



HersheyPresbyterian
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Front Cover Artwork

Enduring. Cornelius Monsma. September 2015. Oil-pastel on canvas.

Our painting for June is *Enduring* which is the seventh of eight paintings in a series entitled *Tested*. The eight-painting series is a visual retelling of the emotions and experiences of the painter as he walked with his wife through the discovery, treatment, and healing of her cancer. The paintings and accompanying videos describing his wife's journey through his eyes and artwork can be found at www.monsmart.com/gallerytested.html.

About the painting *Enduring*, he wrote: "Then the constant battle for endurance. How long can one hold up without collapsing or surrendering to the situation? Yes, we know we have the Light above us and therefore can walk our way with a multicolored optimism, beating down the black wall below us to pieces until nothing is left. Physically many things have changed dramatically. Hair has gone and we have to fight for our dignity to keep personally high up there. Still believing." A video describing more about this painting can be viewed at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K-BIIUSffko>.

Cornelius "Cor" Monsma is a present-day artist from Hamilton, Waikato, New Zealand. "Cornelius Monsma was born in Friesland a province in the north of the Netherlands. He and his family immigrated to New Zealand in 1981, and now he is pursuing his passion for painting as a full-time artist/painter." Of his artwork he says: it "aims to be an expression of the Christ presence from within. A living account of a new-found freedom encased in dependency, liberty rooted in obedience." He can be reached at www.monsmart.com/contact.html.



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*.

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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.

A **nursery** is available today for *infants through age 3* in our Education Wing.

A **private area for nursing mothers** is located at the back of the worship area.

A **Junior Church** for young worshippers from *age 4 through 2nd grade* meets in Classroom 2 in our Education Wing. Children are dismissed during the Song of Preparation and remain in Junior Church until the end of the worship service. Parents, please pick up your children at the end of the service.

Thank you to all our volunteers who make our gathered time of worship possible.

Prelude

Use the prelude time to find a seat and to prepare for joining in with God's people to worship God with joy and gladness. Thanks to Anita Wood for playing piano for us this morning.

Praising God

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 46:1-3,10-11

*God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.*

*Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,*

*though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble at its swelling.*

*“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.*

Light Text = Read by Leader

Bold Text = Read by All

*Song of Response:

God of Our Fathers

*Organ or trumpets
before each stanza*

1. God of our fa - thers, whose al - might - y
 2. Thy love di - vine hath led us in the
 3. From war's a - larms, from dead - ly pes - ti -
 4. Re - fresh thy peo - ple on their toil - some

hand
past;
lence,
way,

leads forth in beau - ty all the star - ry
 in this free land by thee our lot is
 be thy strong arm our ev - er - sure de -
 lead us from night to nev - er - end - ing

band
cast;
fense;
day;

of shin - ing worlds in splen - dor through the
 be thou our rul - er, guard - ian, guide, and
 thy true re - li - gion in our hearts in -
 fill all our lives with love and grace di -

skies,
stay;
crease,
vine,

our grate - ful songs be - fore thy throne a - rise.
 thy Word our law, thy paths our cho - sen way.
 thy boun - teous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.
 and glo - ry, laud, and praise be ev - er thine.

*Prayer of Adoration & Invocation

In our first prayer, we respond to our Creator God's call to come and worship him, acknowledging the Trinitarian God revealed in Scripture as the true and living God, and as our God.

*Confession of Faith

Hebrews 1:1-4

Our confession today is a biblical confession which speaks of the glory and the work of Jesus Christ.

Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, ² but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. ³ He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴ having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him all crea - tures here be - low. Praise Him a - bove ye Hea - ven - ly Host.

Praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost. A - - - men!

Facing Up to Our Sin before God

Reading of God's Standard

Exodus 20:1-3

And God spoke all these words, saying,

² "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

³ You shall have no other gods before me."

Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon in Christ

Titus 3:4-7

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, ⁵ he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, ⁶ whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, ⁷ so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

*Song of Thanksgiving:

O God, Show Mercy to Us

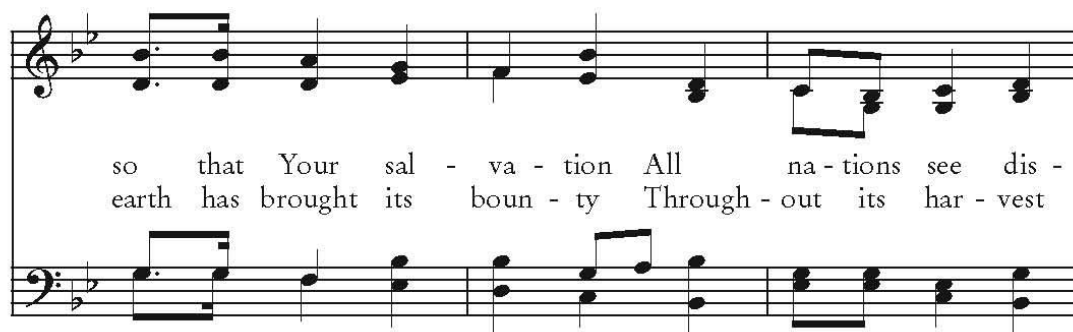
1. ¹O God, show mer - cy to us, And bless us with Your
2. For You will judge the peo - ples With per - fect eq - ui -

ty; And cause to shine up - on us The
ty; To na - tions of the whole earth A

bright - ness of Your face; ²So that the whole world
gov - er - nor You'll be. ⁵O God, let peo - ples

o - ver May tru - ly know Your way, And
praise You; Let all the peo - ples praise. ⁶The

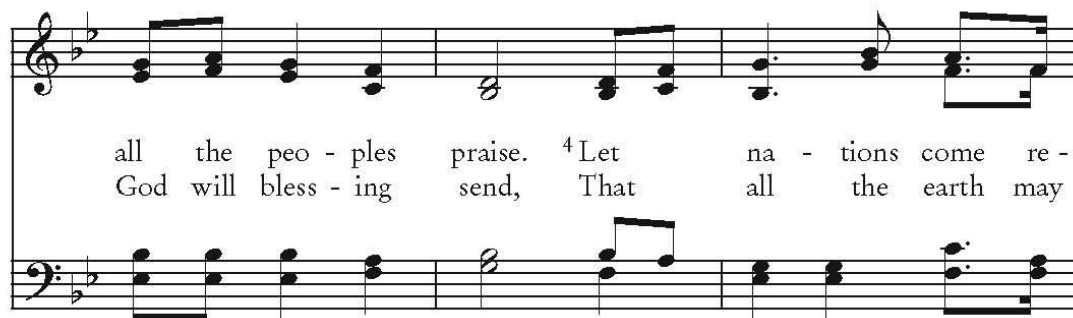
The musical score is written for a two-part setting (Soprano and Bass) in 3/4 time, key of B-flat major. It consists of four systems of music. The first system contains the first two lines of the lyrics. The second system contains the next two lines. The third system contains the next two lines. The fourth system contains the final two lines. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a clear harmonic structure. The lyrics are written in a clear, sans-serif font, with line numbers and superscripts indicating the start of new phrases or verses.



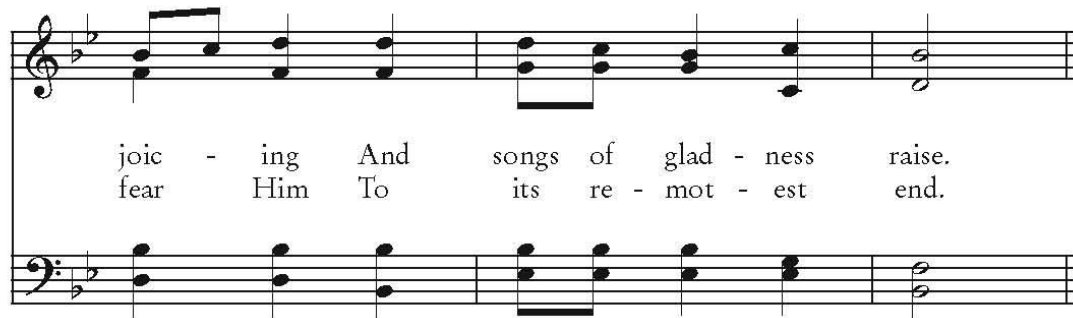
so that Your sal - va - tion All na - tions see dis -
earth has brought its boun - ty Through - out its har - vest



played. ³O God, let peo - ples praise You; Let
days Since God, our God, will bless us. ⁷Yes,



all the peo - ples praise. ⁴Let na - tions come re -
God will bless - ing send, That all the earth may



joic - ing And songs of glad - ness raise.
fear Him To its re - mot - est end.

Offering Our Prayers to God

Prayer of Intercession & the Lord's Prayer

Our time of intercession will close 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

Tithes and offerings are an expression of our worship to God.

Offertory

During this song, children from 4 years old to 2nd grade are invited to attend
Junior Church in our Education Wing.

*Song of Preparation: Lead Me, Lord, Lead Me in Your Righteousness

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of staves. The first system contains the first two verses. The second system contains the third and fourth verses. The third system contains the fifth and sixth verses. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes. The music features a variety of note values including quarter, eighth, and half notes, as well as rests. The key signature has one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4.

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**

Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

*Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

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

Sermon:

"The God Who Is Able"

Pastor Richard Smith

Text: Ephesians 3:20-21

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

Words of Institution & Prayer

Distribution of the Elements

Please wait until all are served before eating. Our communion bread is gluten-free.

The tray of communion cups provides a choice of grape juice or grape wine (see diagram).

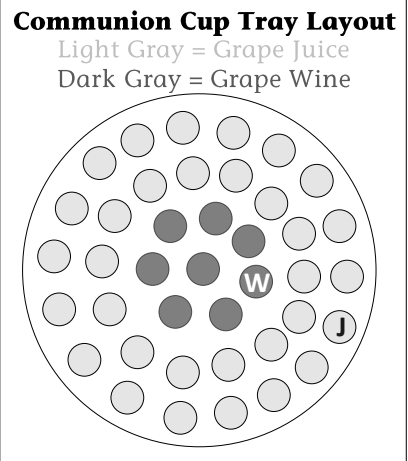
Prayer

Invitation to the Lord's Supper

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 receive grace from him, to hold out your empty and faltering hands to him, to allow him to feed and strengthen you, and to remind you that He is *for you* and *will help you* as you seek to follow him this week.

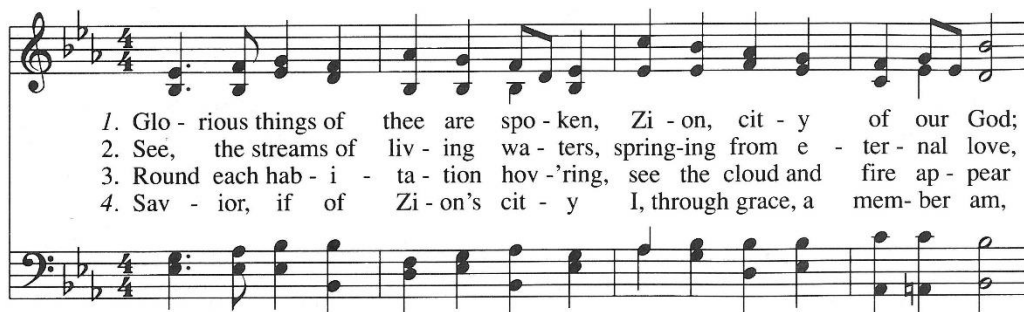
If you are *not* a baptized believer in Jesus today, we are glad that you are here with us this morning! We ask you not to participate in this part of the service. We do invite you to stay and observe this celebration of the Christian's union with the risen Jesus. As the bread and wine pass by, let them urge 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 as my Savior and Lord.” *If you prayed this prayer for the first time this morning, please share that with a friend or talk with our pastor who can help you take the next steps in the faith.*

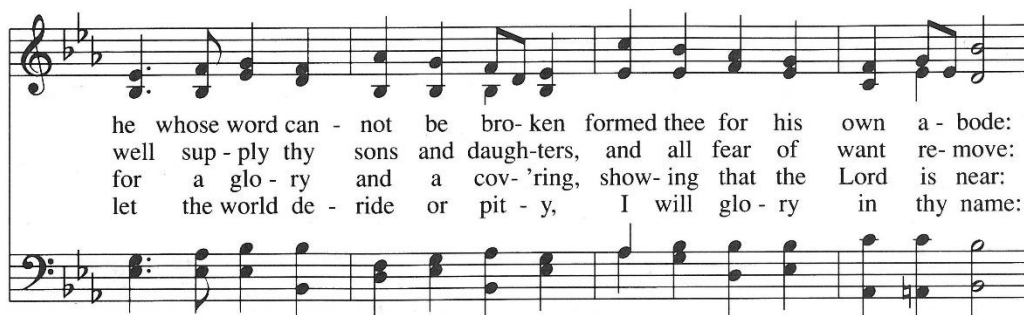


Renewing Our Devotion to God

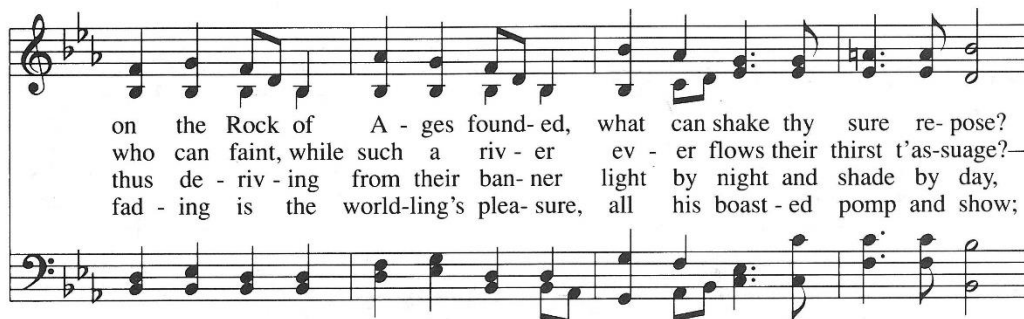
*Song of Response: Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken



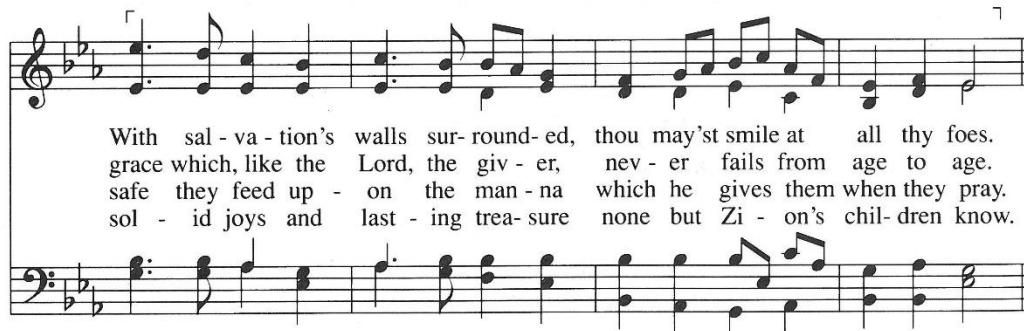
1. Glo - rious things of thee are spo - ken, Zi - on, cit - y of our God;
 2. See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring-ing from e - ter - nal love,
 3. Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov - 'ring, see the cloud and fire ap - pear
 4. Sav - ior, if of Zi - on's cit - y I, through grace, a mem - ber am,



he whose word can - not be bro - ken formed thee for his own a - bode:
 well sup - ply thy sons and daugh - ters, and all fear of want re - move:
 for a glo - ry and a cov - 'ring, show - ing that the Lord is near:
 let the world de - ride or pit - y, I will glo - ry in thy name:



on the Rock of A - ges found - ed, what can shake thy sure re - pose?
 who can faint, while such a riv - er ev - er flows their thirst t'as - suage?
 thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner light by night and shade by day,
 fad - ing is the world - ling's plea - sure, all his boast - ed pomp and show;



With sal - va - tion's walls sur - round - ed, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.
 grace which, like the Lord, the giv - er, nev - er fails from age to age.
 safe they feed up - on the man - na which he gives them when they pray.
 sol - id joys and last - ing trea - sure none but Zi - on's chil - dren know.

John Newton, 1779

AUSTRIAN HYMN 8.7.8.7.D.
 Franz Joseph Haydn, 1797

Receiving God's Blessing

*Benediction

2 Corinthians 13:14

This is the blessing that God told his priests to announce to his people in ancient days. In Christ, receive it by faith and go out to live with the assurance of God's blessing.

*The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ
and the love of God
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.*

*Postlude

Use this time to greet someone that you don't know. If you see someone sitting or standing alone, welcome them in the name of Christ. The time after our worship is a great time for mutual, one-another ministry in Christ.

To our guests: We are glad that you have joined us for worship today. We would like to invite you to stay for a little while for conversation with our pastor and other Hershey PCA members.

Today's Service Information

- 1) **Artwork:** *Enduring* by Cornelius Monsma, Downloaded from www.monsmart.com/enduring.html (accessed 06/30/2016). Used by his permission of the artist. Page 11 artwork downloaded from Liturgy Fellowship's Facebook page (accessed 05/30/2019).
- 2) **Music:** "God of Our Fathers" (710), "Lead Me, Lord, Lead Me in Thy Righteousness" (727), and "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" (345) are reprinted from *The Trinity Hymnal* (Great Commission Publications, Atlanta, GA, 2000). "Doxology" traditional words, music by Anita Wood. "O God, Show Mercy to Us" (67C) is reprinted from *The Book of Psalms for Worship* (Crown & Covenant Publications, Pittsburgh, PA, 2010). Music used by permission: CCLI License #703337.
- 3) **Quotes:** Page 2: www.monsmart.com/enduring.html (accessed 06/30/2016). Biblical quotes are from the English Standard Version (ESV) unless otherwise noted. Various quotes used to explain prayers in our worship service from *Leading in Prayer: A Workbook for Worship* by Hughes Oliphant Old (Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 1995).
- 4) 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