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Front Cover Artwork

Ivanka Demchuk, *Prayer of the publican and the Pharisee*. Acrylic and pastel on board. 180 cm x 180 cm. Used by permission of the artist. This month, our cover artwork is from a Ukrainian artist whose art context differs from much of the artwork we have used. Though she is a Protestant Christian, her art reflects the influence of Orthodox iconography. This piece is a visual representation of Luke 18:9-14:

[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.

Thank you to Ms. Demchuk for allowing us to reproduce this work in our worship booklet. For more information on her work, see www.ivankademchuk.com.

About the artist:



Born in 1990 in Lviv, Ukraine, Ivanka Demchuk went to the Lviv National Academy of Arts (high school) and graduated from the Lviv State College of Decorative and Applied Arts. I. Trusha, Department of Art Painting in 2008. She also graduated from the bachelor program (2012) and the master program (2014) of the Lviv National Academy of Arts (Львівська національна академія мистецтв), Department of Sacred Art. She has shown her work in Lviv (Ukraine), Lutsk (Ukraine), Biala Podlaska (Poland), Sambir (Ukraine), Lenčna (Poland), Warsaw (Poland), New York (US), Istanbul (Turkey), Savannah (US), Granada (Spain). She has participated in plein-air painting in the Ukraine and Poland.



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), Bonnie Kertland (vocals), 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 3 years old is provided in Room 110.

Junior Church for children aged 4-Grade 3 is held in Room 111 during the sermon and communion time. Children are dismissed during the hymn before the sermon and will return to their parents during the final hymn.

Baptism: We will celebrate the baptism of Alice Kimberly Salyard today.

Prelude

Praising God

***Call to Worship:**

Psalm 95:1-2

Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

² Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;

let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

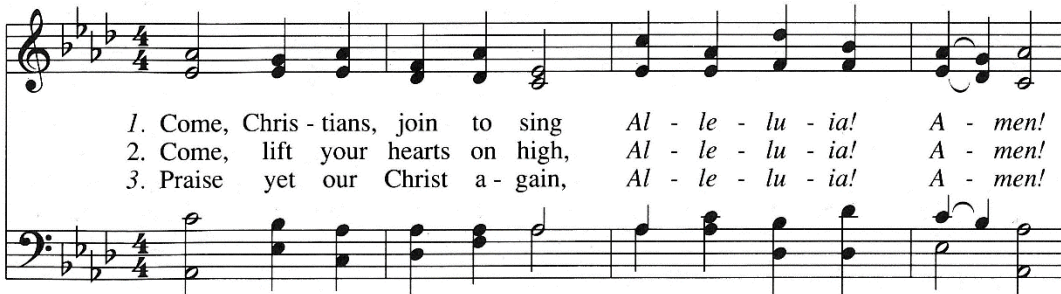
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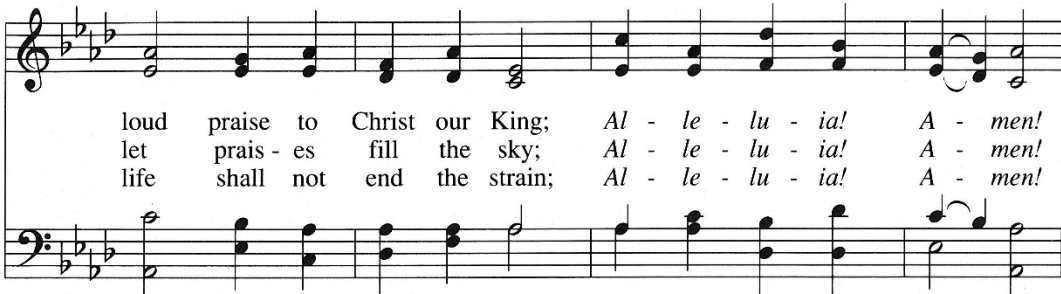
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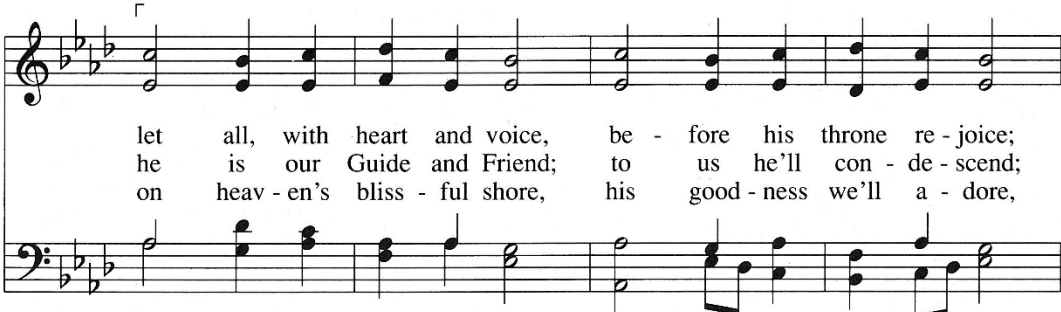
Come, Christians, Join to Sing



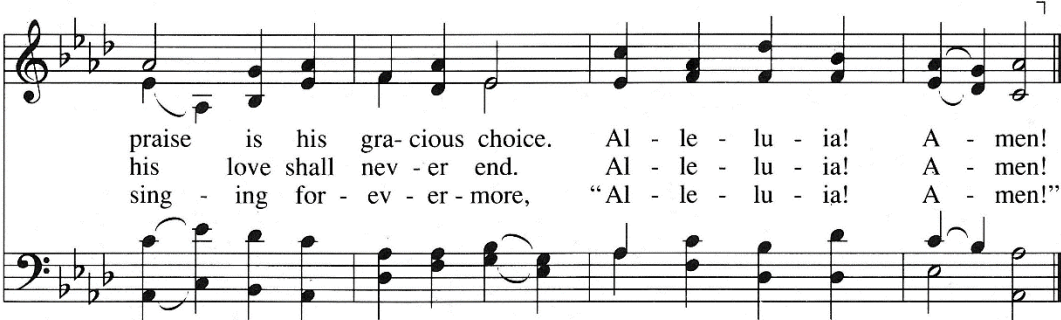
1. Come, Chris - tians, join to sing Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 2. Come, lift your hearts on high, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 3. Praise yet our Christ a - gain, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!



loud praise to Christ our King; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 let prais - es fill the sky; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 life shall not end the strain; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!



let all, with heart and voice, be - fore his throne re - joice;
 he is our Guide and Friend; to us he'll con - de - scend;
 on heav - en's bliss - ful shore, his good - ness we'll a - dore,



praise is his gra - cious choice. Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 his love shall nev - er end. Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 sing - ing for - ev - er - more, "Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!"

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 Traditional Spanish melody
 Arr. by David Evans, 1927

Christian H. Bateman, 1843

***Prayer of Adoration & Invocation**

***Confession of Faith:**

The Nicene Creed

We confess our faith today with the Nicene Creed, a summary of the Bible's teaching about God, our need of a sufficient Savior, and our dependence on the work of the Spirit. From the Trinity Hymnal: "The Nicene Creed originated at the Council of Nicea (325), and an expanded form was adopted by the Council of Chalcedon (451). It was formulated to answer heresies that denied the biblical doctrine of the Trinity and of the person of Christ."

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,

begotten of his Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,

begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;

by whom all things were made;

who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven,

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,

and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered and was buried;

and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,

and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;

and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;

whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son;

who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified;

who spoke by the prophets;

and we believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic church;

we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;

and we look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come.

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 intended as a specific reference to what is today called the *Roman Catholic Church*.

Reading of God's Standard

Proverbs 6:16-19

Today's reading continues to explore in Scripture the ninth commandment's call to not bear false witness against our neighbor. (See Deuteronomy 5:20.)

*There are six things that the LORD hates,
seven that are an abomination to him:
 ¹⁷ haughty eyes, a lying tongue,
 and hands that shed innocent blood,
 ¹⁸ a heart that devises wicked plans,
 feet that make haste to run to evil,
 ¹⁹ a false witness who breathes out lies,
and one who sows discord among brothers.*

Confession of Sin

Declaration of Pardon in Christ

Zephaniah 3:17

*The LORD your God is in your midst,
 a mighty one who will save;
he will rejoice over you with gladness;
 he will quiet you by his love;
he will exult over you with loud singing.*

The Sacrament of Baptism

Today **Jared and Grace Salyards** present their covenant child **Alice Kimberly** for the sacrament of baptism. This sacrament was instituted by Christ. As this sign and seal is applied, we remember that “the promise is made to believers and their children; and that children of believers have an interest in the covenant, and right to the seal of it, and to the outward privileges of the Church, under the Gospel....” *

Exhortation to the parents: *

Reading the covenant promises: *

Genesis 17:7: *“And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.”*

Acts 2:39: *“For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.”*

Acts 16:31: *“Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.”*

Questions for the parents: *

1. Do you acknowledge your child’s need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
2. Do you claim God’s covenant promises in her behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for her salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate your child to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before her a godly example, that you will pray with and for her, that you will teach her the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God’s appointment, to bring her up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

Question for the congregation: *

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting the parents in the Christian nurture of these children?

Prayer for Blessing

Baptism in the Triune Name

Concluding Prayer

*From the PCA’s *Book of Church Order*, 56-4, 5, & 6.

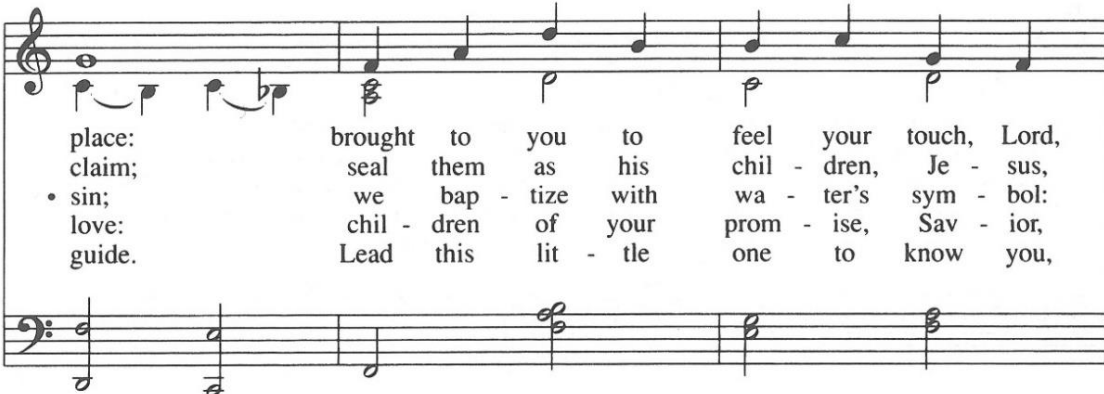
*Song of the Covenant:

In Your Arms, Lord Jesus Christ

Unison



1. In your arms, Lord Je - sus Christ, chil - dren have a
 2. Sav - ior, on these lit - tle ones place your Fa - ther's
 3. Wash them at the foun - tain, Lord, o - pened for our
 4. Yours they are, our her - i - tage, grant - ed in your
 5. Teach us, Lord, to teach your child; guide us as we



place:
 claim;
 • sin;
 love:
 guide.
 brought to you to feel your touch, Lord,
 seal them as his chil - dren, Je - sus,
 we bap - tize with wa - ter's sym - bol:
 chil - dren of your prom - ise, Sav - ior,
 Lead this lit - tle one to know you,

st. 1-4 *st. 5*



• bless them with your grace.
 give to them your name.
 • yours to cleanse with - in.
 send your Spir - it's dove.
 joy - ful at your side.

Offering Our Prayers to God

Prayer of Intercession & the Lord's Prayer

Hershey PCA Prayer Requests for the Week of October 15-21, 2023

Intercession *for the World*:

The Hershey Community: The Hershey Company

Civil Government: PA Supreme Court Justices

- **Countries of Origin of Our Church Members and Friends:** Ukraine
- **Unreached People Group:** Baras of Indonesia
Population: 200; Language: Kaili, Da'a; Religion: Islam

Unreached people groups make up 42.4% of the world's population (approximately 3.4 billion 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:** Darlene K.
- **Those Who Serve in Our Local Church:** Director of Covenant Family Ministries
Paul Hepperle
- **Our Denomination (PCA):** Reformed Presbyterian Church, Ephrata, PA
(Church in the Susquehanna Valley Presbytery)

Supported Missionary or Organizations: Mission to the World (MTW)

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

During this song, children from 4 years old to 3^d grade are dismissed
to attend Junior Church in Room 111.

*Song of Preparation:

Father, Father of All Things

Unison D Asus A

1. Fa - ther, Fa - ther of all things, we bless you.
 2. Je - sus, on - ly Son of the liv - ing God,
 3. Spir - it, sent by the Son to dwell in us,

F# Bm G D

Fa - ther, we love and a - dore you. O Fa - ther, your chil - dren
 Je - sus, you will - ing - ly suf - fered that thro' you we might know his
 liv - ing and work - ing with - in us to make us more like

A G D

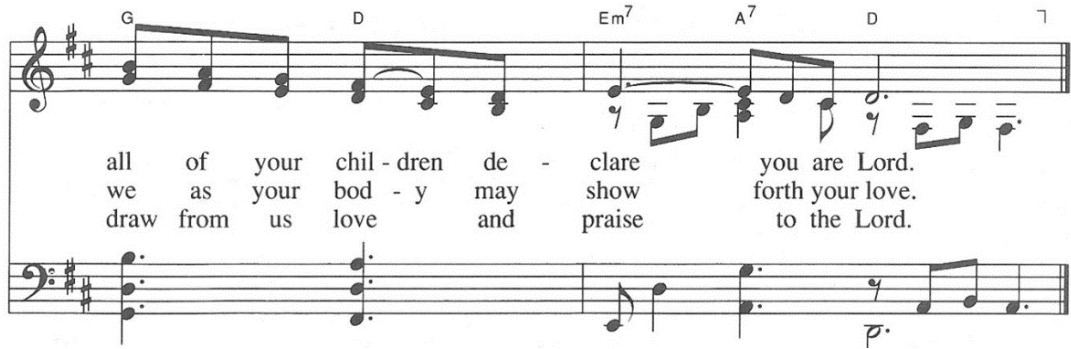
praise you. Fa - ther, Fa - ther of light and
 love. Je - sus, cleanse us, your peo - ple, and
 Je - sus; Spir - it, fall down up - on us as

A⁷ A F# Bm Bm/A

pow - er, Fa - ther, your great - ness sur - rounds the earth and
 fill us. Pour down your Spir - it up - on us that
 fi - re. Fill and e - quip us with pow - er and

FATHER OF ALL THINGS Irreg.
Neil Riley, 1979

Lyn Riley, 1979
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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:

John 5:19-29

So Jesus said to them,

"Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of his own accord, but only what he sees the Father doing. For whatever the Father does, that the Son does likewise.²⁰ For the Father loves the Son and shows him all that he himself is doing. And greater works than these will he show him, so that you may marvel.²¹ For as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to whom he will.²² For the Father judges no one, but has given all judgment to the Son,²³ that all may honor the Son, just as they honor the Father. Whoever does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent him.

²⁴ Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.

²⁵ "Truly, truly, I say to you, an hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live.²⁶ For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself.²⁷ And he has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of Man.²⁸ Do not marvel at this, for an hour is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear his voice²⁹ and come out, those who have done good to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil to the resurrection of judgment.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

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

Sermon:

One with the Father (3):
A sermon series from chapters 5-6 of John's Gospel

Jesus's Shocking Claim

Today's Text: John 5:19-29

Pastor David Kertland

1. Jesus's unique _____

2. Jesus's unique _____

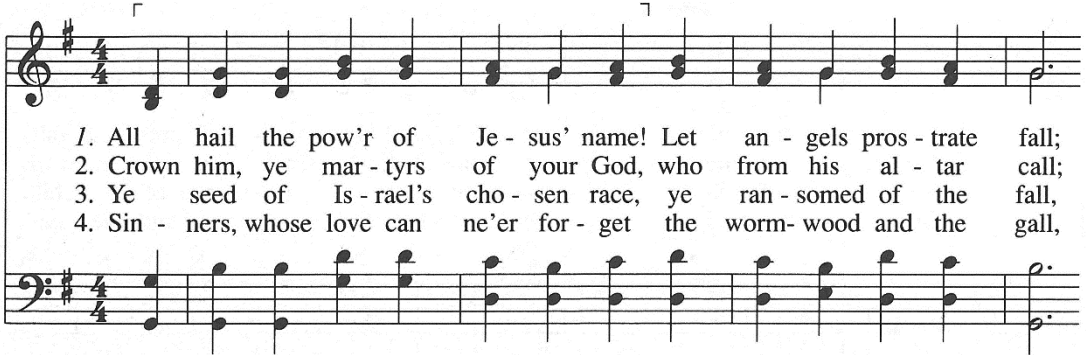
3. Jesus's unique _____

Prayer of Application

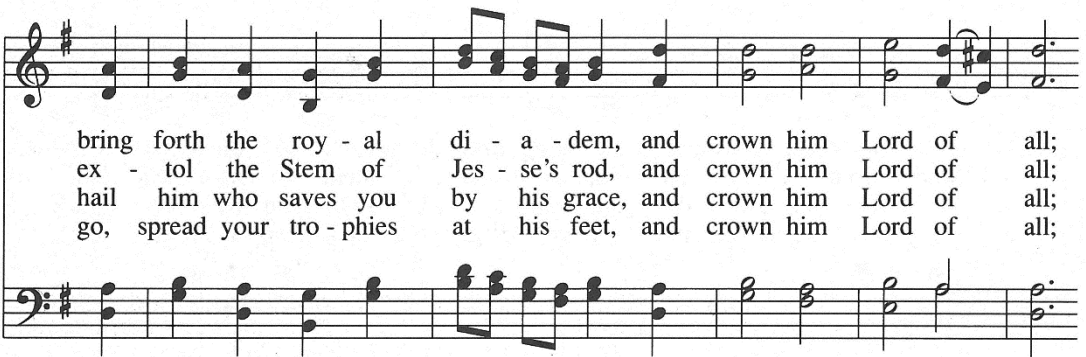
The sermon concludes with a prayer asking the Lord to help us to be those who listen to his word and obey it. "...be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves." (James 1:22)

Receiving God's Blessing

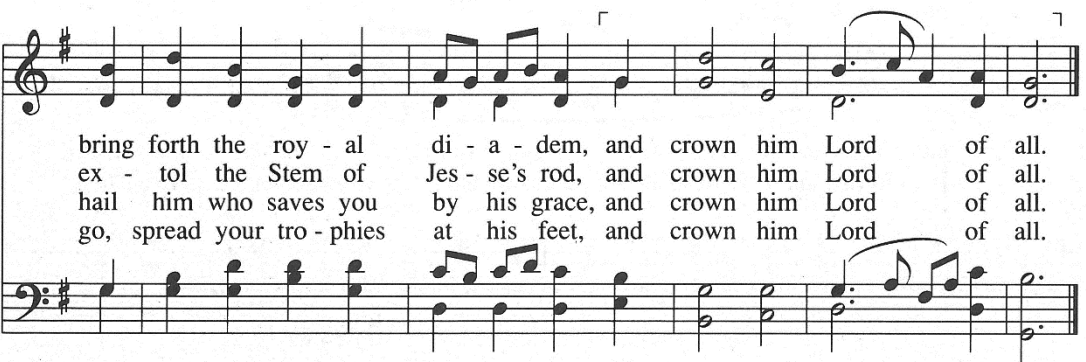
***Song of Dedication & Service: All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!**



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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 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.

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.

CORONATION C.M. rep.
 Oliver Holden, 1793

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

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**

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: Ivanka Demchuk, *Prayer of the publican and the Pharisee*. Acrylic and pastel on board. 180 cm x 180 cm. Downloaded on 09/26/2023 from en.ivankademchuk.com/ivankademchukportfolio. Used by permission of the artist. Also, thank you to Joe Kearns for giving us information about this artist.
- 2) **Music:** "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" (302), "In Your Arms, Lord Jesus Christ" (419), "Father, Father of All Things" (106), and "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!" (296) are reprinted from *The Trinity Hymnal* (Great Commission Publications, Atlanta, GA, 2000). Music used by permission: CCLI License #20711820 and CCLI Streaming License #20711837.
- 3) **Quotes: Page 2:** Information on the artist and the artwork from en.ivankademchuk.com and artandtheology.org/tag/ivanka-demchuk. 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) **Note from the Pastor:** Along with the Greek and English texts, a variety of commentaries and study aids have been consulted in preparing this and other sermons from the Gospel of John, including: the insights, sermons, and writings of Augustine, John Calvin, D. A. Carson, John Chrysostom, Sinclair Ferguson, William Hendriksen, Matthew Henry, Timothy Keller, J. I. Packer, Herman Ridderbos, R. C. Sproul, St Helen's Church, Bishopsgate (Dick Lucas, William Taylor), William Still, 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.



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Mission to the World (www.mtw.org): international missions in keeping with the Great Commission



Mission to North America (www.pcamna.org): North American missions in keeping with the Great Commission.



Committee on Discipleship Ministries

(www.pcacdm.org, www.cepbookstore.com, 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):

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



Covenant Theological Seminary

(www.covenantseminary.edu): our denominational seminary in St. Louis, MO.



PCA Administrative Committee (www.pcaac.org): promotes the unity, purity, and mission of the PCA.



Reformed Universities Ministries (www.ruf.org): the PCA college campus ministry



Ridge Haven Camp, Conference Center, Retreat Center, and Residential Community

(www.ridgehaven.org): providing camps, retreats, conferences, and etc.



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