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Front Cover Artwork

Albrecht Dürer, *Young Hare*, 1502, watercolor, 9.8 in. × 8.8 in., Albertina Museum, Vienna.

About the Artist: Albrecht Dürer was a German painter, printmaker, and theorist of the German Renaissance. Born in Nuremberg, Dürer established his reputation and influence across Europe in his twenties due to his high-quality woodcut prints. He was in contact with the major Italian artists of his time, including Raphael, Giovanni Bellini, and Leonardo da Vinci, and from 1512 was patronized by Emperor Maximilian I.

Dürer's vast body of work includes engravings, his preferred technique in his later prints, altarpieces, portraits and self-portraits, watercolors and books. The woodcuts series are more Gothic than the rest of his work. His well-known engravings include [his] three Meisterstiche [Master Prints] *Knight, Death and the Devil*, *Saint Jerome in his Study*, and *Melencolia I*. His watercolors mark him as one of the first European landscape artists, while his woodcuts revolutionized the potential of that medium.

artsandculture.google.com/entity/albrechtdürer/m0z6n?categoryId=artist&h=en

About the Cover Artwork: Dürer's most popular image and certainly his most commercial today is a watercolor of *A Young Hare*. It was painted for the sheer enjoyment that Dürer experienced in creating images and it is this pleasure that we experience when looking at it. The life and vitality of the creature is a testament to Dürer's skill as an artist as it was probably drawn from a stuffed model. This is a virtuoso piece of watercolor painting that demonstrates the intensity of an artist's vision when executed with a total control of his medium.

To begin the work, Dürer lightly sketched the image and underpainted it with some brown washes. Then he patiently built up the texture of the fur with a variety of dark and light brushstrokes in both watercolor and gouache. Gradually, the painting is brought to completion with the addition of a few refined details such as the whiskers and the meticulous reflection of a window in the creature's eye. Finally, the artist dated and signed the work with his famous monogram—a mark of his approval and a sign that he thought of this work as a finished artwork in its own right.

artyfactory.com/art_appreciation/animals_in_art/albrecht_durer.htm



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): Crystal Basom (vocals), Peter Gibble (viola), David Kertland (preaching), Mark Linstedt (vocals), Pam Linstedt (vocals), Brad Weaver (sound), 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 2 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.

Today's Communion Servers are Nick Yingst and Josh Franklin.

Prelude

Praising God

***Call to Worship:**

Psalm 46:10-11

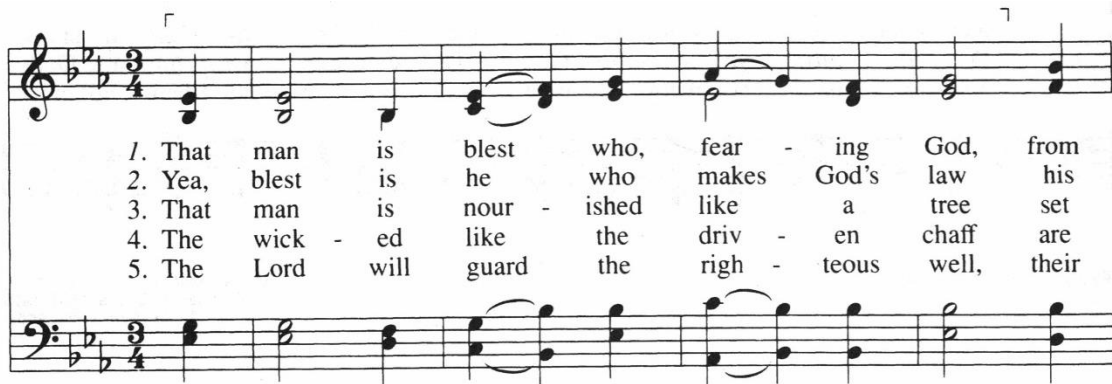
*“Be still, and know that I am God.
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth!”*

***The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.***

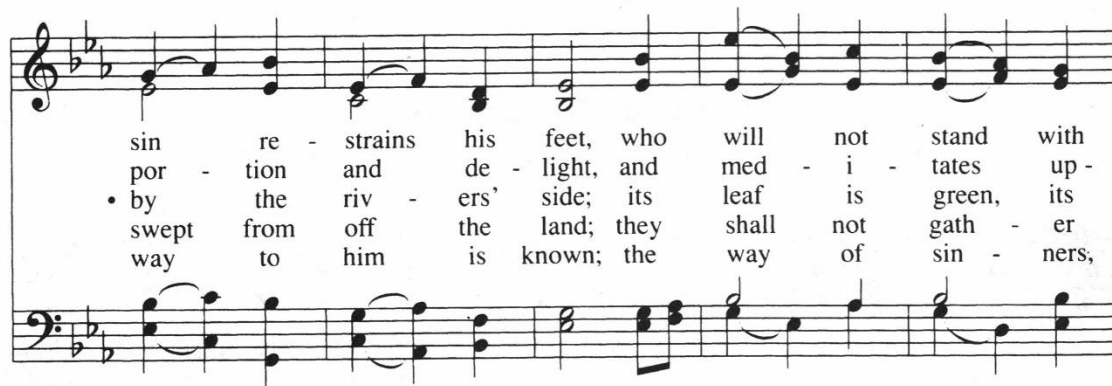
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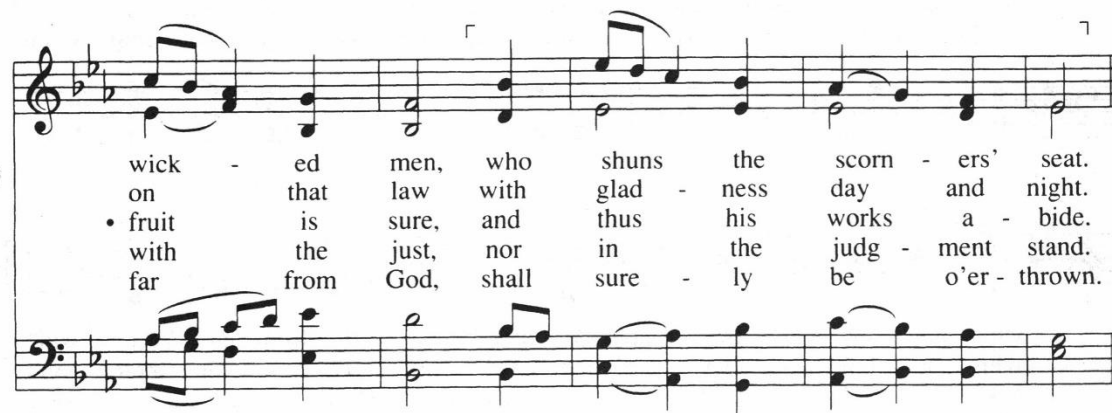
***Response of Praise: That Man is Blessed, Who Fearing God**
(Psalm 1)



1. That man is blest who, fear - ing God, from
 2. Yea, blest is he who makes God's law his
 3. That man is nour - ished like a tree set
 4. The wick - ed like the driv - en chaff are
 5. The Lord will guard the righ - teous well, their



sin - re - strains his feet, who will not stand with
 por - tion and de - light, and med - i - tates up -
 • by the riv - ers' side; its leaf is green, its
 swept from off the land; they shall not gath - er
 way to him is known; the way of sin - ners,



wick - ed men, who shuns the scorn - ers' seat.
 on that law with glad - ness day and night.
 • fruit is sure, and thus his works a - bide.
 with the just, nor in the judg - ment stand.
 far from God, shall sure - ly be o'er - thrown.

***Prayer of Adoration & Invocation**

***Confession of Faith:**

Luke 24:44-53

Leader: Jesus said to his followers:

All: ***“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.”***

Leader: Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, and said to them,

All: **“Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”**

Leader: And he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them.

All: **While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and were continually in the temple blessing God.**

***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.**

Facing Up to Our Sin before God

Reading of God's Standard

1 Peter 2:1-3

Today's reading continues to explore the theme of the Sixth Commandment, "Thou shall not murder."

So put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander. ² Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation— ³ if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Confession of Sin

Declaration of Pardon in Christ

1 Peter 2:4-5

As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, ⁵ you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

*Song of Thanks:

There is a Redeemer

1. There is a Re - deem - er - Je - sus, God's own Son;
 2. Je - sus, my Re - deem - er, name a - bove all names;
 3. When I stand in Glo - ry, I will see His face;

Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes - si - ah, Ho - ly One.
 Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes - si - ah, Hope for sin - ners slain.
 There I'll serve my King for - ev - er in that ho - ly place.

Refrain

Thank You, O my Fa - ther, for giv - ing us Your Son, And

leav - ing Your Spir - it till the work on earth is done.

TEXT: Melody Green
 MUSIC: Melody Green

GREEN
 Irregular meter

Offering Our Prayers to God

Prayer of Intercession & the Lord's Prayer

Hershey PCA Prayer Requests for the Week of July 28 – August 3, 2024

Intercession *for the World*:

- **The Hershey Community:** Life Lion Emergency Medical Services & Critical Care
- **Civil Government:** Derry Township PA State Representative Thomas Mehaffie
- **Countries of Origin of Our Church Members and Friends:** Ukraine
- **Unreached People Group:** Bavuri of India
Population: 1,600; Language: Odia; Religion: Hinduism

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.joshuaoproject.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:** Donna K.
- **Those Who Serve in Our Local Church:** Children's Ministry Leaders
- **Our Denomination (PCA):** Christ Reformed Church, Alexandria, PA
(A mission church in the Susquehanna Valley Presbytery)
- **Supported Missionary or Organizations:** Mission to North America (MNA)

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: The Lord's My Shepherd (Psalm 23)

1. ¹ The LORD's my Shep - herd, lead - ing me;
2. ³ And He re - stores my soul a - gain;
3. ⁴ Though in a val - ley dark as death,

I will not be in need.
He guides the steps I take
No e - vil will I fear;

² He'll make me lie in pas - tures green;
To walk a - long a righ - teous path,
Your rod and staff, they com - fort me,

By qui - et wa - ters lead.
All for His own name's sake.
For You are al - ways near.

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Traditional Irish melody

4. ⁵ A feast You have prepared for me
In sight of all my foes;
And You anoint my head with oil,
My full cup overflows.

5. ⁶ What love and goodness all my life
Will follow after me;
And in the LORD's house evermore
My dwelling place will be.

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 10:1-6

"Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber.² But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep.³ To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.⁴ When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice.⁵ A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers."

⁶This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

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

"One with the Father" (19)

Sermon:

"The Shepherd of the Sheep"

Today's Text: John 10:1-6

Pastor David Kertland

1. Jesus is God's _____ .

2. He _____ us.

3. He _____ us.

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.'

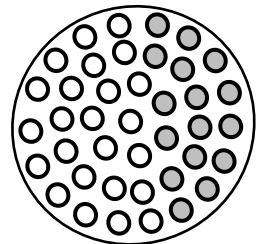
In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

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.

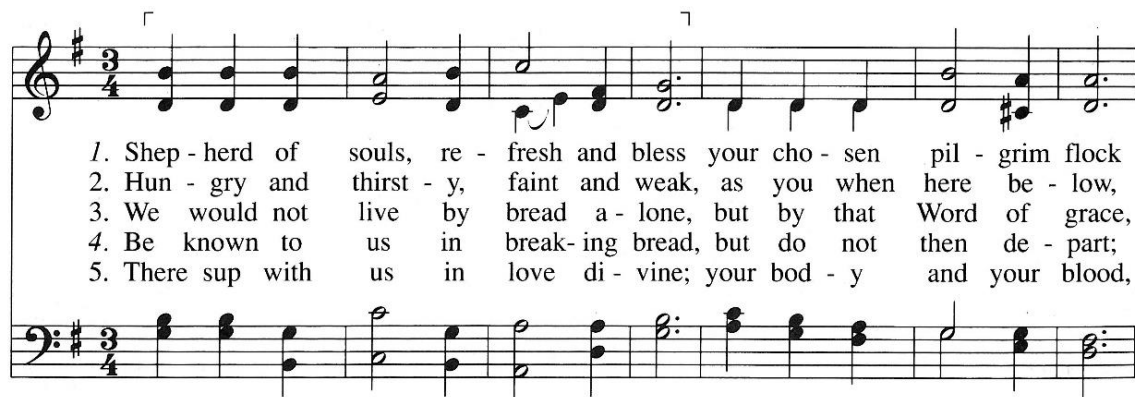


white circles = grape juice
gray circles = wine

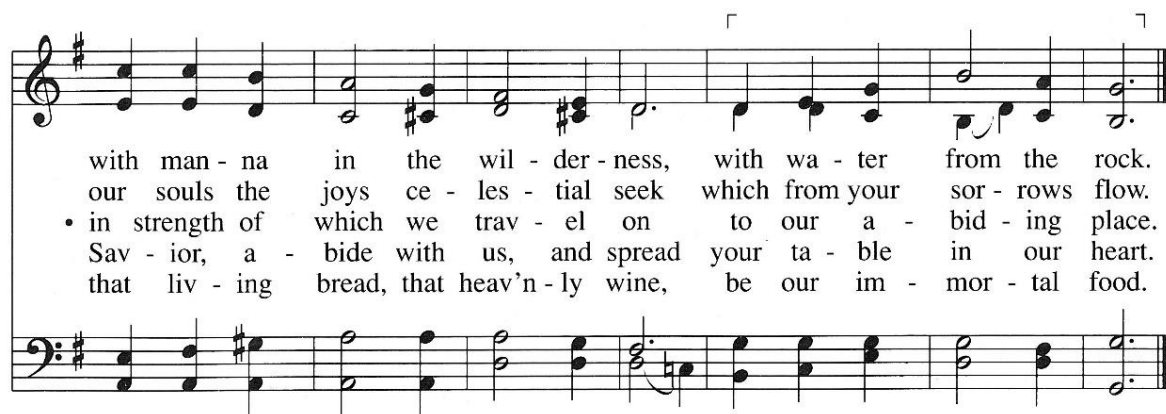
Prayer

Receiving God's Blessing

***Song of Dedication & Service: Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless**



1. Shep - herd of souls, re - fresh and bless your cho - sen pil - grim flock
2. Hun - gry and thirst - y, faint and weak, as you when here be - low,
3. We would not live by bread a - lone, but by that Word of grace,
4. Be known to us in break - ing bread, but do not then de - part;
5. There sup with us in love di - vine; your bod - y and your blood,



with man - na in the wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.
our souls the joys ce - les - tial seek which from your sor - rows flow.
• in strength of which we trav - el on to our a - bid - ing place.
Sav - ior, a - bide with us, and spread your ta - ble in our heart.
that liv - ing bread, that heav'n - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

St. 1-3, anon.
St. 4-5, James Montgomery, 1825; mod.

ST. AGNES C.M.
John B. Dykes, 1866

Receiving 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.

Today's Service Information

- 1) **Artwork:** Albrecht Dürer, *Young Hare*, 1502, watercolor, 9.8 in. x 8.8 in., Albertina Museum, Vienna.
- 2) **Music:** "That Man Is Blest Who, Fearing God" (558) "Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless" (424) are reprinted from *The Trinity Hymnal* (Great Commission Publications, Atlanta, GA, 2000). "There is a Redeemer" (308) is reprinted from *The Celebration Hymnal: Songs and Hymns for Worship* (Word Music / Integrity Music, 1998). "The Lord's My Shepherd" (23A) is reprinted from *The Book of Psalms for Worship* (Crown & Covenant Publications, Pittsburgh, PA, 2010). Music used by permission: CCLI License #20711820 and CCLI Streaming License #20711837.
- 3) **Quotes:** Page 2: about the artist: artsandculture.google.com/entity/albrechtdurer/m0z6n?categoryld=artist&h=en, about the artwork: artyfactory.com/art_appreciation/animals_in_art/albrecht_durer.htm. Various quotes describing worship elements are from: *Leading in Prayer: A Workbook for Ministers* (Grand Rapids, MI: Wm. 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 Eric Alexander, 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.
- 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).

* Congregation standing



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The Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), was formed in 1973 to be a denomination that is “**Faithful to the Scriptures, True to the Reformed Faith, and Obedient to the Great Commission.**” Various organizations of the PCA include:



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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