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## Front Cover Artwork

*Moret in Winter*, 1891. Alfred Sisley (1839-1899). Oil on canvas, 54.5 x 65 cm. Signed and dated lower left: Sisley. 91. In the Hasso Plattner Collection of the Museum Barberini, Potsdam, Germany. In the public domain.

“Sisley returned again and again to the river Loing, which often flooded during the winter. The mill on the right is built on a fourteenth-century bridge. Sisley chose a perspective that leaves out this picturesque motif. The winter atmosphere is conveyed in pale colors by the leafless trees and snow, the pale blue of the river, and the diffuse light of the sky.”

[https://artsandculture.google.com/asset/MOHfOZ453DV\\_0Q](https://artsandculture.google.com/asset/MOHfOZ453DV_0Q)  
[https://sammlung.museum-barberini.de/en/MB-Sis-11\\_alfred-sisley-moret-in-winter](https://sammlung.museum-barberini.de/en/MB-Sis-11_alfred-sisley-moret-in-winter)

### Impressionism: The Hasso Plattner Collection:

The Museum Barberini in Potsdam shows impressionist paintings from the extensive collection of Hasso Plattner, the museum's founder. More than 100 masterpieces by Claude Monet, Auguste Renoir, Berthe Morisot, Alfred Sisley, Camille Pissarro, Henri-Edmond Cross, Paul Signac, and other impressionist and postimpressionist artists are on permanent display. With 34 paintings by Claude Monet, there is no venue in Europe outside of Paris where visitors can see more works by this painter. Potsdam is thus one of the most important centers of impressionist landscape painting in the world.

Claude Monet, Camille Pissarro, Pierre-Auguste Renoir, and Alfred Sisley formed a group in the 1860s and revolutionized art with light-infused landscapes that were liberated from the traditional subject matter of the era. In 1874 they became known as the “Impressionists”: artists who preferred to work outdoors, capturing fleeting impressions directly on the canvas. Painters such as Berthe Morisot, Paul Cézanne, and Gustave Caillebotte joined this new movement. More than a decade later, artists such as Paul Signac and Henri-Edmond Cross further developed the painting style of these pioneers. Even in their Neo-Impressionist compositions, focus on the landscape remained linked to the liberation of color—an aspect that was reinforced by the high-key compositions of the Fauves such as Maurice de Vlaminck and André Derain. Impressionists, Neo-Impressionists, and Fauves followed the ideal of making nature tangible through color and light.

Impressionism has been the focus of Hasso Plattner's collecting since 2000. Roughly three years after the Museum Barberini first opened, Plattner has given one hundred works from his private collection as well as from the Hasso Plattner Foundation to the museum as a permanent loan. Featuring thirty-four paintings by Claude Monet, no other venue in Europe outside of Paris offers more works by this artist. The holdings of compositions by Caillebotte, Pissarro, Signac, Sisley, and Vlaminck are also unique in Germany. Among the most famous works of the collection are Caillebotte's *The Argenteuil Bridge and the Seine* (ca. 1883), Signac's *The Port at Sunset, Opus 236 (Saint-Tropez)* (1892), and Monet's *Grainstacks* (1890), *The Palazzo Contarini* (1908) and *Water Lilies* (1914–17).

The presentation of the collection at the Museum Barberini spans the period from the 1860s to the early twentieth century and brings together works by three generations of artists who often worked together, traveled to the same places to work, and mutually inspired each other. Consisting of eight central chapters, the show enables visitors to trace the development of French landscape painting through the styles of Impressionism, Neo-Impressionism, and Fauvism.

<https://www.museum-barberini.de/en/ausstellungen/520/impressionism>



**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), Bonnie Kertland (vocals), David Kertland (preaching), Nathanael Marengo (clarinet), Kimberly Robinson (vocals), Lynn Ruhl (cello), Don Wood (vocals), and Nick Yingst (piano).

**Today's Communion Servers** are Andrew Bosworth and Joe Kearns.

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

## Prelude

### Lighting of the Advent Wreath Candle

The Robinson Family

#### Isaiah 11:1-6:

*There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse,  
and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit.*

*<sup>2</sup> And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him,  
the Spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the Spirit of counsel and might,*

*the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.*

*<sup>3</sup> And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.*

*He shall not judge by what his eyes see,  
or decide disputes by what his ears hear,*

*<sup>4</sup> but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,  
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;  
and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,  
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.*

*<sup>5</sup> Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist,  
and faithfulness the belt of his loins.*

*<sup>6</sup> The wolf shall dwell with the lamb,  
and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat,  
and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together;  
and a little child shall lead them.*

## Praising God

### \*Call to Worship

### Psalm 53:6

*Oh, that salvation for Israel would come out of Zion!*

**When God restores the fortunes of his people,  
let Jacob rejoice, let Israel be glad.**

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

**\*Response of Praise:****O Come, O Come, Emmanuel**

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of five systems of music. The first system contains five numbered verses. The second system continues the lyrics. The third system includes a 'REFRAIN' section. The fourth system continues the lyrics. The fifth system concludes the piece. The lyrics are in Latin and English, with some words in parentheses indicating alternative phrasings. The music features various melodic lines and harmonic support, with some parts marked with 'r' for repeat or 'f' for forte.

1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som cap - tive  
2. O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy tribes, on  
3. O come, thou Rod of Jes - se, free thine own from Sa - tan's  
4. O come, thou Day - spring from on high, and cheer us by thy  
5. O come, thou Key of Da - vid, come and o - pen wide our

Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here,  
Si - nai's height, in an - cient times didst give the law  
• tyr - an - ny; from depths of hell thy peo - ple save,  
draw - ing nigh; dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of night,  
heav'n - ly home; make safe the way that leads on high,

REFRAIN  
un - til the Son of God ap - pear.  
in cloud and maj - es - ty and awe.  
• and give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave. Re - joice! Re - joice! Em -  
and death's dark shad - ows put to flight.  
and close the path to mis - er - y.

man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.



## **\*Prayer of Adoration & Invocation**

### **\*Confession of Faith:**

### **The Nicene Creed**

*We confess our common faith today with the Nicene Creed, a summary of the Bible's teaching about God, our need of a sufficient Savior, and our dependence on the work of the Spirit. From the Trinity Hymnal: "The Nicene Creed originated at the Council of Nicea (325), and an expanded form was adopted by the Council of Chalcedon (451). It was formulated to answer heresies that denied the biblical doctrine of the Trinity and of the person of Christ."*

#### **We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,**

Maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

#### **And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,**

begotten of his Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us and for our salvation  
came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered and was buried;  
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;  
and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;  
whose kingdom shall have no end.

#### **And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,**

who proceeds from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified;  
who spoke by the prophets;  
and we believe in one holy catholic\* and apostolic church;  
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;  
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come.

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 4:13-17**

*Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go into such and such a town and spend a year there and trade and make a profit"—<sup>14</sup> yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes. <sup>15</sup> Instead you ought to say, "If the Lord wills, we will live and do this or that." <sup>16</sup> As it is, you boast in your arrogance. All such boasting is evil. <sup>17</sup> So whoever knows the right thing to do and fails to do it, for him it is sin.*

## Confession of Sin

## Assurances of Pardon in Christ

**Acts 2:36-39**

*"Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."*

<sup>37</sup> *Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?"*

<sup>38</sup> *And Peter said to them,*

*"Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup> For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself."*

# Offering Our Prayers to God

## Prayer of Intercession & the Lord's Prayer

Hershey PCA Prayer Requests for the Week of November 28-December 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-eneews](http://www.derrytownship.org/community/weekly-eneews))  
**Derry Township Director of Community Development Charles Emerick**
- **Civil Government** (those in authority over us):  
**US Senator Robert Casey, Jr.**
- **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:  
**Ukraine**
- **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](http://www.joshuaproject.net)). "...pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." (Matt. 9:38)  
**Balahar of India**  
**Population: 7,000; Language: Hindi and Urdu; Religion: Hinduism and Islam**

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

- **Health issues:**  
**Peter**
- **Those Who Serve in our Local Church** (our ordained officers and non-ordained ministry leaders):  
**Elder Ephraim Church**
- **Our Denomination (PCA):** Member Church in the Susquehanna Valley Presbytery (PCA):  
**Proclamation Presbyterian Church, Mount Joy, PA**
- **Supported Missionary or Organizations:**  
**Rick and Clare, serving in a sensitive area**
- **MTW 30 Days of Prayer:**  
**Pray for the MTW Germany team as they prepare the initial phases for a new Reformed church plant in the south of Munich.**

**The Lord's Prayer:** Our time of intercession will close with this version of the Lord's Prayer in unison.

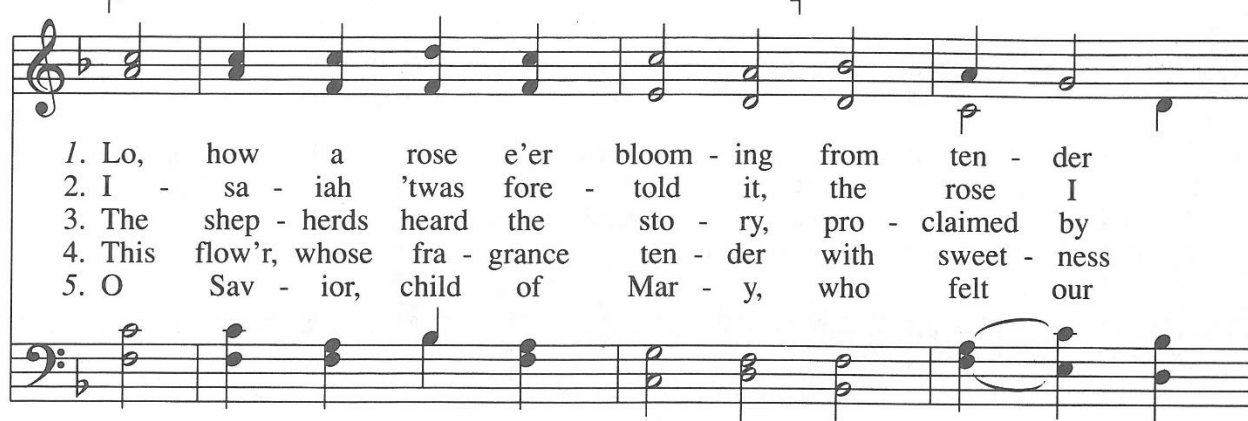
"Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil."  
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.  
Amen.

## Our Tithes & Offerings

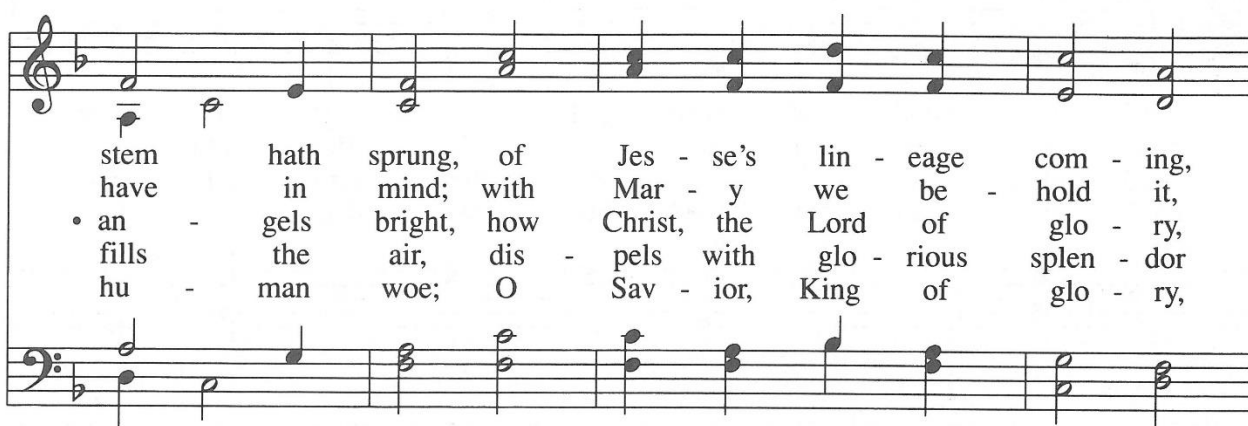
*This is the time in our service when our tithes and offerings are presented to God as an act of our worship. You can drop your offering in the designated place. If you are worshipping with us online, you can present your tithes and offerings to God by mailing them to Hershey PCA, 1521 Sand Hill Road, Hummelstown, PA 17036, or by making an online donation through our website at [hersheypca.com](http://hersheypca.com).*

**\*Song of Preparation:**

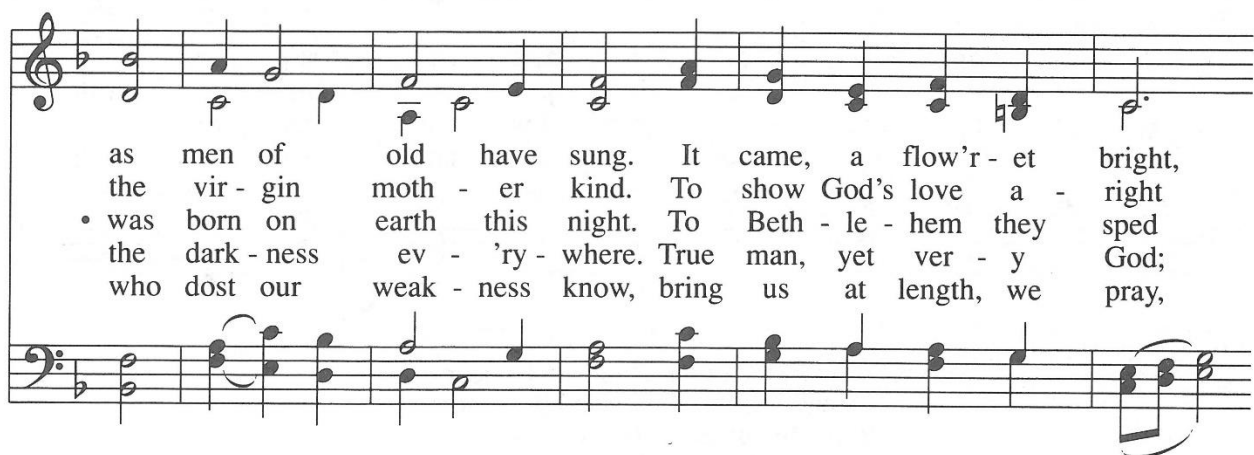
**Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming**



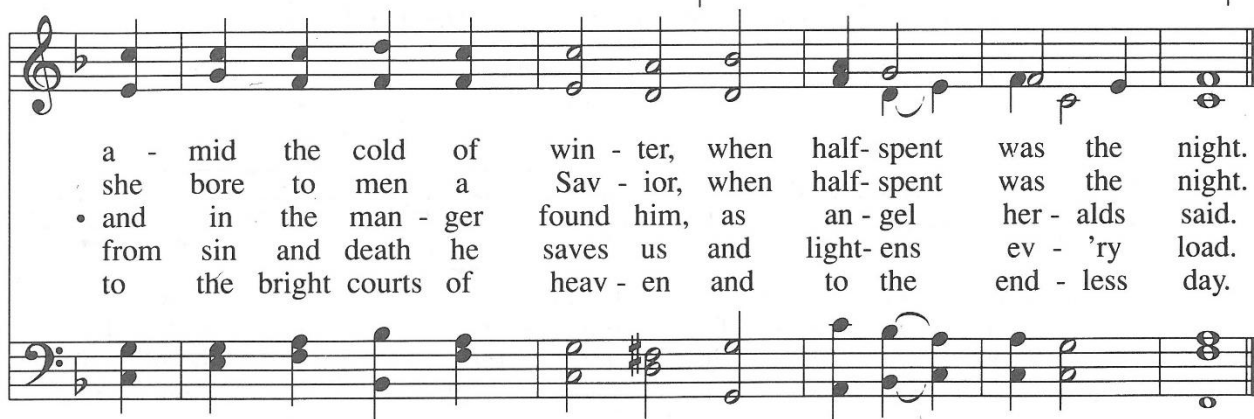
1. Lo, how a rose e'er bloom - ing from ten - der  
 2. I - sa - iah 'twas fore - told it, the rose I  
 3. The shep - herds heard the sto - ry, pro - claimed by  
 4. This flow'r, whose fra - grance ten - der with sweet - ness  
 5. O Sav - ior, child of Mar - y, who felt our



stem hath sprung, of Jes - se's lin - eage com - ing,  
 have in mind; with Mar - y we be - hold it,  
 • an - gels bright, how Christ, the Lord of glo - ry,  
 fills the air, dis - pels with glo - rious splen - dor  
 hu - man woe; O Sav - ior, King of glo - ry,



as men of old have sung. It came, a flow'r - et bright,  
 the vir - gin moth - er kind. To show God's love a - right  
 • was born on earth this night. To Beth - le - hem they sped  
 the dark - ness ev - 'ry - where. True man, yet ver - y God;  
 who dost our weak - ness know, bring us at length, we pray,



a - mid the cold of win - ter, when half - spent was the night.  
 she bore to men a Sav - ior, when half - spent was the night.  
 • and in the man - ger found him, as an - gel her - alds said.  
 from sin and death he saves us and light - ens ev - 'ry load.  
 to the bright courts of heav - en and to the end - less day.

German hymn, ca. 1500  
 St. 1-2 tr. by Theodore Baker, 1894  
 St. 3-4 tr. by Harriett R. Spaeth, 1875  
 St. 5 tr. by John C. Mattes, 1914

ES IST EIN ROS' ENTSPRUNGEN 7.6.7.6.6.7.6.  
 German melody, 15th cent.  
 Arr. by Michael Praetorius, 1609; alt.



# 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, <sup>4</sup> 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.*

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

*<sup>8</sup> 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. <sup>9</sup> For whoever lacks these qualities is so nearsighted that he is blind, having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former sins. <sup>10</sup> Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to confirm your calling and election, for if you practice these qualities you will never fall. <sup>11</sup> 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 (7):  
Supplement Steadfastness with Godliness**

Today's Text: 2 Peter 1:6c

Pastor David Kertland

1. *Coram Deo*: \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ of God

2. Two \_\_\_\_\_ of this type of godliness

a. \_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ supplementing *faith* with *godliness*?

**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 are in two stacked communion cups. The top cups have the juice or wine, and the bottom cups all have gluten-free bread.

As a server comes to you, please indicate your preference of either grape juice or wine.

The clear cups in the communion plates are filled with grape juice.

The purple-tinted cups are filled with wine.

### Prayer

# Confessing Our Faith in God

**\*Song of Dedication and Service:**

**To Us a Child of Hope Is Born**

1. To us a child of hope is born, to us a son is giv'n,  
2. His name shall be the Prince of Peace, for - ev - er - more a - dored,  
3. His pow'r, in - creas - ing, still shall spread, his reign no end shall know;  
4. To us a child of hope is born, to us a son is giv'n,

him shall the tribes of earth o - bey, him all the hosts of heav'n.  
the Won - der - ful, the Coun - sel - or, the great and might - y Lord.  
jus - tice shall guard his throne a - bove, and peace a - bound be - low.  
the Won - der - ful, the Coun - sel - or, the might - y Lord of heav'n.

John Morison, 1781; alt.

I DO BELIEVE C.M.  
Traditional English melody

## 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](mailto:pastor@hersheypca.com). We would love to personally welcome you.



## **Advent Events with Hershey PCA**

**Save these dates** for times of Christmas fellowship!

### **Sunday Mornings during Advent, 9:00 AM: Advent Adult Sunday School Class**

For all adults and high school youth. Taught by Joe Kearns (see above announcement).

### **Saturday, December 4, 10:00 AM to Noon: Women's Christmas Coffee**

For all women and girls of Hershey PCA, Eve Dolon's home.

Sign up on the back table in our worship space or email [bkertland@hersheypca.com](mailto:bkertland@hersheypca.com)

### **Saturday, December 11, 10:00 AM to Noon: Kids' Christmas Craft Morning**

For kids ages 2 through 10, Church Office. Come for crafts, songs, games, and snacks!

Sign up on the back table in our worship space or email [bkertland@hersheypca.com](mailto:bkertland@hersheypca.com)

### **Sunday, December 19, 3:00 to 6:00 PM: Christmas Caroling & Fellowship Time**

For everyone! We will meet at the Woods' home, carol their neighborhood, and then return to the Woods' home to share a light supper and some Christmas desserts.

Sign up on the back table in our worship space or email [bkertland@hersheypca.com](mailto:bkertland@hersheypca.com)

### **December 24, 6:00 PM: Christmas Eve Lessons & Carols Candlelight Service**

Come participate in our Lessons and Carols Service as we celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus.

Lebanon Valley Presbyterian Church will be joining us for this service.

Candles will be lit at the end of the service to signify the Light of the World coming to dwell among us.

Extended family members and friends are welcome!

Invitations for our Christmas Eve service are available at the back of our worship space.

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

- 1) **Artwork:** Front Cover: Alfred Sisley (1839-1899). *Moret in Winter*, 1891. Oil on canvas, 54.5 x 65 cm. Signed and dated lower left: Sisley. 91. In the Hasso Plattner Collection of the Museum Barberini, Potsdam, Germany. In the public domain.
- 2) **Music:** "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (194), "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming" (221), and "To Us a Child of Hope Is Born (233) 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:** 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)
- 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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