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#### **Front Cover Artwork**

Mary Vaux Walcott, *Woolly Agoseris (Agoseris villosa)*. 1919. Watercolor. 10 x 7 in. Smithsonian American Art Museum.

Mary Morris Vaux (1860-1940) was born in Philadelphia. She received a set of watercolor paints at age eight and began experimenting with painting flowers. After her mother's death when Mary was nineteen, she assumed the responsibility of looking after her two younger brothers and her father. The family spent summers in the Canadian Rockies, where Mary and her brothers studied mineralogy and recorded the flow of glaciers in drawings and photographs. After 1887, Mary returned to western Canada almost every summer with her brothers and became an active mountain climber, outdoorswoman, and photographer. One summer a botanist asked her to paint a rare blooming arnica; her success in recording the flower encouraged her to concentrate on botanical illustration. For many years Mary Vaux explored difficult terrain in the Canadian Rockies, looking for important flowering species to paint.

In 1913 she met Charles Doolittle Walcott, then secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, when he was conducting geological research. They were married a year later. Beginning the following summer, the couple spent from three to four months each season in the Canadian Rockies, where Dr. Walcott continued his geological and paleontological studies. During these summers Mary Vaux Walcott painted hundreds of watercolor studies of native flowers.

At the urging of botanists and wildflower enthusiasts, a selection of four hundred of her illustrations was published in 1925 by the Smithsonian Institution in a five-volume edition titled *North American Wild Flowers*. In 1935 she contributed the illustrations to the volume *North American Pitcher Plants*, also published by the Smithsonian.

https://americanart.si.edu/artist/mary-vaux-walcott-5197

Agoseris glauca (synonym for Agoseris villosa) is a North American species of flowering plants in the daisy family. The plant is native to western and northwestern North America from Alaska east to the Northwest Territories and Ontario, south to California, Arizona, and New Mexico. It grows in many habitat types.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Agoseris glauca



**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), Keith Dolon (sound), Bonnie Kertland (vocals) David Kertland (preaching), Pam Linstedt (vocals), Mark Linstedt (vocals), Nathanael Marengo (clarinet), Lynn Ruhl (cello), Anita Wood (piano), Don Wood (vocals).

#### **Prelude**

# **Praising God**

### \*Call to Worship

Psalm 107:1, 17-22, 43

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!

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Some were fools through their sinful ways, and because of their iniquities suffered affliction;

<sup>18</sup> they loathed any kind of food, and they drew near to the gates of death.

<sup>19</sup> Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress.

<sup>20</sup> He sent out his word and healed them, and delivered them from their destruction.

<sup>21</sup> Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of man!

<sup>22</sup> And let them offer sacrifices of thanksgiving, and tell of his deeds in songs of joy!

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<sup>43</sup> Whoever is wise, let him attend to these things; let them consider the steadfast love of the LORD.

Light Text = Read by Leader **Bold Text = Read by All** 

### \*Song of Response:

### Holy, Holy, Holy



#### \*Confession of Faith:

### The Apostles' Creed

We confess our faith together using the Apostles' Creed. It is an ancient summary of what the Bible teaches about God, our need of a sufficient Savior, and our dependence on the work of God's Spirit.

#### 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, and born of the virgin Mary.

He 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 catholic\* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

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.

<sup>\* &</sup>quot;'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**

**James 4:1-12** 

What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? <sup>2</sup> You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. <sup>3</sup> You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. <sup>4</sup> You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. <sup>5</sup> Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, "He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us"? <sup>6</sup> But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." <sup>7</sup> Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. <sup>8</sup> Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. <sup>9</sup> Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. <sup>10</sup> Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

<sup>11</sup> Do not speak evil against one another, brothers. The one who speaks against a brother or judges his brother, speaks evil against the law and judges the law. But if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge. <sup>12</sup> There is only one lawgiver and judge, he who is able to save and to destroy. But who are you to judge your neighbor?

#### **Confession of Sin**

#### **Assurance of Pardon in Christ**

1 Corinthians 1:4-5, 7-9

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup> that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge...

<sup>7</sup> so that you arHoly, Hoooe not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>8</sup> who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup> God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Offering Our Prayers to God

### Prayer of Intercession & the Lord's Prayer

Hershey PCA Prayer Requests for the Week of May 23-29, 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-enews)

Hershey Public Library Director Laura O'Grady

• **Civil Government** (those in authority over us):

**US Representative Scott Perry** 

• 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:

**South Korea** 

• **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)

Bai Yi of China

Population: 28,000; Language: Nuosu; Religion: ethnic religions

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

• Health issues:

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- Those Who Serve in our Local Church (our ordained officers and non-ordained ministry leaders): Small Group Leaders
- Our Denomination (PCA): Member Church in the Susquehanna Valley Presbytery (PCA):

Trinity Presbyterian Church, Harrisburg, PA

 Supported Missionary or Organizations: Covenant Theological Seminary

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.

### \*Song of Preparation:

### In All the Land Rejoice (Psalm 100)



William H. Walter, 1894

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# Listening to God's Word

### \*Prayer for Illumination

\*Reading of Scripture:

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

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Beloved, I	urge you as	sojourners	and	exiles to	abstain	from	the	passions	of	the
flesh, which	h wage war a	ngainst you	r sou	l.						

1 Peter 2:11

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. \*Congregation: Thanks be to God! Sermon: Stand Firm in the True Grace of God (14) Living as God's Servants (1) Today's Text: 1 Peter 2:11; Pastor David Kertland 1. What are "the passions of the flesh" to which Peter refers? 2. Why is it important to think rightly about these passions?

3. Living as God's servants: principle 1: \_\_\_\_\_

### **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."

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**Receiving of the Elements** 

#### **Prayer**

## **Confessing Our Faith in God**





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## **Receiving God's Blessing**

\*Benediction: 2 Corinthians 13:14

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

#### **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.

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#### **Today's Service Information**

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