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This Month's Front Cover Artwork

Pierre-Auguste Renoir (1841-1919), *Woman with a Parasol in a Garden* (*Femme avec parasol dans un jardin*), 1875. Oil on canvas, 21.4 in. x 25.5 in.). Madrid, Spain: Thyssen-Bornemisza Museum. Inv. N. 724 (1974.43). In the public domain.

“Often populated by couples, Renoir’s garden scenes combine two key concepts of Impressionism: the representation of figures out of doors and the revitalization of the landscape genre. The artist is distinguished by his taste for enclosed, somewhat unruly gardens and dense compositions, almost without horizon or sky, in which the vegetation overflows. With their multitude of juxtaposed brushstrokes, rich palette and abundance of flowers, these works achieve a unique quality of luminous and colorful vibrancy.”



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 aged infant through 3 years old is provided on the Lower Level of the Education Bldg. Today's Nursery Workers are Vicki Gehron and Yaasha Hepperle.

A **Junior Church** for children aged 4-Grade 2 is offered on the Lower Level of the Education Bldg. beginning during the hymn before the sermon. Today's Junior Church Teacher is Paul Hepperle.

Thank you to all who participate in making this worship service possible. Worship service participants may include in alphabetical order: Emily Church (vocals), Ephraim Church (and violin), Isaiah Church (violin), Jericho Church (vocals), Laura Church (vocals), Thaddaeus Church (viola), David Eakin (vocals), Peter Gibble (viola), Ken Kanode (greeter), Bonnie Kertland (vocals), David Kertland (preaching), Nathanael Marengo (vocals), Katy McIlvaine (vocals), Anita Wood (piano), Don Wood (vocals), Cooper Yingst (trumpet), Jeb Yingst (sound).

Today's Ushers are Joe Kearns, Chris Wagner, and Brad Weaver.

Counters are Jessica Buckwalter and Nora Dolon.

Throughout today's service: the light face type is read by the leader; the **bold face type** is to be read or sung by the congregation.

Happy Father's Day!

Happy Father's Day to all our fathers and grandfathers! While our worship service remains focused on the worship of our Sovereign God, we are grateful to Him for providing fathers who love and care for the covenant children of our church. Thank you for all that you do!

Prelude

Greeting

2 Corinthians 1:2

*Grace to you and peace
from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.*

Praising God

***Call to Worship:**

From Isaiah 11:2, 6

Behold, God is our salvation;

We will trust, and will not be afraid;

for the LORD GOD is our strength and our song,

and he has become our salvation.

Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion,

for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

*Response of Praise:

Holy, Holy, Holy

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
 2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
 3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
 4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 though the eye of sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pur - i - ty.
 God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

NICAEA 11, 12, 13, 10.
John B. Dykes, 1861

Reginald Heber, 1783-1826

***Prayer of Adoration & Invocation**

***Confession of Faith:**

Athanasian Creed, part 2

"This creed is named after Athanasius (A.D. 293-373), the champion of orthodoxy against Arian attacks on the doctrine of the Trinity. Although Athanasius did not write this creed...the name persists because until the seventeenth century it was commonly ascribed to him." In this second part of the creed, we confess what the Scriptures reveal to us about Jesus.

**We believe and confess
that our Lord Jesus Christ, God's Son,
is both God and human, equally.**

**He is God from the essence of the Father,
begotten before time;
and he is human from the essence of his mother,
born in time;
completely God, completely human,
with a rational soul and human flesh;
equal to the Father as regards divinity,
less than the Father as regards humanity.**

**Although he is God and human,
yet Christ is not two, but one.
He is one, however,
not by his divinity being turned into flesh,
but by God's taking humanity to himself.
He is one, certainly not by the blending of his essence,
but by the unity of his person.
For just as one human is both rational soul and flesh,
so too the one Christ is both God and human.**

**He suffered for our salvation;
he descended to hell; he arose from the dead;
he ascended to heaven; he is seated at the Father's right hand;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
At his coming all people will arise bodily
and give an accounting of their own deeds.
Those who have done good will enter eternal life,
and those who have done evil will enter eternal fire.**

***Gloria Patri**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.**

Facing Up to Our Sin before God

Reading of God's Standard

1 Timothy 5:1-4

For the reading of God's Standard this month, we are reading the 5th commandment and related Scripture passages.

Do not rebuke an older man but encourage him as you would a father, younger men as brothers, ² older women as mothers, younger women as sisters, in all purity.

³ *Honor widows who are truly widows.*

⁴ *But if a widow has children or grandchildren, let them first learn to show godliness to their own household and to make some return to their parents, for this is pleasing in the sight of God.*

Confession of Sin

Declaration of Pardon in Christ

Psalm 145:17-19

The LORD is righteous in all his ways and kind in all his works.

¹⁸ The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. ¹⁹ He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he also hears their cry and saves them.

Choral Response

Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessing flow;
praise, him all creatures here below;
praise him above ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Offering Our Prayers to God

Prayer of Intercession & the Lord's Prayer

Hershey PCA Prayer Requests for the Week of June 21 - 28

Intercession *for the World*:

- **In the Local Community:** Derry Township Manager Zachary Jackson
- **Civil Government:** PA Supreme Court Justices
- **Unreached People Group:** Bhil Mina of India
Population: 58,000; Language: Wagdi; Religion: Hinduism
"...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.
- **Leaders of Our Congregation:** Small Group Leaders and Hosts
- **Supported Missionary or Organization:** Reformed University Fellowship (RUF)

The Lord's Prayer:

We close our prayer in unison with this version of the Lord's Prayer.

**"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.**

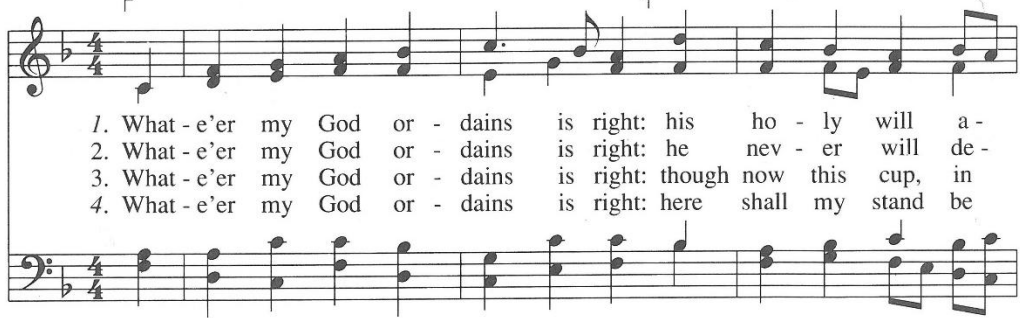
Presentation of Our Tithes & Offerings

Offertory

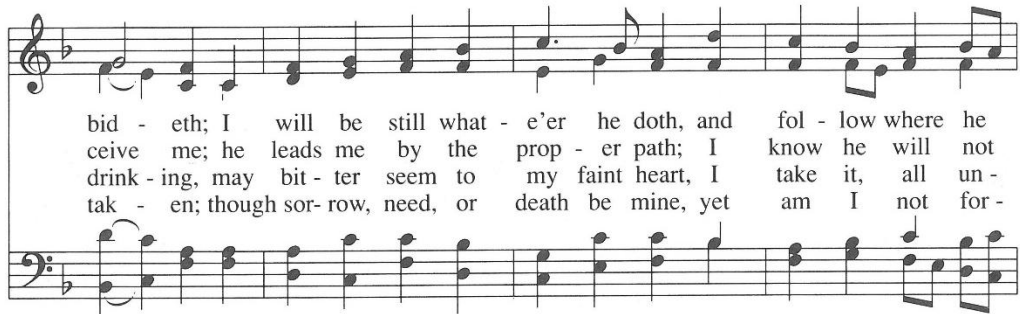
During this hymn, children from 4 years old through Grade 2 are welcome to attend Junior Church in the lower level of the education building. The Junior Church teacher will meet the children in the narthex.

*Song of Preparation:

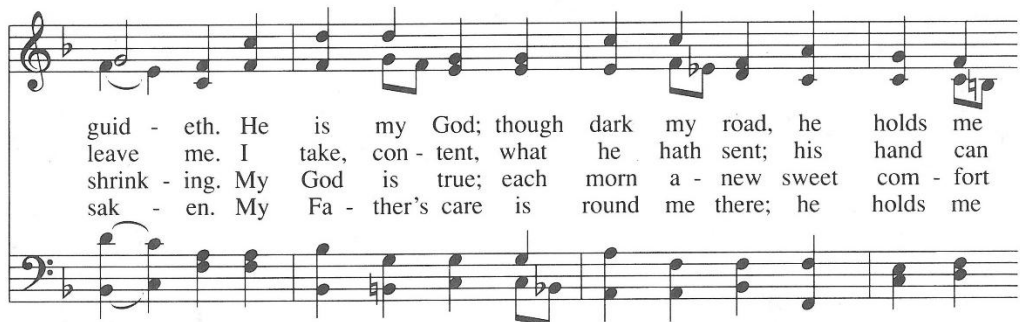
Whate'er My God Ordains Is Right



1. What - e'er my God or - dains is right: his ho - ly will a -
 2. What - e'er my God or - dains is right: he nev - er will de -
 3. What - e'er my God or - dains is right: though now this cup, in
 4. What - e'er my God or - dains is right: here shall my stand be



bid - eth; I will be still what - e'er he doth, and fol - low where he
 ceive me; he leads me by the prop - er path; I know he will not
 drink - ing, may bit - ter seem to my faint heart, I take it, all un -
 tak - en; though sor - row, need, or death be mine, yet am I not for -



guid - eth. He is my God; though dark my road, he holds me
 leave me. I take, con - tent, what he hath sent; his hand can
 shrink - ing. My God is true; each morn a - new sweet com - fort
 sak - en. My Fa - ther's care is round me there; he holds me



that I shall not fall: where - fore to him I leave it all.
 turn my griefs a - way, and pa - tient - ly I wait his day.
 yet shall fill my heart, and pain and sor - row shall de - part.
 that I shall not fall: and so to him I leave it all.

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 21:19b-25

And after saying this he [Jesus] said to him [Peter], "Follow me."

²⁰ Peter turned and saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following them, the one who also had leaned back against him during the supper and had said, "Lord, who is it that is going to betray you?" ²¹ When Peter saw him, he said to Jesus, "Lord, what about this man?" ²² Jesus said to him, "If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you? You follow me!" ²³ So the saying spread abroad among the brothers that this disciple was not to die; yet Jesus did not say to him that he was not to die, but, "If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you?"

²⁴ This is the disciple who is bearing witness about these things, and who has written these things, and we know that his testimony is true.

²⁵ Now there are also many other things that Jesus did. Were every one of them to be written, I suppose that the world itself could not contain the books that would be written.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

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

The Christ, the Son of God (12): *The Gospel of John* Chapters 18-21

Sermon: “The Lord of Every Path”

Today’s Text: John 21:19b-25; Pastor David Kertland

1) The Lord _____ Your Path: “*What is that to you?*”

2) The Lord Calls You to _____ : “*You* follow me!”

Preparing for the Lord’s Supper:

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 (see below)

Prayer

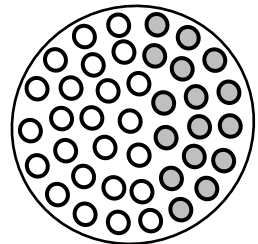
Words of Institution:

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."

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 in clear cups
gray circles = wine in purple cups

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 to our pastor who can suggest ways for you to take next steps in the faith.

Receiving God's Blessing

***Song of Commitment:**

O God beyond All Praising

Unison

The musical score is written for a unison voice part. It consists of five systems of music, each with a vocal line and a corresponding lyric line. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are as follows:

1. O God be - yond all prais - ing, we wor - ship you to - day
2. Then hear, O gra - cious Sav - ior, ac - cept the love we bring,

and sing the love a - maz - ing that songs can - not re - pay;
that we who know your fa - vor may serve you as our King;

for we can on - ly won - der at ev - ery gift you send,
and wheth - er our to - mor - rows be filled with good or ill,

at bless - ings with - out num - ber and mer - cies with - out end:
we'll tri - umph through our sor - rows and rise to bless you still:

we lift our hearts be - fore you and wait up - on your word,
to mar - vel at your beau - ty and glo - ry in your ways,

we hon - or and a - dore you, our great and might - y Lord.
and make a joy - ful du - ty our sac - ri - fice of praise.

Michael Perry, 1982

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From Gustav Holst, *The Planets*, 1918

Being Sent to Serve God

*Benediction:

Numbers 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you;

²⁵ the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;

²⁶ the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

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 pastors and other Hershey PCA members and friends.

After the service, greet someone you don't know. The time following the worship service is a great time for mutual, one-another ministry in Christ! We encourage you to look for others you don't know, introduce yourself, and welcome them in the name of Jesus Christ!

* Congregation standing, as personal ability allows.



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