

### **UPWARD, INWARD, OUTWARD**

Three essentials to our walk with God will highlight the first three Sundays of September. We will share Communion today as we emphasize our unity in Christ.

### **ALIVE YOUTH (MIDDLE & HIGH)**

Let's get this school year started! We will start meeting again this Thursday, September 10th, from 6:30–8:30pm at the church. There will be dinner, games, Bible study and more. Meet in the Youth Room and bring a mask! 😊 We can't wait to see you! Contact Meredith for more information 503.851.1318

### **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY RE-LAUNCH NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 @ 10AM**

We will re-launch in person Sunday School next Sunday, September 13th. We are currently preparing our classrooms to follow all safety regulations. We are excited to welcome children and their families back! We will continue to show Harvest Kids Sunday School videos on YouTube. Search for "Harvest Kids" or type in this link: [newharvestch.org/harvestkids](http://newharvestch.org/harvestkids). Contact Karen to be added to our Harvest Kids group on Facebook for more children's ministry resources.

### **THE GREEN ROOM COURSE—STARTS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 @ 6:30PM**

The Green Room Class is both a refresher course and an adventure designed to enhance your perspective. Email Steve for more information ([steve@newharvestch.org](mailto:steve@newharvestch.org)).

### **NORTHGATE PARK PROGRAM**

We are continuing our ministry to the community through the Northgate Park Program during September. Every Wednesday from 2-4pm we are providing safe social connection & activities for children & their families. Reach out to Karen or Meredith if you would like to partner with us.

Welcome  
Guests  
& Visitors

We are delighted you chose to attend our gathering today. Check out our online Connection Card ([newharvestch.org/connect](http://newharvestch.org/connect)), or fill out a Connection Card found in the back of the chair with your prayer requests and to let us know that you joined us today.

# Upward

## Psalm 147:1-11

We might stare upward at the sky and perceive God as far away. However, the Psalmist tells us God builds up, heals and sustains.

\* Transcendence — God is great.

“to surpass”, the “beyondness” of God

“My ways higher than your ways” - Isaiah 55:9

\* Immanence — God is close.

“dwelling in,” closer to us than our own breath

clouds → rain → grass → cattle - vv. 8 & 9

## I Kings 20

Yahweh, the God of the hills and the plains.

“The Lord delights in those who fear him, who put their hope in his unfailing love.” verse 11

“Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God and Jesus Christ . . .” John 17:3

Upward = Love God supremely

### **Reflective Questions**

1. What aspect of God’s creation inspires you the most?
2. Why is true knowledge of God inclusive of both His transcendence and immanence? Why are both important?
3. What have you learned about God through this teaching that causes you to love Him more?

