



**HersheyPresbyterian**  
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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](http://www.kathyhastings.com) or contact Kathy directly at [DKStudios@aol.com](mailto: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), Laura Church (vocals), Keith Dolon (sound), Paul Hepperle (leading worship), David Kertland (preaching), Mark Linstedt (vocals), Pam Linstedt (vocals), Nathanael Marengo (clarinet), Jared Salyards (piano), and Don Wood (vocals).

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

**Today's Communion Servers** are Andrew Bosworth and Nick Yingst.

## Prelude

## Praising God

### \*Call to Worship:

### Psalm 62:5-8

*For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence,  
**for my hope is from him.***

*<sup>6</sup> He only is my rock and my salvation,  
**my fortress; I shall not be shaken.***

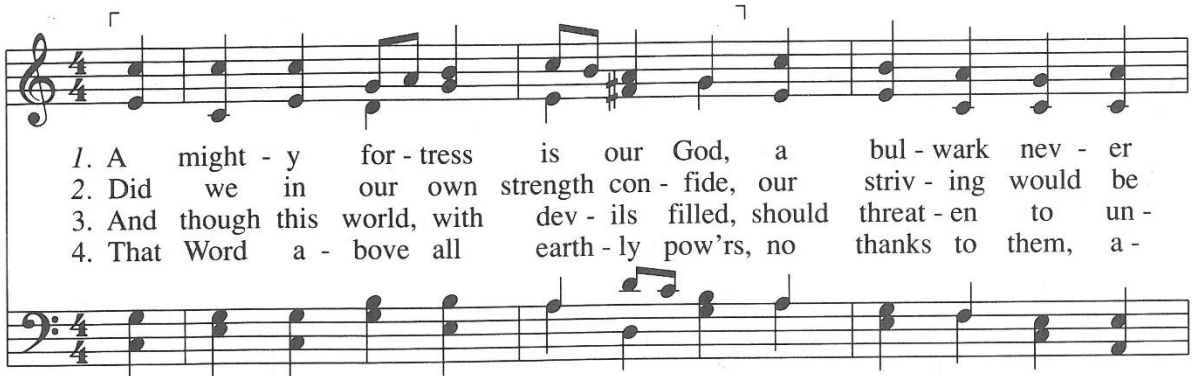
*<sup>7</sup> On God rests my salvation and my glory;  
**my mighty rock, my refuge is God.***

*<sup>8</sup> Trust in him at all times, O people;  
pour out your heart before him;  
**God is a refuge for us.***

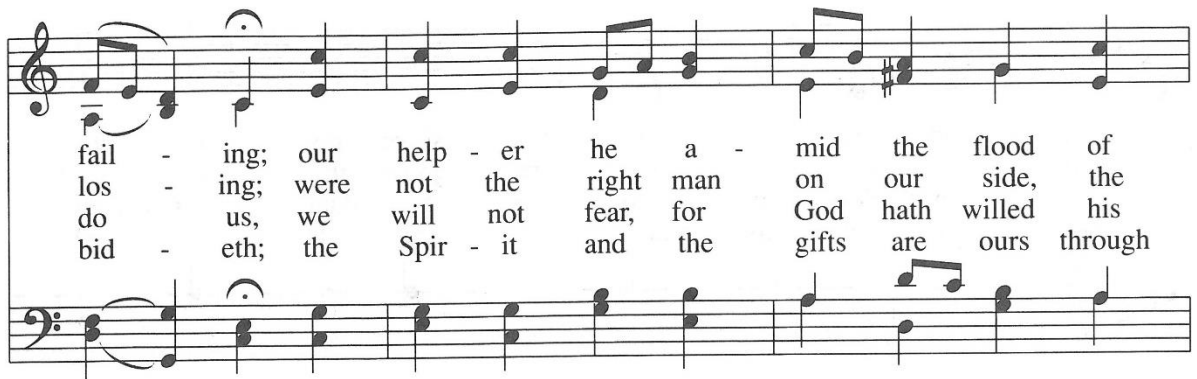
Light Text = Read by Leader  
**Bold Text = Read by All**

**\*Response of Praise:**

**A Mighty Fortress Is Our God**



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 8.7.8.7.6.6.6.7.  
 Martin Luther, 1529

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

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

## **from 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11**

*We confess our faith together from the New Testament book of 1 Thessalonians.*

Leader:

*Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. While people are saying, 'There is peace and security,' then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. For you are all children of light, children of the day.*

**Congregation:**

***We are not of the night or of the darkness.***

***So then let us not sleep, as others do,***

***but let us keep awake and be sober.***

***For those who sleep, sleep at night,***

***and those who get drunk, are drunk at night.***

***But since we belong to the day, let us be sober,***

***having put on the breastplate of faith and love,***

***and for a helmet the hope of salvation.***

***For God has not destined us for wrath,***

***but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ,***

***who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep***

***we might live with him.***

Leader:

*Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.*

## **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**

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

**Matthew 5:27-28**

*"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.*

*<sup>28</sup> But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart.*

## **Confession of Sin**

## **Assurance of Pardon**

**Luke 24:14-48**

*Then he [Jesus] said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled."*

*<sup>45</sup> Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, <sup>46</sup> and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, <sup>47</sup> and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup> You are witnesses of these things.*

# Offering Our Prayers to God

## Prayer of Intercession & the Lord's Prayer

Hershey PCA Prayer Requests for the Week of August 13-19, 2023

### Intercession *for the World*:

- **The Hershey Community:** DT Director of Parks and Recreation Zachary Jackson
- **Civil Government:** Vice President Kamala Harris
- **Countries of Origin of Our Church Members and Friends:** Taiwan
- **Unreached People Group:** Banka of Mali  
Population: 9,600; Language: Bankagooma; Religion: Islam

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](http://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:** Darlene K.
- **Those Who Serve in Our Local Church:** Sunday School Teachers
- **Our Denomination (PCA):** Hope Presbyterian Church, Shippensburg, PA  
(Church in the Susquehanna Valley Presbytery)
- **Supported Missionary or Organizations:** Cam and Kaela Smith  
serving with RUF at Penn State

**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:** "Day by Day"

Jared Salyards and Ephraim Church  
arr. Kristin Campbell



# \*Song of Preparation: Lead Me, Lord, Lead Me in Thy Righteousness

1. Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righ-teous-ness, make thy way  
 2. Teach me, Lord, teach me tru - ly how to live, that I may

plain be - fore my face. For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord,  
 come to know . . . . . thee, and in thy pres - ence serve thee with

on - ly, that mak - est me dwell in safe - ty.  
 glad - ness, and sing songs of praise to thy glo - ry.

St. 1, Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–1876  
 St. 2, George F. Strickling  
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LEAD ME, LORD 10.8.  
 Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–1876

# 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 3, 20-21**

*<sup>3</sup> 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.*

...

*<sup>20</sup> But you, beloved, building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, <sup>21</sup> keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life.*

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

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

**Sermon: “But You, Beloved”: Contending for the Faith Today (4)**  
**We Wait**

Today's Text: Jude 1:21  
David Kertland

1. Are you \_\_\_\_\_ by the gospel?
  - a) Are you \_\_\_\_\_ after?
  - b) Are you \_\_\_\_\_ for?
2. What \_\_\_\_\_ ?
  - a) The \_\_\_\_\_ of our Lord Jesus Christ
  - b) The gift of \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_ for the faith today as we “wait for the mercy”:
  - a) Patient \_\_\_\_\_
  - b) Active \_\_\_\_\_

**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.'*

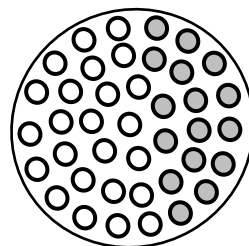
*In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'*

*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:

## Though Troubles Assail Us

1. Though trou - bles as - sail us and dan - gers af - fright,  
 2. The birds, with - out gar - ner or store - house, are fed;  
 3. When Sa - tan as - sails us to stop up our path,  
 4. No strength of our own and no good - ness we claim;

though friends should all fail us and foes - all u - nite,  
 from them let us learn to trust God for our bread.  
 and cour - age all fails us, we tri - umph by faith.  
 yet, since we have known of the Sav - ior's great name,

yet one thing se - cures us, what - ev - er be - tide,  
 His saints what is fit - ting shall ne'er be de - nied  
 He can - not take from us, though oft he has tried,  
 in this our strong tow - er for safe - ty we hide:

the prom - ise as - sures us, "The Lord will pro - vide."  
 so long as 'tis writ - ten, "The Lord will pro - vide."  
 this heart - cheer - ing prom - ise, "The Lord will pro - vide."  
 the Lord is our pow - er, "The Lord will pro - vide."

JOANNA (or ST. DENIO) 11.11.11.  
 Traditional Welsh melody

John Newton, 1779  
 The New Christian Hymnal, 1929

# God's Blessing

## \*Benediction

## Romans 15:13

*May the God of hope  
fill you with all joy and peace in believing,  
so that by the power of the Holy Spirit  
you may abound in hope.*

## \*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:** "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" (92), "Lead Me, Lord, Lead Me in Thy Righteousness" (727), and "Though Troubles Assail Us" (95) are reprinted from *The Trinity Hymnal* (Great Commission Publications, Atlanta, GA, 2000). CCLI License #20711820 and CCLI Streaming License #20711837.
- 3) **Quotes: Page 2** provided by the artist. 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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