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## Front Cover Artwork

Pieter Bruegel (c.1525-1530 to 1569), *The Hunters in the Snow*, 1565. Oil on wood. 46.06 x 63.77 in. Kunsthistorisches Museum, Vienna, Austria. In the public domain.

The group of hunters returns to the low-lying village, accompanied by an exhausted pack of dogs. Only a single fox hangs on one of the spears slung over the men's shoulders. To the left preparations are afoot to singe a pig over an open fire. Delightful details such as skaters on frozen ponds have added to the picture's enormous popularity. Yet it is not the sum total of details that make the picture important, rather its overall effect. In a manner both virtuosic and consistent, Bruegel evokes the impression of permanent cold in this first and most prominent winter landscape of European painting.

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Like these weary hunters, we might be tempted to feel as though the dark and dreary times will never end. But God's Word speaks of the hope we have in the gospel. God promises a reward to those who trust in Jesus and consequently pour their energies into doing the work of his glorious kingdom.

Galatians 6:9 says,

*And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.*

With that reminder, Paul then, in verse 10, encourages us with these words:

*So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone,  
and especially to those who are of the household of faith.*



**Hershey Presbyterian Church (PCA)** desires to be a welcoming, grace-filled, all-nations community of Jesus Christ in the Presbyterian tradition. We seek to love God and our neighbor as we make disciples of Jesus Christ who are learning to *worship God, proclaim Christ, and love others*.

# Preparing to Worship God

## Welcome

**Welcome to Hershey PCA!** We are glad to have you join with us in the worship of God through Jesus Christ, our Savior and King.

**Thanks** to all those who participate in making this worship service possible (worship service participants may include in alphabetical order): Crystal Basom (vocals), Ephraim Church (violin), Keith Dolon (sound), Josh Franklin (leading worship), Bonnie Kertland (vocals), David Kertland (preaching), Nathanael Marengo (clarinet), Lynn Ruhl (cello), Ben Watt (vocals), and Nick Yingst (piano).

## Prelude

### Praising God

#### \*Call to Worship:

**Isaiah 40:25-31 and Psalm 95:6**

*To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One.*

*<sup>26</sup> Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these?*

*He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name;  
by the greatness of his might and because he is strong in power, not one is missing.*

*<sup>27</sup> Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel,*

*“My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God”?*

*<sup>28</sup> Have you not known? Have you not heard?*

*The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.*

*He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.*

***<sup>29</sup> He gives power to the faint,  
and to him who has no might he increases strength.***

*<sup>30</sup> Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted;*

***<sup>31</sup> but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength;  
they shall mount up with wings like eagles;  
they shall run and not be weary;  
they shall walk and not faint.***

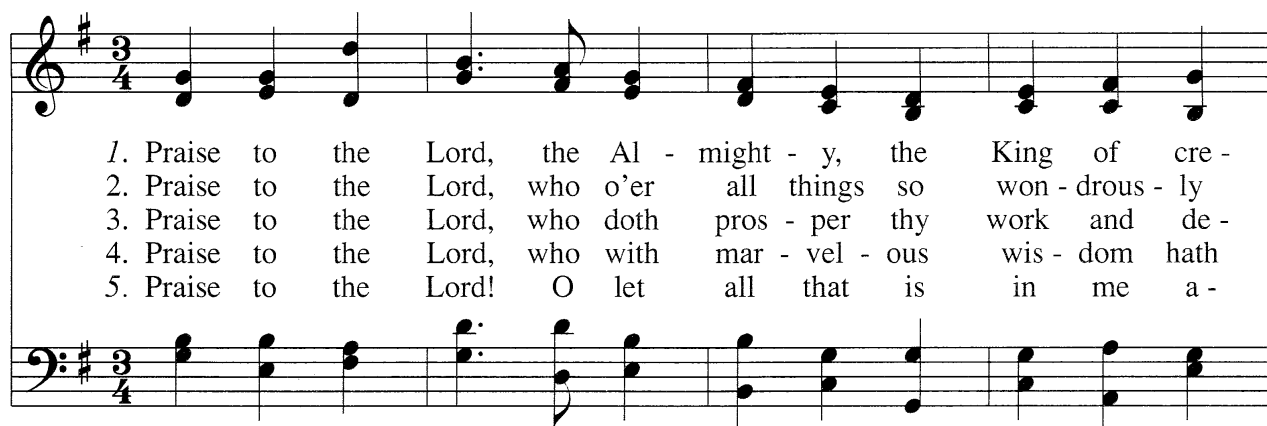
*Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!*

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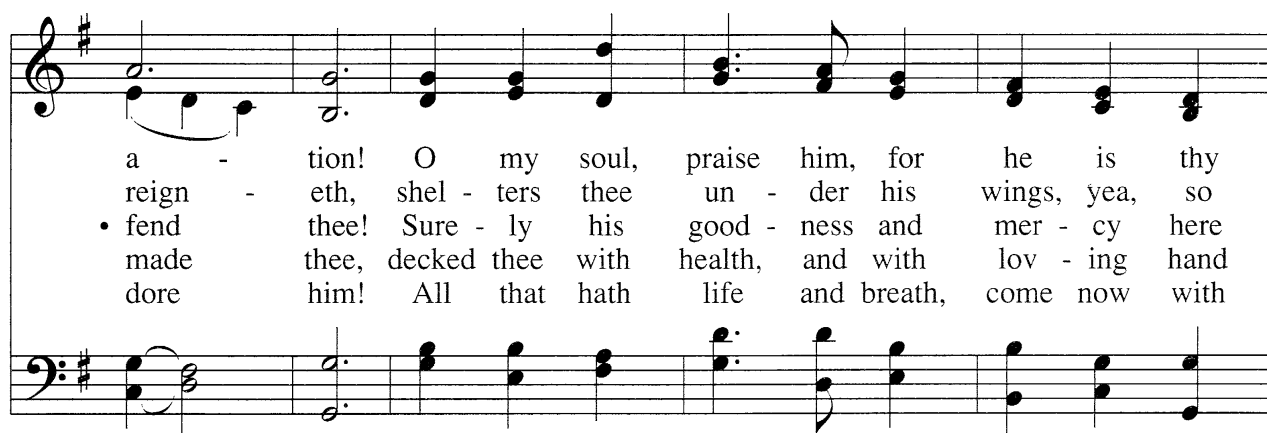
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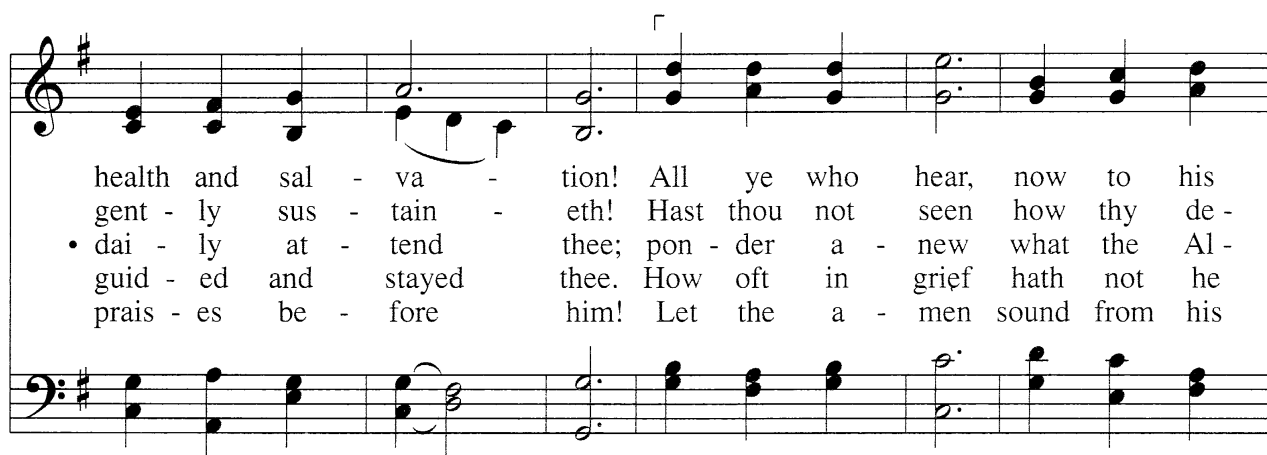
**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**



1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
 2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly  
 3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de -  
 4. Praise to the Lord, who with mar - vel - ous wis - dom hath  
 5. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -



a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy  
 reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so  
 • fend thee! Sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy here  
 made thee, decked thee with health, and with lov - ing hand  
 dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with



health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his  
 gent - ly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -  
 • dai - ly at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -  
 guid - ed and stayed thee. How oft in grief hath not he  
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his



tem - ple draw near, join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion.  
 sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?  
 • might - y will do, if with his love he be - friend thee.  
 brought thee re - lief, spread - ing his wings to o'er - shade thee!  
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for - e'er we a - dore him.

Based on Psalm 103  
 Joachim Neander, 1680  
 Tr. by Catherine Winkworth, 1863; alt. 1990

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 Stralsund Gesangbuch, 1665  
 Arr. in Praxis Pielatis Melica, 1668

## **Prayer of Adoration & Invocation**

### **\*Confession of Faith:**

**Romans 8:31-39**

*After reminding us of Christ's work, the Father's love, and the Spirit's help, Paul gives us this wonderful expression of praise and confidence in our God which we use as a confession of our faith today:*

**What then shall we say to these things?**

**If God is for us, who can be against us?**

**He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all,**

**how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?**

**Who shall bring any charge against God's elect?**

**It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn?**

**Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that,**

**who was raised—**

**who is at the right hand of God,**

**who indeed is interceding for us.**

**Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?**

**Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine,**

**or nakedness, or danger, or sword?**

**As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all the day long;**

**we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered."**

**No, in all these things we are more than conquerors**

**through him who loved us.**

**For I am sure that neither death nor life,**

**nor angels nor rulers,**

**nor things present nor things to come,**

**nor powers, nor height nor depth,**

**nor anything else in all creation,**

**will be able to separate us from the love of God**

**in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

### **\*Gloria Patri**

Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther,  
And to the Son,  
and to the Ho-ly Ghost:  
as it was in the be-gin-ning,  
is now, and ev-er shall be,  
world with-out end.  
A-men, a-men.

# Facing Up to Our Sin before God

## Reading of God's Standard

**Romans 12:1-2**

*I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. <sup>2</sup> Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.*

## Confession of Sin

## Assurance of Pardon in Christ:

**Romans 3:23-24**

*[A]ll have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,  
<sup>24</sup> and are justified by his grace as a gift,  
through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.*

# Offering Our Prayers to God

## Prayer of Intercession & the Lord's Prayer

Hershey PCA Prayer Requests for the Week of January 24-30, 2021

### Intercession for the World:

- **The Hershey Community** (to learn about local township news, subscribe to the Derry Township Weekly eNews at [www.derrytownship.org/community/weekly-eneews](http://www.derrytownship.org/community/weekly-eneews))  
**Hershey Public Library Director Laura O'Grady**
- **Civil Government** (those in authority over us):  
**PA Lieutenant Governor John Fetterman**
- **Countries of Origin of our Church Members and Friends.** Did you come from a country different from the ones that we regularly pray for? Please let us know and we will add your country of origin to our list:  
**Honduras**
- **Unreached People Group** (includes 6,693 people groups or 40.4% of the world's people groups (approximately 3,109,034,000 persons). In these people groups, there are "few evangelicals and few who identify as Christians." There is "little, if any, history of Christianity" within the people group. See [www.joshuaproject.net](http://www.joshuaproject.net)). "...pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." (Matt. 9:38)  
**Baghban of India, Nepal, and Pakistan**  
**Population: 873,900; Language: Odia; Hindi, Urdu, and Punjabi; Religion: Hinduism and Islam**

### Intercession for the Church (God's People):

- **Health issues: Bill**
- **Church Government in our Local Church** (our ordained officers and non-ordained ministry leaders):  
**Children's Ministry Leaders**
- **Our Denomination (PCA):** Member Church in the Susquehanna Valley Presbytery (PCA):  
**Harvest Presbyterian Church, Lancaster, PA**
- **Supported Missionary or Organizations:**  
**Craig and Ree Coulbourne, serving with MTW in Japan**

**The Lord's Prayer:** Our time of intercession will close with this version of the Lord's Prayer in unison.

"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, forever.  
Amen.

## Our Tithes & Offerings

*This is the time in our service when our tithes and offerings are presented to God as an act of our worship. You can drop your offering in the designated place. If you are worshipping with us online, you can present your tithes and offerings to God by mailing them to Hershey PCA, 1521 Sand Hill Road, Hummelstown, PA 17036, or by making an online donation through our website at [hersheypca.com](http://hersheypca.com).*

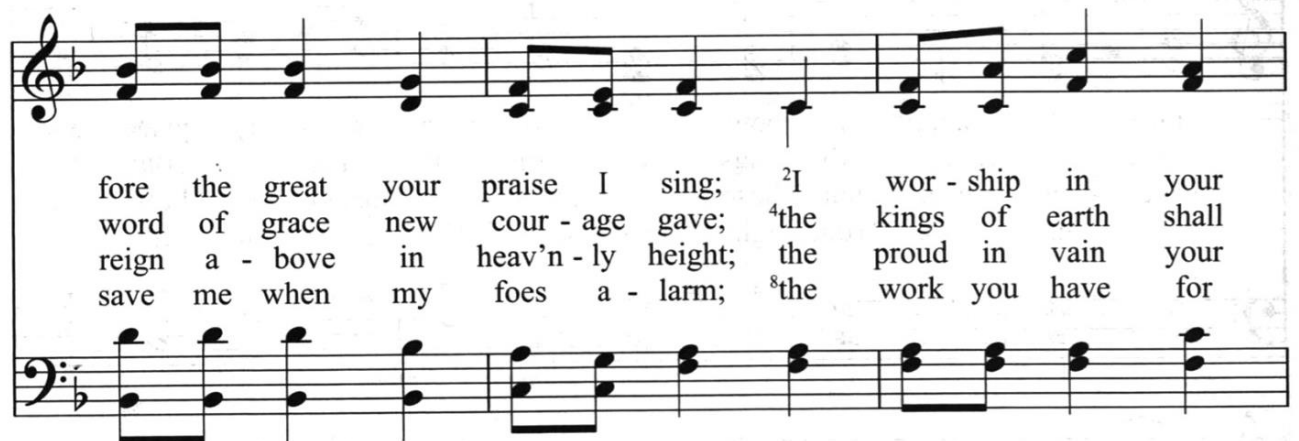


During this song, children from 3 years old through kindergarten  
are invited to attend Junior Church in the church office.

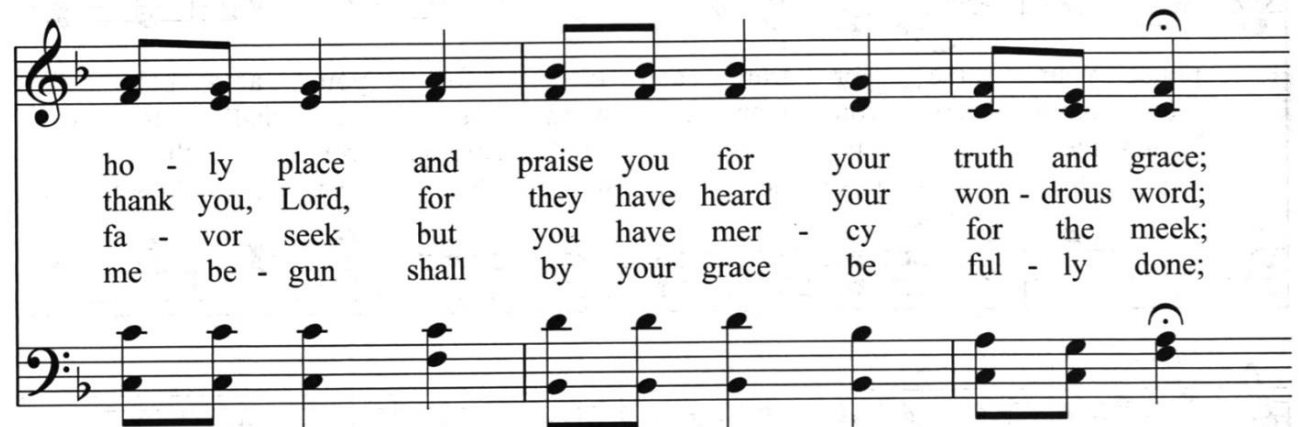
**\*Song of Preparation: With Grateful Heart My Thanks I Bring (Psalm 138)**



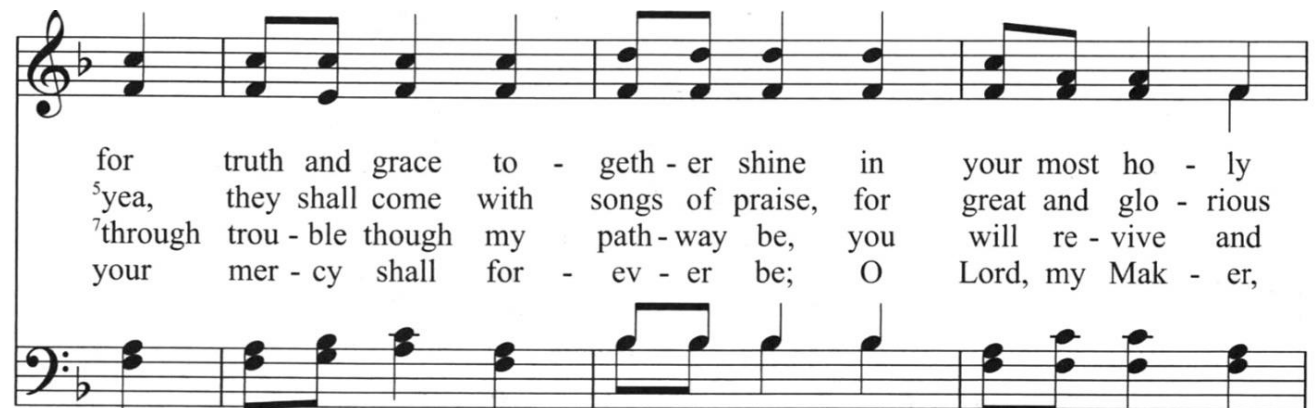
1. <sup>1</sup>With grate - ful heart my thanks I bring, be -  
2. <sup>3</sup>I cried to you, and you did save; your  
3. <sup>6</sup>O Lord, en - throned in glo - ry bright, you  
4. You will stretch forth your might - y arm to



fore the great your praise I sing; <sup>2</sup>I wor - ship in your  
word of grace new cour - age gave; <sup>4</sup>the kings of earth shall  
reign a - bove in heav'n - ly height; the proud in vain your  
save me when my foes a - larm; <sup>8</sup>the work you have for

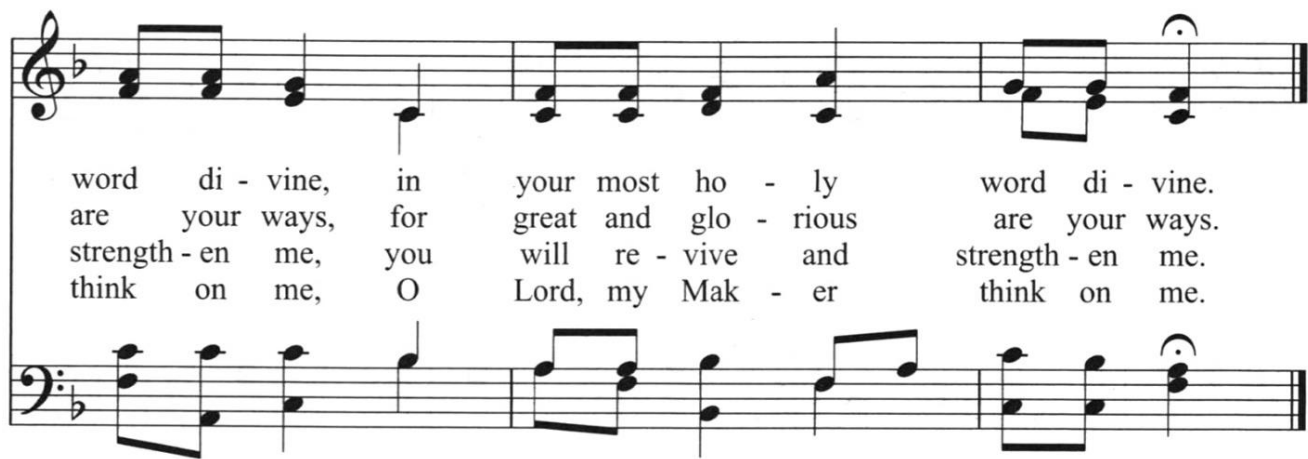


ho - ly place and praise you for your truth and grace;  
thank you, Lord, for they have heard your won - drous word;  
fa - vor seek but you have mer - cy for the meek;  
me be - gun shall by your grace be ful - ly done;



for truth and grace to - geth - er shine in your most ho - ly  
<sup>5</sup>yea, they shall come with songs of praise, for great and glo - rious  
<sup>7</sup>through trou - ble though my path - way be, you will re - vive and  
your mer - cy shall for - ev - er be; O Lord, my Mak - er,





Paraphrase  
*The Psalter*, 1912; alt.; mod.

SOLID ROCK 8.8.8.8.8.8.  
 William B. Bradbury, 1863

## Listening to God's Word

### Prayer for Illumination

*In this prayer, we ask the Lord to open our eyes and hearts to his Word.*

### \*Reading of Scripture:

### Haggai 2:1-9

*In the seventh month, on the twenty-first day of the month, the word of the LORD came by the hand of Haggai the prophet:*

<sup>2</sup> "Speak now to Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to all the remnant of the people, and say, <sup>3</sup> 'Who is left among you who saw this house in its former glory? How do you see it now? Is it not as nothing in your eyes?' <sup>4</sup> Yet now be strong, O Zerubbabel, declares the LORD. Be strong, O Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest. Be strong, all you people of the land, declares the LORD. Work, for I am with you, declares the LORD of hosts, <sup>5</sup> according to the covenant that I made with you when you came out of Egypt. My Spirit remains in your midst. Fear not. <sup>6</sup> For thus says the LORD of hosts: Yet once more, in a little while, I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land. <sup>7</sup> And I will shake all nations, so that the treasures of all nations shall come in, and I will fill this house with glory, says the LORD of hosts. <sup>8</sup> The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, declares the LORD of hosts. <sup>9</sup> The latter glory of this house shall be greater than the former, says the LORD of hosts. And in this place I will give peace, declares the LORD of hosts.'"

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**\*Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon:**

*I Am With You: A Series from Haggai (2)*

***“Yet Now Be Strong”***

Text: Haggai 2:1-9

Pastor David Kertland

1. Addressing \_\_\_\_\_

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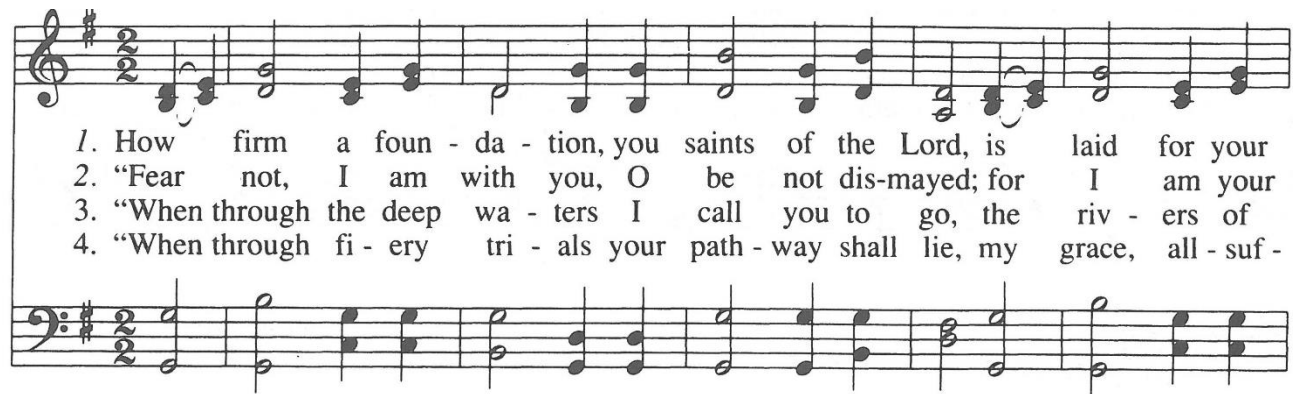
**Prayer of Application**

*The sermon concludes with a prayer asking the Lord to help us to be those who listen to his word and obey it.  
“...be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.” (James 1:22)*

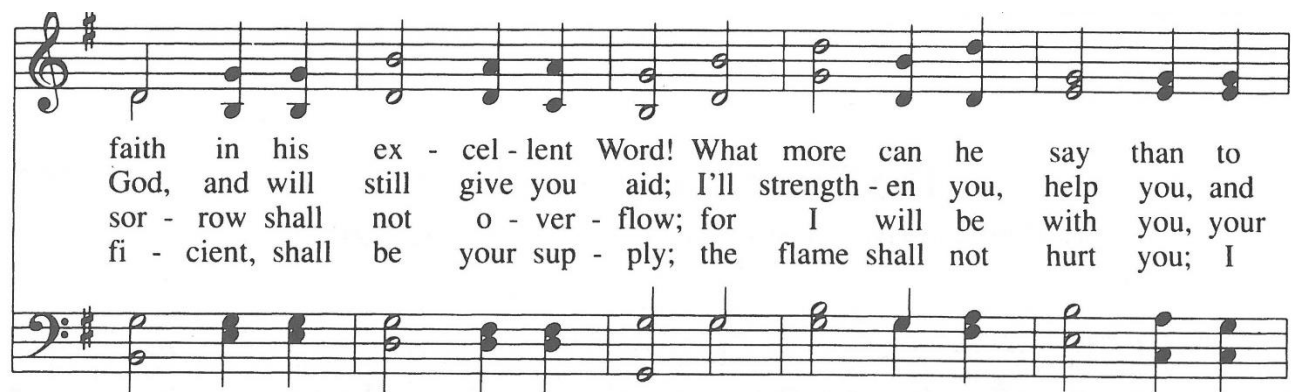
# Confessing Our Faith in God

## \*Song of Dedication and Service:

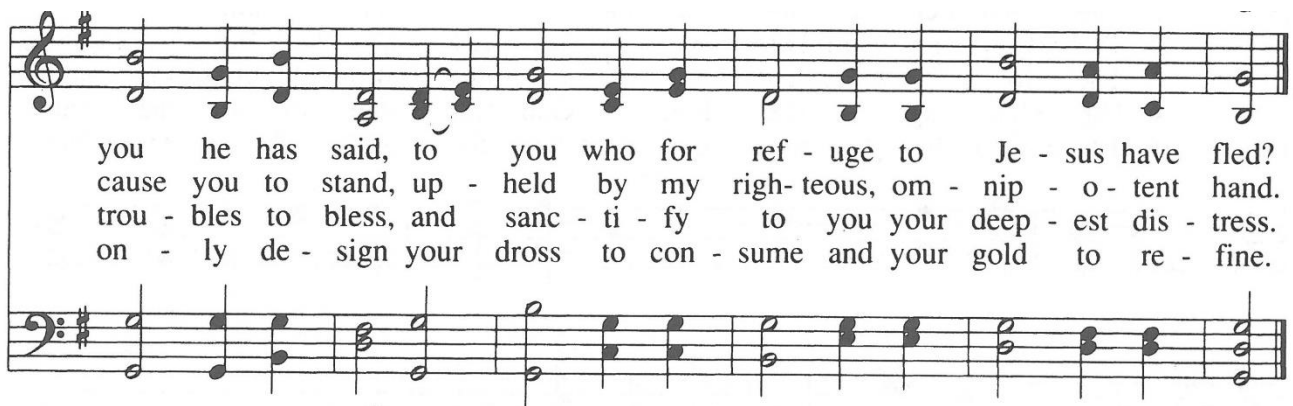
## How Firm a Foundation



1. How firm a foun - da - tion, you saints of the Lord, is laid for your  
 2. "Fear not, I am with you, O be not dis-mayed; for I am your  
 3. "When through the deep wa - ters I call you to go, the riv - ers of  
 4. "When through fi - ery tri - als your path - way shall lie, my grace, all - suf -



faith in his ex - cel - lent Word! What more can he say than to  
 God, and will still give you aid; I'll strength - en you, help you, and  
 sor - row shall not o - ver - flow; for I will be with you, your  
 fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply; the flame shall not hurt you; I



you he has said, to you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?  
 cause you to stand, up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.  
 trou - bles to bless, and sanc - ti - fy to you your deep - est dis - tress.  
 on - ly de - sign your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine.

5. "E'en down to old age all my people shall prove  
 my sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love;  
 and when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn,  
 like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.

6. "The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,  
 I will not, I will not desert to his foes;  
 that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
 I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

# Receiving God's Blessing

## \*Benediction

**Romans 15:13**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit:

*"May the God of hope  
fill you with all joy and peace in believing,  
so that by the power of the Holy Spirit  
you may abound in hope."*

## Postlude

**We are glad that you have joined us for worship today  
either in person or by livestream.**

**If you are new to Hershey PCA**, feel free to reach out to Pastor Kertland at [pastor@hersheypca.com](mailto:pastor@hersheypca.com). We would love to personally welcome you.

Updates, announcements, and a weekly schedule of events with meeting links are being communicated through our Prayer and Information email list. If you are not receiving these updates and would like to be on the email list, please send your name and email address to [office@hersheypca.com](mailto:office@hersheypca.com).

Requests for pastoral or diaconal support can be made directly to one of our elders or deacons, or can be emailed to us at: [pastor@hersheypca.com](mailto:pastor@hersheypca.com) or [deacons@hersheypca.com](mailto:deacons@hersheypca.com).

Join us for **Sunday worship** at 10:00 AM (EST) onsite or by livestream at our Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/hersheypca](https://www.facebook.com/hersheypca).

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