



Hershey Presbyterian
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Front Cover Artwork

John La Farge (1835-1910), *Firescreen*, 1884. 42 x 29 in.; Panel: 30 x 26 7/8 in. Leaded opalescent glass, brass. Made in New York. The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York. Purchase, Barrie A. and Deedee Wigmore Foundation Gift, 2000. In the public domain.

"According to family tradition, John La Farge composed this panel in 1884 as a tenth wedding anniversary present for his close friends Richard Watson Gilder (1844-1909) and his student, Helena de Kay (1846-1916), a painter. A wreath encircling their initials and the year 1874 inscribed in gold commemorate their marriage. It originally functioned as a window in an inglenook in the Gilders' home and his wife's studio, at 103 East Fifteenth Street. About 1890, Stanford White (1853-1906), a member of the Gilders' artistic circle, remodeled the house, removed the panel from its architectural setting, and refitted it as a freestanding fire screen. The use of opalescent glass and delicate glass jewels is characteristic of the early work of La Farge."

<https://www.metmuseum.org/art/collection/search/3682>

"John LaFarge (March 31, 1835 – November 14, 1910) was one of the most innovative and versatile American artists of the nineteenth century. While recognized largely for his paintings, stained glass, and interior decoration, LaFarge also drew attention during the American Renaissance as an illustrator, muralist, world traveler, art critic, author and close friend of prominent men, including Henry James

...A founder and leader of the American watercolor movement by the late 1870s, LaFarge used watercolor to make studies for illustrations and decorative projects, to record his travels, and to paint floral still-life exhibition pieces.

He was an organizer of the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City and founder of the Society of American Artists and the Society of American Mural Painters."

...LaFarge's inquiring mind led him to experiment with color problems, especially in the medium of stained glass. LaFarge became the greatest innovator in modern stained-glass history. He was the first to develop opalescent glass for windows and pioneered the use of thin copper wire or foil to replace heavy lead lines, techniques that made possible the work of Louis Comfort Tiffany. Though Tiffany's financial resources and commercial inclinations made him far better known, it was LaFarge who was recognized then and since as the great innovator in the field.

In the early 1880s, LaFarge received a number of very prestigious stained-glass commissions, including the houses of William H. Vanderbilt and Cornelius Vanderbilt II in New York, the Darius Ogden Mills house in New York, Harvard University's Memorial Hall, and windows for Trinity Church in Boston.

...By the early 1890s...his commissions [included] Judson Memorial Church, a second major window, called *Wisdom*, for the Ames family's Unity Church in North Easton, Massachusetts (the earlier window was called, *The Angel of Help*), an impressive *Resurrections* window for the First Congregational Church of Nethuen, Massachusetts, and a pair of large allegorical windows depicting Spring and Autumn for William C. Whitney's Long Island estate.

From: https://www.newworldencyclopedia.org/entry/John_LaFarge



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), Bonnie Kertland (vocals), David Kertland (preaching), Mark Linstedt (vocals), Pam Linstedt (vocals), Nathanel Marengo (clarinet), Kimberly Robinson (vocals), and Lynn Ruhl (cello).

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

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

Prelude

Praising God

*Call to Worship

Psalm 86:8-12

*There is none like you among the gods, O Lord,
nor are there any works like yours.*

⁹ *All the nations you have made shall come and worship before you, O Lord,
and shall glorify your name.*

¹⁰ *For you are great and do wondrous things;
you alone are God.*

¹¹ *Teach me your way, O LORD, that I may walk in your truth;
unite my heart to fear your name.*

¹² *I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,
and I will glorify your name forever.*

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

***Response of Praise:**

Wondrous King, All-Glorious

The musical score is written for guitar and voice. It consists of four systems, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. Chords are indicated above the treble staff. The lyrics are written below the staves.

System 1:

Chords: G, Dsus, D, Em, Bsus, B, C

1. Won-drous King, all - glo - rious, sov-'reign Lord vic - to - rious, oh, re -
 2. Heav-ens, spread the sto - ry of our Mak-er's glo - ry, all the
 3. O my soul, re - joic - ing, sing, thy prais-es voic - ing, sing, with
 4. Hal - le - lu - jahs ren - der to the Lord most ten - der, ye who

System 2:

Chords: G, Em, D, G, D, G, Dsus, D, Em

ceive our praise with fa - vor! From thee welled God's kind - ness tho' we
 pomp of earth ob - scur - ing. Sun, thy rays be send - ing, thy bright
 hymns of faith a - dore him! All who here have be - ing, shout, your
 know and love the Sav - ior. Hal - le - lu - jahs sing ye, ye re -

System 3:

Chords: Bsus, B, C, G, Em, D, G, D, G, F, C

in our blind - ness strayed from thee, our bless-ed Sav - ior. Strength-en thou,
 beams ex - pend - ing, light to all the earth as - sur - ing. Moon and star,
 voic - es free - ing, bow down in the dust be - fore him. He is God
 deemed, oh, bring ye hearts that yield him glad be - hav - ior. Blest are ye

System 4:

Chords: D, G, D, G, C, G, D, G, Am, G, Am⁷, D⁷, G⁷

help us now; let our tongues be sing - ing, thee our prais-es bring - ing.
 praise a - far him who glo-rious made you; the vast heav-ens aid you.
 Sab - a - oth; praise a - lone the Sav - ior, here and there for - ev - er.
 end - less - ly; sin - less there for - ev - er, ye shall laud him ev - er.

***Prayer of Adoration & Invocation**

***Confession of Faith**

Colossians 1:11-23

Leader:

May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy; giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

Congregation:

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.

And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

And he is the head of the body, the church.

He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent.

For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

Leader:

“And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.”

***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 5:19-20

*My brothers, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and someone brings him back,
20 let him know that whoever brings back a sinner from his wandering will save his soul
from death and will cover a multitude of sins.*

Confession of Sin

Assurances of Pardon in Christ

Acts 2:21

And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Offering Our Prayers to God

Prayer of Intercession & the Lord's Prayer

Hershey PCA Prayer Requests for the Week of January 2-8, 2022

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 Director of Public Works Thomas Clark
- **Civil Government** (those in authority over us):
Dauphin County Commissioner George Hartwick
- **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.joshuaproject.net). "...pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." (Matt. 9:38)
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Population: 62,000; Language: Bali; Religion: Hinduism

Intercession for the Church (God's People):

- **Health issues:**
Darlene
- **Those Who Serve in our Local Church** (our ordained officers and non-ordained ministry leaders):
Treasurer Mike Miller
- **Our Denomination (PCA):** Member Church in the Susquehanna Valley Presbytery (PCA):
Oakwood Presbyterian Church, State College, PA
- **Supported Missionary or Organizations:**
Committee on Discipleship Ministries (CDM)

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.

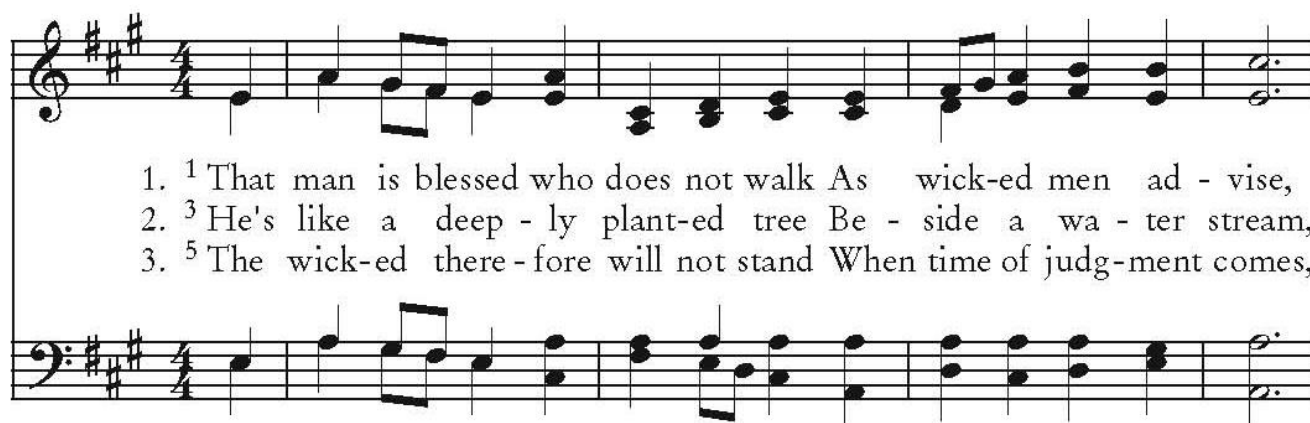
Presentation of Our Tithes & Offerings

Tithes and offerings are an expression of our worship to God.

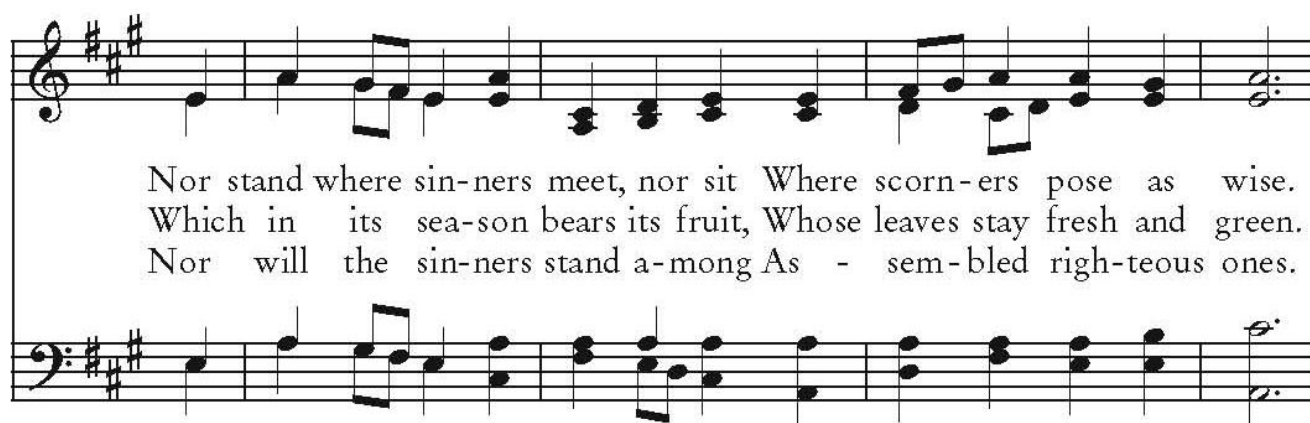
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***Song of Preparation:**

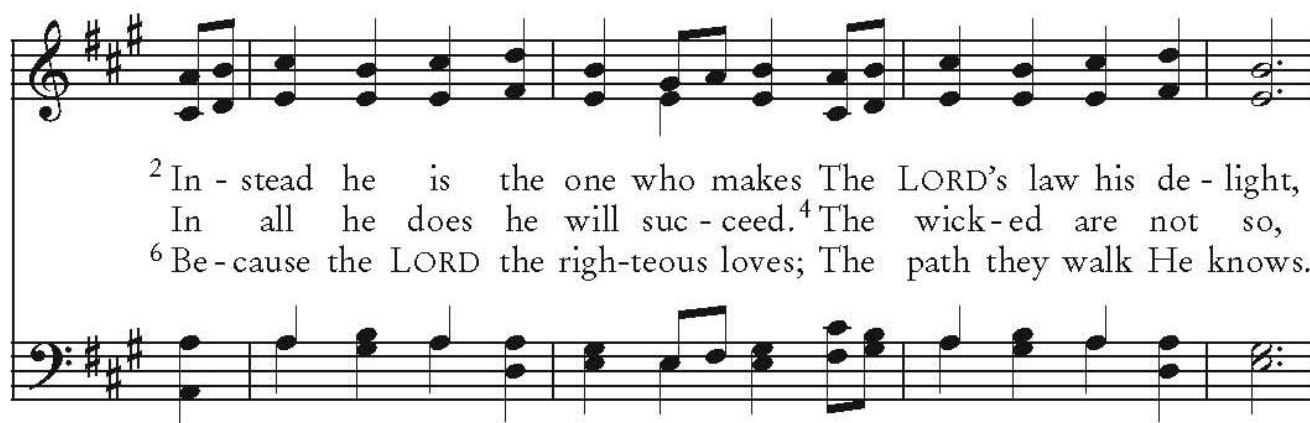
That Man Is Blessed (Psalm 1)



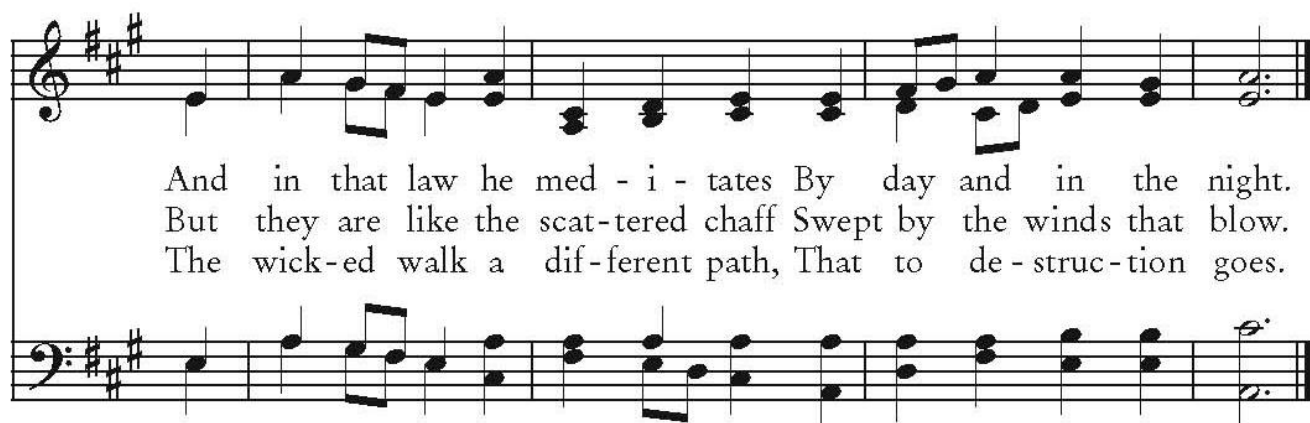
1. ¹ That man is blessed who does not walk As wick-ed men ad - vise,
2. ³ He's like a deep - ly plant-ed tree Be - side a wa - ter stream,
3. ⁵ The wick-ed there - fore will not stand When time of judg-ment comes,



Nor stand where sin-ners meet, nor sit Where scorn-ers pose as wise.
Which in its sea-son bears its fruit, Whose leaves stay fresh and green.
Nor will the sin-ners stand a-mong As - sem-bled righ-teous ones.



² In - stead he is the one who makes The LORD's law his de - light,
In all he does he will suc - ceed.⁴ The wick-ed are not so,
⁶ Be - cause the LORD the righ-teous loves; The path they walk He knows.



And in that law he med - i - tates By day and in the night.
But they are like the scat-tered chaff Swept by the winds that blow.
The wick-ed walk a dif-ferent path, That to de - struc-tion goes.

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:**

Luke 2:39-40

*³⁹ And when they had performed everything according to the Law of the Lord, they returned
into Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth.*

⁴⁰ And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Sermon:

An Extraordinary Ordinary Life

Today's Text: Luke 2:39-40

Pastor David Kertland

"...we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is **God and man**.

God of the substance of the Father, begotten before the worlds;

and **man** of substance of His mother, born in the world.

Perfect **God** and perfect **man**, of a reasonable soul and human flesh subsisting.

Equal to the Father as touching His **Godhead**, and inferior to the Father as touching His **manhood**.

Who, although He is **God and man**, yet He is not two, but one Christ.

One, not by conversion of the **Godhead** into flesh, but by taking of that **manhood** into God.

One altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by unity of person.

For as the reasonable soul and flesh is one man, so **God and man** is one Christ...."

Excerpt From the Athanasian Creed

1. An _____ Life

2. An _____ Life

3. Why Jesus's _____ matters

a. The Bible _____ it.

b. Jesus's humanity shows you:

- the *beauty* of his _____ .
- the *rigor* of his _____ .
- the *depths* of his _____ .
- the *extent* of his _____ .
- the *reality* of his _____ .

c. Jesus's humanity _____ our expectation about the Christian life.

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 or the wine with bread/wafer (has gluten).

Prayer

Confessing Our Faith in God

***Song of Dedication and Service:**


All Glory Be to Christ

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 4/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line of each system.



1. Should noth - ing of our ef - forts stand, no leg - a - cy sur - vive;
2. His will be done, His king - dom come, on earth as is a - bove;
3. When on the day the great I Am, the Faith - ful and the True

Un - less the Lórd does raise the house, in vain its build - ers strive.
Who is Him - self our dai - ly bread, praise Him the Lord of love.
The Lamb who was for sin - ners slain, is mak - ing all things new.



To you who boast to - mor - row's gain, tell me what is your life?
Let liv - ing wa - ter sat - is - fy the thirst - y with - out price,
Be - hold our God shall live with us and be our stead - fast light,




A mist that van - ish - es at dawn, all glo - ry be to Christ!
 We'll take a cup of kind - ness yet, all glo - ry be to Christ!
 And we shall e'er His peo - ple be, all glo - ry be to Christ!

All glo - ry be to Christ, our King. All glo - ry be to Christ!

His rule and reign we'll ev - er sing, all glo - ry be to Christ!



Words: Dustin Kensrue

Music: *Auld Lang Syne* - Scottish traditional

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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

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