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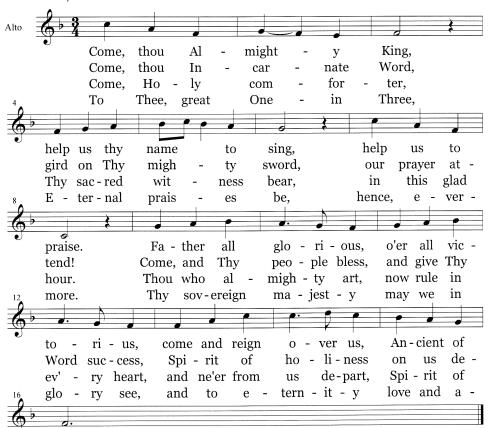
## CALL TO WORSHIP • Colossians 3:16-17

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

# **Come, Thou Almighty King**

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### PRAYER OF INVOCATION

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

# CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN • John 3:16-17

"God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

## **CONFESSION OF SIN**

Lord Jesus, I have sinned times without number, and been guilty of pride and unbelief, and of neglect to seek you in my daily life. My sins and shortcomings present me with a list of accusations, but I thank you that they will not stand against me, for all have been laid on you, O Christ. Deliver me from every evil habit, every interest of former sins, everything that dims the brightness of your grace in me, everything that prevents me taking delight in you. Amen.

(silent confession)

# **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS • John 19:30**

Jesus said, "It is finished," and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

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

# OFFERING • 1 Chronicles 29:12-14

"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. And now we thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name. But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able thus to offer willingly? For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you."

## **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 42**

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...

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we, your unworthy servants, give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made.

We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,

not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

# **Come, Thou Fount Of Every Blessing**

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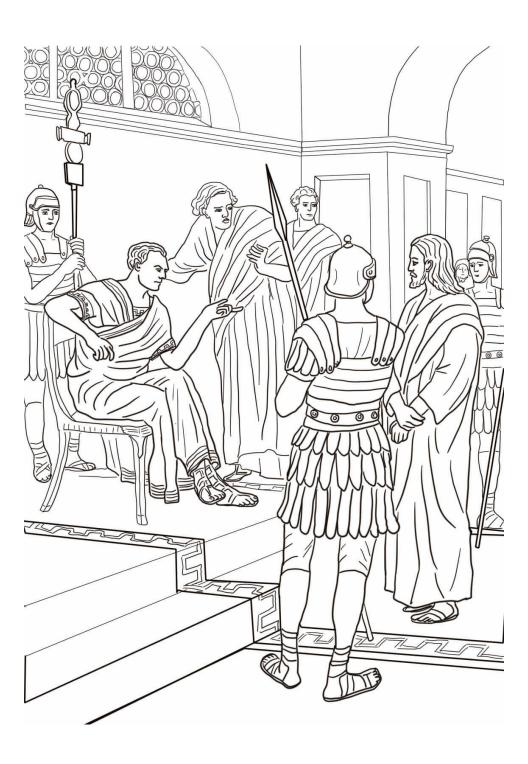
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# **NEW TESTAMENT READING**

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

**SERMON • "The Apostles' Creed: 'Under Pontius Pilate'" Rev. Pat Roach** is a graduate of Texas A&M University and Westminster Seminary. He has served as Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) Campus Minister at Rice University (1999-2007), planted Hope PCA in Portland (2007-2014), and is now the Western U.S. Area Coordinator for RUF. He and his wife, Ashley, have three children: Mary, Anna, and James.





# **CONFESSION OF FAITH • The Apostles' Creed**

What do you believe?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell.\* The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic<sup>†</sup> church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. 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].)

<sup>\*</sup> When the Creed states that Jesus "descended into hell," we understand it to mean that he suffered the holy wrath of God for the sins of his people.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup> Or, "universal."

# O The Deep, Deep Love Of Jesus

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## Now Thank We All Our God

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## **BENEDICTION • 1 Peter 1:1-2**

To those who are chosen...
according to the foreknowledge of God the Father,
in the sanctification of the Spirit,
for obedience to Jesus Christ and for sprinkling with his blood:
may grace and peace be multiplied to you.

For Those Joining Us in Person... Greetings! We're glad you're here! Our access to God the Father, our relationship in Christ, our unity in the Spirit is the most important thing in the world. We hope that as many people as possible will feel comfortable joining us for Worship, so we're asking everyone to wear a mask while indoors. Whether or not this is an inconvenience to you, please extend patience and grace to each other during this time when we might have differing opinions on what it means to faithfully respond to God in our love for each other.

**For Those Joining Us On Zoom...** Please remain "muted" throughout the service, but feel free to "unmute" afterwards and catch up with each other. (You can find each Sunday's liturgy posted online at ascensionpc.org/worship.)

**Women's Retreat •** Fri. - Sun., Oct. 22-24, in Lincoln City. The cost will be \$90 per person. For more details, and to register, contact Cheryl Boden (wu.gardens@gmail.com).

**Setup Help •** We would like more volunteers to help with setup and takedown for Worship on Sundays. Please contact Bill Duncan if you can help (bduncan47@gmail.com).

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