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## Front Cover Artwork

Ogata Kenzan (1663-1743), *Autumn Ivy* ( 蔦紅葉図 ), after 1732, Edo Period (Japanese, 1615-1868), Album leaf mounted as a hanging scroll; ink, color, and gold on paper. Image: 21.3 x 27.6 cm.; overall 114 x 56.5 cm. The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, The Harry G.C. Packard Collection of Asian Art, Gift of Harry G. C. Packard, and Purchase, Fletcher, Rogers, Harris Brisbane Dick, and Louis V. Bell Funds, Joseph Pulitzer Bequest, and The Annenberg Fund Inc. Gift, 1975. Accession Number: 1975.268.67. Not on display, In the public domain.

Born into Kyoto's cultured merchant class, Kenzan was best known for his ceramic wares but was also a highly regarded calligrapher. Kenzan's individualistic, expressive inscription of a poem referring to future winds scattering crimson leaves of ivy, recalls a famous scene from the tenth-century *Tales of Ise* (Ise monogatari), in which a courtier, exiled from the capital, encounters an itinerant monk on an ivy-strewn path on Mount Utsu.

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Kakaru shimo  
waga aki naranu  
matsukaze yo  
chiru o urami no  
tsuta no momijiba

Though not yet  
winds through the pines  
blow all around  
and I dread they'll scatter  
the crimson leaves of ivy.

Translated by John T. Carpenter



**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 you have come to worship God with us as we come to him through Jesus Christ, our Savior and King.

A **Nursery** for children age infant through 3 years old is provided in Room 110. Today's Nursery Workers are Eve Dolon and Paul Hepperle.

A **Junior Church** for children aged 4-Grade 2 is offered in Room 111 during the sermon and communion time for our young worshippers. This time begins during the hymn before the sermon. Children participating in Junior church will return to their parents during the final hymn. Today's Junior Church Teacher is Laura Church.

**Thank you** to all those who participate in making this worship service possible (worship service participants may include in alphabetical order): Ephraim Church (violin), Isaiah Church (violin), Thaddaeus Church (viola) Peter Gobble (viola), Joe Kearns (tin whistle), Bonnie Kertland (vocals), David Kertland (preaching), Mark Linstedt (vocals), Pam Linstedt (vocals), Nathanael Marengo (clarinet), Brad Weaver (sound), Anita Wood (piano), Don Wood (vocals), and Nick Yingst (leading worship).

**Today's Communion Servers** are Joe Kearns and Brad Weaver.

## Prelude

# Praising God

**\*Call to Worship:**

**Isaiah 53:1-6**

*Who has believed what he has heard from us?  
And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?  
For he grew up before him like a young plant,  
and like a root out of dry ground;  
he had no form or majesty that we should look at him,  
and no beauty that we should desire him.  
He was despised and rejected by men,  
a man of sorrows  
and acquainted with grief;  
and as one from whom men hide their faces  
he was despised, and we esteemed him not.  
Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows;  
yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.  
But he was pierced for our transgressions;  
he was crushed for our iniquities;  
upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace,  
and with his wounds we are healed.*

***All we like sheep have gone astray  
we have turned—every one—to his own way;  
and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.***

Light Text = Read by Leader

**Bold Text = Read by All**

## \*Response of Praise:

## Man of Sorrows! What a Name

*He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering.*  
Is. 53:3

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 4/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The melody is primarily in the Soprano and Alto parts, with the Tenor and Bass parts providing harmonic support. The lyrics are arranged in two systems, with five numbered lines of text in the first system and a continuation of the 'Hallelujah' refrain in the second system. The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings.

1. Man of Sor - rows! what a name for the Son of God, who came  
2. Bear - ing shame and scoff - ing rude, in my place con - demned he stood,  
3. Guilt - y, vile, and help - less, we; spot - less Lamb of God was he;  
4. Lift - ed up was he to die, "It is fin - ished!" was his cry;  
5. When he comes, our glo - rious King, all his ran - somed home to bring,

ru - ined sin - ners to re - claim: Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Sav - ior!  
sealed my par - don with his blood: Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Sav - ior!  
• full a - tone - ment! can it be? Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Sav - ior!  
now in heav'n ex - alt - ed high: Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Sav - ior!  
then a - new this song we'll sing: Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Sav - ior!

Philip P. Bliss, 1875

HALLELUJAH! WHAT A SAVIOR! 7.7.7.8.  
Philip P. Bliss, 1875

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

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

### **The Nicene Creed**

*We confess our common 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.**

\* The term "very God of very God" means that our Lord Jesus Christ is "true God from true God."

\*\* "'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*.

## **\*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**

**Luke 12:22-28**

*This month we are exploring the biblical standard summarized by the 10<sup>th</sup> Commandment which forbids us from coveting that which belongs to our neighbors.*

*And he said to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. <sup>23</sup> For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. <sup>24</sup> Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! <sup>25</sup> And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? <sup>26</sup> If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? <sup>27</sup> Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. <sup>28</sup> But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith!"*

### **Confession of Sin**

### **Declaration of Pardon in Christ**

**Romans 10:12-13**

*For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. <sup>13</sup> For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."*

# Offering Our Prayers to God

## Prayer of Intercession & the Lord's Prayer

Hershey PCA Prayer Requests for the Week of November 17-23, 2024

### Intercession *for the World*:

- **Hershey Community:** Hershey Volunteer Fire Dept. Chief Patrick Leonard
- **Civil Government:** Derry Township PA State Representative Thomas Mehaffie
- **Unreached People Group:** Bederia of Sudan

Population:1,110,000; Languages: Arabic, Sudanese; Religions: Islam

*"...pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."* (Matt. 9:38)

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](http://www.joshuaproject.net).

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

- **Health issues:** Donna K.
- **Leaders of Our Congregation:** Director of Covenant Family Ministries  
Paul Hepperle
- **Our Denomination (PCA):** Redeemer Presbyterian Church, Chambersburg, PA  
(A sister church in the Susquehanna Valley Presbytery)

**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

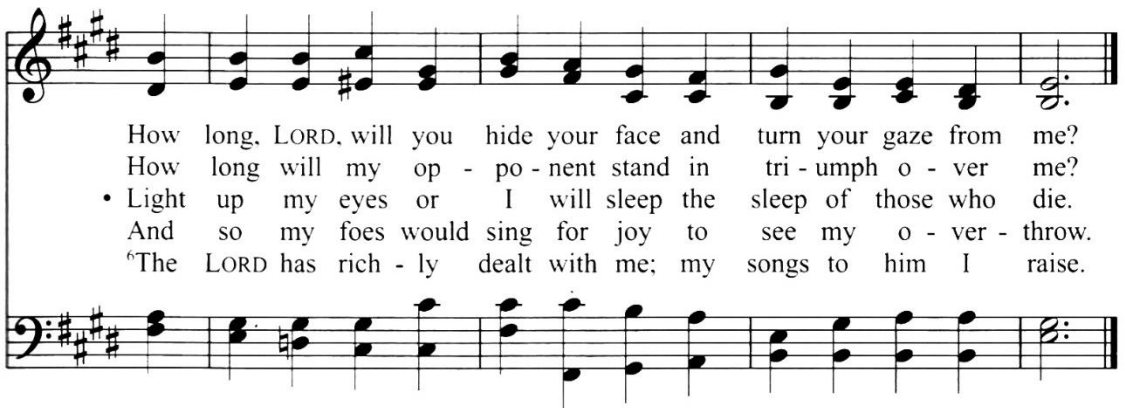
### Offertory

*During this song, children from 4 years old through Grade 2 are welcome to attend Junior Church in Room 111. The Junior Church teacher will meet the children at the door to the right when facing the stage.*

## **\*Song of Preparation: How Long Will Your Forget Me, LORD?**



1. <sup>1</sup>How long will you for - get me, LORD? For - ev - er will it be?  
2. <sup>2</sup>How long must I be sad each day in deep per - plex - it - y?  
3. <sup>3</sup>O LORD my God, con - sid - er me and give me your re - ply.  
4. <sup>4</sup>Then would my en - e - my de - clare, "At last I brought him low!"  
5. <sup>5</sup>But still I trust your stead - fast love; your sav - ing pow'r I praise.



How long, LORD, will you hide your face and turn your gaze from me?  
How long will my op - po - nent stand in tri - umph o - ver me?  
• Light up my eyes or I will sleep the sleep of those who die.  
And so my foes would sing for joy to see my o - ver - throw.  
<sup>6</sup>The LORD has rich - ly dealt with me; my songs to him I raise.

# 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 11:28-36**

*When she [Martha] had said this, she went and called her sister Mary, saying in private,*

*“The Teacher is here and is calling for you.”*

*<sup>29</sup> And when she heard it, she rose quickly and went to him. <sup>30</sup> Now Jesus had not yet come into the village, but was still in the place where Martha had met him. <sup>31</sup> When the Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary rise quickly and go out, they followed her, supposing that she was going to the tomb to weep there. <sup>32</sup> Now when Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet, saying to him,*

*“Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.”*

*<sup>33</sup> When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in his spirit and greatly troubled. <sup>34</sup> And he said,*

*“Where have you laid him?”*

*They said to him, “Lord, come and see.”*

*<sup>35</sup> Jesus wept.*

*<sup>36</sup> So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!”*

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

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

**Sermon:**

### Through Me! (3)

## ***Jesus, who weeps***

Today's Text: John 11:28-36

Pastor David Kertland

1. The death of \_\_\_\_\_ (the sorrow of loss)
2. Jesus's \_\_\_\_\_
3. "Who is This, So \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_?"

## 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.'*

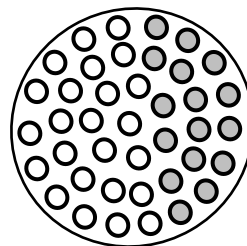
*For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes."*

### 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.

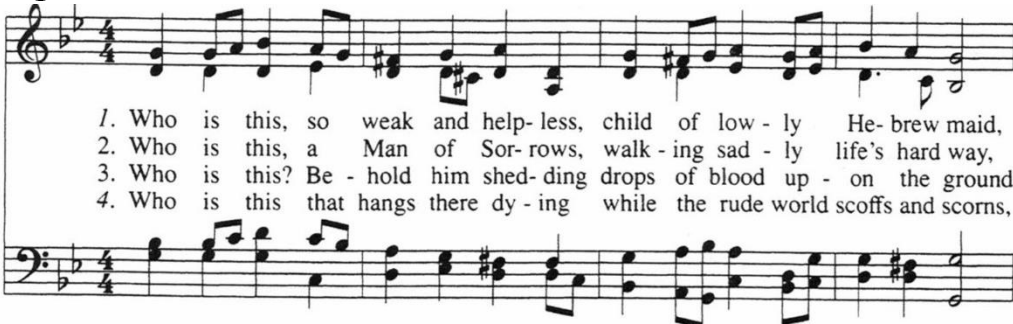
### Prayer



white circles = grape juice  
gray circles = wine

# Receiving God's Blessing

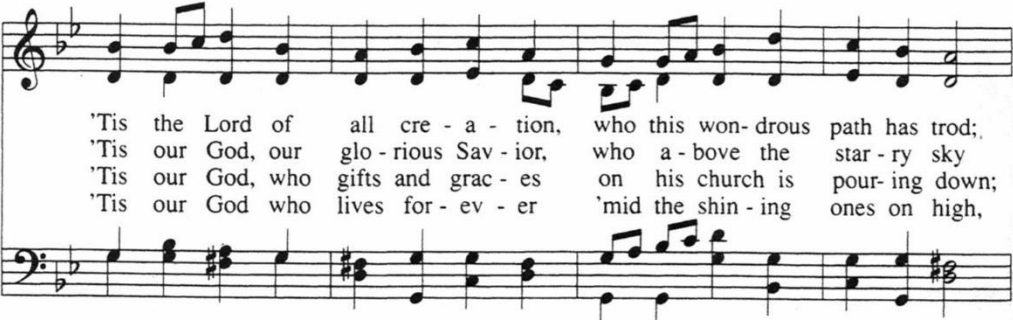
## \*Song of Dedication & Service: Who is This, So Weak and Helpless



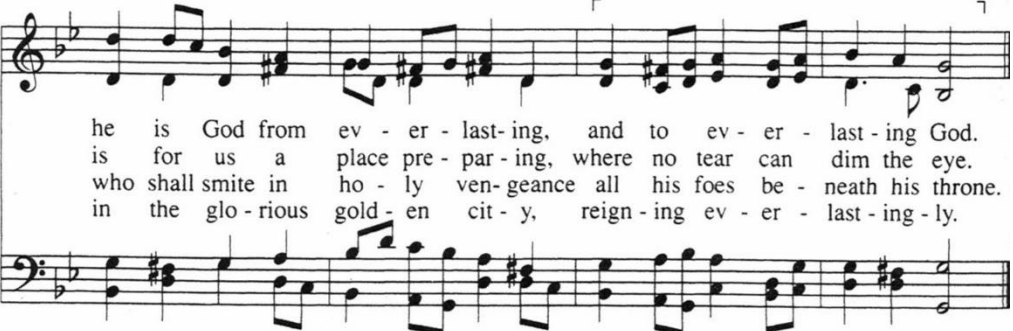
1. Who is this, so weak and help-less, child of low-ly He-brew maid,  
 2. Who is this, a Man of Sor-rows, walk-ing sad-ly life's hard way,  
 3. Who is this? Be-hold him shed-ding drops of blood up-on the ground!  
 4. Who is this that hangs there dy-ing while the rude world scoffs and scorns,



rude-ly in a sta-ble shel-tered, cold-ly in a man-ger laid?  
 home-less, wea-ry, sigh-ing, weep-ing o-ver sin and Sa-tan's sway?  
 Who is this, de-spised, re-ject-ed, mocked, in-sult-ed, beat-en, bound?  
 num-bered with the mal-e-fac-tors, torn with nails, and crowned with thorns?



'Tis the Lord of all cre-a-tion, who this won-drous path has trod;  
 'Tis our God, our glo-rious Sav-ior, who a-bove the star-ry sky  
 'Tis our God, who gifts and grac-es on his church is pour-ing down;  
 'Tis our God who lives for-ev-er 'mid the shin-ing ones on high,



he is God from ev-er-last-ing, and to ev-er-last-ing God.  
 is for us a place pre-par-ing, where no tear can dim the eye.  
 who shall smite in ho-ly ven-geance all his foes be-neath his throne.  
 in the glo-rious gold-en cit-y, reign-ing ev-er-last-ing-ly.

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 John Ambrose Lloyd, 1815-1874

William Walsham How, 1823-1897  
 Alt. 1990, mod.

# Receiving God's Blessing

## \*Benediction

## From Psalm 121:7-8

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit:

*The LORD keep you from all evil;*

*The LORD keep your life.*

*The LORD keep your going out and your coming in  
from this time forth and forevermore.*

Amen.

## \*Postlude

**To our guests this morning:** We are 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:** Ogata Kenzan (1663-1743), *Autumn Ivy* (蔦紅葉図), after 1732, Edo Period (Japanese, 1615-1868), Album leaf mounted as a hanging scroll; ink, color, and gold on paper. Image: 21.3 x 27.6 cm.; overall 114 x 56.5 cm. The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York. Accessed 10/30/2024, <https://www.metmuseum.org/art/collection/search/45076>. In the public domain.
- 2) **Music:** "Man of Sorrows! What a Name" (246) and "Who Is This, So Weak and Helpless?" (239) are reprinted from *The Trinity Hymnal* (Great Commission Publications, Atlanta, GA, 2000). "How Long Will You Forget Me, Lord?" (13) is reprinted from *The Trinity Psalter Hymnal* (Trinity Psalter Hymnal Joint Venture (OPC & URCNA), Willow Grove, PA, 2018). Music used by permission: CCLI License #20711820 and CCLI Streaming License #20711837.
- 3) **Quotes:** Page 2: about the artwork: <https://www.metmuseum.org/art/collection/search/45076>. Some of the 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, as personal ability allows.



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