



**Hershey Presbyterian**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA (PCA)

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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](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), Joe Kearns (leading worship), Bonnie Kertland (vocals), David Kertland (preaching), Mark Linstedt (vocals), Pam Linstedt (vocals), Nathanael Marengo (sound), Kimberly Robinson (vocals), and Lynn Ruhl (cello), Anita Wood (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

## Praising God

### \*Call to Worship

**Revelation 7:10,12**

*Salvation belongs to our God  
who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!*

**Amen!**

***Blessing and glory and wisdom  
and thanksgiving and honor  
and power and might  
be to our God forever and ever!***

**Amen.**

Light Text = Read by Leader

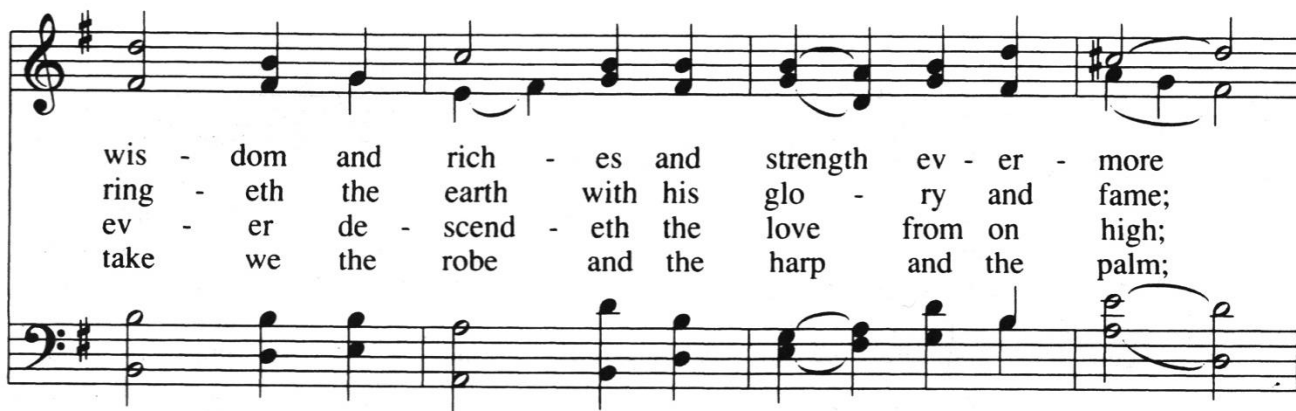
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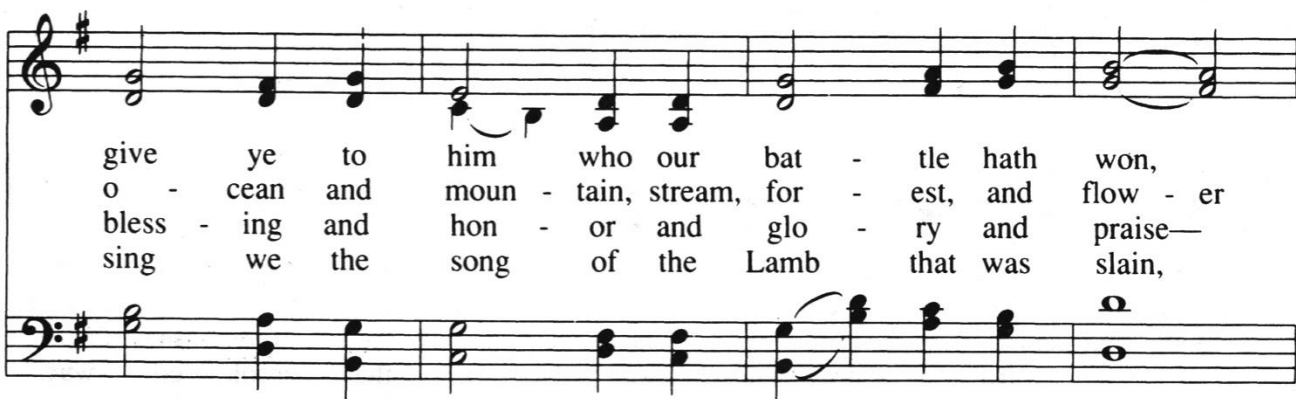
**Blessing and Honor and Glory and Power**



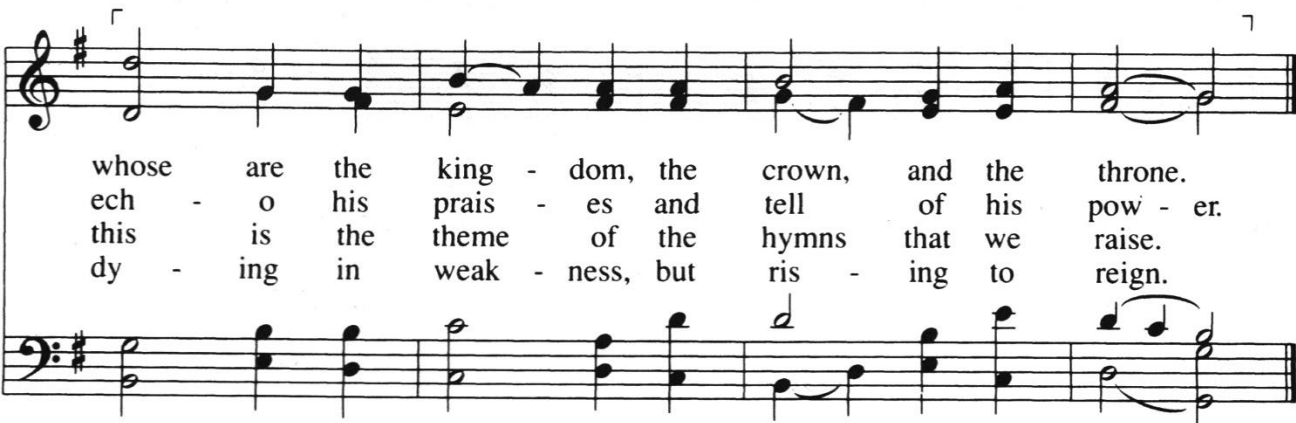
1. Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and pow - er,  
 2. Sound - eth the heav'n of the heav'ns with his name;  
 3. Ev - er as - cend - eth the song and the joy;  
 4. Give we the glo - ry and praise to the Lamb;



wis - dom and rich - es and strength ev - er - more  
 ring - eth the earth with his glo - ry and fame;  
 ev - er de - scend - eth the love from on high;  
 take we the robe and the harp and the palm;



give ye to him who our bat - tle hath won,  
 o - cean and moun - tain, stream, for - est, and flow - er  
 bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and praise—  
 sing we the song of the Lamb that was slain,



whose are the king - dom, the crown, and the throne.  
 ech - o his prais - es and tell of his pow - er.  
 this is the theme of the hymns that we raise.  
 dy - ing in weak - ness, but ris - ing to reign.

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

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

based on **Isaiah 11:1-5** & **Revelation 5:9-10, 12, 13**

Leader:

There came forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse,  
and a branch from his roots bore fruit.

The Spirit of the LORD rests on him,  
the Spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the Spirit of counsel and might,  
the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

He delights in the fear of the LORD.

He does not judge by what his eyes see,  
or decide disputes by what his ears hear,  
but with righteousness he judges the poor,  
and decides with equity for the meek of the earth.

He strikes the earth with the rod of his mouth,  
and with the breath of his lips he kills the wicked.

Righteousness is the belt of his waist,  
and faithfulness the belt of his loins.

...

**Congregation:**

**He is worthy to take God's scroll and to open its seals for he was slain,  
and by his blood he ransomed people for God  
from every tribe and language and people and nation.  
He has made us a kingdom and priests to our God,  
and, we shall reign on the earth.**

...

**Worthy is the Lamb who was slain,  
to receive power and wealth and wisdom  
and might and honor and glory and blessing!**

...

**To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb  
be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!**

### **\*Doxology:**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him all crea - tures here be - low. Praise Him a - bove ye Hea - ven - ly Host.

Praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost. A - - - men!

## **Facing Up to Our Sin before God**

### **Reading of God's Standard**

### **Psalms 131**

*O LORD, my heart is not lifted up; my eyes are not raised too high;  
I do not occupy myself with things too great and too marvelous for me.  
<sup>2</sup> But I have calmed and quieted my soul, like a weaned child with its mother;  
like a weaned child is my soul within me.  
<sup>3</sup> O Israel, hope in the LORD from this time forth and forevermore.*

### **Confession of Sin**

### **Assurances of Pardon in Christ**

### **1 Peter 1:3-5**

*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup> to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup> who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.*

# Offering Our Prayers to God

## Prayer of Intercession & the Lord's Prayer

Hershey PCA Prayer Requests for the Week of January 30-February 5, 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-enews](http://www.derrytownship.org/community/weekly-enews))  
**Hershey Med EMTs and Emergency Department**
- **Civil Government** (those in authority over us):  
**PA State Senator John DiSanto**
- **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:  
**Kenya**
- **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)  
**Bugti Baloch of Pakistan**  
**Population: 141,000; Language: Balochi, Eastern; Religion: Islam**

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

- **Health issues:**  
**Elsie**
- **Those Who Serve in our Local Church** (our ordained officers and non-ordained ministry leaders):  
**Children's Ministry Leaders**
- **Our Denomination (PCA):** Member Church in the Susquehanna Valley Presbytery (PCA):  
**Redeemer Presbyterian Church, Chambersburg, 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.

## Presentation of Our Tithes & Offerings

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

### Offertory



**\*Song of Preparation:**

**How Firm a Foundation**

1. How firm a foun - da - tion, you saints of the Lord, is laid for your  
 2. "Fear not, I am with you, O be not dis-mayed; for I am your  
 3. "When through the deep wa - ters I call you to go, the riv - ers of  
 4. "When through fi - ery tri - als your path - way shall lie, my grace, all - suf -

faith in his ex - cel - lent Word! What more can he say than to  
 God, and will still give you aid; I'll strength - en you, help you, and  
 sor - row shall not o - ver - flow; for I will be with you, your  
 fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply; the flame shall not hurt you; I

you he has said, to you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?  
 cause you to stand, up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.  
 trou - bles to bless, and sanc - ti - fy to you your deep - est dis - tress.  
 on - ly de - sign your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine.

5. "E'en down to old age all my people shall prove  
 my sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love;  
 and when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn,  
 like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.

6. "The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,  
 I will not, I will not desert to his foes;  
 that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
 I'll never, no never, no never forsake."



# 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 2**

*But false prophets also arose among the people, just as there will be false teachers among you, who will secretly bring in destructive heresies, even denying the Master who bought them, bringing upon themselves swift destruction. <sup>2</sup> And many will follow their sensuality, and because of them the way of truth will be blasphemed. <sup>3</sup> And in their greed they will exploit you with false words. Their condemnation from long ago is not idle, and their destruction is not asleep.*

*<sup>4</sup> For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but cast them into hell and committed them to chains of gloomy darkness to be kept until the judgment; <sup>5</sup> if he did not spare the ancient world, but preserved Noah, a herald of righteousness, with seven others, when he brought a flood upon the world of the ungodly; <sup>6</sup> if by turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah to ashes he condemned them to extinction, making them an example of what is going to happen to the ungodly; <sup>7</sup> and if he rescued righteous Lot, greatly distressed by the sensual conduct of the wicked <sup>8</sup> (for as that righteous man lived among them day after day, he was tormenting his righteous soul over their lawless deeds that he saw and heard); <sup>9</sup> then the Lord knows how to rescue the godly from trials, and to keep the unrighteous under punishment until the day of judgment, <sup>10</sup> and especially those who indulge in the lust of defiling passion and despise authority.*

*Bold and willful, they do not tremble as they blaspheme the glorious ones, <sup>11</sup> whereas angels, though greater in might and power, do not pronounce a blasphemous judgment against them before the Lord. <sup>12</sup> But these, like irrational animals, creatures of instinct, born to be caught and destroyed, blaspheming about matters of which they are ignorant, will also be destroyed in their destruction, <sup>13</sup> suffering wrong as the wage for their wrongdoing. They count it pleasure to revel in the daytime. They are blots and blemishes, reveling in their deceptions, while they feast with you. <sup>14</sup> They have eyes full of adultery, insatiable for sin. They entice unsteady souls. They have hearts trained in greed. Accursed children! <sup>15</sup> Forsaking the right way, they have gone astray. They have followed the way of Balaam, the son of Beor, who loved gain from wrongdoing, <sup>16</sup> but was rebuked for his own transgression; a speechless donkey spoke with human voice and restrained the prophet's madness.*

*<sup>17</sup> These are waterless springs and mists driven by a storm. For them the gloom of utter darkness has been reserved. <sup>18</sup> For, speaking loud boasts of folly, they entice by sensual passions of the flesh those who are barely escaping from those who live in error. <sup>19</sup> They promise them freedom, but they themselves are slaves of corruption. For whatever overcomes a person, to that he is enslaved. <sup>20</sup> For if, after they have escaped the defilements of the world through the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled in them and overcome, the last state has become worse for them than the first. <sup>21</sup> For it would have been better for them never to have known the way of righteousness than after knowing it to turn back from the holy commandment delivered to them. <sup>22</sup> What the true proverb says has happened to them: "The dog returns to its own vomit, and the sow, after washing herself, returns to wallow in the mire."*

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon:**

**Effective & Fruitful (11): *Take Care!* (1)**

Today's Text: 2 Peter 2

Pastor David Kertland

1. There will be \_\_\_\_\_

2. They secretly bring in \_\_\_\_\_

3. Why should you \_\_\_\_\_ ?

a. By listening to false teachers, you risk being \_\_\_\_\_

b. By listening to false teachers, you risk losing your \_\_\_\_\_

**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 are filled with grape juice.

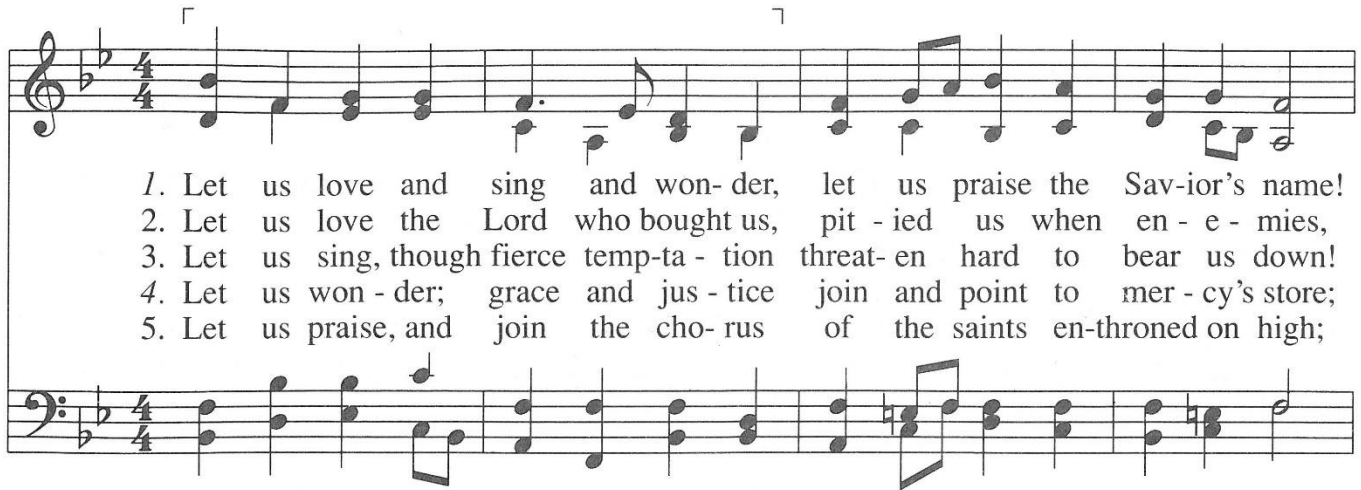
The purple-tinted cups are filled with wine.

### Prayer

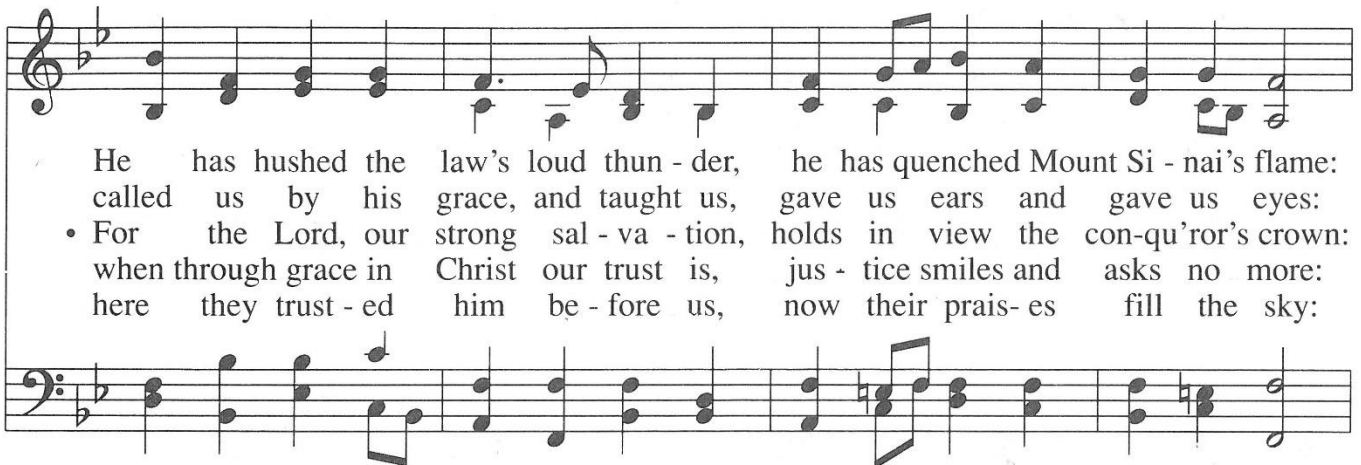
# Confessing Our Faith in God

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

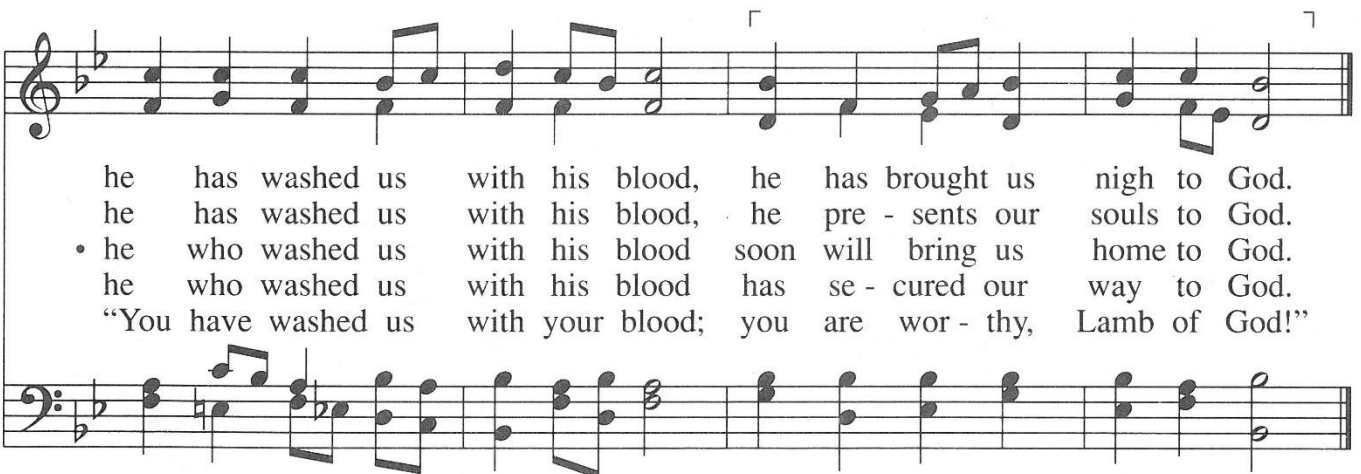
**Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder**



1. Let us love and sing and won-der, let us praise the Sav-ior's name!  
 2. Let us love the Lord who bought us, pit-ied us when en-e-mies,  
 3. Let us sing, though fierce temp-ta-tion threat-en hard to bear us down!  
 4. Let us won-der; grace and jus-tice join and point to mer-cy's store;  
 5. Let us praise, and join the cho-rus of the saints en-throned on high;



He has hushed the law's loud thun-der, he has quenched Mount Si-nai's flame:  
 called us by his grace, and taught us, gave us ears and gave us eyes:  
 • For the Lord, our strong sal-va-tion, holds in view the con-qu'ror's crown:  
 when through grace in Christ our trust is, jus-tice smiles and asks no more:  
 here they trust-ed him be-fore us, now their prais-es fill the sky:



he has washed us with his blood, he has brought us nigh to God.  
 he has washed us with his blood, he pre-sents our souls to God.  
 • he who washed us with his blood soon will bring us home to God.  
 he who washed us with his blood has se-cured our way to God.  
 "You have washed us with your blood; you are wor- thy, Lamb of God!"

# God's Blessing

## \*Benediction

**Jude 24-25**

*Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling  
and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy,  
to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority,  
before all time and now and forever.  
Amen.*

## \*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.

### Today's Service Information

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- 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. Eerdmans 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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