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Front Cover Artwork

Cheri Christensen, *It's a New Day*, Oil on panel. 12 x 9 inch. Currently available.

From her website:

"I am inspired by the simple everyday interaction of the animals in their environment: the way the light dances across the form, the harmony of color relationships and the shapes of light and shadow. I prefer early-morning light or late afternoon settings, with extreme back-lighting. My focus is on the farm animals, their character and the use of color, light and texture to convey a mood."

Cheri Christensen was born in Enumclaw Washington, a small rural town of horse, dairy and cattle ranches at the foot of Mt. Rainier. Cheri's grandfather was a cattle rancher there and he was a big influence on her choice of subject matter today. She attended the University of North Carolina at Greensboro and graduated with a B.A. from the University of Washington. Cheri studied oil painting and drawing intensely for three years with Ron Lukas, a protege of Sergei Bongart, who taught in the tradition of the Russian Impressionists. Cheri concentrates on seeing and conveying the effects of color and light on form.

The first painting she submitted to a competition was included in a prestigious exhibition at the Charles Emma Frye Art Museum in Seattle, and the first painting to include farm animals received the Beatrice Jackson Memorial award for Best Traditional Landscape in the Allied Artists of America 1995 show. Currently, Cheri is represented at several galleries nationally and internationally, such as McLarry Fine Art in Santa Fe N.M., InSight Gallery in Fredericksburg Texas, Eisenhower Gallery on Martha's Vineyard, and Roby King Gallery on Bainbridge Island, WA.

Cheri has been featured in several magazines such as American Art Collector, Western Art Collector and Southwest Art Magazine. She currently has 5 videos available through Liliedahl Video Productions, "Straight Ahead," "Highlight," "Keeping an Eye Out," "Brushwork & Backlight" and her new video, "The Color of White" where she demonstrates both her brush and palette knife techniques. She is also featured in the books, *Art Journey, New Mexico*, and *Finding your Visual Voice: A Painter's Guide to Developing and Artistic Style*. She currently resides in Texas.

To see more of Cheri's work and art instruction, visit her website at <https://www.cherichristensen.com>.

Hershey PCA would like to thank Ms. Christensen for giving us permission to use her painting, "*It's a New Day*" for this month's cover.

*O Lord, how manifold are your works!
In wisdom have you made them all;
The earth is full of your creatures.*

...

*These all look to you,
To give them their food in due season.
When you give it to them, they gather it up;
When you open your hand,
They are filled with good things.*

From Psalm 104



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): Keith Dolon (sound), Nora Dolon (vocals), Joe Kearns (leading worship), David Kertland (preaching), Mark Linstedt (vocals), Pam Linstedt (vocals), Nathanael Marengo (clarinet), Lynn Ruhl (cello), Anita Wood (piano), and Don Wood (vocals).

Today's Communion Servers are Josh Franklin and Nick Yingst.

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

Prelude

Praising God

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 150:1-2, 6

Praise the LORD!

Praise God in his sanctuary;
praise him in his mighty heavens!

² *Praise him for his mighty deeds;*
praise him according to his excellent greatness!

⁶ *Let everything that has breath praise the LORD!*
Praise the LORD!

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

***Response of Praise:**

Sing Hallelujah! Praise the Lord! (Psalm 150)

1. ¹Sing hal - le - lu - jah! Praise the LORD! Praise God with - in his
 2. Praise God whose maj - es - ty a - bounds! ³O praise him with the
 3. ⁵With sound - ing cym - bals praise the LORD! With clash - ing cym - bals

sa - cred courts! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Praise, praise him
 trum - pet sound! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Praise God with
 praise a - loud! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! ⁶Let all that

in his heav'n - ly height! ²Praise, praise him for his deeds of might!
 lute and harp and strings, ⁴with dance and pipe and tam - bou - rine!
 breathes now praise the LORD! O praise the LORD for - ev - er - more!

O praise him! O praise him! Hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

***Prayer of Adoration & Invocation**

***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.

* "'Catholic' here means universal; that is, there is one church across all times, places, and peoples." It is confessed in recognition of the believing church throughout the world; it is not a reference to what is today called the *Roman Catholic Church*.

Facing Up to Our Sin before God

Reading of God's Standard

James 1:26

If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless.

Confession of Sin

Assurances of Pardon in Christ

Acts 10:38-43

God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, ⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead.

⁴³ To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Offering Our Prayers to God

Prayer of Intercession & the Lord's Prayer

Hershey PCA Prayer Requests for the Week of August 28-September 4, 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)
Derry Township Fire Chief Patrick Leonard
- **Civil Government** (those in authority over us):
US Representative Scoot 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:
Taiwan
- **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)
Bajau, West Coast of Malaysia and Brunei
Population: 259,000; Language: Bajau, West Coast; Religion: Islam

Intercession for the Church (God's People):

- **Health issues:**
Trudy
- **Those Who Serve in our Local Church** (our ordained officers and non-ordained ministry leaders):
Elder Elect Ephraim Church
- **Our Denomination (PCA):** Member Church in the Susquehanna Valley Presbytery (PCA):
New Life Presbyterian Church, York, PA
- **Supported Missionary or Organizations:**
Anees & Fareda Zaka, 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:*God of Grace**

1. God of grace, a - maz-ing won - der, ir - re - sist - i - ble and free;
2. God of grace, who loved and knew me long be - fore the world be - gan;
3. God of grace, I stand a-stound-ed, cleansed, for-giv - en, and se - cure.

oh, the mir - a - cle of mer - cy, Je - sus reach - es down to me.
sent my Sav - ior down from heav-en— per-fect God and per-fect man.
All my fears are now con-found-ed, and my hope is ev - er sure.

God of grace, I stand in won - der, as my God re-stores my soul.
God of grace, I trust in Je - sus; I'm ac - cept - ed as His own.
God of grace, now crowned in glo - ry, where one day I'll see Your face;

His own blood has paid my ran - som; awe-some cost to make me whole.
Eve - ry day His grace sus-tains me, as I lean on Him a - lone.
and for - ev - er I'll a - dore You in Your ev - er - last-ing grace.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble and bass staff with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is primarily in the treble staff, while the piano accompaniment is in the bass staff. The lyrics are written below the treble staff, aligned with the vocal line. The score is divided into four systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are grouped into four paragraphs, each corresponding to a system of music. The first paragraph contains three verses of the song. The second paragraph contains the lyrics for the second system. The third paragraph contains the lyrics for the third system. The fourth paragraph contains the lyrics for the fourth system. The score ends with a double bar line in the bass staff of the fourth system.

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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 5:1-5

So I exhort the elders among you, as a fellow elder and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as a partaker in the glory that is going to be revealed: ² shepherd the flock of God that is among you, exercising oversight, not under compulsion, but willingly, as God would have you; not for shameful gain, but eagerly; ³ not domineering over those in your charge, but being examples to the flock. ⁴ And when the chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory. ⁵ Likewise, you who are younger, be subject to the elders. Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

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

Sermon:

Stand Firm in the True Grace of God (26)

Clothed with Humility (1): Toward One Another

Today's Text: 1 Peter 5:1-5

Pastor David Kertland

1. _____ **among you :**

2. **You who are** _____ **:**

3. _____ **of you :**

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

About the elements: Our communion servers will be handing out the elements, which is in a chalice-style cup having the grape juice or wine on one side and the bread on the other.

Be sure to note that **only the grape juice** has **gluten-free bread** and is marked with "**gluten-free**" on the seal.

As a server comes to you, please indicate your preference of either:

Grape juice with the *gluten free* bread

Wine with bread/wafer (has gluten)

Prayer

Confessing Our Faith in God

***Song of Dedication and Service:**

In Thee, O Lord, I Put My Trust

Unison G C D⁷ G Em C D

1. In thee, O Lord, I put my trust, I call up - on thy name;
 2. Bow down thine ear to my re - quest, and swift de - liv - 'rance send;
 3. Since thou my rock and for - tress art, my lead - er be, and guide;
 4. Oh, Lord, in thee is all my trust; "Thou art my God," I cried.

Γ G D Em Em⁷ C Am⁷ Dsus D⁷ G 7

O save me in thy righ - teous - ness, nor let me suf - fer shame.
 be thou to me a rock of strength, a for - tress to de - fend.
 from all temp - ta - tion res - cue me, thou dost my strength a - bide.
 "My life, my times are in thy hand, I in thy strength con - fide."

From Psalm 31:1-4, 14, 15
 Anon., 1977

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IN THEE, O LORD C.M.
 Attr. to J. C. Lowry, 1818
 Arr. by Tom Fettke, 1977

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.

Today's Service Information

- 1) **Artwork:** *It's a New Day* by Cheri Chistensen, current; oil on panel, 9 x 12 in. Owned by the artist. Used with permission of the artist in email dated 07/14/2021.
- 2) **Music:** "Sing Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!" (150C) is reprinted from *The Trinity Psalter Hymnal* (Trinity Psalter Hymnal Joint Venture (OPC & URCNA), Willow Grove, PA, 2018). "God of Grace" (217) is reprinted from *Sing the Wonders* (2nd Ed.), Dan Kreider, General Editor, Grace Immanuel Bible Church, 2018. "In Thee, O Lord, I Put My Trust" (682) is 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: <https://www.cherichristensen.com/about>. 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).

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