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## WELCOME

### "ABOVE ALL"

#### **[Verse 1]**

Above all powers  
Above all kings  
Above all nature and all created things  
Above all wisdom and all the ways of man  
You were here before the world began

#### **[Verse 2]**

Above all kingdoms  
Above all thrones  
Above all wonders the world has ever known  
Above all wealth and treasures of the earth  
There's no way to measure what you're worth

#### **[Chorus]**

Crucified laid behind the stone  
You lived to die rejected and alone  
Like a rose trampled on the ground  
You took the fall and thought of me  
Above all

#### **[Verse 1]**

#### **[Verse 2]**

#### **[Chorus] x2**

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## CONFESSION OF SINS

Worship Leader: *(adapted from 1 John)* How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! When Christ appears again, we shall be like him. All who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. We know that everyone who sins breaks the law, and we know that Christ appeared so that he might take away our sins. But no one who lives in him keeps on sinning. They cannot go on sinning, because they have been born of God. This is how we know who the children of God are and who the children of the devil are: Anyone who does not do what is right is not God's child, nor is anyone who does not love their brother and sister. Anyone who does not love remains in death and does not know God, because God is love. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son. This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. Because of God's love and the assurance of forgiveness we confess our sins:

**Congregation: Lord, there have been times I have chosen my own ways over your ways. Following my own way, I have sinned by the choices I have made, sometimes knowingly and sometimes unknowingly. Sins of thought, sins of word and sins of action. Lord, I pray that you have mercy on me. Not because I have earned it or deserve it, but because of your unfailing love and your Son Jesus. Assure me of the forgiveness of my sin, take away my guilt, and give me strength to live according to your will.**

## ANNOUNCEMENT OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

WL: God, our heavenly Father, is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and rich in faithful love. He sees you are blameless and holy because of the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ. Every sin you have ever committed has been wiped away. He remembers your sins no more and has made you alive in Christ. Go in peace knowing that your sins are forgiven. Amen.

## APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. 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 will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### FIRST LESSON

Job 42:1-6

Then Job replied to the Lord:

<sup>2</sup> "I know that you can do all things;  
no purpose of yours can be thwarted.

<sup>3</sup> You asked, 'Who is this that obscures  
my plans without knowledge?'

Surely I spoke of things I did not understand,  
things too wonderful for me to know.

<sup>4</sup> "You said, 'Listen now, and I will speak;  
I will question you, and you shall answer me.'

<sup>5</sup> My ears had heard of you but now  
my eyes have seen you. <sup>6</sup> Therefore I despise  
myself and repent in dust and ashes."

### SECOND LESSON

1 John 4:7-10

Dear friends, let us love one another,  
for love comes from God. Everyone who  
loves has been born of God and knows God.

<sup>8</sup> Whoever does not love does not know  
God, because God is love.

<sup>9</sup> This is how God showed his love among us:  
He sent his one and only Son into the world  
that we might live through him.

<sup>10</sup> This is love: not that we loved God,  
but that he loved us and sent his Son as  
an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

**“YOU ARE MY KING (AMAZING LOVE)”**

**[Verse] x2**

I'm forgiven because you were forsaken  
I'm accepted, You were condemned  
I'm alive and well  
Your spirit is within me  
Because you died and rose again

**[Chorus]**

Amazing love, how can it be?  
That you, my king. would die for me  
Amazing love, I know it's true  
Its my joy to honor you  
Amazing love how can it be?  
That my king would die for me  
Amazing love I know it's true  
It's my joy to honor you  
In all I do –I honor you

**[Verse]**

I'm forgiven because you were forsaken  
I'm accepted, You were condemned  
I'm alive and well  
Your spirit is within me  
Because you died and rose again

**[Chorus]**

**[Bridge]**

You are my king.  
You are my king.  
Jesus, You are my king.

**[Chorus]**

**MESSAGE:**  
***“REMEMBER, JESUS IS KING!”***

**MATTHEW 2:1-12**

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem <sup>2</sup> and asked,

“Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.”

<sup>3</sup> When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. <sup>4</sup> When he had called together all the people’s chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Messiah was to be born.

<sup>5</sup> “In Bethlehem in Judea,” they replied, “for this is what the prophet has written:

<sup>6</sup> “‘But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel.’”

<sup>7</sup> Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. <sup>8</sup> He sent them to Bethlehem and said, “Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him.”

<sup>9</sup> After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. <sup>10</sup> When they saw the star, they were overjoyed.

<sup>11</sup> On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

<sup>12</sup> And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.

## PRAYER

*Vicar David will offer the Prayer. Following the prayer:*

**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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

### “KING OF LOVE”

#### **[Verse 1]**

The King of love my Shepherd is,  
Whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am His  
And He is mine forever.  
And He is mine forever.

#### **[Verse 2]**

Where streams of living water flow,  
My ransomed soul He leadeth.  
And, where the verdant pastures grow,  
With food celestial feedeth.

#### **[Chorus]**

Never failing, Ruler of my heart.  
Everlasting, Lover of my soul.  
On the mountain high or in the valley low  
The King of Love my Shepherd is  
The King of Love my Shepherd is

#### **[Verse 3]**

Lost and foolish oft I strayed,  
But yet in love He sought me  
And on His shoulder gently laid  
And home rejoicing brought me.

#### **[Verse 4]**

In death's dark vale I fear no ill  
With thee, dear Lord, beside me,  
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,  
Thy cross before to guide me.

#### **[Chorus]**

#### **[Bridge x2]**

Oh-oh-oh,  
Hallelu-jah, Hallelu-jah

#### **[Chorus x2]**

#### **[Verse 5]**

So through all the length of days,  
Thy goodness faileth never.  
Good Shepherd may I sing Your praise,  
Within Your house forever;  
Within Your house forever.

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## WANT TO FOLLOW ALONG WITH THE MUSIC?

**\*-\*UPDATED\*-\*** If you would like to know the songs that we are planning on using during the this series, and listen to them on your own, in the car while commuting, or with your family, you can follow our playlist on Spotify. This playlist will be updated throughout the series.

----- “Grace CREWW – Advent / Christmas 2020” -----

You can search for it there or you can scan this code in the app. To scan a Spotify Code, go to the search bar, tap the search bar and you will see a camera icon, tap the camera and then hover the camera over this code:



## WANT TO LISTEN TO MORE?

This playlist contains nearly every one of the songs that we use for contemporary worship over the year:

*\*Also, feel free to send song suggestions or recommendations to Staff Minister Kyle Heise. 😊*

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