



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

October 30, 2022  
Reformation Sunday

## Front Cover Artwork

Front Cover: *Grapes*, c. 1890/1895, Joseph Decker (American, 1853-1924), oil on canvas, overall 9 x 12 in., framed 21 7/8 x 24 15/16 x 2 7/8 in. National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC. Collection of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mellon. Inscription: lower right: J.DECKER. Not currently on view. Accession Number 1994.59.3. In the public domain.

"Although Joseph Decker never achieved an important artistic reputation during his lifetime, his varied career encompassed more than thirty productive years. Born to a carpenter and his wife in 1853 in Württemberg, Germany, Decker emigrated with his family to America at the age of fourteen. He was first apprenticed to a Brooklyn house painter, then worked as a sign painter. In the late 1870s he began to take evening drawing classes at the National Academy of Design and by the end of that decade was exhibiting portraits and landscapes at the Brooklyn Art Association (also at the NAD in 1878). In the fall of 1879 Decker travelled to Munich, where he embarked on a year's study. His teacher there was the conservative and highly respected history painter Wilhelm Lindenschmidt (1829-1895).

Upon his return to the United States, Decker exhibited his work in the annual shows of the National Academy of Design, the Brooklyn Art Association, the Society of American Artists, and the Art Institute of Chicago. By the end of the decade, despite a lack of critical approbation, he felt secure enough to take a studio in Manhattan. In 1889 he exhibited at the Buffalo International Fair. Although he tackled varied subjects throughout the 1880s, his primary concern in those years was still life painting, and his still-life subjects were most often edibles such as fruits and nuts, rather than man-made objects.

The following decade was one of transformation for the artist. He returned to Brooklyn, stopped exhibiting his work, and showed increased interest in landscapes. Most importantly, his style in all subjects showed a dramatic evolution from a crisp and linear method to a softer, more atmospheric approach. His admiration for the landscapes of George Inness was finally expressed in the Barbizon and Tonalist-inspired scenes he created.

In addition to still lifes and landscapes, Decker also painted genre subjects, some portraits, and novelties such as the pictures in which he incorporated the shape of the artist's palette with finger-hole into the compositions. He became, as well, a restorer of Chinese porcelains for the well-known American collector Thomas B. Clarke. Clarke was Decker's most important patron, eventually owning eight paintings by him.

...Decker died in the charity ward of a Brooklyn hospital 1 April 1924. His work was virtually forgotten until its rediscovery by art historian Alfred Frankenstein in 1949 and not widely known until the 1960s."

<https://www.nga.gov/collection/artist-info.13920.html#biography>

"Decker received considerable publicity in 2004 when a painting of 'Ripening Pears,' which had been purchased for \$5 at a garage sale, was sold to the National Gallery for \$1 million. His work can be found in the National Gallery, the Yale University Art Gallery, the Terra Foundation for American Art, the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, and the Metropolitan Museum, among others."

[https://www.oxfordgallery.com/Period\\_Artists/decker.html](https://www.oxfordgallery.com/Period_Artists/decker.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.

**Thank you** 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), Nathanel Marengo (sound), Don Wood (vocals), Nick Yingst (piano), and Grace Zhang (flute).

**Today's Communion Servers** are Dave Eakin and Joe Kearns.

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

## Welcome Messiah College Brass Quintet

Today we welcome the Messiah College Brass Quintet. The quintet members are: Jacob Waddell and Kaytlyn Weaver, trumpets; Jacob Fleury, horn; Aiden Rizzo, trombone; and Jace Graybill, tuba. Thank you for sharing your talents with us today!

## Prelude

"All Things Bright and Beautiful," arr. Marlatt

# Praising God

## \*Call to Worship

## Psalm 46:1, 11

*God is our refuge and strength,  
**a very present help in trouble.***

*<sup>11</sup> The LORD of hosts is with us;  
**the God of Jacob is our fortress.***

Light Text = Read by Leader

**Bold Text = Read by All**

**\*Response of Praise:****A Mighty Fortress Is Our God**

The musical score is written for four voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in 4/4 time and G major. The score is divided into four systems, each with a vocal staff and a piano accompaniment staff. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves.

1. A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul - wark nev - er  
2. Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing would be  
3. And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat - en to un -  
4. That Word a - bove all earth - ly pow'rs, no thanks to them, a -

fail - ing; our help - er he a - mid the flood of  
los - ing; were not the right man on our side, the  
do us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his  
bid - eth; the Spir - it and the gifts are ours through

mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing. For still our an - cient foe  
man of God's own choos - ing. Dost ask who that may be?  
truth to tri - umph through us. The prince of dark - ness grim,  
him who with us sid - eth. Let goods and kin - dred go,

doth seek to work us woe; his craft and pow'r are great;  
Christ Je - sus, it is he, Lord Sa - ba - oth his name,  
we trem - ble not for him; his rage we can en - dure,  
this mor - tal life al - so; the bod - y they may kill:

and armed with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.  
 from age to age the same, and he must win the bat - tle.  
 for lo! his doom is sure; one lit - tle word shall fell him.  
 God's truth a - bid - eth still; his king - dom is for - ev - er.

Based on Psalm 46  
 Martin Luther, 1529  
 Tr. by Frederick H. Hedge, 1853

EIN' FESTE BURG 8.7.8.7.6.6.6.6.7.  
 Martin Luther, 1529

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

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

### **Hebrews 1:1-4**

**Long ago, at many times and in many ways,  
 God spoke to our fathers by the prophets,  
 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.  
 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,  
 having become as much superior to angels  
 as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.**

## **\*Doxology**

*In this ascription of praise to God comes as a response to God's provision for us. Through it we call everyone in the created order to celebrate and praise our Provider God.*

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow:  
praise him, all crea-tures here be-low;  
praise him a-bove, ye heav'n-ly host:  
praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost.  
A-men.

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

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

**Matthew 5:38-42**

*"You have heard that it was said, 'An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.'<sup>39</sup> But I say to you, Do not resist the one who is evil. But if anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also.<sup>40</sup> And if anyone would sue you and take your tunic, let him have your cloak as well.<sup>41</sup> And if anyone forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles.<sup>42</sup> Give to the one who begs from you, and do not refuse the one who would borrow from you.*

## **Confession of Sin**

## **Assurance of Pardon**

**Colossians 1:13-14**

*He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son,<sup>14</sup> in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.*

# Offering Our Prayers to God

## Prayer of Intercession & the Lord's Prayer

Hershey PCA Prayer Requests for the Week of October 30 - November 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 Public Library Director Alison Trautmann**
- **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:  
**Taiwan**
- **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)  
**Bania Chaturth of India**  
**Population: 38,000; Language: Marathi; Religion: other/small**

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

- **Health issues: Catherine**
- **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:  
**Bellefonte Presbyterian Church (future PCA church plant)**
- **Supported Missionary or Organizations:**  
**PCA Administrative Committee**

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

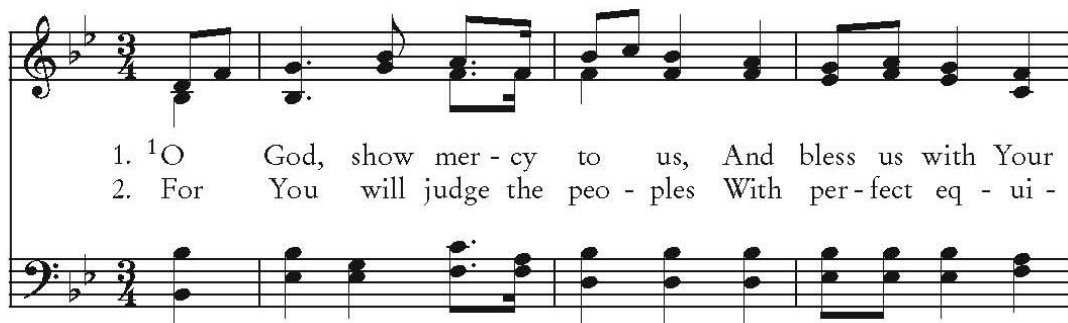
"Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil."  
For Thine is the kingdom,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

## Presentation of Our Tithes & Offerings

**Offertory:** "For All the Saints," arr. Harcrow

# \*Song of Preparation:

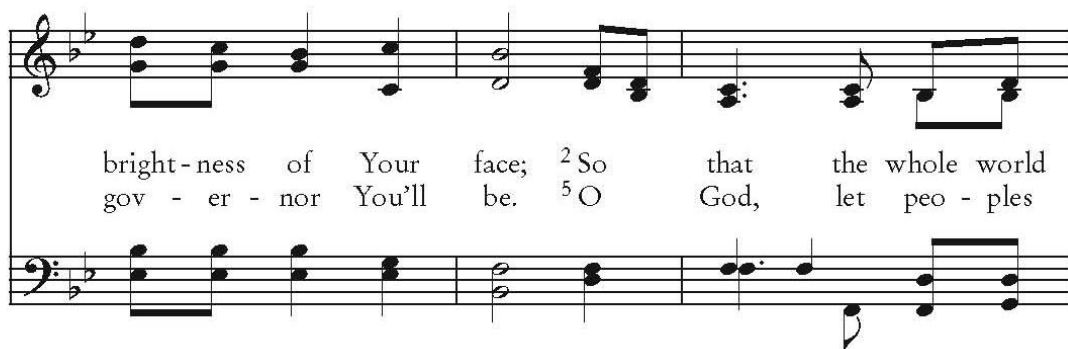
# O God, Show Mercy to Us



1. <sup>1</sup>O God, show mer - cy to us, And bless us with Your  
2. For You will judge the peo - ples With per - fect eq - ui -



grace; And cause to shine up - on us The  
ty; To na - tions of the whole earth A



bright - ness of Your face; <sup>2</sup> So that the whole world  
gov - er - nor You'll be. <sup>5</sup> O God, let peo - ples



o - ver May tru - ly know Your way, And  
praise You; Let all the peo - ples praise. <sup>6</sup> The



so that Your sal - va - tion All na - tions see dis -  
earth has brought its boun - ty Through - out its har - vest

played. days Since <sup>3</sup>O God, let our God, will bless us. <sup>7</sup>Yes,

all the peo - ples praise. <sup>4</sup>Let na - tions come re -  
God will bless - ing send, That all the earth may

joic - ing And songs of glad - ness raise.  
fear Him To its re - mot - est end.

# 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:**

**Romans 8:34-39**

<sup>34</sup> *Who is to condemn?*

*Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—  
who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.*

<sup>35</sup> *Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?*

*Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness,  
or danger, or sword?*

<sup>36</sup> *As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all the day long;  
we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered."*

<sup>37</sup> *No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who  
loved us.*

<sup>38</sup> *For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor  
things present nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup> nor height nor  
depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us  
from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**\*Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon:**

Adopted by God (10):  
**“Through Him Who Loved Us”**  
Today’s Text: Romans 8:34-39  
Pastor David Kertland

1. Who is to \_\_\_\_\_ ?

2. Who shall \_\_\_\_\_ us from the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ?

**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 hold out your empty and faltering hands to him, to receive grace from 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, but that you do not participate. It is a celebration of the Christian's union with the risen Jesus. 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

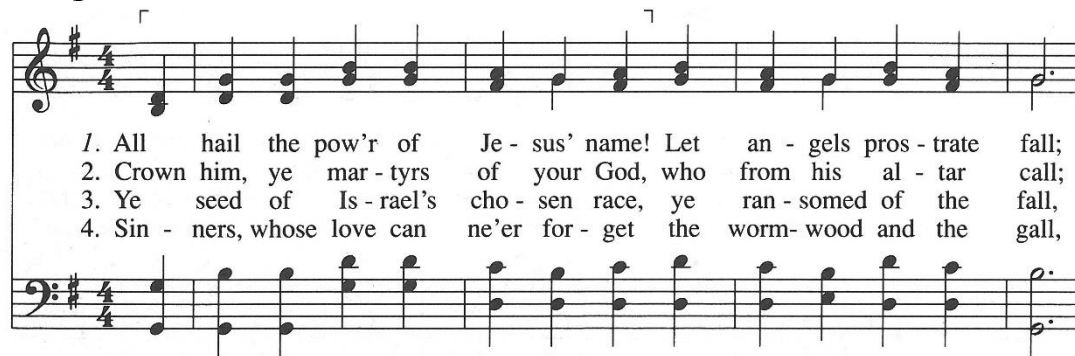
### Receiving of the Elements

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 take a cup of your preference. The clear cups are filled with grape juice; the purple-tinted cups are filled with wine.

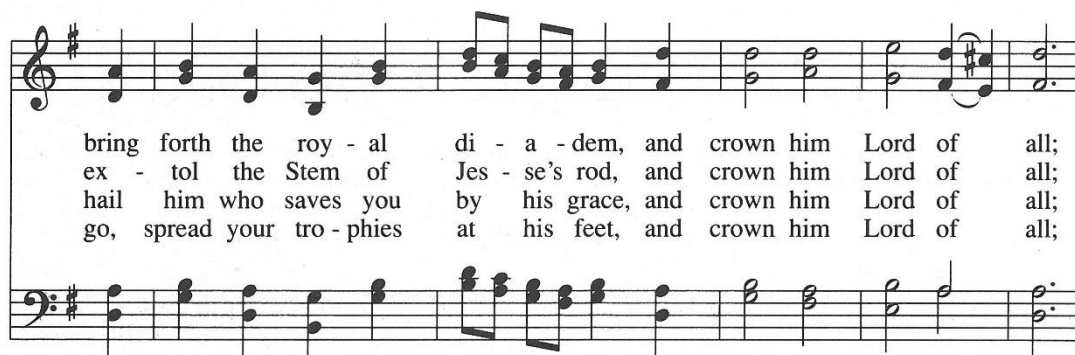
### Prayer

# Receiving God's Blessing

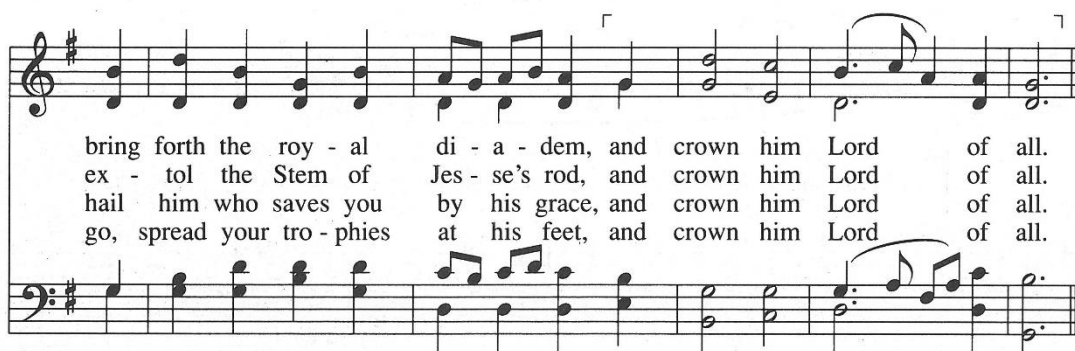
## \*Song of Dedication & Service: All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name



1. All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;  
 2. Crown him, ye mar - tyrs of your God, who from his al - tar call;  
 3. Ye seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran - somed of the fall,  
 4. Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm - wood and the gall,



bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all;  
 ex - tol the Stem of Jes - se's rod, and crown him Lord of all;  
 hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all;  
 go, spread your tro - phies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all;



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 hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.  
 go, spread your tro - phies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all.

5. Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,  
 on this terrestrial ball,  
 to him all majesty ascribe,  
 and crown him Lord of all;  
 to him all majesty ascribe,  
 and crown him Lord of all.

6. O that with yonder sacred throng  
 we at his feet may fall;  
 we'll join the everlasting song,  
 and crown him Lord of all;  
 we'll join the everlasting song,  
 and crown him Lord of all.

St. 1-5: Edward Perronet, 1779; alt.  
 St. 6: John Rippon, 1787

CORONATION C.M. rep.  
 Oliver Holden, 1793

# 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

Fantasy on "Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott" arr. Wilson

\* Congregation standing

***To our guests this morning:*** We are very glad that you have joined us for worship today. We hope you can stay a little while for conversation with our pastor and other Hershey PCA members and friends.

***After the service, greet someone that you don't know.*** If you see someone sitting or standing alone, welcome them in the name of Christ! The time after worship is a great time for mutual, one-another ministry in Christ, feel free to sit down with someone for conversation or prayer.

## 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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**Mission to the World** ([mtw.org](http://mtw.org)): international missions in keeping with the Great Commission



**Mission to North America** ([www.pcamna.org](http://www.pcamna.org)): North American missions in keeping with the Great Commission.



**Committee on Discipleship Ministries**

([www.pcacdm.org](http://www.pcacdm.org), [www.cepbookstore.com](http://www.cepbookstore.com), [www.gcp.org](http://www.gcp.org)): Curriculum and other resources to assist leaders in the local church as they make disciples (Matthew 28:19) among children, youth, and adults in the congregation.



**Covenant College** ([www.covenant.edu](http://www.covenant.edu)):

our denominational college on Lookout Mountain, Ga (overlooking Chattanooga, TN)



**Covenant Theological Seminary**

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**Reformed Universities Ministries** ([www.ruf.org](http://www.ruf.org)): the PCA college campus ministry



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