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Front Cover Artwork

Connecticut Barn, Eric Sloane (1905-1985), from *An Age of Barns: An Illustrated Review of Classic Barn Styles and Construction* (1967, New York: Funk & Wagnalls and Ballantine Books), ownership unknown.

"Eric Sloane was born in New York. As a child, he was a neighbor of noted type designer Frederic W. Goudy. Sloane studied art and lettering with Goudy. In the summer of 1925, Sloane left home at the age of twenty to make a living for himself. Working his way across the country as a sign painter, he created advertisements for the likes of Red Man to Bull Durham. Unique hand calligraphy and lettering, developed during this period, later became a characteristic of his illustrated books.

While he attended the Art Students League of New York, he changed his name after his instructors George Luks and John French Sloan suggested young students paint under an assumed name so that their early inferior works would not be attached to them. He chose the first name "Eric," as a nod to "America" and the last name "Sloane" in honor of his greatest mentor.

Sloane eventually returned to New York City and settled in the Merryall area of New Milford, Connecticut, where he began painting rustic landscapes in the tradition of the Hudson River School. In the 1950s, he began spending part of the year in Taos, New Mexico, where he painted western landscapes and particularly luminous depictions of the desert sky. In his career as a painter, he produced over 15,000 works. His fascination with the sky and weather led to commissions to paint works for the U.S. Air Force and the production of a number of illustrated works on meteorology and weather forecasting. Sloane is even credited with creating the first televised weather reporting network, by arranging for local farmers to call in reports to a New England broadcasting station.

Sloane also had a great interest in New England folk culture, Colonial daily life, and Americana. He wrote and illustrated scores of books on Colonial-era tools, architecture, farming techniques, folklore, and rural wisdom. Every book included detailed illustrations, hand lettered titles, and his characteristic folksy wit and observations. He developed an impressive collection of historic tools which became the nucleus of the collection in the Sloane-Stanley Tool Museum in Kent, Connecticut.

He became friends with Andrew Wyeth, who was a fan of both his art and his writing. Wyeth said that he was amazed by Sloane's "unorthodox painting methods for creating textures and lines" in his paintings and called him "an Artistic Treasure of Americana."

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Sloane's best-known books are *A Reverence for Wood*, which examines the history and tools of woodworking, as well as the philosophy of the woodworker; *The Cracker Barrel*, which is a compendium of folk wit and wisdom; and *Diary of an Early American Boy: Noah Blake-1805*, based on a diary he discovered at a local library book sale. His most famous painted work is probably the skyscape mural, *Earth Flight Environment*, which is still on display in the Independence Avenue Lobby in the Smithsonian's Air and Space Museum.

The Eric Sloane Museum & Kent Iron Furnace is operated by the state of Connecticut to showcase Sloane's original artwork, a reproduction of his studio, and his collection of early American tools. Sloane's gravesite is also located on the Museum's property in Kent, CT."

From: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eric_Sloane

For additional information on Eric Sloane, see the Weather Hill Farm website at <https://weatherhillfarm.com/> and the Eric Sloane Museum https://portal.ct.gov/DECD/Content/Historic-Preservation/04_State_Museums/Eric-Sloane-Museum-and-Kent-Iron-Furnace. Artnet provides a brief biography and a variety of images of his work at <http://www.artnet.com/artists/eric-sloane/> as does the blogpost <http://benedante.blogspot.com/2015/04/eric-sloane-and-age-of-wood.html>.



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), John Currie (preaching), Mark Linstedt (vocals), Pam Linstedt (vocals), Kimberly Robinson (vocals), Jared Salyards (piano), and Brad Weaver (sound), Don Wood (vocals), and Nick Yingst (leading worship).

Today's Communion Servers are Ephraim Church and Andrew Bosworth.

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

Welcome Dr. John Currie

We welcome Dr. John Currie to the pulpit this morning. Dr. Currie is a professor of pastoral theology at Westminster Theological Seminary in Philadelphia.

Prelude

Missions Moment: Rick and Clare

Rick and Clare are supported resource people focused on ministry among Hindus. They are involved with mobilizing and training people for outreach to Hindus through conferences and publications. They are also involved with Hindus and workers among Hindus in seeking to develop fruitful patterns of discipleship in Hindu families.

Praising God

*Call to Worship

Psalm 24

*The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof,
the world and those who dwell therein,*

*² for he has founded it upon the seas
and established it upon the rivers.*

*³ Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD?
And who shall stand in his holy place?*

*⁴ **He who has clean hands and a pure heart,
who does not lift up his soul to what is false
and does not swear deceitfully.***

*⁵ He will receive blessing from the LORD
and righteousness from the God of his salvation.*

*⁶ Such is the generation of those who seek him,
who seek the face of the God of Jacob.*

*⁷ Lift up your heads, O gates!
And be lifted up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.*

*⁸ Who is this King of glory?
**The LORD, strong and mighty,
the LORD, mighty in battle!***

*⁹ Lift up your heads, O gates!
And lift them up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.*

*¹⁰ Who is this King of glory?
**The LORD of hosts,
he is the King of glory!***

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

***Response of Praise:**

Holy, Holy, Holy!

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
 2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
 3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
 4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 though the eye of sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pur - i - ty.
 God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Reginald Heber, 1783-1826

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 John B. Dykes, 1861

***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 2:14-17

What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? ¹⁵ If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, ¹⁶ and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? ¹⁷ So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

Confession of Sin

Assurances of Pardon in Christ

Hebrews 4:14-16

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. ¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶ Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Offering Our Prayers to God

Prayer of Intercession & the Lord's Prayer

Hershey PCA Prayer Requests for the Week of October 3-9, 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 Life Lion Critical Care Transport
- **Civil Government** (those in authority over us):
Dauphin County Commissioner Mike Pries
- **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:
China
- **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)
Bakad of India
Population: 6,100; Language: Hindi; Religion: Hinduism

Intercession for the Church (God's People):

- **Health issues:**
Elmer
- **Those Who Serve in our Local Church** (our ordained officers and non-ordained ministry leaders):
Pastor Kertland
- **Our Denomination (PCA):** Member Church in the Susquehanna Valley Presbytery (PCA):
Hanover Valley Presbyterian Church, Hanover, PA
- **Supported Missionary or Organizations:**
Mission to the World (MTW)

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:**

O Spirit, Fill Our Hearts

1. O Spi - rit, fill our hearts, so full of sin and grief,
2. When left to our own way, a - bid - ing in the flesh,
3. Yet as the Fa - ther grants, ac - cord - ing to his plan,
4. To whom then shall we go? We trust and rest in thee,

with words that fill us with thy life, dis - pel - ling un - be - lief.
we choose not thee, O Christ, a - las; we turn to wick - ed - ness.
he gives e - ter - nal life to those who from his pres - ence ran.
who from our fears and sins and grief has come to set us free!

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 4/4 time, with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The melody is primarily in the Soprano and Alto parts, with the Tenor and Bass parts providing harmonic support. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves, with line numbers 1 through 4 corresponding to the four parts of the choir. The score concludes with a final cadence in the Soprano and Alto parts, followed by a double bar line.

Based on John 6:60–70
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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:**

Isaiah 6:1-7

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. ² Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³ And one called to another and said:

*"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory!"*

⁴ And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵ And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶ Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷ And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Sermon: A Life-shattering, Life-giving Vision of God!

Today's Text: Isaiah 6:1-7

Pastor John Currie

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:**

To God Be the Glory

1. To God be the glo - ry, great things he has done! So loved he the
 2. O per - fect re - demp - tion, the pur - chase of blood! To ev - 'ry be -
 3. Great things he has taught us, great things he has done, and great our re -

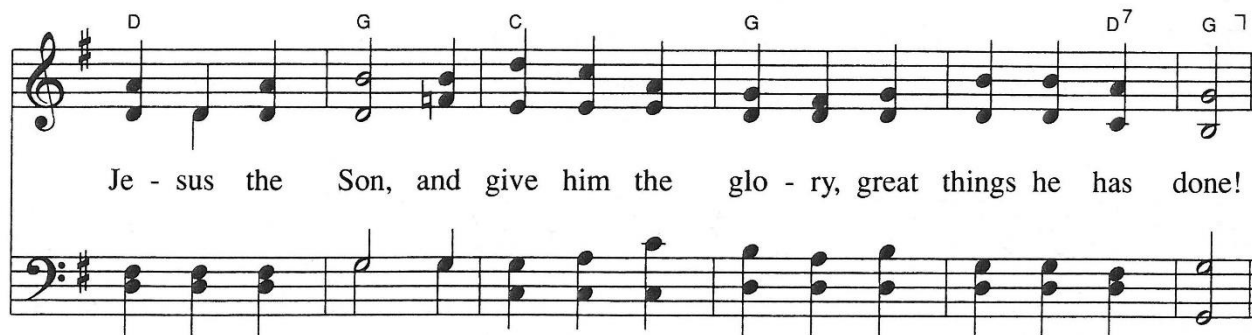
world that he gave us his Son, who yield - ed his life an a -
 liev - er the prom - ise of God; the vil - est of - fend - er who
 joic - ing through Je - sus the Son; but pur - er and high - er and

tone - ment for sin, and o - pened the life - gate that we may go in.
 tru - ly be - lieves, that mo - ment from Je - sus for - give - ness re - ceives.
 great - er will be our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

REFRAIN

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord,

praise the Lord, let the peo - ple re - joice! O come to the Fa - ther thro'



Fanny J. Crosby, 1875; alt.
Mod.

TO GOD BE THE GLORY 11.11.11.11.
William H. Doane, 1875

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

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