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THE WORD



**CALL TO WORSHIP • Psalm 96:1-4**

Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD all the earth!

Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.

Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!

For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods.

# Worship Christ, The Risen King

Text: Jack W. Hayford • Music: Henry T. Smart

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The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Worship Christ, The Risen King'. It is written in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. The score consists of a single melodic line on a treble clef staff. The lyrics are printed below the staff, with some words underlined to indicate phrasing. The score is divided into systems, with measure numbers 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11 marked at the beginning of their respective lines. The final line of the score ends with a double bar line.

Rise, O church and lift your voice,  
See the tomb where death has laid Him,  
Hear the earth protest and tremble,  
Doubt may lift its head to murmur,  
We ac - claim your life, O Je - sus,

3  
Christ has con - quered death and hell.  
emp - ty now, its mouth de - clares:  
see the stone re - moved with pow'r;  
scof - fers mock and sin - ners jeer;  
now we sing your vic - tor - y;

5  
Sing as all the earth re - joic - es;  
"Death and I could not con - tain him,  
all hell's min - ions may as - sem - ble,  
But the truth pro - claims a won - der,  
7  
Sin or hell may seek to seize us,

9  
res - ur - rec - tion an - thems swell.  
for the throne of life He shares."  
but can not with - stand His hour.  
thought - ful hearts re - ceive with cheer.  
11  
but your con - quest keeps us free.

Come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship,  
Come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship,  
He has con - quered, He has con - quered,  
He is ris - en, He is ris - en,  
Stand in tri - umph, stand in tri - umph,

wor - ship Christ, the ris - en King!  
wor - ship Christ, the ris - en King!  
Christ the Lord, the ris - en King!  
now re - ceive the ris - en King!  
wor - ship Christ, the ris - en King!

## **PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

He is risen!

*He is risen indeed!*

Let us pray...

## **CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN • Psalm 34:18**

The LORD is near to the brokenhearted  
and saves the crushed in spirit.

## **CONFESSION OF SIN**

*Jesus, forgive my sins. Forgive the sins that I remember, and the sins I have forgotten. Forgive my many failures in the face of temptation, and those times when I have been stubborn in the face of correction. Forgive the times I have been proud of my own achievements, and those when I have failed to boast in your works. Forgive the harsh judgments I have made of others, and the leniency I have shown myself. Forgive the lies I have told to others, and the truths I have avoided. Forgive me the pain I have caused others, and the indulgence I have shown myself. Jesus, have mercy on me and make me whole. Amen.*

(silent confession)

## **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS • Psalm 34:22**

The LORD redeems the life of his servants;  
none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

May the peace of Christ be with you.

*And also with you!*

## **OFFERING • Luke 6:38**

*“Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to 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 • Deuteronomy 7:1-11**

“When the LORD your God brings you into the land that you are entering to take possession of it, and clears away many nations before you, the Hittites, the Girgashites, the Amorites, the Canaanites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites, seven nations more numerous and mightier than you, <sup>2</sup> and when the LORD your God gives them over to you, and you defeat them, then you must devote them to complete destruction. You shall make no covenant with them and show no mercy to them. <sup>3</sup> You shall not intermarry with them, giving your daughters to their sons or taking their daughters for your sons, <sup>4</sup> for they would turn away your sons from following me, to serve other gods. Then the anger of the LORD would be kindled against you, and he would destroy you quickly. <sup>5</sup> But thus shall you deal with them: you shall break down their altars and dash in pieces their pillars and chop down their Asherim and burn their carved images with fire.

<sup>6</sup> “For you are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. <sup>7</sup> It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the LORD set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, <sup>8</sup> but it is because the LORD loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the LORD has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. <sup>9</sup> Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations, <sup>10</sup> and repays to their face those who hate him, by destroying them. He will not be slack with one who hates him. He will repay him to his face. <sup>11</sup> You shall therefore be careful to do the commandment and the statutes and the rules that I command you today.”

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...

(Elder leads in prayer)

And now as our Savior taught us, we pray:

*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.*

# And Can It Be?

Text: Charles Wesley • Music: Thomas Campbell • Public Domain

And can it be that I should gain an  
'Tis mys - tery all: th'Im - mor - tal dies: who  
Long my im - pri - soned spi - rit lay, fast  
5 No con - dem - na - tion now I dread; Je -  
in - t'rest in the Sav - ior's blood? Died he for  
can ex - plore His strange de - sign? In vain the  
bound in sin and na - ture's night, Thine eye dif -  
10 sus and all in Him, is mine; A - live in  
me, who caused his pain? For me, who him to  
first - born ser - aph tries to sound the depths of  
fused a quick - ening ray; I woke the dung - eon  
15 Him, my liv - ing Head, and clothed in right - eous -  
death pur - sued? A - maz - ing love! How can it  
love di - vine, 'Tis mer - cy all! Let earth a -  
flamed with light; My chains fell off, my heart was  
20 ness di - vine, Bold I ap - proach th'e - ter - nal  
be that thou my God, shouldst die for  
dore, let an - gel minds in - quire no  
free, I rose, went forth, and fol - lowed  
24 throne, and claim the crown, through Christ my  
me? A - maz - ing love! How can it be that  
more.  
Thee.  
own.  
29 thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

# I, Even I, Will Sing Unto The Lord

Text: Amy Carmichael • Music: Edward J. Hopkins • © 1960 Dohnavur Fellowship

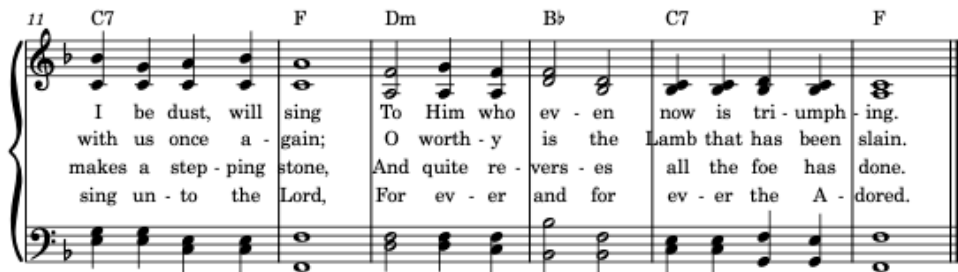
1. I, ev - en I, will sing un - to the Lord, For ev - er  
2. Where dark - ness was, He said, Let there be light; I saw the  
3. Shep - herd of Is - rael, what can baf - fle Love, Or cause Di -  
4. Love, on - ly Love, these night - y things can do, What Love has



6 and for ev - er the A - dored; I, ev - en I, though  
blind re - cei - ving heav'n - ly sight. His mir - a - cles are  
- vine com - pas - sion to re - move? Out of a fall, Love  
pur - posed, Love will car - ry through. I, ev - en I will



11 I be dust, will sing To Him who ev - en now is tri - umph - ing.  
with us once a - gain; O worth - y is the Lamb that has been slain.  
makes a step - ping stone, And quite re - vers - es all the foe has done.  
sing un - to the Lord, For ev - er and for ev - er the A - dored.



## **GOSPEL READING • Matthew 6:19-24**

“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, <sup>20</sup> but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal.

<sup>21</sup> For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

<sup>22</sup> “The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light, <sup>23</sup> but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!

<sup>24</sup> “No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.”

The Gospel of Jesus Christ.

*Praise be to you, O Christ!*

## **SERMON • “Treasure” (Rev. Eric Costa)**

“They shall be mine, says the LORD of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him. Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him.” (Malachi 3:17-18)

“Those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. The love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.” (1 Timothy 6:9-10)

“If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.” (Colossians 3:1-3)

“Our Lord is concerned here not so much about our possessions as with our attitude toward our possessions. It is not what a man may have, but what he thinks of his wealth, what his attitude is towards it. There is nothing wrong in having wealth in and of itself; what can be very wrong is a man’s relationship to his wealth. And the same thing is equally true about everything that money can buy... Our Lord is dealing here with people who get their main, or even total, satisfaction in this life from things that belong to this world only.” (David Martyn Lloyd-Jones)

“As hand and foot can receive light from no other source save the eye, as the foot stumbles and the hand misses its mark when the eye is dim, as the whole body is in darkness when the eye is blind, so the follower of Christ is in the light only so long as he looks simply to Christ and at nothing else in the world. Thus the heart of the disciple must be set upon Christ alone.” (Dietrich Bonhoeffer)







THE UPPER ROOM



**CONFESSION OF FAITH • The Heidelberg Catechism, 60**

How are you right with God?

*Only by true faith in Jesus Christ. Even though my conscience accuses me of having grievously sinned against all God's commandments and of never having kept any of them, and even though I am still inclined toward all evil, nevertheless, without my deserving it at all, out of sheer grace, God grants and credits to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ, as if I had never sinned or been a sinner, as if I had been as perfectly obedient as Christ was obedient for me. All I need to do is to accept this gift with a believing heart. 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].)*

# In Mercy Broken

Lyric: Reginald Heber • Music: Matthew H. Curl • Used by Permission

Tenor

8 Bread of the world, in mer - cy bro -  
5 Look on the heart by sor - row bro -  
8 ken Wine of the  
9 ken Look on the  
8 soul, in mer - cy shed  
13 tears by sin - ners shed  
8 By whom the words of life were spo - ken,  
18 And be thy feast to us the to - ken  
8 And in whose death our sins are  
22 That by thy grace our souls are  
8 dead. Al - le - lu -  
26 fed. Al - le - lu -  
8 ia! Al - le - lu -  
31 ia!

# 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  
9 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.  
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 x2)*

## BENEDICTION • Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,  
so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

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**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](http://ascensionpc.org/worship).)

**Mercy Sunday** • On the first Sunday of each month (today) we participate together in some compassion and relief ministries to help each other and our neighbors in the community...

- **ALMS** — These gifts go toward a fund the deacons use to meet urgent needs as we are made aware of them. (If you need financial help, please let us know! Contact: [deacons@ascensionpc.org](mailto:deacons@ascensionpc.org).)
- **FOOD PANTRY** — The elementary school in the church’s neighborhood, W. L. Henry, is an Oregon Food Bank site that serves about 50 families who rely on help like this. *Please bring dry beans to donate—let’s try to collect 100 items in total!*

**After Worship Today** • From 11:40 to 12:15, children will meet for Sunday School, and adults are welcome to join the Sermon Discussion in the Fellowship Hall.

**Photo Directory Pictures & Information** • If you would like a picture taken for our church’s forthcoming photo directory, see Bill Duncan after Worship sometime in the next few weeks. If you need your contact information included or updated, email Eric ([rev.eric.costa@gmail.com](mailto:rev.eric.costa@gmail.com)).

**Men’s Study** • 6:30am Tuesdays at the Starbucks at the Sunset Esplanade (2521 SE TV Highway). This group is discussing Paul’s Letter to the Ephesians.

**Women’s Study** • 7pm Wednesdays. This group is discussing Dane Ortlund’s book, *Gentle and Lowly*. Locations vary - contact Jerilee Costa ([jerilee.costa@gmail.com](mailto:jerilee.costa@gmail.com)).

**Good Friday Service** • 7pm Fri., Apr. 15.

**Easter Breakfast** • 8:30am Sun., Apr. 17. To sign up to bring part of the meal and/or to help with setup, contact Jerilee ([jerilee.costa@gmail.com](mailto:jerilee.costa@gmail.com)).

**Summer Campout** • Fri. - Sun., July 29-31, at South Beach State Park (near Newport). To register, contact Nicole Hamilton ([neh.hamilton@gmail.com](mailto:neh.hamilton@gmail.com)).

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