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Front Cover Artwork

Kathy Hastings, *Through A Glass Darkly*. 33" x 45" x 1.5." Photo/encaustic on wood panels. © Kathy Hastings. Used by permission of the artist.

On the artwork: *Journey Prayers—Through A Glass Darkly* can be found in Kathy's Waterlines series. About her Waterlines Series: "Boat hulls and water reflections are the theme of this photo/encaustic series. For me the hulls are like giant canvasses painted by the sea—surfaces salty, rusty, algaed, oxidized, coated and recoated with man's paint, glazed and worn by time and water, often accented by the brush of a tug or the scrape of an anchor chain. The colors change above and below the waterline—an imaginary line where the ship is cradled by the sea."

On the artist: "Water related images have intrigued Kathy since her childhood days growing up in Southern California. Now a resident of the Pacific NW, on calm days you may find her kayaking around Fishermen's Terminal in Seattle photographing boat hulls and water reflections. Always experimenting, her technique blends digital with traditional.

Kathy's education includes a BFA from Art Center College of Design and an MFA from the University of Washington. For over twenty years she worked as an Artist-in-Residence in elementary and high schools throughout the United States. She taught for Seattle Pacific University and Western Washington University for over ten years, developing art integrated curriculum for classroom teachers. After her husband's death in 2000 she returned to full-time studio work.

Since 2005 Kathy has been one of the artists of the juried Camano Island Arts Tour. Her work is also featured in several galleries in Washington including the Earthenworks Gallery in Port Townsend and LaConner, Seagrass Gallery on Camano Island, Scott Milo Gallery in Anacortes, DragonFire Gallery in Cannon Beach, and the Seattle Art Museum Gallery.

Her work combines digital photography with encaustics. After printing the digital image on watercolor paper and adhering it to a wood panel, she adds layers of beeswax, oil paint, oil pastel and metallic pigment for translucency depth, and texture.

In the **Waterlines Series** she focuses on the textures and colors from the waterfront — the play of light on the hulls of boats, the oxidized surfaces, and the endlessly undulating water reflections. For her series **Intersection and Crossings** she photographs perpendicular images—welds on boat hulls, paint drips, scratches and indentations. **Frio Suite** came from two week exploration of a river in Texas. In her most recent work she layers textures of boat hull with bird images."

Thank you to Kathy for graciously allowing us to use her work on our worship booklet this month!

For more information and to view her other artwork, visit her website at www.kathyhastings.com or contact Kathy directly at DKStudios@aol.com.



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), Keith Dolon (sound); David Kertland (preaching), Mark Linstedt (vocals), Pam Linstedt (vocals), Nathanael Marengo (clarinet), Anita Wood (piano), Don Wood (vocals), and Nick Yingst (leading worship).

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

Today's Communion Servers are Ephraim Church and Nick Yingst.

Prelude

Commissioning of Members of the Japan Missions Team

Today we will commission and pray for Bonnie Kertland, Kumi Minagawa, and Bobby Noble as they prepare to travel to Urayasu, Japan as part of the Japan Missions Team along others from Trinity PCA and Proclamation PCA. They will leave early on August 11 and will return on August 24. The team will help the Shin Urayasu Grace Church, founded by our supported missionaries Craig and Ree Coulbourne, with community outreach. Events will include a kids club, book club, and various church activities.

Praising God

***Call to Worship:**

Psalm 103:8-13

*The LORD is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.*

*⁹ He will not always chide,
nor will he keep his anger forever.*

*¹⁰ He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.*

*¹¹ For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;*

*¹² as far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.*

*¹³ As a father shows compassion to his children,
so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.*

Light Text = Read by Leader

Bold Text = Read by All

***Response of Praise: O Come, My Soul, Bless Thou the Lord
(from Psalm 103)**

1. O come, my soul, bless thou the Lord thy Mak - er, and all with -
2. Good is the Lord and full of kind com - pas - sion, most slow to
3. His love is like a fa - ther's to his chil - dren, ten - der and
4. We fade and die like flow'rs that grow in beau - ty, like ten - der
5. High in the heav'ns his throne is fixed for - ev - er, his king - dom

in me bless his ho - ly name; bless thou the Lord, for -
 an - ger, plen - te - ous in love; rich is his grace to
 • kind to all who fear his name; for well he knows our
 grass that soon will dis - ap - pear; but ev - er - more the
 rules o'er all from pole to pole; bless ye the Lord through

get not all his mer - cies, his par - d'ning grace and
 all that hum - bly seek him, bound - less and end - less
 • weak - ness and our frail - ty, he knows that we are
 love of God is change - less, still shown to those who
 all his wide do - min - ion, bless his most ho - ly

REFRAIN

sav - ing love pro - claim.
 as the heav'ns a - bove.
 • dust, he knows our frame. Bless him for - ev - er, won - drous in
 look to him in fear.
 name, O thou my soul.

might, bless him, his ser - vants that in his will de - light.

***Prayer of Adoration & Invocation**

***Confession of Faith:**

The Apostles' Creed

We confess our faith together using the Apostles' Creed. It is an ancient summary of what the Bible teaches about God, our need of a sufficient Savior, and our dependence on the work of God's Spirit.

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty,
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic* church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
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*.

Reading of God's Standard

Deuteronomy 5:6, 18

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

And you shall not commit adultery.

On the Seventh Commandment from our Shorter Catechism, Q&A 71-72:

What is required in the seventh commandment? The seventh commandment requires the preservation of our own and our neighbor's chastity, in heart, speech, and behavior.

What is forbidden in the seventh commandment? The seventh commandment forbids all unchaste thoughts, words, and actions.

For additional Q&As see <https://www.pcaac.org/bco/westminster-confession>

Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon

1 Corinthians 6:11

[Y]ou were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

Offering Our Prayers to God

Prayer of Intercession & the Lord's Prayer

Hershey PCA Prayer Requests for the Week of August 6-12, 2023

Intercession *for the World*:

- **The Hershey Community:** Derry Township Director of Public Works Thomas Clark
- **Civil Government:** President Joe Biden
- **Countries of Origin of Our Church Members and Friends:** Japan
- **Unreached People Group:** Banka of India
Population: 33,000; Language: Odia; Religion: Hinduism

Unreached people group list 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)

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

- **Health issues:** Ken K.
- **Those Who Serve in Our Local Church:** Sound Team
- **Our Denomination (PCA):** Faith Church, Quarryville, PA
(Church in the Susquehanna Valley Presbytery)
- **Supported Missionary or Organizations:** Craig and Ree Coulbourne
serving with MTW in Japan

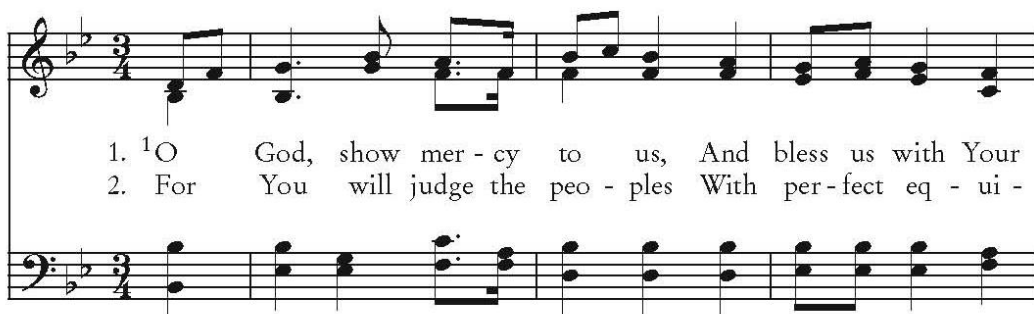
The Lord's Prayer: We will close with this version of the Lord's Prayer in unison.

"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

*Song of Preparation: O God, Show Mercy to Us (from Psalm 67)



1. ¹O 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; ²So that the whole world
gov - er - nor You'll be. ⁵O God, let peo - ples



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


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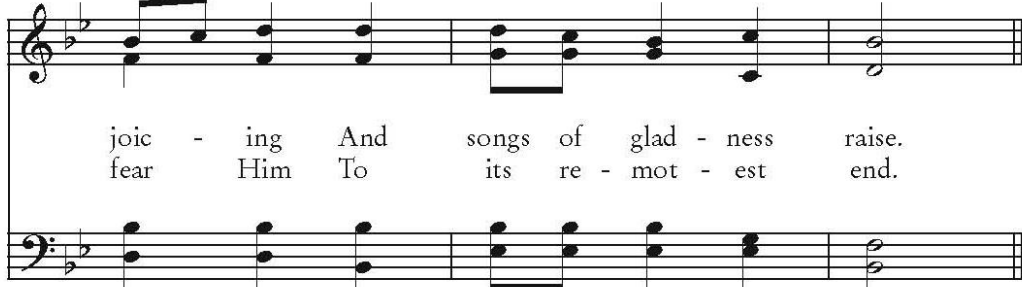
so that Your sal - va - tion All na - tions see dis -
earth has brought its boun - ty Through - out its har - vest



played. ³O God, let peo - ples praise You; Let
days Since God, our God, will bless us. ⁷Yes,



all the peo - ples praise. ⁴Let 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.

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Gustav Holst, 1918; arr. Brian E. Coombs, 2003

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:**

Jude 1-7, 17-25

Jude, a servant of Jesus Christ and brother of James, To those who are called, beloved in God the Father and kept for Jesus Christ: ² May mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you. ³ Beloved, although I was very eager to write to you about our common salvation, I found it necessary to write appealing to you to contend for the faith that was once for all delivered to the saints. ⁴ For certain people have crept in unnoticed who long ago were designated for this condemnation, ungodly people, who pervert the grace of our God into sensuality and deny our only Master and Lord, Jesus Christ.

⁵ Now I want to remind you, although you once fully knew it, that Jesus, who saved a people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed those who did not believe. ⁶ And the angels who did not stay within their own position of authority, but left their proper dwelling, he has kept in eternal chains under gloomy darkness until the judgment of the great day— ⁷ just as Sodom and Gomorrah and the surrounding cities, which likewise indulged in sexual immorality and pursued unnatural desire, serve as an example by undergoing a punishment of eternal fire.

...

¹⁷ But you must remember, beloved, the predictions of the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁸ They said to you, "In the last time there will be scoffers, following their own ungodly passions." ¹⁹ It is these who cause divisions, worldly people, devoid of the Spirit.

²⁰ But you, beloved, building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, ²¹ keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life. ²² And have mercy on those who doubt; ²³ save others by snatching them out of the fire; to others show mercy with fear, hating even the garment stained by the flesh.

²⁴ 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, ²⁵ 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.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

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

Sermon: “But You, Beloved”: Contending for the Faith Today (3)
We Keep Ourselves in God’s Love

Today’s Text: Jude 1:21

David Kertland

1. What does it mean to _____ in God’s love?

a) Jude is calling us to live according to God’s “ _____ ”

b) _____ & _____ in the interplay of “kept”
and “keep”

2. We keep ourselves in God’s love when we:

Application 1: _____ and _____ the gospel.

Application 2: _____ and _____
the _____ of God’s blessing.

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 invite you to stay and observe this part of the service, but ask 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.'

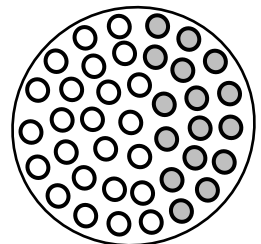
In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

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.



white circles = grape juice
gray circles = wine

Prayer

Receiving God's Blessing

*Song of Dedication & Service:

When I Survey

F2 Bb2 F2

1 When I sur - vey the wond-rous cross
 2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast,
 3 See from His head, His hands, His feet,
 4 Were the whole realm of Na - ture mine,

Dm Bb2 Bb/C

— on which the Prince of glo - ry died,
 — save in the death of Christ my God:
 — sor - row and love flow min - gled down:
 — that were an of - fer - ing far too small;

C F2/A Bb2 3 Dm

— my rich - est gain I count but loss,
 — all the vain things that charm me most,
 — did e'er such love and sor - row meet,
 — love so a - maz - ing, so di - vine,

Bb2 Csus/A C/A Bb2 Gm7 F2

— and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
 — I sa - cri - fice them to His blood.
 — or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
 — de-mands my soul, my life, my all!

Music: traditional
 Music arrangement: Dave Bainbridge,
 Joanne Hogg and Teri Bryant

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

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

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 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.

* Congregation standing

Today's Service Information

- 1) **Artwork:** Front Cover: Kathy Hastings, *Through A Glass Darkly*. 33" x 45" x 1.5." Photo/encaustic on wood panels. © Kathy Hastings. Image provided by the artist. Used by permission.
- 2) **Music:** "O Come, My Soul, Bless Thou the Lord" (6) is reprinted from *The Trinity Hymnal* (Great Commission Publications, Atlanta, GA, 2000). "O God, Show Mercy to Us" (67C) is reprinted from *The Book of Psalms for Worship* (Crown & Covenant Publications, Pittsburgh, PA, 2010). "When I Survey" (1126) is reprinted from *Mission Praise, Vol. 2* (Collins, London, 2014). Music used by permission: CCLI License #20711820 and CCLI Streaming License #20711837.
- 3) **Quotes:** **Page 2** provided by the artist. **Page 7:** The Westminster Shorter Catechism Questions 71-72. To read the Catechism as adopted by the PCA, see www.pcaac.org/bco/westminster-confession. Various quotes describing worship elements are from: *Leading in Prayer: A Workbook for Ministers* (Grand Rapids, MI: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1995). Biblical quotes are from the English Standard Version (ESV) unless otherwise noted.
- 4) **A note from Pastor Kertland:** Along with the Greek and English texts, a variety of commentaries and study aids have been consulted in preparing this and other sermons from Jude, including: the insights and writings of Daniel C. Arichea and Howard A. Hatton, Richard Bauckham, Gerald Bray, John Calvin, Michael Green, Mark G. Johnston, Simon J. Kistemaker, Dick Lucas and Christopher Green, Matthew Henry, Thomas R. Schreiner, and others. Not every commentator or pastor listed is consulted for each sermon, yet many of the insights belong to these and others, while the form and specific use of the Scripture text along with any errors that follow from them are my own.
- 5) 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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