"A dreadful thing is the love of money, it disables both eyes and ears, and makes men worse to deal with than a wild beast, allowing a man to consider neither conscience, nor friendship, nor fellowship, nor the salvation of his own soul, but having withdrawn them at once from all these things, like some harsh mistress, it makes those captured by it its slaves."

John Chrysostom



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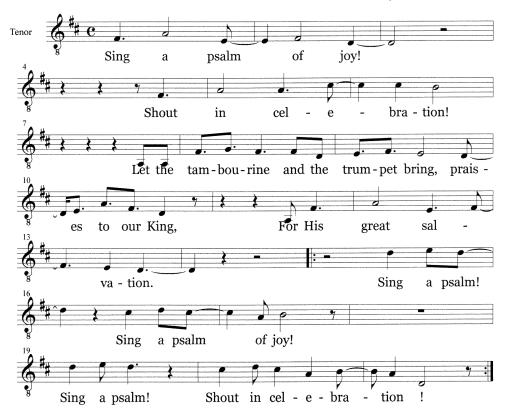


CALL TO WORSHIP • Revelation 22:17

The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come."
And let the one who hears say, "Come."
And let the one who is thirsty come;
let the one who desires take the water of life without price.

Sing A Psalm Of Joy

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Sound the festal horn, your thanksgiving voicing. Praise the Lord your God, as he did command, when from Egypt's land you came forth rejoicing.

(Chorus)

O my people hear; when I call you, listen. Choose no foreign god, listen to my plea, have no god but me; come and be forgiven.

(Chorus)

With the finest wheat, I your Lord, would feed you. Honey from the rock, I would gladly give, that you all might live; hear me O my people.

(Chorus)

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

He is risen! He is risen indeed! Let us pray...

CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN • Luke 23:39-41

One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong."

CONFESSION OF SIN

Heavenly Father, our thoughts and motives cannot be hidden from your sight. Our self-pity and pride, our cowardice and sloth, our anger and envy are laid bare before your eyes and ours. We open ourselves to you and ask that you forgive us and cover us in Christ. Let us hear your voice telling us that his blood is our peace, his death our freedom, his smiting our safety. And let our hearts know that your service is perfect freedom. In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Silent confession)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS • Luke 23:42-43

And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

May the peace of Christ be with you. *And also with you!*

OFFERING • Psalm 96:8

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts!

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 45

- My heart overflows with a pleasing theme; I address my verses to the king; my tongue is like the pen of a ready scribe.
- You are the most handsome of the sons of men; grace is poured upon your lips; therefore God has blessed you forever.
- Gird your sword on your thigh, O mighty one, in your splendor and majesty!
- In your majesty ride out victoriously for the cause of truth and meekness and righteousness; let your right hand teach you awesome deeds!
- 5 Your arrows are sharp in the heart of the king's enemies; the peoples fall under you.

- ⁶ Your throne, O God, is forever and ever.
 - The scepter of your kingdom is a scepter of uprightness;
 - you have loved righteousness and hated wickedness.
 - Therefore God, your God, has anointed you
 - with the oil of gladness beyond your companions;
 - your robes are all fragrant with myrrh and aloes and cassia.
 - From ivory palaces stringed instruments make you glad;
 - daughters of kings are among your ladies of honor; at your right hand stands the queen in gold of Ophir.
- Hear, O daughter, and consider, and incline your ear: forget your people and your father's house,
- and the king will desire your beauty.
 - Since he is your lord, bow to him.
- The people of Tyre will seek your favor with gifts, the richest of the people.
- All glorious is the princess in her chamber, with robes interwoven with gold.
- In many-colored robes she is led to the king, with her virgin companions following behind her.
- With joy and gladness they are led along as they enter the palace of the king.
- In place of your fathers shall be your sons; you will make them princes in all the earth.
- 17 I will cause your name to be remembered in all generations; therefore nations will praise you forever and ever.

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

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

(From 1 Chronicles 29)

¹⁰ Blessed are you, O LORD, the God of Israel our father, forever and ever. ¹¹ Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as head above all. ¹² Both riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all. In your hand are power and might, and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all. ¹³ And now we thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name.

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.

Come, Holy Ghost

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O Holy Ghost, through thee alone know we the Father and the Son; be this our firm, unchanging creed, that thou dost from them both proceed, that thou dost from them both proceed.

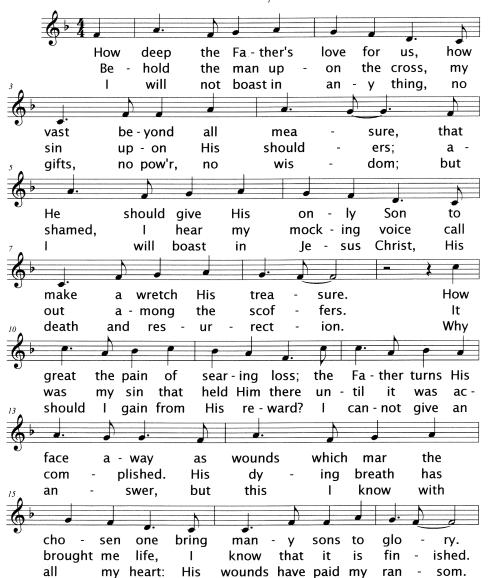
(Chorus x2)

Praise we the Lord, Father and Son, and Holy Spirit with them one; and may the Son on us bestow all gifts that from the Spirit flow, all gifts that from the Spirit flow.

(Chorus x2)

How Deep The Father's Love For Us

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GOSPEL READING • John 11:55 – 12:11

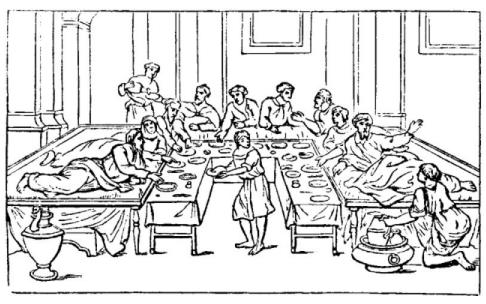
Now the Passover of the Jews was at hand, and many went up from the country to Jerusalem before the Passover to purify themselves. ⁵⁶ They were looking for Jesus and saying to one another as they stood in the temple, "What do you think? That he will not come to the feast at all?" ⁵⁷ Now the chief priests and the Pharisees had given orders that if anyone knew where he was, he should let them know, so that they might arrest him.

^{12:1} Six days before the Passover, Jesus therefore came to Bethany, where Lazarus was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. ² So they gave a dinner for him there. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those reclining with him at table. ³ Mary therefore took a pound of expensive ointment made from pure nard, and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped his feet with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴ But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (he who was about to betray him), said, ⁵ "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" ⁶ He said this, not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief, and having charge of the moneybag he used to help himself to what was put into it. ⁷ Jesus said, "Leave her alone, so that she may keep it for the day of my burial. ⁸ For the poor you always have with you, but you do not always have me."

⁹ When the large crowd of the Jews learned that Jesus was there, they came, not only on account of him but also to see Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ¹⁰ So the chief priests made plans to put Lazarus to death as well, ¹¹ because on account of him many of the Jews were going away and believing in Jesus.

The Gospel of Jesus Christ. *Praise be to you, O Christ!*

SERMON • "Open That Bottle Night" (Rev. Eric Costa)







CONFESSION OF FAITH • The Heidelberg Catechism, 1

What is your only comfort in life and in death?

That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood, and has set me free from all the power of the devil. He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, all things must work together for my salvation. Therefore, by His Holy Spirit He also assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for Him. 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 for prayer upon request [James 5:13-16].)

At The Lamb's High Feast We Sing

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Where the paschal blood is poured, death's dark angel sheaths his sword; Israel's hosts triumphant go through the wave that drowns the foe. Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed: paschal victim, paschal bread. With sincerity and love eat we manna from above.

Mighty victim from the sky, pow'rs of hell beneath thee lie; Death is conquered in the fight, thou hast brought us life and light. Hymns of glory and of praise, risen Lord, to thee we raise; Holy Father, praise to thee, with the Spirit ever be.

O Lord, By Grace Delivered

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What profit if I perish, if life you do not spare? Shall dust repeat your praises, shall it your truth declare? O Lord, on me have mercy, and my petition hear; that you may be my helper, in mercy, Lord, appear.

(Chorus)

My grief is turned to gladness, to you my thanks I raise, who has removed my sorrow and girded me with praise; and now, no longer silent, my heart your praise will sing; O Lord, my God forever, my thanks to you I bring.

(Chorus)

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! For information about our regular meetings like home groups, bible studies for men and women, and more, please visit **ascensionpc.org/calendar**.

After Worship • Please stay a while and join us for coffee and conversation. Around 11:45am we start Sunday School—kids will meet in the sanctuary before going to their classes, and adults will meet in the fellowship hall for Sermon Discussion (young children are welcome to accompany their parents).

Mercy Sunday • On the first Sunday of each month (today) we participate together in a couple different ministries of mercy and compassion. It's good for us to cultivate regular habits like these so that generosity and helping others become "second-nature" to us and to our children. So, we'll collect <u>alms</u>, financial gifts that go to a fund that our deacons oversee for the purposes of alleviating urgent needs among members of our church and community. We will also gather donations for the <u>food pantry</u> at the elementary school in the church's neighborhood, W. L. Henry. Many of the school's impoverished families rely on help like this—thank you!

Parenting Home Group • Next Sunday (Nov. 12) after Worship and Sunday School at the home of Joe and Cindy Pope (15953 SW Tuscany, Tigard). Join us for lunch and conversation about Paul Tripp's book, *Parenting*. All are welcome! RSVP: pope.joe@gmail.com.

Refreshments Volunteers • Bringing refreshments to share at church is a great way to practice hospitality. Contact: Nicole Hamilton (neh.hamilton@gmail.com)

Today: Bonifield Next week: Jagues / Costa

Nursery Volunteers • Can you play with young children and help their parents once every 6-8 weeks? Join the nursery rotation! Contact: Rainy Aznoe (rainyrr@aol.com).

Today: Elliott Next week: Aznoe



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