

The background of the entire graphic is a landscape of mountains at sunrise. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm, golden glow. Overlaid on this scene are several musical notes and a staff. A large, thin, golden oval encircles the main title. Two musical notes are positioned above the oval, one on the left and one on the right, with a line connecting them. A musical staff with several notes is visible in the lower right quadrant, appearing to be part of the landscape.

# **SONGS OF ASCENT**

**A SERMON SERIES ON PSALMS**

**8:30 a.m. ~ Sunday, July 14<sup>th</sup>**

## PRELUDE

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

arr. Oliver Holden

*Piano*

## WELCOME & RELATIONSHIPS of PEACE

### OPENING HYMN “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

### OPENING LITURGY

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: I lift up my eyes to the hills.

**C: From where does my help come?**

P: My help comes from the Lord,

**C: who made heaven and earth.**

P: He will not let your foot be moved;

**C: He who keeps you will not slumber.**

P: The Lord is your keeper;

**C: The Lord is your shade on your right hand.**

P: The sun shall not strike you by day,

**C: Nor the moon by night.**

P: The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

**C: The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.**

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, asking Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord! O Lord, hear my voice!

**C: Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!**

P: If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?

**C: But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.**

P: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;

**C: My soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning.**

P: For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption.

**C: And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.**

*Moment of Silent Confession*

P: Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**C: O most gracious God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God, and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

**C: Amen.**

P: To you I lift up my eyes,

**C: O you who are enthroned in the heavens!**

P: Behold, as the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master, as the eyes of a maidservant to the hand of her mistress,

**C: So our eyes look to the Lord our God, till he has mercy upon us.**

P: Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

**C: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**RESPONSE "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

## OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 132 [ESV]

R: Remember, O Lord, in David's favor, all the hardships he endured,

**C: how he swore to the Lord and vowed to the Mighty One of Jacob,**

R: "I will not enter my house or get into my bed, I will not give sleep to my eyes or slumber to my eyelids,

**C: until I find a place for the Lord, a dwelling place for the Mighty One of Jacob."**

R: Behold, we heard of it in Ephrathah; we found it in the fields of Jaar.

**C: "Let us go to his dwelling place; let us worship at his footstool!"**

R: Arise, O Lord, and go to your resting place, you and the ark of your might.

**C: Let your priests be clothed with righteousness, and let your saints shout for joy.**

R: For the sake of your servant David, do not turn away the face of your anointed one.

**C: The Lord swore to David a sure oath from which he will not turn back:**

R: "One of the sons of your body I will set on your throne.

**C: If your sons keep my covenant and my testimonies that I shall teach them, their sons also forever shall sit on your throne."**

R: For the Lord has chosen Zion; he has desired it for his dwelling place:

**C: "This is my resting place forever; here I will dwell, for I have desired it.**

R: I will abundantly bless her provisions; I will satisfy her poor with bread.

**C: Her priests I will clothe with salvation, and her saints will shout for joy.**

R: There I will make a horn to sprout for David; I have prepared a lamp for my anointed.

**C: His enemies I will clothe with shame, but on him his crown will shine."**

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

**RESPONSE "Once in Royal David's City When the King was in Distress (Psalm 132)"**

## **HOLY GOSPEL Luke 2:41-52 [ESV]**

Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up according to custom. And when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it, but supposing him to be in the group they went a day's journey, but then they began to search for him among their relatives and acquaintances, and when they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, searching for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. And when his parents saw him, they were astonished. And his mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us so? Behold, your father and I have been searching for you in great distress." And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" And they did not understand the saying that he spoke to them. And he went down with them and came to Nazareth and was submissive to them. And his mother treasured up all these things in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man.

R: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ!**

## **STATEMENT of FAITH *The Apostles' Creed***

## **HYMN "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation"**

## **SERMON "CHOSEN ZION"**

## **OFFERING**

## **STORY of TRANSFORMATION**

## **PRAYERS of the CHURCH**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

## THE PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them up to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

## PROPER PREFACE

P: Always and everywhere praise and thanks are due to You, almighty God, through Jesus Christ, our great High Priest, by whose perfect obedience and all-sufficient sacrifice we are bold to stand in Your presence, now and in the day of judgment. Therefore, with those who bear Your name on earth and those who praise Your name on high, we join in the everlasting hymn:

## SANCTUS

## WORDS of INSTITUTION

## THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

## AGNUS DEI

## DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

“Lamb of God”

*Piano*

arr. Joel Raney

“Just As I Am”

*Piano*

arr. Joel Raney

## POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

**UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES**

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**NUNC DIMITTIS**

**POSTLUDE**

**“ST. ANNE”**

*Piano*

arr. Anna Laura Page



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