



October 19, 2025

How beautiful upon the mountains
are the feet of him
who brings good news,
who publishes peace,
who brings good news of happiness,
who publishes salvation,

who says to Zion,
“Your God reigns.”

Isaiah 52:7

“Preaching God’s Sovereign Grace to a World of Need”

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The Lord's Day

October 19, 2025

God's Call to Us to Worship Him

"Be still and know that I Am God"

Isaiah 52:7-10

***His Call to Us to Worship Him**

Psalm 99:1-5

Elder: The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake.

People: The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples. Let them praise your great and awesome name! Holy is he!

Elder: The King in his might loves justice. You have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

People: Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his footstool! Holy is he!

Elder: The Lord is dwelling among His Congregation.

People: Holy! Holy! Holy is the Lord of Hosts!

Elder: The Lord of Hosts is with you.

People: Let us worship Him!

***Hymn of Our Procession Into the Presence of God**

Give Praise to God

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***Prayer of Invocation**

The Father Reaffirms His Covenant with Us

Reading of the Law

Exodus 20:1-17; Matthew 22:37-40

Statement of Faith: Our Missional Confession

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Call to Confession

In spite of God's love for us and gift of love to us, we often act in destructive and hateful ways. We close our hearts to God and disobey God's law. Together let us confess our sin.

Prayer of Confession

Elder led prayer

Assurance of His Pardon

God the Creator brings you new life, forgives and redeems you. Take hold of this forgiveness, and live your life in the Spirit of Jesus. **Amen.**

***Hymns of Thanksgiving**

Alive in Christ

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Ps.22: The Ends of All the Earth Shall Hear

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His Faithfulness is to all Generations

Covenant Child Profession of Faith: Michaela Jane Soltow

Intercessory Prayer

Christ is Made Known to Us

Hymn of Prayer

Our God Reigns

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His Word is Opened to Us

Dr. David G. Barker

Scripture: Ephesians 6:15

*"The grass withers, the flower fades,
but the Word of our God will stand forever."*

Message: Beyond All Understanding

Prayer for Response and Obedience

We Depart with His Blessing And Sending of His Spirit

Presenting His Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology

***Hymn of Our Procession Into the World**

Great King of Nations, Hear Our Prayer

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***Charge and Benediction**

(Trinity Hymn Book #437, vs. 2)

O God, let all men praise you, let all the nations sing;
in ev'ry land let praises and songs of gladness ring;
for you shall judge the people in truth and righteousness,
and through the earth the nations shall your just rule confess.

Postlude

*Congregation Standing

Studies in Paul's Letter to the Church at Ephesus

Beyond All Understanding

Ephesians 6:15

(see also: Gen. 3:15; 18:18; 22:18; 26:4; Ex. 3:5; 1 Chron. 16:24;

Ps. 22:27; Is. 52:7; Is. 53:4-5; Rom. 5:1-5; 10:14-17;

2 Tim. 3:16-17; Tit. 3:1-11; 1 Pet. 3:14-17)

Where was Pastor Barker ordained:

- a) Joe's Bar and Grill on 51st in NYC.
- b) Manny's Walk-In Diplomas in Portland, OR.
- c) Calvary OPC, Schenectady, NY

I. Is Paul clearly talking about shoes?

II. What is the real subject matter in focus?

What is the 'good news?'

What is the 'gospel of peace?'

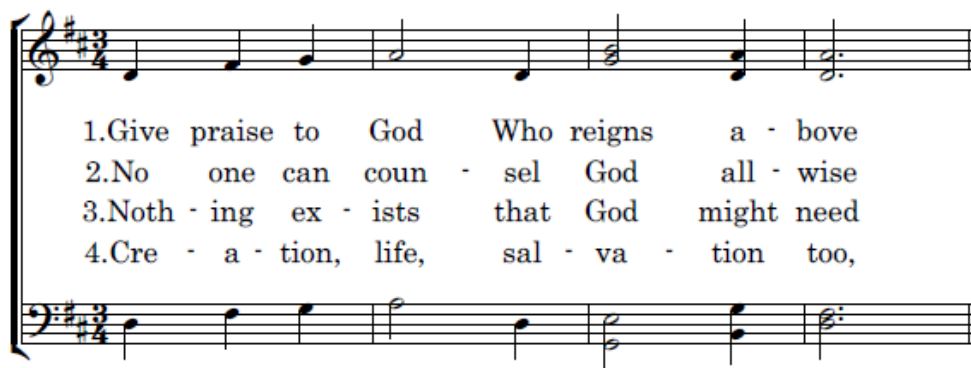
III. What does it mean for the Christian soldier to be prepared and ready?

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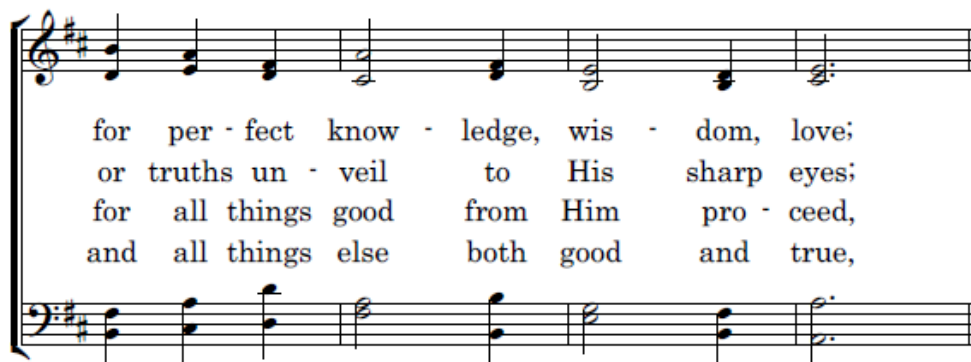
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My Own Thoughts

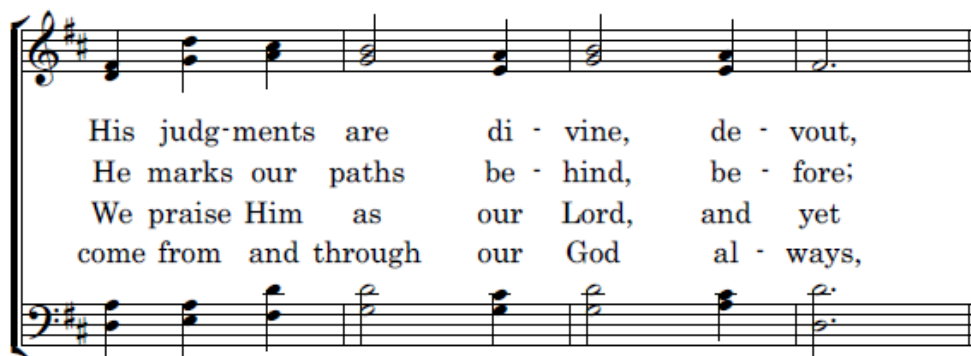
Give Praise to God



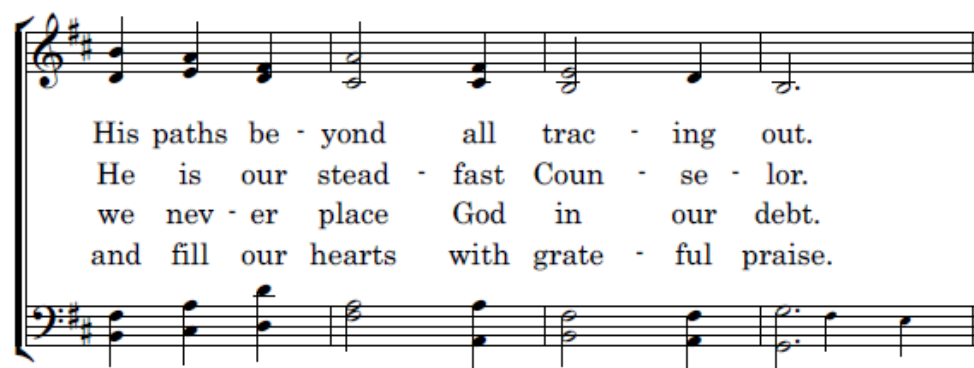
1. Give praise to God Who reigns a - bove
 2. No one can coun - sel God all - wise
 3. Noth - ing ex - ists that God might need
 4. Cre - a - tion, life, sal - va - tion too,



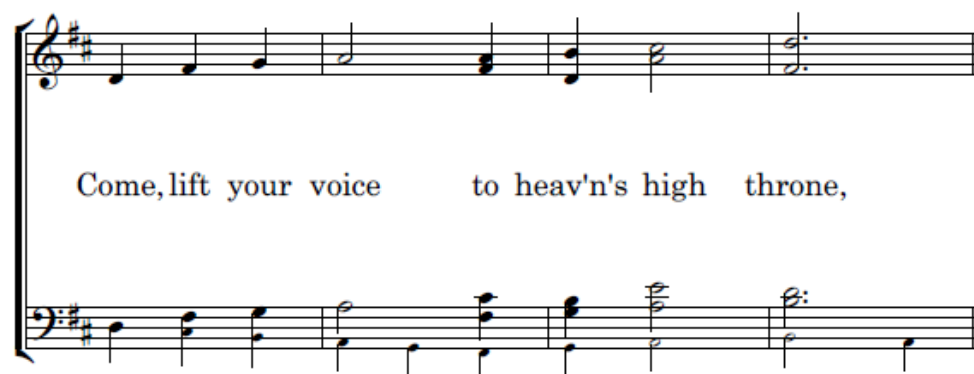
for per - fect know - ledge, wis - dom, love;
 or truths un - veil to His sharp eyes;
 for all things good from Him pro - ceed,
 and all things else both good and true,



His judg - ments are di - vine, de - vout,
 He marks our paths be - hind, be - fore;
 We praise Him as our Lord, and yet
 come from and through our God al - ways,



His paths be - yond all trac - ing out.
He is our stead - fast Coun - se - lor.
we nev - er place God in our debt.
and fill our hearts with grate - ful praise.



Come, lift your voice to heav'n's high throne,



And glo - ry give to God a - lone!

Statement of Faith

Our Missional Confession

We believe in the gospel – ordained by the Father, revealed in the Son and breathed out by the Holy Spirit – to be the only message of the true Scriptures found in both the Old and New Testaments, given and entrusted from generation to generation for the declaring of this good news in every common tongue throughout the entire world.

We believe the only hope for fallen and lost mankind to be the gospel of Jesus Christ – the very Word of God himself and very truth amidst a world of myriad falsehood – to be the mercy of a sovereign Lord who has given His church the Great Commission not to hide the gospel under a bushel but to carry it forth to all the nations as a city of light set on a hill, to be the power of that gospel to reclaim and redeem sinners through the reconciling work of Christ on the cross and the gift of life by Christ rising from the dead, to be the strength and assurance of His promise to always be with all who honor and obey him in both going and sending, casting the seed of His word abroad and in standing with and supporting those who so cast.

We believe in the final return of Jesus Christ who shall gather His completed church together from every nation, tribe and tongue and who shall reign forever as King of kings and Lord of lords and whose kingdom shall know no end.

Alive in Christ

Based on Ephesians 2:1-10
James Montgomery Boice, 2000

SO LA GRATIA
Paul S. Jones, 2000

1. I once was re - bel - lious, cor - rup - ted by sin,
2. But God who is rich in com - pas - sion and love,
3. God lif - ted me up to the heav - en - ly realms
4. Since grace is the source of the life that is mine,
5. Yet now I am liv - ing with work to be done

pur - su - ing the dev - il's dark path,
not leav - ing my soul to the grave,
where seat - ed with Christ I am free;
and faith is a gift from on high,
for I am God's work - man - ship too,

O - bli - vi - ous, dead to the state I was in,
Has giv - en me life; born a - gain from a - bove,
In a - ges to come He will show me more grace,
I'll boast in my Sav - ior, all mer - it de - cline,
Cre - a - ted in Christ with a race to be run,

an ob - ject of God's dreadful wrath.
by God's sov - reign grace I've been saved.
so great is His kind - ness to me.
and glo - ri - fy God 'til I die.
which God has or - dained me to do.

The Ends of All the Earth Shall Hear

All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations will bow down before him. Ps. 22:27

D G D

1. The ends of all the earth shall hear and turn un - to the
 2. For his the king - dom, his of right, he rules the na - tions
 3. Both rich and poor, both bond and free, shall wor - ship him on

A D G D

Lord in fear; all kin - dreds of the earth shall own
 by his might; all earth to him her hom - age brings,
 bend - ed knee, and chil - dren's chil - dren shall pro - claim

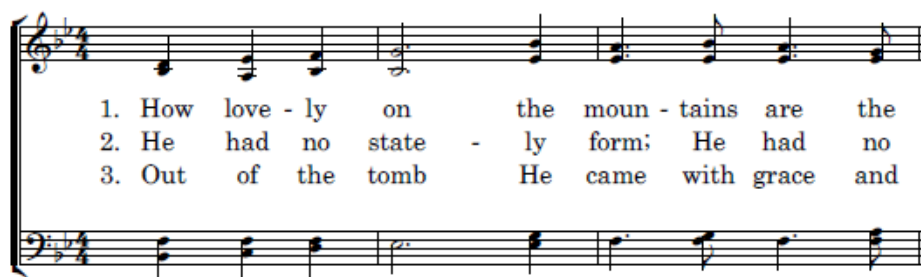
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and wor - ship him as God a - lone.
 the Lord of Lords, the King of kings. All earth to him
 the glo - rious hon - or of his name.

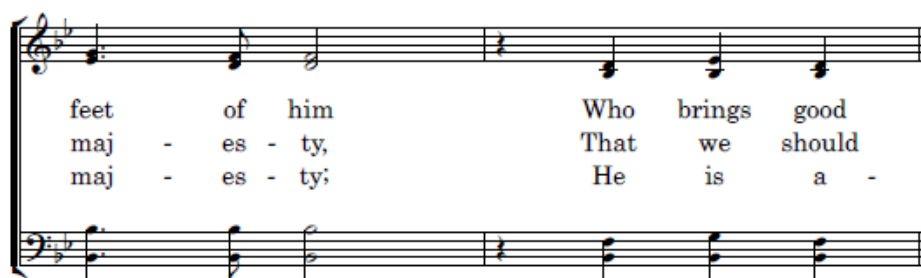
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her hom - age brings, the Lord of lords, the King of kings.

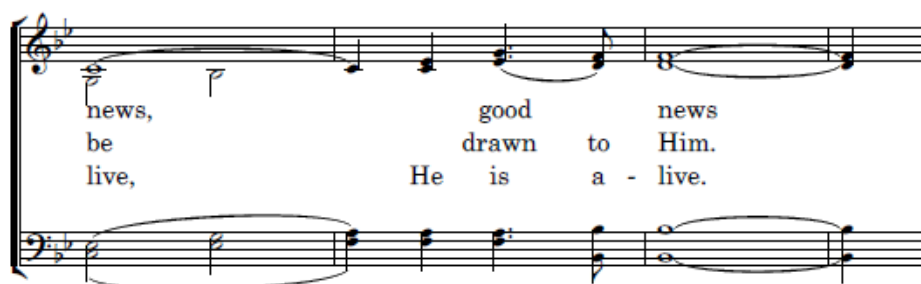
Our God Reigns



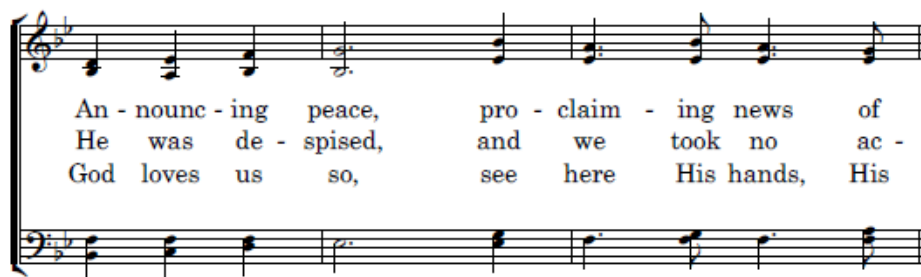
1. How love - ly on the moun - tains are the
2. He had no state - ly form; He had no
3. Out of the tomb He came with grace and



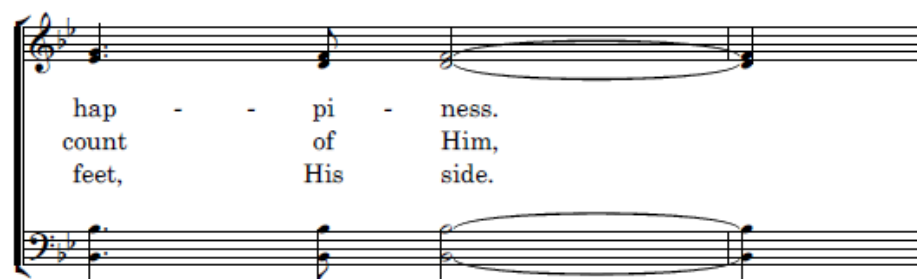
feet of him Who brings good
maj - es - ty, That we should
maj - es - ty; He is a -



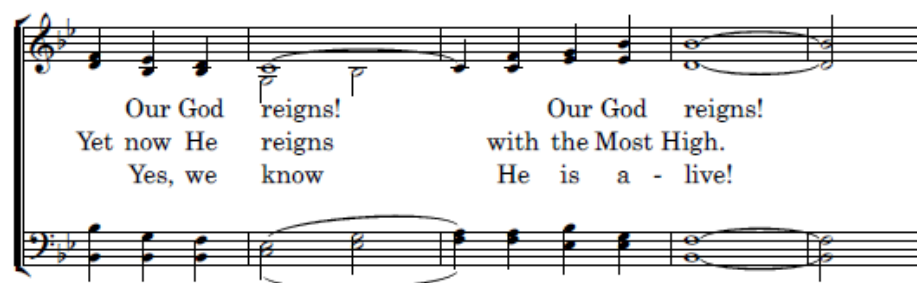
news, good news
be drawn to Him.
live, He is a - live.



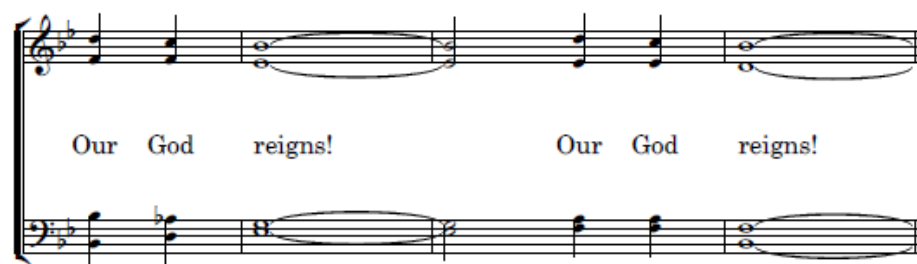
An - nounc - ing peace, pro - claim - ing news of
He was de - spised, and we took no ac -
God loves us so, see here His hands, His



hap - - pi - ness.
count of Him,
feet, His side.



Our God reigns! Our God reigns!
Yet now He reigns with the Most High.
Yes, we know He is a - live!



Our God reigns! Our God reigns!



Our God reigns! Our God reigns!

Great King of Nations, Hear Our Prayer

His mercy extends to those who fear him, from generation to generation. Luke 1:50

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of staves. The first system contains the first four verses of the hymn. The second system contains the fifth and sixth verses. The melody is primarily in the Soprano and Alto parts, with the Tenor and Bass parts providing harmonic support. The key signature has one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. There are fermatas and trills indicated above certain notes in the Soprano part.

1. Great King of na - tions, hear our prayer, while at your feet we fall,
 2. The guilt is ours, but grace is yours, O turn us not a - way;
 3. Our fa - thers' sins were man - i - fold, and ours no less we own,
 4. When dan - gers, like a storm - y sea, be - set our coun - try round,

and hum - bly, with u - nit - ed cry, to you for mer - cy call.
 but hear us from your loft - y throne, and help us when we pray.
 yet won - drous - ly from age to age your good - ness has been shown.
 to you we looked, to you we cried, and help in you was found.

5. With one consent we meekly bow
 beneath your chast'ning hand,
 and, pouring forth confession meet,
 mourn with our mourning land.

6. With pitying eye behold our need,
 as thus we lift our prayer;
 correct us with your judgments, Lord,
 then let your mercy spare.