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children's ministries

Sunday, October 5, 2025

Dear parents of young worshipers,

Welcome! We are delighted to have you and your children worshipping with us this morning. Our goal each Sunday is to glorify and enjoy the God Who made us and saved us by His grace.

This bulletin was designed to help your children follow along with this morning's worship service. Here are some ideas to guide you:

- * Have children use the **stickers** provided as they follow along with this morning's liturgy. We've included some **brief definitions** for various parts of the liturgy to help you as you guide your child through the worship service.
- * Encourage your children to **color (or draw)** the main points of this morning's sermon as you listen together.
- * Help your children as they listen for the answer to the **question for young worshipers** during the sermon.
- * Check out the back of the bulletin for suggestions on **preparing for next week's worship service!** (Practicing can be especially helpful for young worshipers who cannot yet read!)

If you have any questions about our church, please do not hesitate to ask.

**In Christ,
Pastor Wiersema**

MORNING WORSHIP



Prelude

Think about why we are here. Get ready to worship!



Call to Worship: Psalm 115:1-4, 8, 18

God calls us to worship Him from His Word

PASTOR: *Not to us, O LORD, not to us,
but to your name give glory,
for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!*

PEOPLE: **Why should the nations say, "Where is their God?"
Our God is in the heavens;
he does all that he pleases.**

PASTOR: *Their idols are silver and gold,
the work of human hands.
Those who make them become like them;
so do all who trust in them.*

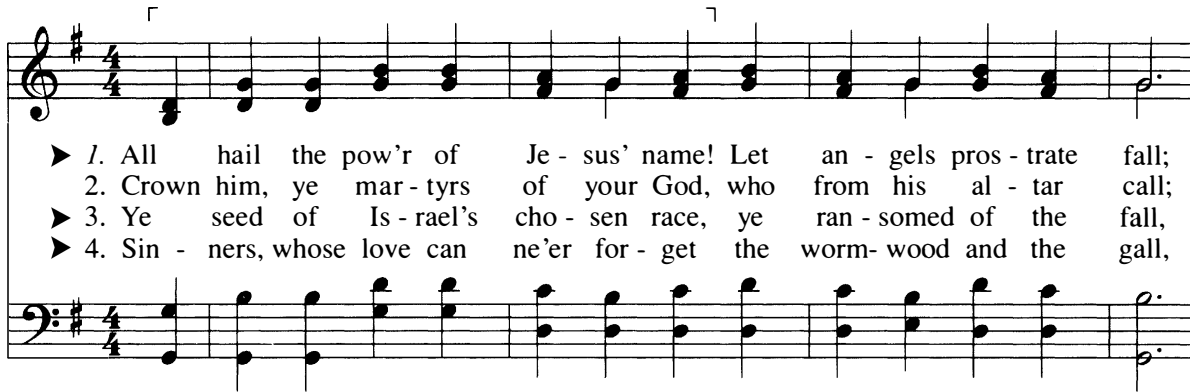
ALL: **But we will bless the LORD
from this time forth and forevermore.
Praise the LORD!**



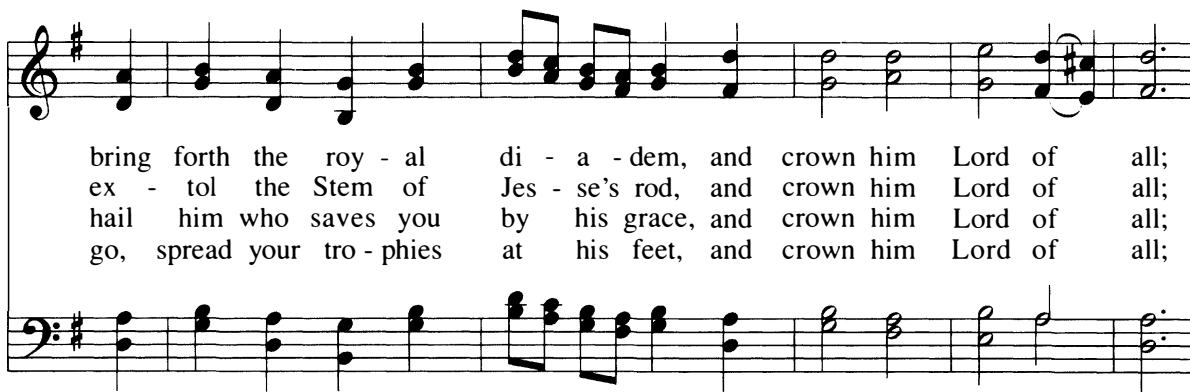
Hymn of Adoration:

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name #296 (vv.1, 3-4, 6)

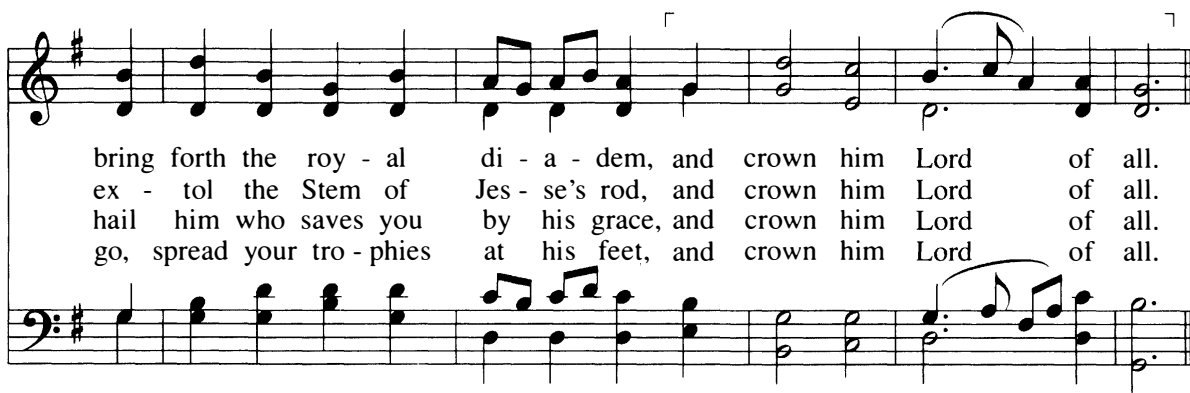
We respond to God's call to worship in praise and love!



1. All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
2. Crown him, ye mar - tyrs of your God, who from his al - tar call;
3. Ye seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran - somed of the fall,
4. Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm- wood and the gall,



bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all;
ex - tol the Stem of Jes - se's rod, and crown him Lord of all;
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all;
go, spread your tro - phies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all;



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5. Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,
on this terrestrial ball,
to him all majesty ascribe.
and crown him Lord of all;
to him all majesty ascribe,
and crown him Lord of all.

6. O that with yonder sacred throng
we at his feet may fall;
we'll join the everlasting song,
and crown him Lord of all;
we'll join the everlasting song,
and crown him Lord of all.



Invocation

We ask God to be present with us as we worship Him.



Profession of Faith: Westminster Shorter Catechism 27 & 28

**We declare what we believe about God —
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**

PASTOR:

What did Christ's humiliation consist of?

ALL:

**Christ's humiliation consisted of his being born,
and that in a low condition, made under the law,
undergoing the miseries of this life,
the wrath of God, and the cursed death of the cross;
in being buried
and continuing under the power of death for a time.**

PASTOR:

What does Christ's exaltation consist of?

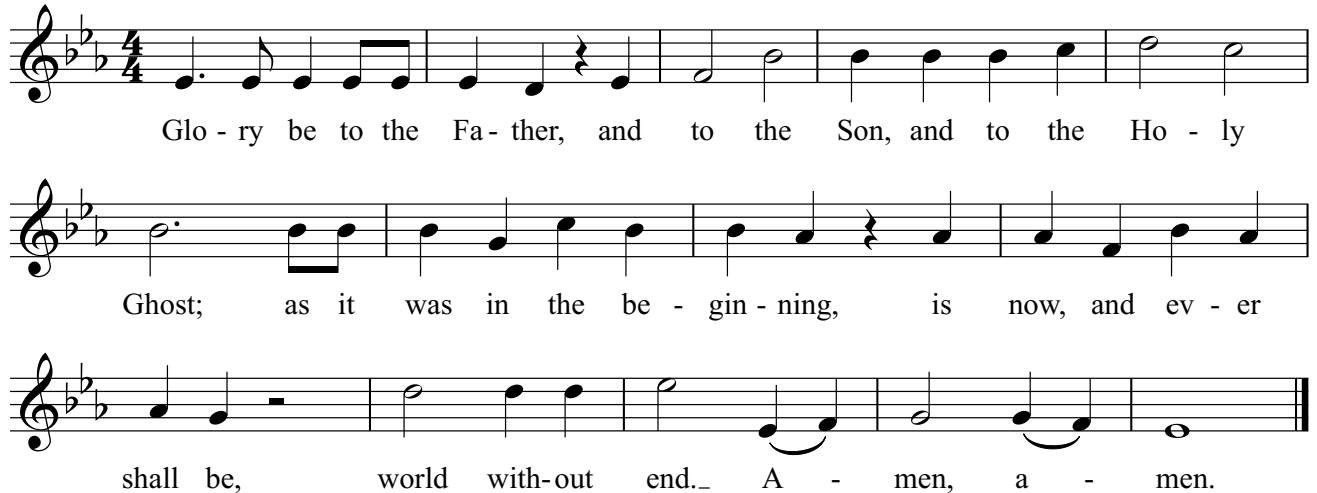
ALL:

**Christ's exaltation consists of
his rising again from the dead on the third day,
in ascending up into heaven,
sitting at the right hand of God the Father,
and in coming to judge the world on the last day.**



Gloria Patri

We praise God for who He is.



2nd Cent.; tr.

GLORIA PATRI (GREATOREX)
Henry W. Greatorex, 1851



Corporate Confession of Sin: from Psalm 115 and Philippians 2

We confess our sins together as God's people.

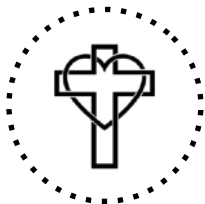
PASTOR: Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant.

ALL: Lord Jesus,
although we are called
to follow you into servanthood,
we confess that we have avoided service
and spurned humility.
We know that your name alone is to be glorified,
but we have sought to make our own names great
and to glory in ourselves.
We have been called to put on the mind of Christ,
but instead we have followed
the spirit of our age.
Forgive and renew us, Lord Christ,
that we might live to glorify your name. Amen.



Silent confession

Confess your own sins quietly to God.



Assurance of Pardon: Colossians 1:21-22

God promises to forgive all those who trust in Jesus!

PASTOR: *And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, Jesus has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him.*

ALL: **Thanks be to God! Amen.**



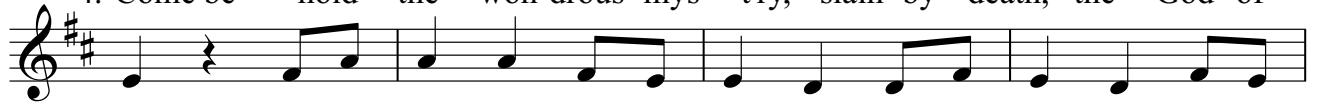
Hymn of Assurance:

Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery

We sing that we are forgiven and held secure by God.



1. Come be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, in the dawn - ing of the
2. Come be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, He the per - fect Son of
3. Come be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, Christ the Lord up - on the
4. Come be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, slain by death, the God of



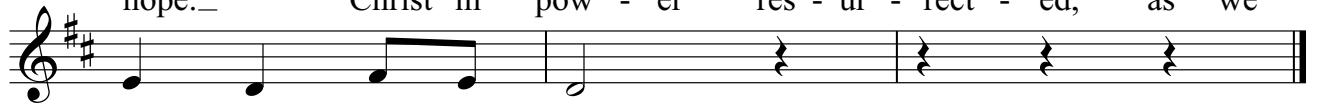
King. He the theme of heav-en's prais - es, robed in frail hu - man - i -
Man. In His liv - ing, in His suf - fring, nev - er trace, nor stain of
tree. In the stead of ru - ined sin - ners hangs the Lamb in vic - to -
life. But no grave could e'er re - strain Him. Praise the Lord, He is a -



ty. In our long - ing, in our dark - ness, now the light of life has
sin. See the true and bet - ter Ad - am, come to save the hell-bound
ry. See the price of our re - demp - tion, see the Fa - ther's plan
live! What a fore - taste of de - liv - 'rance, how un - wa - ver - ing our



come... Look to Christ, who con - de - scend - ed, took on
man... Christ, the great and sure ful - fill - ment of the
un - fold. Bring - ing man - y sons to glo - ry; grace un -
hope... Christ in pow - er res - ur - rect - ed, as we



flesh to ran - som us.
law, in Him we stand.
meas - ured, love un - told.
will be when he comes.



Scripture Reading: Isaiah 45:14-25

We hear God's word being read and thank him for it.

PASTOR: *This is the word of the Lord.*

ALL: **Thanks be to God!**



Prayer of Intercession and the Lord's Prayer

The pastor prays for God's Church, locally and globally, then we pray the prayer Jesus taught His disciples.

ALL: 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,
for ever. Amen



Offertory

We give back to God a portion of what He has given us.



Children's Worship (8:30 service only) ★

*Children are invited to children's worship. Parents, please bring participating **children ages 4–1st grade** downstairs to Room 13 during the next hymn. They are also invited stay with us during the remainder of the service!*



Hymn of Preparation:

At the Name of Jesus #163 (vv.1, 3-5)

We praise God as we prepare to listen to His Word.



- ▶ 1. At the name of Je - sus, ev - 'ry knee shall bow,
- ▶ 2. At the voice cre - a - tion sprang at once to sight,
- ▶ 3. Hum-bled for a sea - son to re-ceive a name
- ▶ 4. In your hearts en - throne him; there let him sub - due
- ▶ 5. Broth-ers, this Lord Je - sus shall re - turn a - gain,



- ▶ ev - 'ry tongue con - fess_____ him King of glo - ry now.
- ▶ all the an - gel fac - es, all the hosts of light,
- ▶ from the lips of sin - ners un - to whom he came,
- ▶ all that is not ho - ly, all that is not true:
- ▶ with his Fa - ther's glo - ry, with his an - gel train;



- ▶ 'Tis the Fa - ther's plea - sure we should call him Lord,
- ▶ thrones and dom - i - na - tions, stars up - on their way,
- ▶ faith - ful - ly he bore_____ it spot-less to the last,
- ▶ crown him as your Cap - tain in temp - ta - tion's hour;
- ▶ for all wreaths of em - pire meet up - on his brow,



- ▶ who from the be - gin - ning was the might - y Word.
- ▶ all the heav'n-ly or - ders in their great ar - ray.
- ▶ brought it back vic - to - rious, when from death he passed.
- ▶ let his will en - fold you in its light and pow'r.
- ▶ and our hearts con - fess him King of glo - ry now.

Caroline M. Noel; 1870, alt.

KINGS WESTON 6.5.6.5.D.
Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1925



Sermon: Philippians 2:5-11

Gospel Manners (Pastor Chris)

We listen to God's Word preached to us.

2 ⁵ Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹ Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

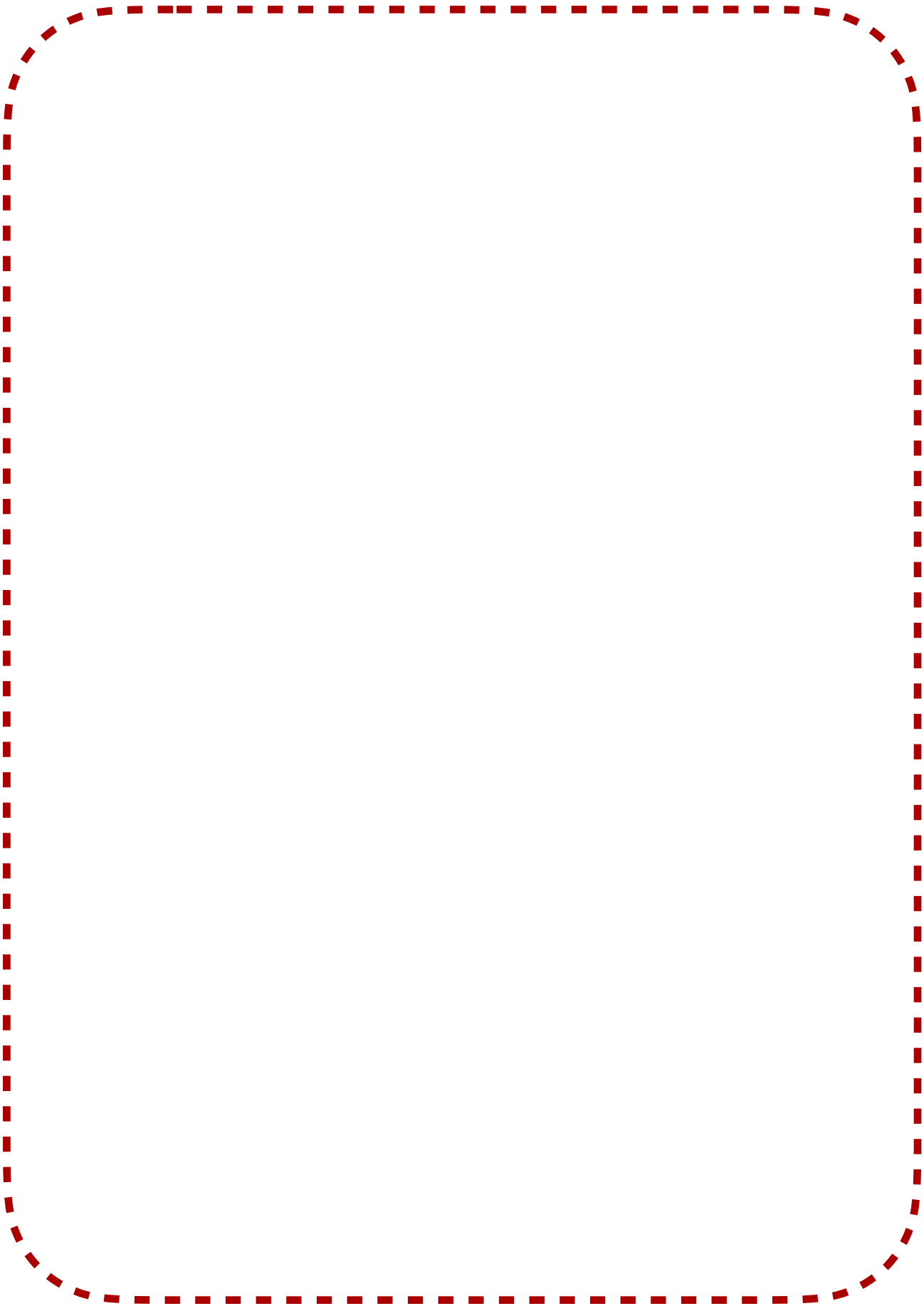
Question for young worshippers:

What does Paul say everyone will confess?

THE GOSPEL STORY

1. Humiliation (5-8)

2. Exaltation (9-11)

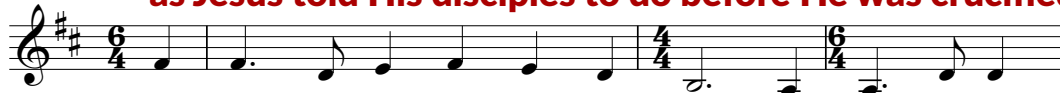




Celebration of the Lord's Supper:

How Deep the Father's Love For Us

As Christians, we share this meal - reminding us of and strengthening our union with Christ and with one another - as Jesus told His disciples to do before He was crucified.



1. How deep the Fa - ther's love for us; How vast be - yond
2. Be - hold the man up - on a cross; My sin up - on
3. I will not boast in an - y - thing, no gifts, no pow'r,



all meas - ure. That He should give His on - ly
His shoul - ders; A - shamed, I hear my mock - ing
no wis - dom; But I will boast in Je - sus



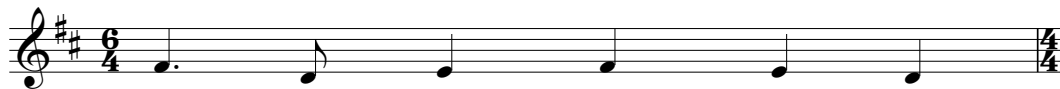
Son to make a wretch His treas - ure.
voice call out a - mong the scof - fers.
Christ, His death and res - ur - rec - tion.



How great the pain of sear - ing loss— the
It was my sin that held Him there un -
Why should I gain from His re - ward? I



Fa - ther turns His face a - way. As
til it was ac - com - plished; His
can - not give an an - swer; But



wounds which mar the Cho - sen
dy - ing breath has brought me
this I know with all my



One bring man - y sons to glo - ry.
life— I know that it is fin - ished.
heart— His wounds have paid my ran - som.



Parents, if you think your child or children are ready to come to the table, please contact your fold elder or a pastor.



Benediction

The pastor proclaims a blessing on God's people



Doxology

We praise God and call others to praise Him!

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures
here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host: praise
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Thomas Ken, 1709

OLD HUNDREDTH L.M.
Louis Bourgeois's Genevan Psalter 1551



The Peace of Christ

We greet one another and are sent out on our way.

PASTOR: *The peace of Christ be with you.*

PEOPLE: And also with you!

Musicians – Jonathan McGuire, Organ & Piano; Bekah Marsh, Piano Vocals;
Will Nabholz, Guitar & Vocals

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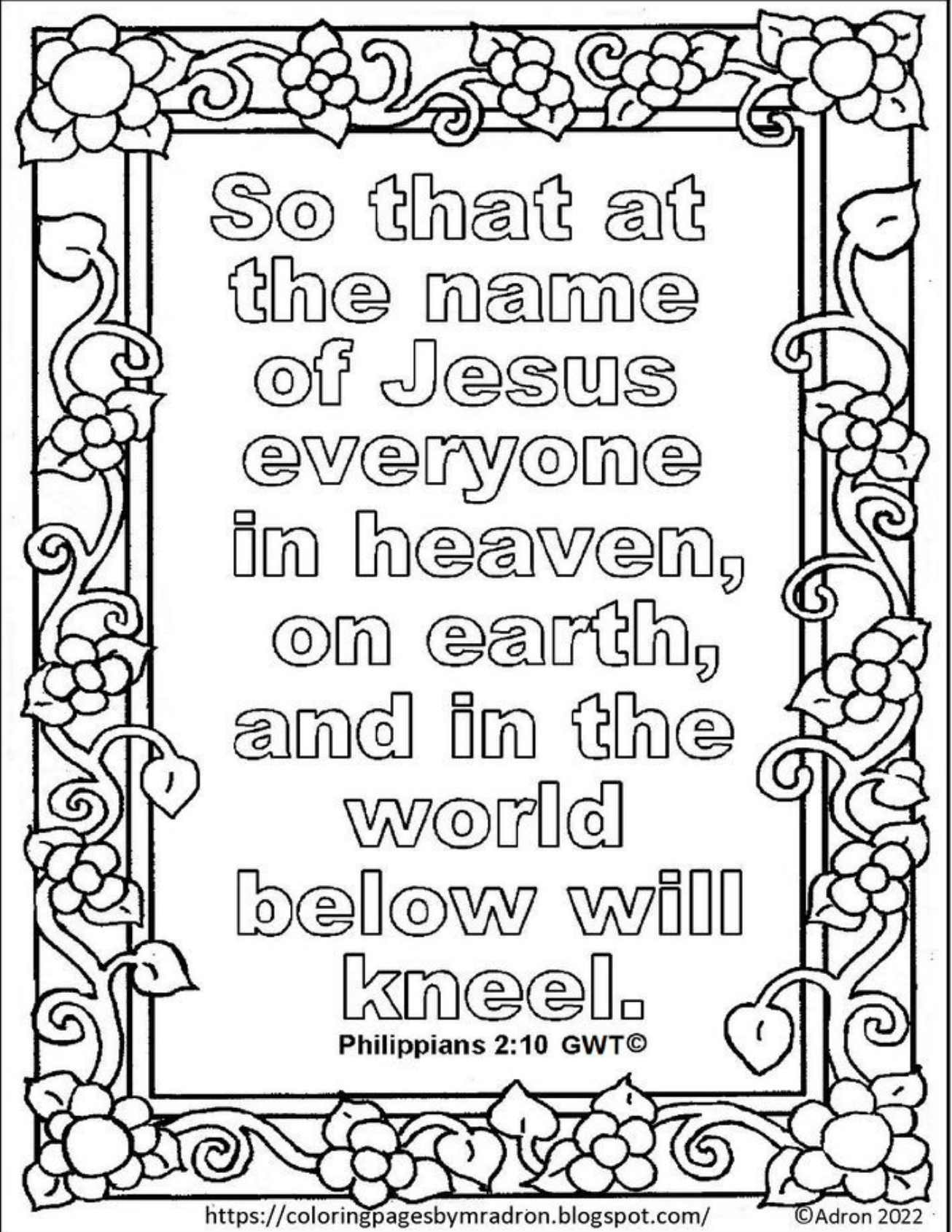
Check in downstairs at the Children's Ministry Desk to learn more!

Preparing for next week's worship service

We know that **training our children to worship** does not happen overnight. Especially for children who are not yet able to read, worship services can be difficult to follow, much less participate in! By practicing some of the elements of the service at home as a family during the week as you are able, your child(ren) can be prepared for what to say and sing along with the congregation.

- **PRAY:** We need the Lord's help as we train our children in worship. Even our best efforts to prepare them will fall flat without His aid!
- **MEMORIZE:** Work on memorizing **The Apostles' Creed** and **The Lord's Prayer** with your child(ren). We say these almost every week! In addition, we almost always include one or more of the following songs: the **Doxology**, the **Gloria Patri**, and the **Threefold Amen**.
- **PRACTICE:** You can scan the QR code to find a Spotify playlist with hymns commonly sung in our service and other worshipful hymns.





So that at
the name
of Jesus
everyone
in heaven,
on earth,
and in the
world
below will
kneel.

Philippians 2:10 GWT©

AT THE NAME OF
JESUS EVERY
KNEE WILL BOW, IN
HEAVEN ON EARTH
AND UNDER THE
EARTH, AND EVERY
TONGUE WILL
CONFESS THAT
JESUS CHRIST
IS LORD TO THE
GLORY OF GOD THE
FATHER

Philippians 2:10-11
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By the grace of the Triune God, Covenant Presbyterian Church exists to form and send disciples with passion for God and compassion for people.

Statement of Faith

We are a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), which believes that the Bible is the inerrant and infallible Word of God and holds to that system of doctrine summarized in the Westminster Confession of Faith & Catechisms.

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