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Front Cover Artwork

Edward Hopper, *Gloucester Harbor*. Oil on canvas. 26.375 x 38.3125 in. Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, New York.

Edward Hopper first visited Gloucester in Massachusetts in 1912 looking for inspiration. Aged 30 at the time Hopper was struggling to be recognized as an artist, making a living through commercial illustration instead. It would be his paintings of the houses and architecture of the seaside port of Gloucester produced during his stays in the 1920's that would see his career take-off. Yet in those earlier paintings, mostly of the Italian Quarter which included Gloucester Harbor, his recognizable use of color and shadow, his depiction of authentic America were to the fore. Measuring 66.04 cm x 71.12 cm, Gloucester Harbor captured a scene now long gone with the modernization of the fishing industry. It is an impressionist view that provides for the precision in the detail on the house in the foreground, while experimenting with light and shadow for the distant features. Gloucester attracted artists for the exceptional nature of its light, enhanced by the sea, and Edward Hopper would produce over 100 pieces from there.

<http://www.edward-hopper.org/gloucester-harbor/>



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): Ephraim Church (violin), Bonnie Kertland (vocals), David Kertland (preaching), Mark Linstedt (vocals), Pam Linstedt (vocals), Nathanael Marengo (sound), Lynn Ruhl (cello), Jared Salyards (piano), and Don Wood (vocals).

Prelude

Praising God

*Call to Worship

Psalm 146:1-2,10

Praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD, O my soul!

² *I will praise the LORD as long as I live;*

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

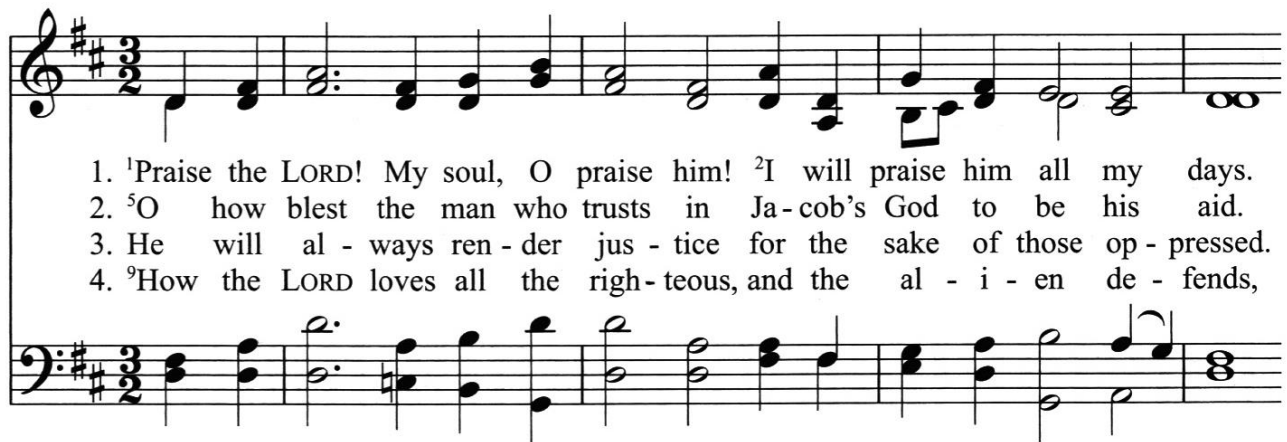
¹⁰ *The LORD will reign forever,*

your God, O Zion, to all generations.

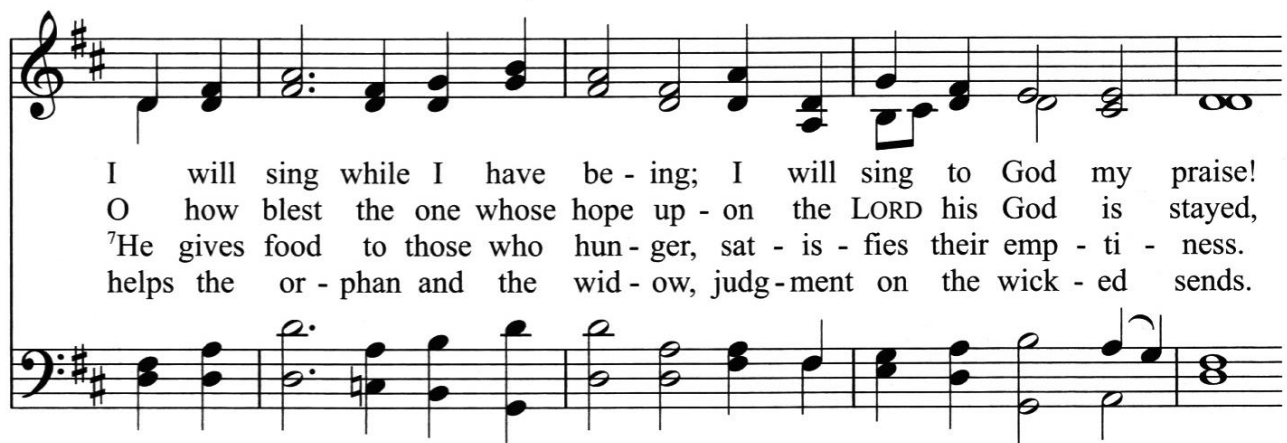
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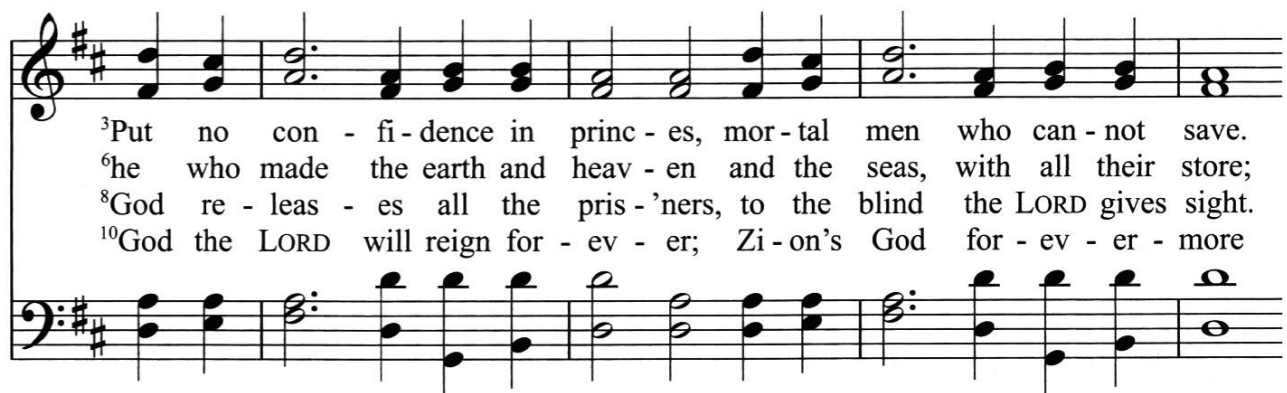
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Response of Praise:*Praise the Lord! My Soul, O Praise Him!**

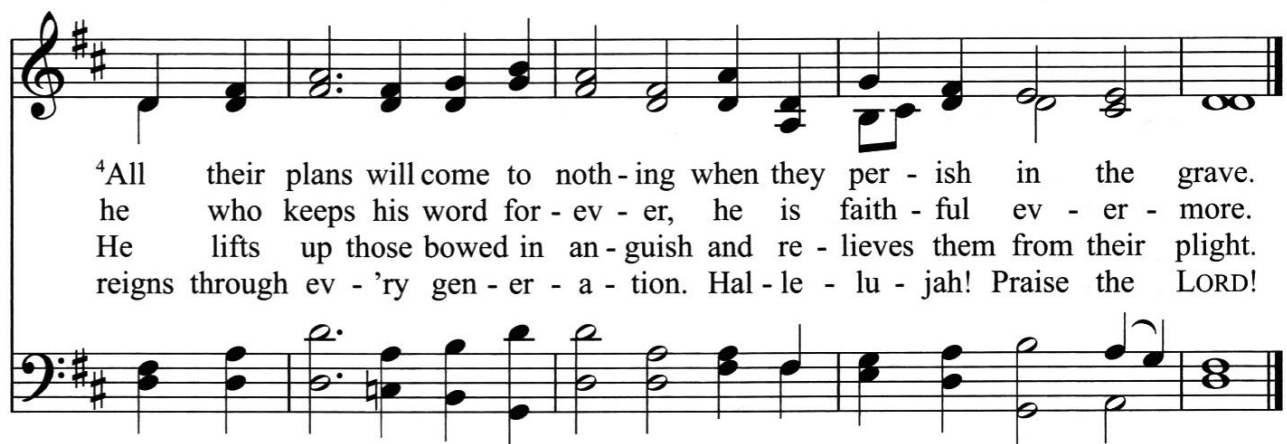
1. ¹Praise the LORD! My soul, O praise him! ²I will praise him all my days.
2. ⁵O how blest the man who trusts in Ja-cob's God to be his aid.
3. He will al - ways ren - der jus - tice for the sake of those op - pressed.
4. ⁹How the LORD loves all the righ-teous, and the al - i - en de - fends,



I will sing while I have be - ing; I will sing to God my praise!
O how blest the one whose hope up - on the LORD his God is stayed,
⁷He gives food to those who hun - ger, sat - is - fies their emp - ti - ness.
helps the or - phan and the wid - ow, judg - ment on the wick - ed sends.



³Put no con - fi - dence in princ - es, mor - tal men who can - not save.
⁶he who made the earth and heav - en and the seas, with all their store;
⁸God re - leas - es all the pris - 'ners, to the blind the LORD gives sight.
¹⁰God the LORD will reign for - ev - er; Zi-on's God for - ev - er - more



⁴All their plans will come to noth - ing when they per - ish in the grave.
he who keeps his word for - ev - er, he is faith - ful ev - er - more.
He lifts up those bowed in an - guish and re - lieves them from their plight.
reigns through ev - 'ry gen - er - a - tion. Hal - le - lu - jah! Praise the LORD!

***Prayer of Adoration & Invocation**

***Confession of Faith:**

The Nicene Creed

We confess our common faith today with the Nicene Creed, a summary of the Bible's teaching about God, our need of a sufficient Savior, and our dependence on the work of the Spirit. From the Trinity Hymnal: "The Nicene Creed originated at the Council of Nicea (325), and an expanded form was adopted by the Council of Chalcedon (451). It was formulated to answer heresies that denied the biblical doctrine of the Trinity and of the person of Christ."

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,

begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;
by whom all things were made;
who for us and for our salvation
came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried;
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified;
who spoke by the prophets;
and we believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic church;
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

***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.

* "'Catholic' means universal; that is, there is one church across all times, places, and peoples."

Facing Up to Our Sin before God

Reading of God's Standard

1 Corinthians 10:1-12

For I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea,² and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea,³ and all ate the same spiritual food,⁴ and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ.⁵ Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness.⁶ Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did.⁷ Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play."⁸ We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day.⁹ We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents,¹⁰ nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer.¹¹ Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come.¹² Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall.

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sin to God;

You are the Lord and you alone! You have made heaven, the heaven of heavens with all their host, the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them, and you preserve them all.

You have called us to yourself and given us a covenant. You have become our God and made us your people, and yet we have turned away from you. We have rebelled against you.

You have delivered us many times according to your covenant mercies.

You have warned us, and yet we have acted presumptuously. You have sent us prophets, and we have turned a stubborn shoulder and stiffened our necks and would not obey your law.

You are the Lord and you alone. You are our God, great and mighty. You keep covenant and steadfast love.

We deplore our sins before you, and before each other. They have only gotten us into trouble. They have only enslaved us. They have not given us the happiness they promised.

Deliver us from our sin and the power and attraction of sin.

Through the faithful suffering and death of our Savior Jesus Christ, whose intercession we plead, and in whose name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon in Christ

1 Corinthians 1:3-5,7-9

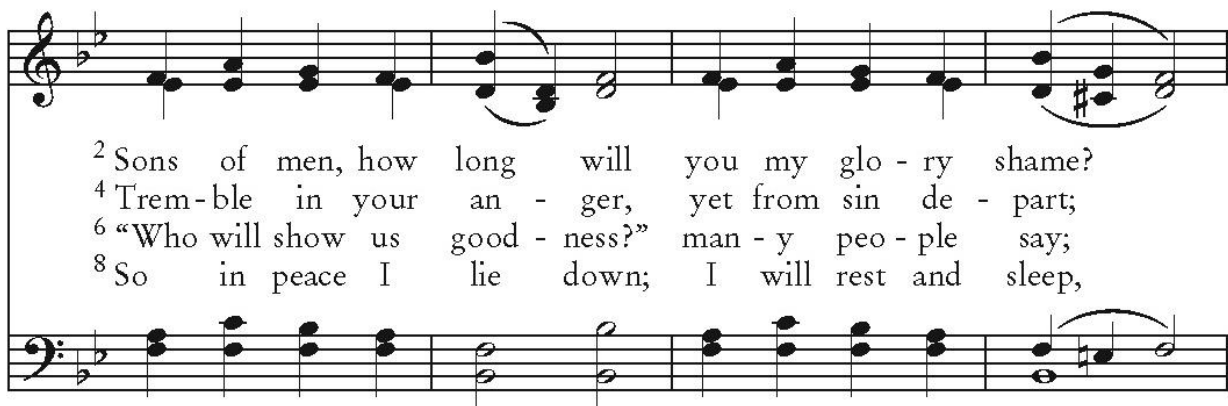
Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.⁴ I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus,⁵ that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge ...⁷ so that you are not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ,⁸ who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.⁹ God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Song of Thanksgiving:*Answer When I Call (Psalm 4)**

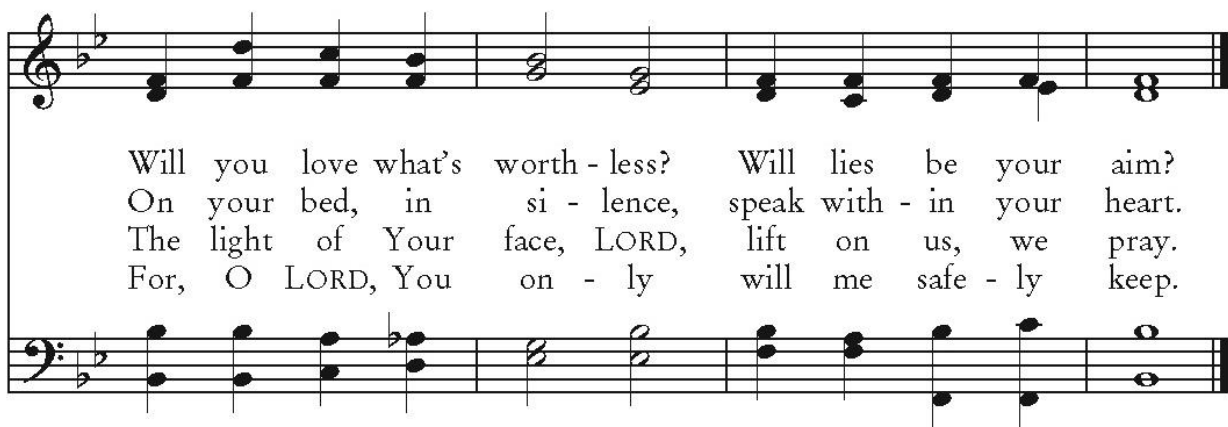
1. ¹ An - swer when I call, O God who jus - ti - fies.
2. ³ Know the LORD His saints has set a - part in grace;
3. ⁵ Of - fer sac - ri - fic - es that are right and just;
4. ⁷ You have giv - en my heart great - er joy by far



In my stress You freed me; hear in grace my cries.
And the LORD will hear me when I seek His face.
On the LORD re - ly - ing, in Him place your trust.
Than when grain and new wine most a - bun - dant are.



² Sons of men, how long will you my glo - ry shame?
⁴ Trem - ble in your an - ger, yet from sin de - part;
⁶ "Who will show us good - ness?" man - y peo - ple say;
⁸ So in peace I lie down; I will rest and sleep,



Will you love what's worth - less? Will lies be your aim?
On your bed, in si - lence, speak with - in your heart.
The light of Your face, LORD, lift on us, we pray.
For, O LORD, You on - ly will me safe - ly keep.

Offering Our Prayers to God

Prayer of Intercession & the Lord's Prayer

Hershey PCA Prayer Requests for the Week of April 18-24, 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)
Derry Township Chief of Police Garth Warner
- **Civil Government** (those in authority over us):
PA Supreme Court Justices
- **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:
Germany
- **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). "...pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." (Matt. 9:38)
Bahing of Nepal
Population: 2,700; Language: Bahing; Religion: Hinduism

Intercession for the Church (God's People):

- **Health issues:**
Darlene and Trudy
- **Those Who Serve in our Local Church** (our ordained officers and non-ordained ministry leaders):
Elder Joe Kearns
- **Our Denomination (PCA):** Member Church in the Susquehanna Valley Presbytery (PCA):
Carlisle Reformed Presbyterian Church, Carlisle, PA
- **Supported Missionary or Organizations:**
Richard and Lynne Smith, serving with RUF-I at Penn State

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.

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

***Song of Preparation:**

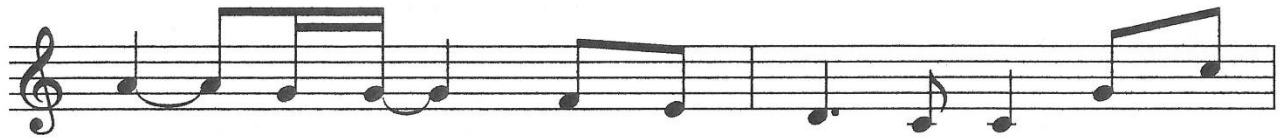
Speak, O Lord



Speak, O Lord, as we come to You to re - ceive the food of Your
Teach us, Lord, full o - be - di - ence, ho - ly rev - er - ence, true hu -
Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds; help us grasp the heights of Your



ho - ly Word. Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and
- mi - li - ty. Test our thoughts and our at - ti - tudes in the
plan for us. Truths un - changed from the dawn of time that will



fa - shion us in Your like - ness, that the
ra - di - ence of Your pur - i - ty. Cause our
ech - o down through e - ter - ni - ty. And by



light of Christ might be seen to - day in our acts of love and our
faith to rise, cause our eyes to see Your ma - je - stic love and au -
grace we'll stand on Your prom - mi - ses, and by faith we'll walk as You



deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and ful - fill in us all Your
- thor - i - ty. Words of power that can ne - ver fail; Let their
walk with us. Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built and the



pur - po - ses, for Your glo - ry.
truth pre - vail ov - er un - be - lief.
earth is filled with Your glo - ry.

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:

1 Peter 2:1-3

Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, ²³ since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; ²⁴ for "All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, ²⁵ but the word of the Lord remains forever." And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

^{2:1} So put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander. ² Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation— ³ if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

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

Psalm 34: Of David, when he changed his behavior before Abimelech, so that he drove him out, and he went away.

I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. ² My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad. ³ Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!

⁴ I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears. ⁵ Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed. ⁶ This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him and saved him out of all his troubles. ⁷ The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.

*⁸ **Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!** ⁹ Oh, fear the LORD, you his saints, for those who fear him have no lack! ¹⁰ The young lions suffer want and hunger; but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.*

¹¹ Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD. ¹² What man is there who desires life and loves many days, that he may see good? ¹³ Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking deceit. ¹⁴ Turn away from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.

¹⁵ The eyes of the LORD are toward the righteous and his ears toward their cry. ¹⁶ The face of the LORD is against those who do evil, to cut off the memory of them from the earth. ¹⁷ When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears and delivers them out of all their troubles. ¹⁸ The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.

¹⁹ Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD delivers him out of them all. ²⁰ He keeps all his bones; not one of them is broken. ²¹ Affliction will slay the wicked, and those who hate the righteous will be condemned. ²² The LORD redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

Sermon:

Stand Firm in the True Grace of God (10)

“Growing Up Into Our Calling: 5 Imperatives (4)”

Today's Text: 1 Peter 2:1-3

Overall Passage: 1 Peter 1:13-2:3

Pastor David Kertland

Previously from this overall passage of 1 Peter 1:13-2:3:

Overall theme: The pattern of gospel growth in Christ.

Imperative 1: Set your hope fully on the present and future grace of God in Christ (1 Peter 1:13)

Imperative 2: Be holy in all your conduct (1 Peter 1:14-16)

Imperative 3: Conduct yourselves with fear—the fear of the Lord (1 Peter 1:17-21)

Imperative 4: Love one another earnestly (1 Peter 1:22-25)

Imperative 5: _____ **the pure spiritual** _____

1. What? _____ the birth of a new _____ .

2. How? By _____ a life that reflects your new birth (1:3, 23).

3. Why? Being _____ by a new delight.

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)

Receiving Provision from God

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Invitation & Warning

Hershey Presbyterian Church (PCA) welcomes to receive the Holy Supper all baptized Christians who actively trust in Jesus Christ for salvation, who are willing to forsake their sin and obey Christ, and who are members in good standing of an evangelical church that proclaims the gospel or who have been approved by our Session after indicating a desire to participate (BCO 58-4). Children should await communicant membership before participating.

Let this table, and our communion together, point you to Jesus—to receive grace from him, to hold out your empty and faltering hands to him, to allow him to feed and strengthen you, and to remind you that He is *for you* and *will help you* as you seek to follow him this week.

If you are not a believer in Jesus today, we are glad that you are here with us this morning! We ask you not to participate in this part of the service. We do invite you to stay and observe this celebration of the Christian's union with the risen Jesus. As the bread and wine are received by the congregation, we invite you to cry out to Jesus and pray the following prayer (or one like it):

Prayer of Belief: "Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared to admit, but in Jesus I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you and rest on you alone for my salvation."

Have prayed this prayer for the first time this morning? Please share that with a friend or talk with our pastor who can help you take the next steps in the faith.

Words of Institution:

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

"[T]he Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said,

'This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'

In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying,

'This cup is the new covenant in my blood.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes."

Prayer

Receiving of the Elements

Prayer

Confessing Our Faith in God

***Song of Dedication and Service: God Be with You Till We Meet Again**

Unison

1. God be with you till we meet a - gain;
 2. God be with you till we meet a - gain;
 3. God be with you till we meet a - gain;
 4. God be with you till we meet a - gain;

Harmony

by his coun - sels guide, up - hold you, with his sheep se -
 'neath his wings pro - tect - ing hide you, dai - ly man - na
 when life's per - ils thick con - found you, put his lov - ing
 keep love's ban - ner float - ing o'er you, smite death's threat - 'ning

Unison

cure - ly fold you: God be with you till we meet a - gain.
 still pro - vide you: God be with you till we meet a - gain.
 arms a - round you: God be with you till we meet a - gain.
 wave be - fore you: God be with you till we meet a - gain.

Jeremiah E. Rankin, 1880

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RANDOLPH Irreg.
 Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

Receiving God's Blessing

*Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

*The LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;
the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.*

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. 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.

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Today's Service Information

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