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Front Cover Artwork

A Young Hare (“Feldhase”), 1502, watercolor on paper, 25.1 cm x 22.6 cm; by Albrecht Dürer (May 21, 1471- April 6, 1528), Nuremberg, Germany. Current location: The Albertina Art Museum, Vienna, Austria. In the public domain.

“This study of a wild hare is surely one of Albrecht Dürer’s most popular works. For many people who like and admire it, it may be the first of Dürer’s masterpieces that they ever encounter, or the first time they connect a work with his name.

It has appeared in world encyclopedias of art, but also on greeting cards and diaries in museum gift shops around the globe. Perhaps it’s time to look again at such a simple and masterfully evoked subject.

The identification of much of Dürer’s early work, from his years of travel and apprenticeship, is the subject of debates that may never be resolved. Art historians have tried to discern traits of the maturing Dürer style in many of the woodcut series produced at the end of the 15th century; a time when illustrated books were still rapidly growing in popularity, but when an author was more likely to be credited than the artist of the accompanying illustrations.

The characteristic style—the one that becomes unmistakably his—is a combination of superb skill and a sense of detail. This virtuoso technique and subtlety of observation can be used to create a vivid intensity of action—the frames of the 15 Apocalypse images, for example, can hardly contain the fulfilment of the end of days. However, the young hare—painted around five years later – shows the same qualities used to a totally different effect.

From mighty events on a cosmic scale, we have a single figure without a background, and a perfectly captured moment of stillness and alertness. A sound or a slight change in the wind, and the head will tilt or the ears twitch, and the hare will have gone.

Even before he encountered Leonardo da Vinci’s work, Dürer approached the natural world in a similar way. Among his incomparably diverse studies, da Vinci prepared detailed illustrations of human anatomy, but also botanical sketches and drawings from nature.

It is impossible to be sure how Dürer completed his study of the hare, and whether he worked from a dead specimen or sketched certain impressions or details from life—though the German title, literally ‘The Field-Hare’, seems to offer a tantalizing clue. Whatever the technique, he created a masterpiece of observation—from the variations in color in the animal’s pelt, to the natural liveliness of ears and eye.

British art critics have sometimes drawn comparisons with later artists such as Stubbs and Landseer for their realism and affinity of subject. However, Dürer’s work seems to later eyes to have an almost scientific appreciation of the hare.

In any case, his monogram suggests that he considered this a finished and valued work, rather than merely a preparation for a later painting. An earlier study generally known as ‘The Great Piece of Turf’ or ‘Das große Rasenstück’—often compared with the hare—is more typical of this latter approach. But even here, Dürer is meticulous: botanists have identified at least four particular species of plant or grass in the picture.

Dürer worked in an age when religious symbolism still dominated everything from folk-art to state ceremonials. Few artists would have depicted any animal without a familiar system of allegorical cross-references. Dürer’s hare can be simply itself—and that may be part of its enduring popularity.”

From: <https://www.albrechtdurer.org/young-hare/>



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), Dave Eakin (vocals), David Kertland (preaching), Pam Linstedt (vocals), Nathanael Marengo (clarinet), Kimberly Robinson (vocals), Lynn Ruhl (cello), Grace Salyards (French horn); Jared Salyards (piano), and Don Wood (vocals).

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

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

Prelude

"Savior, Like a Shepherd/The King of Love my Shepherd Is"

arr. Paul S. Jones.

Praising God

*Call to Worship

Psalm 9:1-2, 7-11

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart;

I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

I will be glad and exult in you;

I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

...the LORD sits enthroned forever;

he has established his throne for justice,

and he judges the world with righteousness;

he judges the peoples with uprightness.

The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed,

a stronghold in times of trouble.

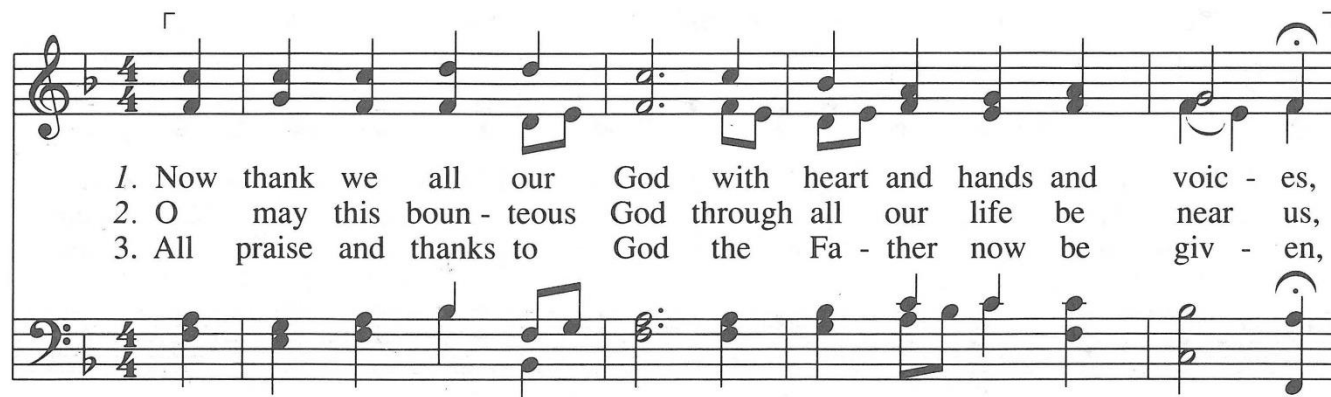
And those who know your name put their trust in you,

for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek you.

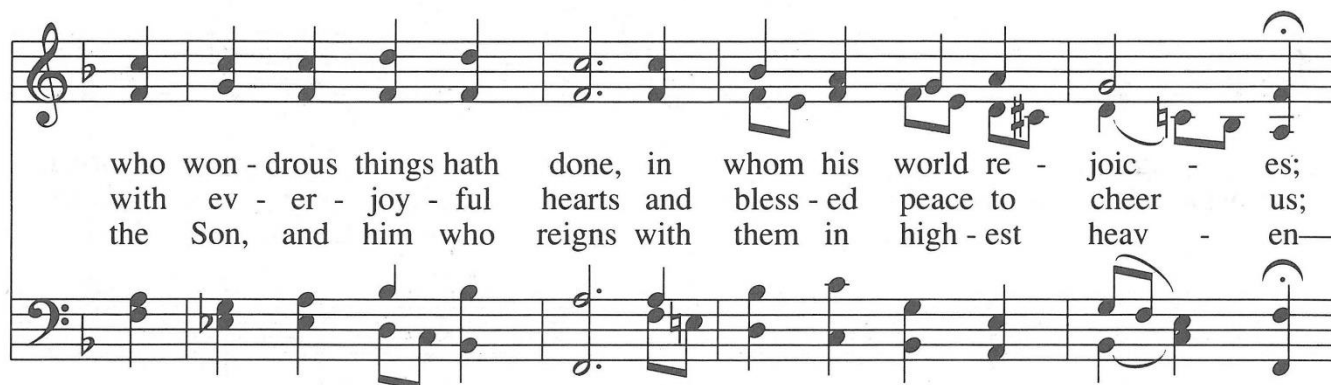
Sing praises to the LORD, who sits enthroned in Zion!

Tell among the peoples his deeds!

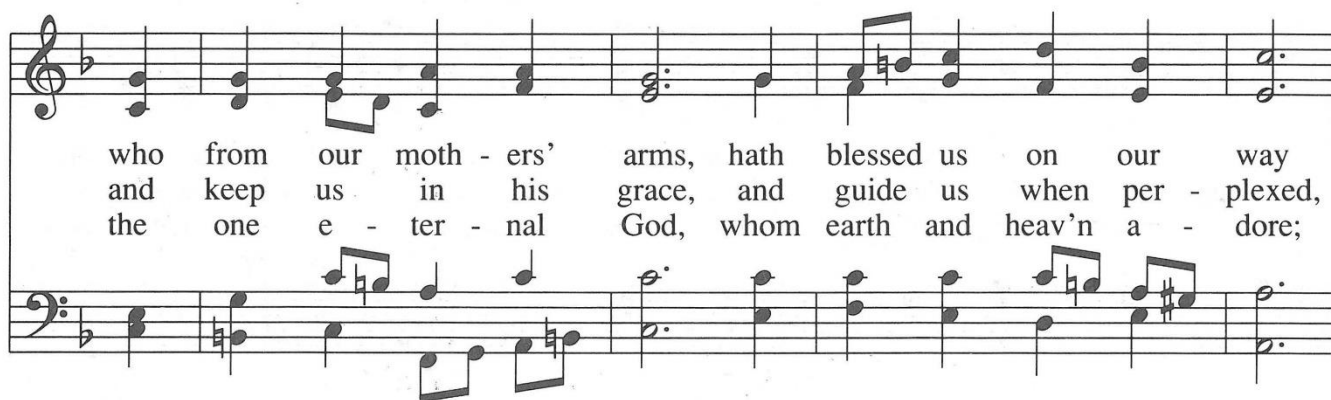
Light Text = Read by Leader
Bold Text = Read by All

Response of Praise:*Now Thank We All Our God**

1. Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
2. O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
3. All praise and thanks to God the Father now be giv - en,



who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices;
with ever - joy - ful hearts and bless - ed peace to cheer us;
the Son, and him who reigns with them in high - est heav - en—



who from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way
and keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed,
the one eter - nal God, whom earth and heav'n adore;



with count - less gifts of love, and still is ours to - day.
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
for thus it was, is now, and shall be ev - er - more.

***Prayer of Adoration & Invocation**

Confession of Faith

Hebrews 1:1-12

¹ Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets,

² but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. ³ He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴ having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

⁵ For to which of the angels did God ever say, 'You are my Son, today I have begotten you'?

Or again, 'I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son'?

⁶ And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says, 'Let all God's angels worship him.'

⁷ Of the angels he says, 'He makes his angels winds, and his ministers a flame of fire.'

⁸ But of the Son he says, 'Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, the scepter of uprightness is the scepter of your kingdom. ⁹ You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions.'

¹⁰ And, 'You, Lord, laid the foundation of the earth in the beginning, and the heavens are the work of your hands; ¹¹ they will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like a garment, ¹² like a robe you will roll them up, like a garment they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will have no end.'

***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 4:11-12

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. ¹² 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

Assurances of Pardon in Christ

Titus 3:3-7

For we ourselves were once foolish, disobedient, led astray, slaves to various passions and pleasures, passing our days in malice and envy, hated by others and hating one another. ⁴ But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, ⁵ he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, ⁶ whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, ⁷ so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Offering Our Prayers to God

Prayer of Intercession & the Lord's Prayer

Hershey PCA Prayer Requests for the Week of November 14-20, 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)
Local School Public and Private Schools and Homeschooling Families – Students, Faculty, Administration, and Staff
- **Civil Government** (those in authority over us):
PA Lieutenant Governor John Fetterman
- **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)
Balaesan of Indonesia
Population: 6,900; Language: Balaesang; Religion: Islam

Intercession for the Church (God's People):

- **Health issues:**
Donna
- **Those Who Serve in our Local Church** (our ordained officers and non-ordained ministry leaders):
Set-up Teams (preparing our facility for worship and classes each week)
- **Our Denomination (PCA):** Member Church in the Susquehanna Valley Presbytery (PCA):
Lebanon Valley Presbyterian Mission Church, Lebanon, PA
- **Supported Missionary or Organizations:**
John & Kathy Clow, serving with MTW in Honduras
- **MTW 30 Days of Prayer:**
Wisdom to minister in the "new normal" of life across Africa, which does not have vaccine availability like much of the West

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:**

When All Thy Mercies, O My God

1. When all your mer - cies, O my God, my ris - ing soul sur - veys,
 2. Un - num - bered com - forts to my soul your ten - der care be - stowed,
 3. When worn with sick - ness, oft have you with health re - newed my face;
 4. Ten thou - sand thou - sand pre - cious gifts my dai - ly thanks em - ploy;

trans - port - ed with the view, I'm lost in won - der, love, and praise.
 be - fore my in - fant heart con - ceived from whom those com - forts flowed.
 and when in sins and sor - rows sunk, re - vived my soul with grace.
 nor is the least a cheer - ful heart that tastes those gifts with joy.

5. Through ev'ry period of my life
 your goodness I'll pursue;
 and after death, in distant worlds,
 the glorious theme renew.

6. Through all eternity to you
 a joyful song I'll raise;
 for oh, eternity's too short
 to utter all your praise.

Joseph Addison, 1712; mod.

MANOAH C.M.
 Arr. in Henry W. Greatorex's *Collection*, 1851

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:**

2 Peter 1:3-11

His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence, ⁴ by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire.

*⁵ For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, ⁶ **and knowledge with self-control**, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, ⁷ and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love.*

⁸ For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective and unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ For whoever lacks these qualities is so nearsighted that he is blind, having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former sins. ¹⁰ Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to confirm your calling and election, for if you practice these qualities you will never fall. ¹¹ For in this way there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Sermon:

**Effective & Fruitful (5):
*Supplement Knowledge with Self-Control***

Today's Text: 2 Peter 1:6a

Pastor David Kertland

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

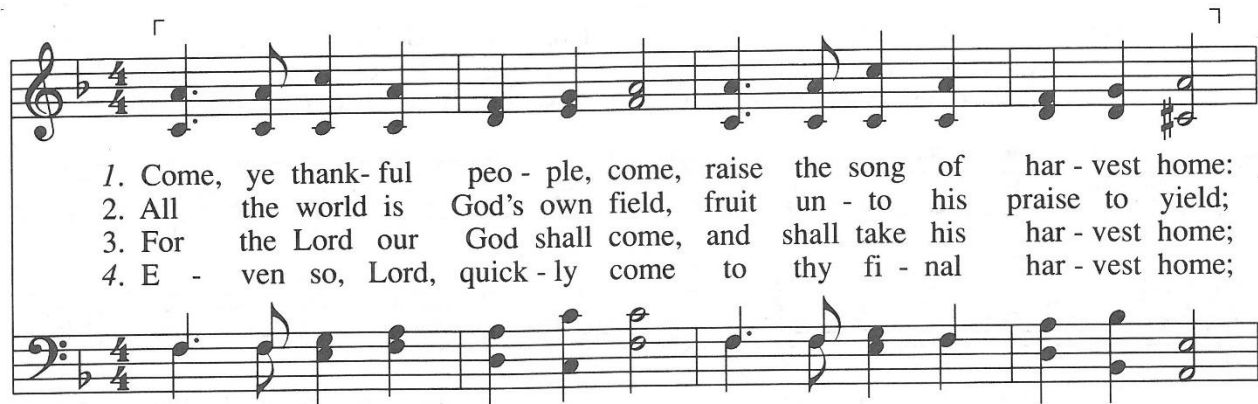
Wine with bread/wafer (has gluten)

Prayer

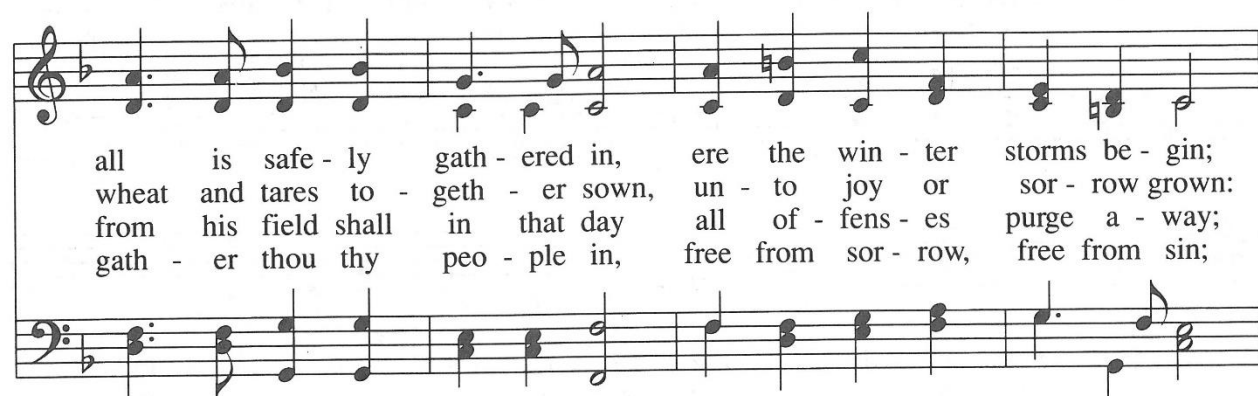
Confessing Our Faith in God

***Song of Dedication and Service:**

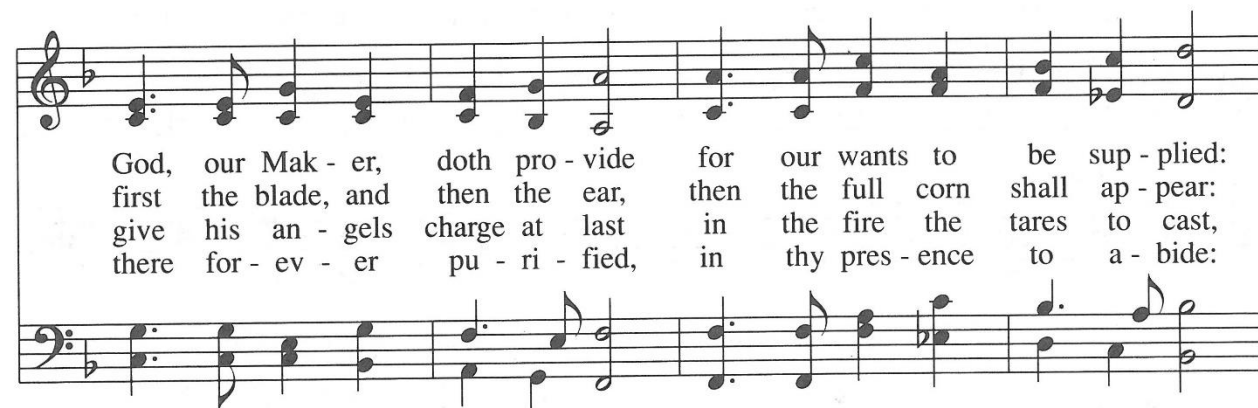
Come, Ye Thankful People, Come



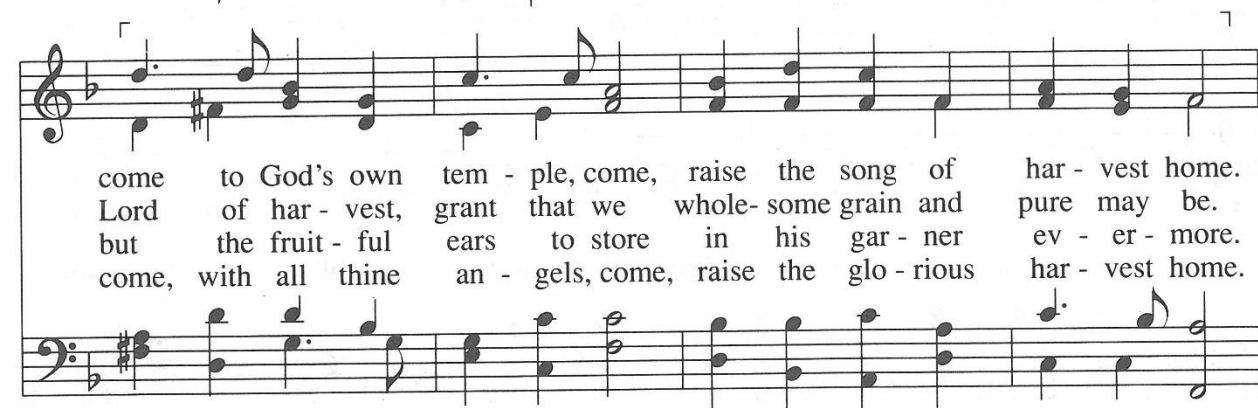
1. Come, ye thank-ful peo - ple, come, raise the song of har - vest home:
 2. All the world is God's own field, fruit un - to his praise to yield;
 3. For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take his har - vest home;
 4. E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come to thy fi - nal har - vest home;



all is safe - ly gath - ered in, ere the win - ter storms be - gin;
 wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, un - to joy or sor - row grown:
 from his field shall in that day all of - fens - es purge a - way;
 gath - er thou thy peo - ple in, free from sor - row, free from sin;



God, our Mak - er, doth pro - vide for our wants to be sup - plied:
 first the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap - pear:
 give his an - gels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,
 there for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, in thy pres - ence to a - bide:



come to God's own tem - ple, come, raise the song of har - vest home.
 Lord of har - vest, grant that we whole - some grain and pure may be.
 but the fruit - ful ears to store in his gar - ner ev - er - more.
 come, with all thine an - gels, come, raise the glo - rious har - vest home.

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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- 4) The **"Invitation to the Lord's Supper"** and the communion page information was, in part, modified from the practice of Redeemer PCA in NYC (2008) and Westminster PCA in Lancaster, PA (2015).

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