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Beverly Heights  
Presbyterian  
Church

JANUARY 26, 2025

# Beverly Heights United

Welcome and Greeting

Rev. Dr. Nathanael Devlin, Senior Pastor

Announcements

Amy Lucas, Church Administrator

## THE LORD GATHERS US FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

*I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

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Jinna Park, Accompanist and Organist

*The first note of the prelude marks the beginning of worship. Please use this brief period of time for prayer and preparation while keeping conversation at a low volume and to a minimum. **Please refrain from clapping unless led to do so.***

Call to Worship

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name!

**People: Make known His deeds among the peoples!**

Choral Introit: **Trinity Hymnal, No. 71**

*Stand Up, O God, Be Present Now*

*Stand up, O God, be present now, and all who hate You, let them run  
Like driven smoke, like melting wax, bound for destruction, doomed to die.  
But let the righteous sing and dance, yes, sing and dance and shout for joy,  
For He who rides upon the clouds is coming, as He came of old.  
His justice vindicates the oppressed, He frees the prisoner, brings him home.  
Stand up, O God, be present now, and we will sing and shout for joy.*

*Stand up, O God, be present now, and we, Your people, will rejoice,  
For You have saved us from the pit, for You have brought us back from death.  
So, to Your holy place, we come with choirs and music, young and old.  
Rebuke the godless, cast them down till humbled, they for mercy call;  
Then men shall listen for Your voice as riding through heavens You come.  
Stand up, O God, be present now, and we will sing and shout for joy.*

Prayer of Invocation

Opening Psalm of Praise **No. 98** (see next pages) vv. 1, 4, 7

*Oh, Sing a New Song to the LORD*

Responsive Reading: Psalm 12

Mr. Peter A. Chace

Leader: Save, O LORD, for the godly one is gone; for the faithful have vanished from among the children of man. Everyone utters lies to his neighbor; with flattering lips and a double heart they speak.

**People: May the LORD cut off all flattering lips, the tongue that makes great boasts, those who say, "With our tongue we will prevail, our lips are with us; who is master over us?"**

Leader: Because the poor are plundered, because the needy groan, I will now arise," says the LORD; "I will place him in the safety for which he longs." The words of the LORD are pure words, like silver refined in a furnace on the ground, purified seven times."

**People: You, O LORD, will keep them; You will guard us from this generation forever. On every side the wicked prowl, as vileness is exalted among the children of man.**



Psalm 98

# Oh, Sing a New Song to the LORD

4. O all the earth, sing to the Lord And make a joy-ful sound,

And make a joy-ful sound, Lift up your voice a-loud to Him;

Sing psalms! let joy re-sound! Sing psalms! Let joy re-  
Sing psalms! Let joy re-sound! Sing  
Sing psalms! Let joy re-

18 sound! Sing psalms! Let joy re-sound!  
psalms! Let joy re-sound!  
sound! Sing psalms! Let joy re-sound!  
psalms! Let joy re-sound!



**THE LORD CLEANSSES OUR SIN**

Unison Prayer of Sin, Followed by Silent Confession

*Please bow your head. For those who are able, you are invited to kneel during the confession of sin.*

**Eternal and merciful God, You have loved us with a love beyond our understanding, and You have set us on paths of righteousness for Your name's sake. Yet, we have strayed from Your way; we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, through what we have done and what we have left undone, and we have wandered from Your pathway. As we remember the cleansing water of baptism, O God, we praise You and give You thanks that You forgive us yet again. Grant us now, we pray, the grace to die daily to sin, and to rise daily to new life in Christ, who lives and reigns with You, and in whose strong name we pray. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Unison Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and Earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;  
He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**THE LORD SANCTIFIES OUR LIVES**

New Testament Lesson

Mark 1:16-39

Dr. Kyle David Bennett

Responsive Hymn (*see next page*)

vv. 1-4

*Afflicted Saint, to Christ Draw Near*

Choral Anthem

*Psalm 27*

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*Your face, O Lord, I will seek.**Oh, do not hide from me, oh, do not turn from me. God, You are my helper.**Do not reject me, do not forsake me. God, You are my Savior.**Wait on the Lord. Wait on the Lord.**I will remain confident in this: that I will see the goodness of the Lord.**Be of good courage, and He will give you strength as you wait on the Lord your God.**Though enemies oppress me, though family may forsake me, wait on the Lord, wait on the Lord.**Though evil rise against me, though witnesses accuse me, wait on the Lord, wait on the Lord.**I will remain confident in this: that I will see the goodness of the Lord.**Be of good courage, and He will give you strength as you wait on the Lord your God.**Your face, O Lord, I will seek.*

# Shout, for the Blessed Jesus Reigns

*They will bring all your brothers, from all the nations, to my holy mountain in Jerusalem. Is. 66:20*

Chords: C, F, G<sup>7</sup>, C, G, Am, G

1. Shout, for the bless - ed Je - sus reigns; through dis - tant  
 2. He calls his cho - sen from a - far, they all at  
 3. Gen - tiles and Jews his laws o - bey; na - tions re -  
 4. O may his ho - ly church in - crease, his Word and  
 5. Loud hal - le - lu - jahs to the Lamb, from all be -

Chords: C, Dm, C, G, D, G

lands his tri - umphs spread; and sin - ners, freed from  
 Zi - on's gates ar - rive; those who were dead in  
 • mote their of - f'ings bring, and un - con - strained their  
 Spir - it still pre - vail, while an - gels cel - e -  
 low, and all a - bove! In loft - y songs ex -

Chords: C, D, G, C, Dm, Em<sup>7</sup>, C, G<sup>7</sup>, C

end - less pains, own him their Sav - ior and their Head.  
 sin be - fore by sov - ereign grace are made a - live.  
 • hom - age pay to their ex - alt - ed God and King.  
 brate his praise, and saints his grow - ing glo - ries hail.  
 alt his name, in songs as last - ing as his love.

# Afflicted Saint, to Christ Draw Near

John Fawcett (1782), Connie Dever (Chorus)

Connie Dever

1. Af - flict - ed saint, to Christ draw near, Your  
2. Your faith is weak, your foes are strong, and  
3. Should per - se - cu - tion - rage and flame, still  
4. When called to bear your weigh - ty cross, or

5 Sa - vior's gra - cious pro - mise hear, His faith - ful Word, you  
if the con - flict should be long, the Lord will make the  
trust in your Re - deem - er's name; in fier - y tri - als  
sore af - flic - tion, pain, or loss, or deep dis - tress or

11 can be - lieve, that as your days - your strength shall be.  
temp - ter - flee, that as your days - your strength shall be.  
you shall see, that as your days - your strength shall be.  
po - ver - ty, still as your days - your strength shall be.

18 So, sing with joy, af - flic - ted one; the bat - tle's fierce, but the vic - tory's

26 won; God shall sup - ply all that you need. Yes, as your days your strength shall be.



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

*Children ages kindergarten and younger are dismissed to the Nursery, Walkabouts Room, and Runabouts Room.  
 All other children remain in worship with their families.*

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 36:1-22

Sermon

**The Increase of His Kingdom**  
 Trusting Him at the Wall

Pastor Devlin

**THE LORD RECEIVES OUR GIFTS AND HEARTS**

Call for the Offering and Offertory

*My Jesus, I Love Thee*

Kingsmore

Prayers of the People

Prayer for the Vote

Mr. Peter A. Chace

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.

**THE LORD MEETS US AT THE TABLE**

Words of Institution and Examination of Conscience (\*See bottom of next page)

Invitation and Coming to the Table

*Please note: we will eat together in the pew.  
 Those who are unable to come to the table will be served in the pew.  
 The Elders are serving bread and wine.  
 To better serve those with restrictions,  
 please see Pastor Devlin for gluten-free bread and/or grape juice.*

Communion Hymn

*Come, Bless the Lord*

Prayer of Thanksgiving followed by the Threefold Amen No. 740

Trinity Hymnal

A musical score for the hymn 'Amen, amen, amen.' The score is written for two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is simple and consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics 'A - men, a - men, a - - men.' are written below the notes. The final note of the piece is a whole note chord in both staves.

**THE LORD SCATTERS US TO ADVANCE HIS KINGDOM**

Closing Hymn No. 369

vv. 4, 5

*Shout, for the Blessed Jesus Reigns*

Benediction

Postlude

*Festive Postlude on "Truro"*

McDonald

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***\*May I Come to the Lord's Table?***

*All true believers who trust in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, including those from other congregations, are a part of the true Church and are invited to partake in the Lord's Supper. As we come to the table we rejoice as we remember our need to trust in Jesus Christ as Lord, to repent of sin, and to covenant once more to live as followers of Jesus. Those who are ignorant in their knowledge of Christ or who are living ungodly and unrepentant lives should refrain from the table. Baptized children may be admitted to the Lord's Supper provided their parents have appeared before the Pastor or Session to share their child's profession of faith, in a manner acceptable to the Session.*

# The Increase of His Kingdom

*The King Who Can Be Trusted*

January 12	Isaiah 34:1-17
January 19	Isaiah 35:1-10
January 26	Isaiah 36:1-22
February 2	Isaiah 37:1-20
February 9	Isaiah 37:21-38
February 16	Isaiah 38:1-21
February 23	Isaiah 39:1-8

## THIS WEEK AT BEVERLY HEIGHTS

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 26

9:00 AM Christian Ed for All Ages  
10:00 AM Worship Service  
11:45 PM Congregational Meeting  
6:30 PM Fusion for MS/HS students

### MONDAY, JANUARY 27

*Church Offices Closed*

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 28

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29

8:00 AM Men's Study Group  
10:00 AM Staff Meeting

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 30

4:00 PM Prayer Team Meeting  
7:15 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 31

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1

8:00 AM Men's Study Group

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2

9:00 AM Christian Ed for All Ages  
10:00 AM Worship Service  
6:30 PM Fusion for MS/HS students

### Call for a Special Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation:

The Session and Trustees of Beverly Heights Church hereby call for a Special Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation immediately following the conclusion of the worship service on Sunday, January 26, 2025, in the Sanctuary of Beverly Heights Church for the following purpose: For the members of the Beverly Heights Church congregation to vote on a motion to disaffiliate from the Evangelical Presbyterian Church and enter into independence.

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