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Beverly Heights  
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Church

FEBRUARY 16, 2025

# Beverly Heights United

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Welcome and Greeting

Rev. Dr. Nathanael Devlin, Senior Pastor

Announcements

Amy Lucas, Church Administrator

## THE LORD GATHERS US FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

*Intrada on "Duke Street"*  
Jinna Park, Accompanist and Organist

Bauer

*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

*Faithful is God*

Prayer of Invocation

Opening Psalm of Praise **No. 16** (see next page) vv. 1-3

*Preserve Me, O God*

Responsive Reading Psalm 32, pg. 795, *Trinity Hymnal*

Pastor Devlin

Psalm of Praise **No. 16** (see next page) vv. 4, 5

*Preserve Me, O God*

## 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.*

**Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us. But You, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are repentant, according to Your promises declared to mankind, in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

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Psalm 16

## Preserve Me, O God

*He looked ahead and spoke of the resurrection of the Christ.*

—Acts 2:31

1. <sup>1</sup> Pre - serve me, O God, for I'm trust - ing in You.  
 2. <sup>4</sup> Those run - ning to i - dols will mul - ti - ply griefs.  
 3. You care for my lot, <sup>6</sup> where the lines fell to me,

<sup>2</sup> "Yes, You are my Mas - ter," I said to the LORD;  
 I will not pour out their drink of - f'rings of blood,  
 My pleas - ant and love - ly in - her - it - ed land.

Be - sides You I do not pos - sess an - y good.  
 Nor will I con - fess their vain names with my lips.  
<sup>7</sup> The LORD who gives coun - sel to me I will bless,

<sup>3</sup> In Your ho - ly mes - sen - gers I take de - light.  
<sup>5</sup> The LORD's my in - her - it - ed por - tion and cup.  
 For sure - ly my mind teach - es me through the night.

4. <sup>8</sup> The LORD ever present before me I keep.  
 He stands at my right hand; I shall not be moved.

<sup>9</sup> My glory rejoices, my heart is made glad;  
 And also my flesh will live safely at ease.

5. <sup>10</sup> For You'll not abandon my soul to the grave,  
 Your Godly One You will preserve from decay.

<sup>11</sup> Life's path You will show me; full joy is with You;  
 Your right hand holds pleasures for me evermore.

# Psalm 32

Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

**Blessed is the man whose sin the LORD does not count against him and in whose spirit is no deceit.**

When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long.

**For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer.**

Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity.

**I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD."  
And you forgave the guilt of my sin.**

Therefore let everyone who is godly pray to you while you may be found;

surely when the mighty waters rise, they will not reach him.

You are my hiding place;

**you will protect me from trouble and surround me with songs of deliverance.**

I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you and watch over you.

**Do not be like the horse or the mule, which have no understanding but must be controlled by bit and bridle or they will not come to you.**

Many are the woes of the wicked, but the LORD's unfailing love surrounds the man who trusts in him.

**Rejoice in the LORD and be glad, you righteous; sing, all you who are upright in heart!**

## How Gentle God's Commands

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*My yoke is easy and my burden is light. Matt. 11:30*

Capo 3: ♮ (D) (A<sup>7</sup>) (D) ♮ (G) (D) (A)

1. How gen - tle God's com - mands, how kind his pre - cepts are!  
2. While Prov - i - dence sup - ports, let saints se - cure - ly dwell;  
3. Why should this anx - ious load press down your wea - ry mind?  
4. His good - ness stands ap - proved, down to the pres - ent day;

(A<sup>7</sup>) (D) (A) (D) ♮ (G) (D) (G) (D/A) (A<sup>7</sup>) (D) ♮

Come, cast your bur - dens on the Lord, and trust his con - stant care.  
that hand, which bears all na - ture up, shall guide his chil - dren well.  
Haste to your heav'n - ly Fa - ther's throne, and sweet re - fresh - ment find.  
I'll drop my bur - den at his feet, and bear a song a - way.

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

Matthew 8:1-13

Dr. Kyle David Bennett

Responsive Hymn **No. 681**

vv. 1-4

*How Gentle God's Commands*

Special Music

Elissa Winkler, mezzo-soprano

Congregational Response **No. 731**

*Doxology*

**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.**

*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 38:1-21

Sermon

**The Increase of His Kingdom**

Mr. Peter A Chace

***THE LORD RECEIVES OUR GIFTS AND HEARTS***

Call for the Offering and Offertory

*Grace Alone*

Hayes

Prayers of the People

Prayers of Healing

Dr. Kyle David Bennett

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.

**THE LORD MEETS US AT THE TABLE**

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

Invitation and Coming to the Table

*Please note: we will eat together in the pen.  
Those who are unable to come to the table will be served in the pen.  
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

*Everlasting Arms*

Prayer of Thanksgiving followed by the Threefold Amen No. 740

*Trinity Hymnal*

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

Closing Psalm No. 669

vv. 1, 4

*Commit Now All Your Grievs*

Benediction

Postlude

*Blessed Assurance*

Ring

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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.*

## Commit Now All Your Grievs

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*Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him and he will do this. Psalm 37:5*

1. Com - mit now all your griefs and ways in - to his hands;  
 2. Give to the winds your fears; hope, and be un - dis - mayed;  
 3. Still heav - y is your heart? Still sink your spir - its down?  
 4. Far, far a - bove your thought his coun - sel shall ap - pear,

to his sure truth and ten - der care, who earth and heav'n com - mands.  
 God hears your sighs and counts your tears, God shall lift up your head.  
 Cast off the weight, let fear de - part, and ev - ery care be gone.  
 when ful - ly he the work has wrought that caused your need - less fear.

Who points the clouds their course, whom winds and seas o - bey,  
 Through waves and clouds and storms he gent - ly clears your way;  
 He ev - ery - where has sway, and all things serve his might;  
 Leave to his sov - ereign will to choose and to com - mand;

he shall di - rect your wan - d'ring feet, he shall pre - pare your way.  
 wait for his time, so shall the night soon end in joy - ous day.  
 his ev - ery act pure bless - ing is, his path un - sul - lied light.  
 with won - der filled, you then shall own how wise, how strong his hand.

# 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, FEBRUARY 16

9:00 AM Christian Ed for All Ages  
10:00 AM Worship Service  
1:00 PM Snow Camp arrival  
6:30 PM Adult Class - Dr. Bennett

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17

*Church Offices Closed*

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

7:00 PM Next Gen meeting

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

8:00 AM Men's Study Group  
10:00 AM Staff Meeting  
4:15 PM WNH programming  
5:45 PM WNH dinner and vespers

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20

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

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22

8:00 AM Men's Study Group

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23

9:00 AM Christian Ed for All Ages  
10:00 AM Worship Service  
6:30 PM Fusion for MS/HS students  
6:30 PM Adult Class - Dr. Bennett

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