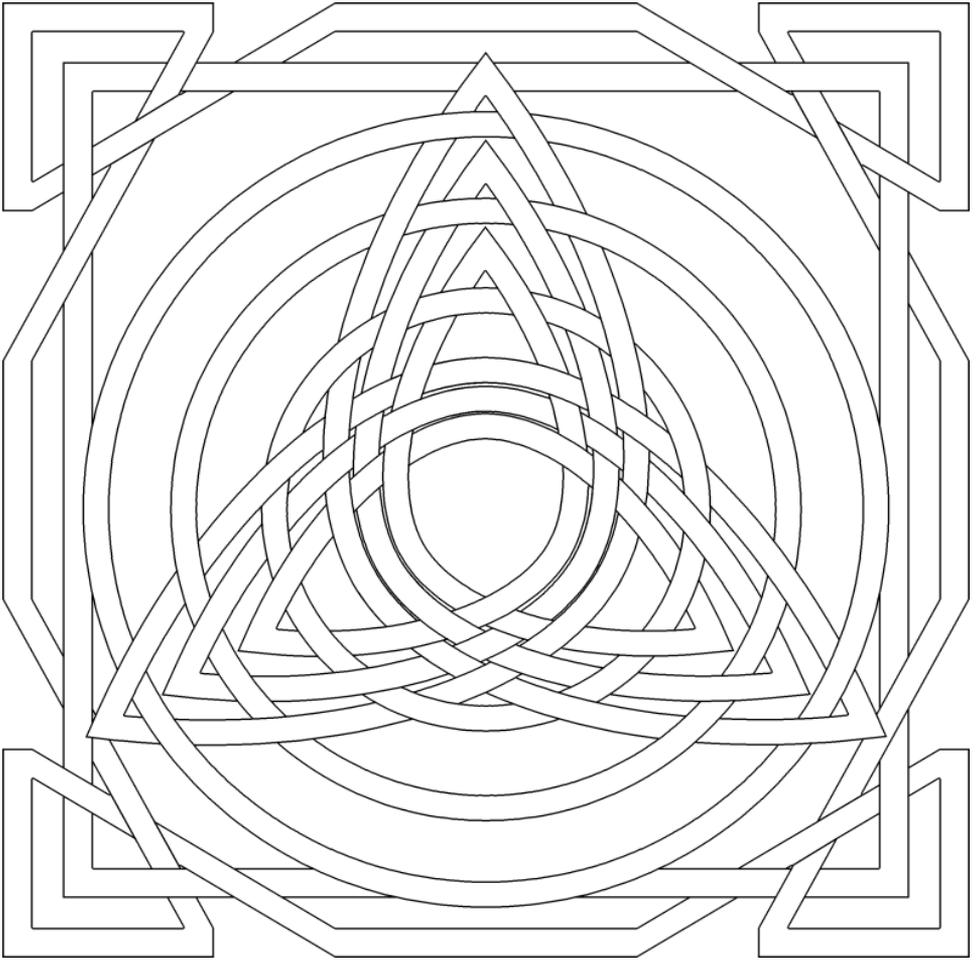
Behold him there! the risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless Righteousness,  
the great unchangeable I Am, the King of glory and of grace.  
One with himself I cannot die, my soul is purchased by his blood,  
my life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God,  
with Christ my Savior and my God,  
with Christ my Savior and my God.

**SCRIPTURE READING**

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God!*

**SERMON (Rev. Michael Kelly)**





THE UPPER ROOM



**CONFESSION OF FAITH (Jn. 20:28; Rom. 10:9; 1 Cor. 12:3; Eph. 4:5; Phil. 2:6-11)**

What does God the Father want you to know and trust?

*Jesus Christ is Lord!*

What does God the Spirit enable you to confess and proclaim?

*Jesus Christ is Lord!*

What is the grace and truth of the revelation of God?

*Jesus Christ is Lord!*

Who is the Lord of your life?

*Jesus Christ is Lord!*

Who is the Lord of the church?

*Jesus Christ is Lord!*

Who is the Lord of heaven and earth?

*Jesus Christ is Lord, and there is no other! 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 one another 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.

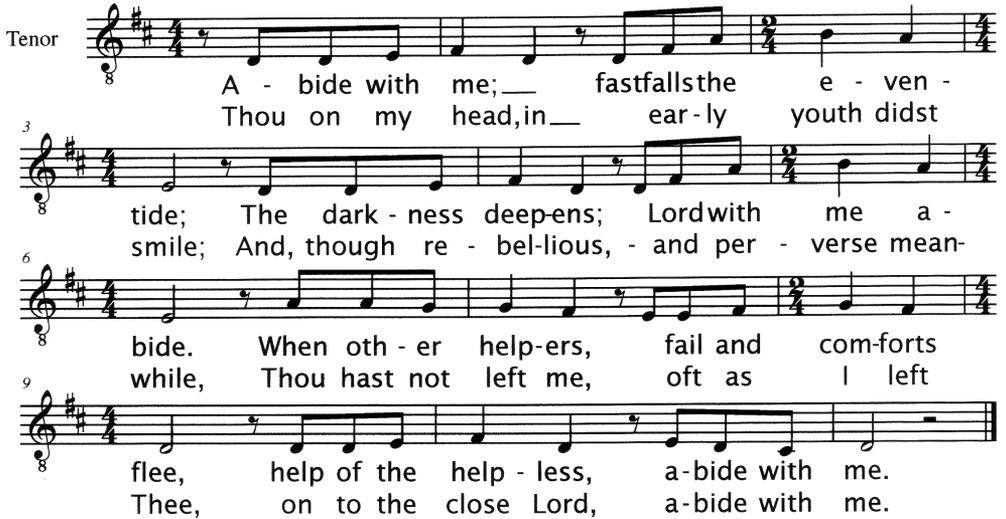
**GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP**

(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].)

# Abide With Me

Text: Henry Lyte • Music: Justin Smith • ©2007 Justin Smith Music

Tenor



A - bid with me; — fast fall the e - ven -  
Thou on my head, in — ear - ly youth didst  
tide; The dark - ness deepens; Lord with me a -  
smile; And, though re - bel - lious, - and per - verse mean -  
bid. When oth - er help - ers, fail and com - forts  
while, Thou hast not left me, oft as I left  
flee, help of the help - less, a - abide with me.  
Thee, on to the close Lord, a - abide with me.

I need thy presence every passing hour.  
What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power?  
Who, like thyself, my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine, abide with me.

I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless;  
ills have no weight, tears lose their bitterness.  
Where is thy sting death? Where grave thy victory?  
I triumph still, abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes;  
shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.  
Heav'n's morning breaks and earth's vain shadows flee;  
In life and death, Lord, abide with me.

# Gloria In The Highest

Text: Ambrose (4<sup>th</sup> Century), Martin Luther (16<sup>th</sup> Century)

Music: Matthew H. Curl • Used By Permission

Tenor

8 Sa - vior of the na - tions come,  
Not by hu - man pow'r or seed  
Mar - y then was found with child,  
Christ laid down his maj - es - ty,  
3 show your - self the vir - gin's son. Fill with won - der  
did the wom - an's womb con - ceive; on - ly by the  
still a vir - gin chaste and mild. God had fa - vored  
6 passed through dark Geth - sem - a - ne. Though he left his  
8 all the earth, that our God chose such a birth.  
Spir - it's breath was the Word of God made flesh.  
her with grace to re - ceive the Prince of Peace.  
9 Fa - ther's home, Christ now sits on God's own throne.  
8 Glo - ri - a! \_\_\_\_ Glo - ri - a! \_\_\_\_ Glo - ri - a! \_\_\_\_  
15  
8 In the high - - - est!

Since the star at Bethlehem brought new light to earth again,  
may our faith shine bright each day; faithful God, keep sin away.  
Christ in glory, intercede for your creature's suff'ring need.  
Let your resurrecting pow'r soon complete the vict'ry hour.

*(Chorus)*

Praise to you, O Lord, we sing, praise to Christ our newborn King!  
With the Father, Spirit, one, let your lasting kingdom come!

*(Chorus x2)*

**BENEDICTION • 2 Corinthians 13:14**

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ  
and the love of God  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
be with you all.

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*Remember:* every gathering is an opportunity to invite a friend, to introduce people to the Christ-centered community and life of the church!

**Church Campout** • Fri. - Sun., Aug. 19-21, at the Deschutes River State Rec. Area. We'll join our sister congregation, Hope (Portland), for the weekend. We will Worship at the campout and not in Hillsboro that Sunday (Aug. 21). Reserve a spot with Tim Sery (fiby2020@gmail.com).

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

**Nursery Volunteers**

Today: Childers      Next Sunday: Aznoe

**Refreshments Volunteers**

(Contact: Nicole Hamilton, [neh.hamilton@gmail.com](mailto:neh.hamilton@gmail.com))

Today: \_\_\_\_\_      Next Sunday: Wismer



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