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Front Cover Artwork

Plate, possibly by Henry Roudebuth (active about 1790-1816), Pennsylvania, about 1793; red earthenware, diameter 12 ¼ inches (31.1 cm.).

Pennsylvania German pottery is characterized by bright colors and freely and humorously drawn flowers, birds, human figures, and animals—all of which set it apart from New England work. Here a sgraffito peacock struts across a yellow ground toward a tulip-like flower almost as big as he is—both motifs were popular in Pennsylvania German art. The cartouche containing the date 1793 and the initials H. R. is unusual and has led students-cautiously, in the absence of any supporting evidence—to entertain the thought that its maker may have been Henry Roudebuth of Montgomery County. Decorative plates like this were made not to use every day but to give as gifts or to mark special occasions. Gift of Mrs. Robert W. de Forest, 1933 (34.100.124)

On the artform:

“Clays that could be used for making various types of pottery were plentiful in colonial America, as of course was wood to fire the potters’ kilns. Consequently, ceramics were made to serve local needs from the earliest days of colonial settlement. Then and for many years to come, not only bricks, but roof tiles and kitchen, dairy, and table equipment were made of coarse red earthenware. These were simple, utilitarian forms that were usually washed or splashed with protective and sometimes decorative glazes of various colors.

These practical wares were made in many places, with some regional differences in form and decoration. Outstanding was the highly distinctive pottery of the Pennsylvania Germans, with colorful, sprightly designs and inscriptions. A wide variety of forms were made, from pitchers, jugs, plates, and mugs to flowerpots, shaving basins, and toy whistles. Two basic decorative techniques were employed: slip decoration and sgraffito. Both methods were centuries old and both were practiced in other areas of the country. Slip decoration was achieved by drawing with colored liquid clay, or “slip,” on the pottery with a goose quill before the final firing. Sgraffito designs were scratched through a slip coating with a stick, revealing the red-clay base beneath. Graphic motifs and inscriptions were commonly taken from folk images and folklore carried over from the Old World to the New.

Stoneware, made of finer and denser clays that were fired at a much higher temperature than ordinary earthen ware, was produced as early as the eighteenth century. The harder body of this ware could be glazed merely by throwing salt into the kiln when the fire was at its hottest. The result was a thin, colorless, very hard coating that was impervious to liquids. It was also resistant to acids, so that salt-glazed stoneware was popular for containers for vinegar, pickles, preserves, and the like. The practical advantages of this type of ware were obvious, and it was produced in various regions of the country throughout the nineteenth century. Most stoneware was gray with decoration painted freehand in cobalt blue.”

Excerpt from: *The American Wing at The Metropolitan Museum of Art*, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, and Alfred A Knopf, Inc. New York: Crown Publishers Inc. 1985, 234-236.

Covered jar, North Carolina, 1785-1830; red earthenware, height 12 ¾ inches (32.4 cm.). This engaging form is known as a sugar jar in North Carolina, where the Moravians produced many of them from before the middle of the eighteenth century onward. Upon their arrival in America from Germany or Switzerland, most of the Moravians who eventually came to North Carolina lived for a time in Pennsylvania. Their pottery is different from what evolved in Pennsylvania, however, and this jar, decorated simply with bright stripes of slip, contrasts markedly with the Pennsylvania German sgraffito plate opposite. Rogers Fund, 1918 (18.95.16)



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), Joe Kearns (penny whistle), Bonnie Kertland (vocals), David Kertland (preaching), Mark Linstedt (vocals), Pam Linstedt (vocals), Nathanael Marengo (clarinet), Lynn Ruhl (cello), Grace Salyards (French horn), Jared Salyards (piano), and Don Wood (vocals).

A **Nursery** for children age infant through 4 years old is provided.

Prelude

"When Peace Like a River" arr. Paul S. Jones

Praising God

*Call to Worship

Psalm 31:1-5

*In you, O LORD, do I take refuge;
let me never be put to shame;
in your righteousness deliver me!*

*Incline your ear to me;
rescue me speedily!
**Be a rock of refuge for me,
a strong fortress to save me!***

*For you are my rock and my fortress;
and for your name's sake you lead me and guide me;
**you take me out of the net they have hidden for me,
for you are my refuge.***

*Into your hand I commit my spirit;
you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.*

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

***Response of Praise:**

We Praise You O God, Our Redeemer, Creator

1. We praise you, O God, our Re - deem - er, Cre - a - tor;
 2. We wor - ship you, God of our fa - thers, we bless you;
 3. With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer,

in grate - ful de - vo - tion our tri - bute we bring.
 through life's storm and tem - pest our Guide you have been.
 to you, great Je - ho - vah, glad an - thems we raise.

We lay it be - fore you, we kneel and a - dore you;
 When per - ils o'er - take us, es - cape you will make us,
 Your strong arm will guide us, our God is be - side us;

we bless your ho - ly name, glad prais - es we sing.
 and with your help, O Lord, our bat - tles we win.
 to you, our great Re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise.

KREMSER 12.11.12.11.
 Adrianus Valerius's *Nederlandsch Gedenckclank*, 1626
 Arr. by Edward Kremser, 1877

Julia Cady Cory, 1902
 Mod.

***Prayer of Adoration & Invocation**

***Confession of Faith:**

Ephesians 1:3-14

**Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing
in the heavenly places,
even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world,
that we should be holy and blameless before him.**

**In love he predestined us for adoption to himself
as sons through Jesus Christ,
according to the purpose of his will,
to the praise of his glorious grace,
with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.**

**In him we have redemption through his blood,
the forgiveness of our trespasses,
according to the riches of his grace,
which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight
making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose,
which he set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time,
to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.**

**In him we have obtained an inheritance,
having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works
all things according to the counsel of his will,
so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be
to the praise of his glory.**

**In him you also, when you heard the word of truth,
the gospel of your salvation,
and believed in him,
were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit,
who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it,
to the praise of his glory.**

***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

James 1:5-8

If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him.

But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind. For that person must not suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon in Christ

1 Corinthians 1:21-24

For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe.

For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

Offering Our Prayers to God

Prayer of Intercession & the Lord's Prayer

Hershey PCA Prayer Requests for the Week of July 11-17, 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 Supervisor Carter Wyckoff
- **Civil Government** (those in authority over us):
Derry Township PA State Representative Thomas Mehaffie
- **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:
Egypt
- **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.joshuaaproject.net). "...pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." (Matt. 9:38)
Bairagi of India, Nepal, Bangladesh, and Pakistan
Population: 4,012,600; Language: Bengali, Nepali, and Urdu; Religion: Hinduism and Islam

Intercession for the Church (God's People):

- **Health issues:**
Elsie
- **Those Who Serve in our Local Church** (our ordained officers and non-ordained ministry leaders):
Deacon Josh Franklin
- **Our Denomination (PCA):** Member Church in the Susquehanna Valley Presbytery (PCA):
Proclamation Presbyterian Church, Mount Joy, PA
- **Supported Missionary or Organizations:**
David and Aliece, serving in a sensitive area

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: Lead Me, Lord, Lead Me in Thy Righteousness**

1. Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righ-teous-ness, make thy way
 2. Teach me, Lord, teach me tru - ly how to live, that I may

plain be - fore my face. For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord,
 come to know thee, and in thy pres - ence serve thee with

on - ly, that mak - est me dwell in thy safe - ty.
 glad - ness, and sing songs of praise to thy glo - ry.

St. 1, Samuel S. Wesley, 1810-1876
 St. 2, George F. Strickling
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LEAD ME, LORD 10.8.
 Samuel S. Wesley, 1810-1876

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 3:13-17

Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? ¹⁴ But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, ¹⁵ but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, ¹⁶ having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷ For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

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

Sermon:

1 Peter: Stand Firm in the True Grace of God (21)

**Suffering as God's Servants (2):
Doing good as a source of suffering (2)**

Today's Text: 1 Peter 3:13-17

Pastor David Kertland

1. _____ : **Be prepared to make a defense when asked**

2. _____ : **Be gentle and respectful in making your defense**

3. _____ : **Continue doing good**

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, if you are in Christ, 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 do invite you to stay and observe this part of the service, which is a celebration of the Christian's union with the risen Jesus, but that you do not participate. 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 you prayed this prayer for the first time this morning? If so, let someone near you know! Also, feel free to talk with our pastor who can suggest ways for you to take 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:**

Be Thou My Vision

Unison

1. Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart; naught be all
 2. Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word; I ev - er
 3. Be thou my bat - tle shield, sword for my fight; be thou my
 4. Rich - es I heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise, thou mine in -
 5. High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won, may I reach

else to me, save that thou art— thou my best thought by
 with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my great Fa - ther,
 • dig - ni - ty, thou my de - light, thou my soul's shel - ter,
 her - i - tance, now and al - ways: thou and thou on - ly,
 heav - en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun! Heart of my own heart, what -

day or by night, wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 I thy true son; thou in me dwell - ing, and I with thee one.
 • thou my high tow'r: raise thou me heav'n-ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
 first in my heart, High King of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 ev - er be - fall, still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Ancient Irish poem, ca. 8th cent.
 Tr. by Mary E. Byrne, 1905
 Versified by Eleanor H. Hull, 1912

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SLANE 10.10.10.10.
 Traditional Irish melody
 Arr. by David Evans, 1927

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.

Today's Service Information

- 1) **Artwork:** Plate, possibly by Henry Roudebuth (active about 1790-1816), Pennsylvania, about 1793; red earthenware, diameter 12 ¼ inches (31.1 cm.).
- 2) **Music:** "We Praise You O God, Our Redeemer, Creator" (97), "Lead Me, Lord, Lead Me in Thy Righteousness" (727), and "Be Thou My Vision" (642) are reprinted from *The Trinity Hymnal* (Great Commission Publications, Atlanta, GA, 2000). Music used by permission: CCLI License #20711820 and CCLI Streaming License #20711837.
- 3) **Quotes:** Page 2: *The American Wing at The Metropolitan Museum of Art*, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, and Alfred A Knopf, Inc. New York: Crown Publishers Inc. 1985, 234-236. Biblical quotes are from the English Standard Version (ESV) unless otherwise noted. Various quotes describing worship elements are from: *Leading in Prayer: A Workbook for Ministers* (Grand Rapids, MI: Wm. B. Erdmans Publishing Co., 1995).

From today's sermon: two quotes about 1 Peter

"[F]irst the gospel is presented showing that there is deliverance from a sinful life in the atoning sacrifice of Christ, and then there is the beginning of a new life of righteousness in Christ. The preaching of the New Testament Church, just as the preaching of the Church ever since, always gave considerable attention to instruction in the Christian way of life. That teaching is an essential component of the ministry of the Word."

"In 1 Peter Christian conduct is motivated primarily by a concern to glorify God, 'that the Gentiles...may see your good deeds and glorify God.' One keeps the Law that God might be honored. The good behavior of Christians is worship. It is this which is the spiritual sacrifice of the royal priesthood mentioned at the beginning of chapter 2 (2:5, 9). The moral life is essential to the priestly service of all Christians. If this is indeed the case, then we can hardly be surprised if even the most didactic type of moral instruction is considered as part of worship."

From Hughes Oliphant Old, *The Reading and Preaching of the Scriptures in the Worship of the Christian Church, Volume 1: The Biblical Period*; 1998, 235, 237.

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