



PUBLIC WORSHIP • FEBRUARY 25, 2024



THE WORD

CALL TO WORSHIP • Isaiah 49:13

Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth;
break forth, O mountains, into singing!
For Yahweh has comforted his people
and will have compassion on his afflicted.

Praise Him! Praise Him!

Text: Fanny Crosby • Music: JOYFUL SONG, Chester G. Allen • Public Domain

1. Praise him! praise him! Je - sus, our bless - ed Re - deem - er!
2. Praise him! praise him! Je - sus, our bless - ed Re - deem - er!
3. Praise him! praise him! Je - sus, our bless - ed Re - deem - er!

Sing, O earth, his won - der - ful love pro - claim!
For our sins he suf - fered and bled and died;
Heav'n - ly por - tals loud with ho - san - nas ring!

Hail him! hail him! high - est arch - an - gels in glo - ry;
he our Rock, our hope of e - ter - nal sal - va - tion,
Je - sus, Sav - ior, reign - eth for - ev - er and ev - er;

strength and hon - or give to his ho - ly name!
hail him! hail him! Je - sus the Cru - ci - fied.
crown him! crown him! Proph - et and Priest and King!

Like a shep - herd, Je - sus will guard his chil - dren,
 Sound his prais - es! Je - sus who bore our sor - rows,
 Christ is com - ing! o - ver the world vic - to - rious,

in his arms he car - ries them all day long:
 love un - bound - ed, won - der - ful, deep, and strong:
 pow'r and glo - ry un - to the Lord be - long:

REFRAIN
 Praise him! praise him! tell of his ex - cel - lent great - ness;
 praise him! praise him! ev - er in joy - ful song!

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

He is risen!

He is risen indeed!

Let us pray...

CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN • Revelation 3:17-19

"You say, I am rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing, not realizing that you are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked. I counsel you to buy from me gold refined by fire, so that you may be rich, and white garments so that you may clothe yourself and the shame of your nakedness may not be seen, and salve to anoint your eyes, so that you may see. Those whom I love, I reprove and discipline, so be zealous and repent."

CONFESSION OF SIN

*Holy Father, Son, and Spirit,
we have lived in open rebellion
against your gracious rule.*

*Please, Lord Jesus, may we find
our redemption in your passion,
the absolution of our guilt in your condemnation,
the cancellation of our curse in your cross,
the satisfaction for our sins in your sacrifice,
our purification in your blood,
reconciliation to God in your descent into hell,
the death of our flesh in your tomb,
immortality in your resurrection,
our inheritance in your ascension.*

We believe, Lord. Help our unbelief. Amen.

(silent confession)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS • Revelation 3:20

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me."

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!

OFFERING • 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9

See that you excel in this act of grace also... For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.

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 • Daniel 7:13-14

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...

O Lord, we cry out to you for the Church:

Particularly for our sister churches in the Pacific Northwest Presbytery.

O Lord, we cry out to you for all the people of the earth:

We pray for those who do not know you; we pray that your gospel would run in our city; we pray that your fame and glory would spread here and throughout the world.

O Lord, we cry out to you for our own nation:

Please give our President humility, wisdom, strength and trust in you. Please bless our Governor and our Mayor; please bring prosperity and peace to our city through your gospel.

O Lord, we cry out to you for the poor and suffering of our community:

We pray for those who are living on the streets. We pray for those who are discouraged and suffering in depression. We pray for those who are struggling financially. We pray for those who are sick or facing imminent death and for those who care for them.

O Lord we cry out to you with our individual concerns and needs...

(Silent prayer)

All of these things we ask of you in the name of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray 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.

Day by Day and with Each Passing Moment

1. Day by day and with each pass-ing mo-ment, strength I find to
 2. Ev-ery day the Lord him-self is near me with a spe-cial
 3. Help me then in ev-ery trib-u-la-tion so to trust your

meet my tri-als here; trust-ing in my Fa-ther's wise be-stow-ment,
 mer-cy for each hour; all my cares he fain would bear, and cheer me,
 prom-is-es, O Lord, that I lose not faith's sweet con-so-la-tion

I've no cause for wor-ry or for fear. He whose heart is kind be-
 he whose name is Coun-sel-or and Pow'r. The pro-tec-tion of his
 of-fered me with-in your ho-ly Word. Help me, Lord, when toil and

yond all mea-sure gives un-to each day what he deems best—lov-ing-
 child and trea-sure is a charge that on him-self he laid; "As your
 trou-ble meet-ing, e'er to take, as from a fa-ther's hand, one by

ly, its part of pain and plea-sure, min-pling toil with peace and rest.
 days, your strength shall be in mea-sure," this the pledge to me he made.
 one, the days, the mo-ments fleet-ing, till I reach the prom-ised land.

Be Still, My Soul

Text: Katharina von Schlegel, 1752 • Music: *Finlandia*, arr. Jean Sibelius • Public Domain

Tenor

8 Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your
4 Be still, my soul: your God will un - der
8 Be still, my soul: when dear - est friends de -
7 side; _____ bear to pa - tient - ly the
take _____ to guide the is fu - ture
part, _____ and all is dark - ened
8 cross of grief or pain; _____ leave to your
10 as in he the vale the of tears, _____ Your hope, your
13 God con - to fi - or - der let and pro - vide; _____
bet - ter know his love, his heart, _____
8 _____ in ev - 'ry change he faith - ful will re -
16 _____ all now mys - te - rious shall be bright at
_____ who come to soothe your sor - row and your
8 main. _____ Be still, my soul: your
19 last. _____ Be still, my soul: the
fears. _____ Be still, my soul: your
8 best, your heav'n - ly Friend _____ through thorn - y
22 waves and winds still know _____ his voice who
Je - sus can re - pay _____ from his own
8 ways leads to a joy - ful end.
ruled them while a he dwelt be - low.
full - ness all he takes a - way.

Be still, my soul: the hour is hast'ning on
when we shall be forever with the Lord,
when disappointment, grief and fear are gone,
sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

GOSPEL READING • Mark 10:35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” ³⁶ And he said to them, “What do you want me to do for you?” ³⁷ And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” ³⁸ Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?” ³⁹ And they said to him, “We are able.” And Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, ⁴⁰ but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.” ⁴¹ And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. ⁴² And Jesus called them to him and said to them, “You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. ⁴³ But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON • “What Do You Want Me To Do For You?” (Rev. Joshua Kim)

Joshua and his wife, Melody, have been married since 2021. They met each other while attending the same college in Virginia. Joshua is third generation Korean-American, while Melody is second generation Taiwanese/Chinese-American. They enjoy running errands together, watching the latest season of “Bake Off” on Netflix, and learning more about what it means to follow Jesus. Joshua serves as the pastor of Eden Community Church (PCA), a multi-ethnic church plant in Beaverton. In addition to working part-time, Melody is finishing up her Masters in Clinical Mental Health as she continues on her journey to become a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) in Oregon.



THE UPPER ROOM



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.¹ 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 catholic² 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].)

¹ 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.

² Or, “universal.”

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 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 written below the staff, with line numbers 3, 5, 7, 10, 13, and 15 indicating the start of new lines of music. 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.'

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 -
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I Lay My Sins On Jesus

Text: Horatius Bonar (1843)

Music: Bartholomaeus Gesius (1605) • Public Domain

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of a single melodic line on a treble clef staff. The lyrics are written below the staff, with line numbers 3, 6, 9, 12, and 15 indicating the start of new lines of text. The lyrics are as follows:

I lay my sins _____ on Je - sus, the
I lay my needs _____ on Je - sus; all
I rest my soul _____ on Je - sus, this
I long to be _____ like Je - sus, meek,

3
spot - less Lamb _____ of God; he bears them all, _____ and
ful - ness dwells _____ in him; he heals all my _____ dis -
wea - ry soul _____ of mine; his right hand me _____ em -
lov - ing, low - ly, mild; I long to be _____ like

6
frees us from the ac - curs - ed load: I
eas - es, he doth my soul _____ re - deem: I
brac - es, I on his breast _____ re - cline. I
Je - sus, the Fa - ther's ho - ly child: I

9
bring my guilt _____ to _____ Je - sus to wash _____ my crim - son
lay my griefs _____ on _____ Je - sus, my bur - dens and _____ my
love the name _____ of _____ Je - sus, Im - man - uel, Christ, _____ the
long to be _____ with _____ Je - sus a - mid _____ the heav'n - ly

12
stains white in his blood _____ most pre - cious, till
cares; he from them all _____ re - leas - es, he
Lord; like fra - grance on _____ the breez - es his
throng, to sing with saints _____ his prais - es, to

15
not a spot _____ re - mains.
all my sor - rows
name a - broad _____ is
learn the an - gels' poured.
song.

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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After Worship Today • Due to the men's retreat, there will be no Sunday School / Sermon Discussion.

Officer Nominations • Throughout the month of February, members of Ascension are welcome to submit officer nominations to the Elders.

Midweek Studies

- 8:15am Tue. men's study at Longbottom Coffee: the Book of Judges
Contact: Eric Costa (rev.eric.costa@gmail.com)
- 1:30pm Wed. women's study: the Book of Ruth
Contact: Cheryl Boden (wu.gardens@gmail.com)
- 6:30am Thu. men's study at the Starbucks on Walker & 158th: *Habits of the Household* (Earley)
Contact: Joe Pope (pope.joe@gmail.com)
- 7pm Thu. women's study of *Jesus through the Eyes of Women* (McLaughlin)
Contact: Holly McGarry (hollykliewer8@gmail.com)

Youth Group • 6:30pm to 8pm Wednesdays. Students in grades 6-12 are welcome to join us and to invite their friends. Contact: Tim Sery (fiby2020@gmail.com).

Mercy Sunday • On the first Sunday of each month (Mar. 3) we collect *Alms*, gifts of mercy that the deacons can 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.

Shepherding Meetings • The elders want to check in with the members of the church. We like to use these questions to kickstart our conversations: 1) *What are you thankful for?* 2) *Where are you seeing the grace of God at work in your life?* 3) *How can we as elders (or the deacons) serve you?*

We're available for these meetings on a regular basis on the third Sunday of each month for lunch or dinner. To schedule a shepherding meeting with us on one of these Sundays, or during some other time, contact Eric (rev.eric.costa@gmail.com).

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Name(s)

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- ☐ I want to know more about being a Christian.
- ☐ I would like to get coffee with the Pastor.
- ☐ Please send me the email newsletter.
- ☐ Please use this info for the photo directory.