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KINGDOM



Beverly Heights
Presbyterian
Church

FEBRUARY 23, 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

Christ the Victorious
Jinna Park, Accompanist and Organist

Burton

*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

Crown Him with Many Crowns
Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne.
Hark! How the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Prayer of Invocation

Opening Psalm of Praise **No. 126** (see next page) vv. 1-4

When Zion's Fortunes God Restored

Responsive Reading

Psalm 128

Mr. Peter A. Chace

Leader: Blessed is everyone who fears the LORD, who walks in His ways! You shall eat the fruit of the labor of your hands; you shall be blessed, and it shall be well with you.

People: Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house; your children will be like olive shoots around your table.

Leader: Behold, thus shall the man be blessed who fears the LORD.

People: The LORD bless you from Zion! May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life! May you see your children's children! Peace be upon Israel!

Responsive Psalm **No. 96D** (turn the page)

vv. 5, 6, 8

Ascribe Unto the Lord

When Zion's Fortunes God Restored

From Psalm 126

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It was a dream come true. ²Our mouths were then with
Great things for Is - ra - el." ³The LORD did might - y

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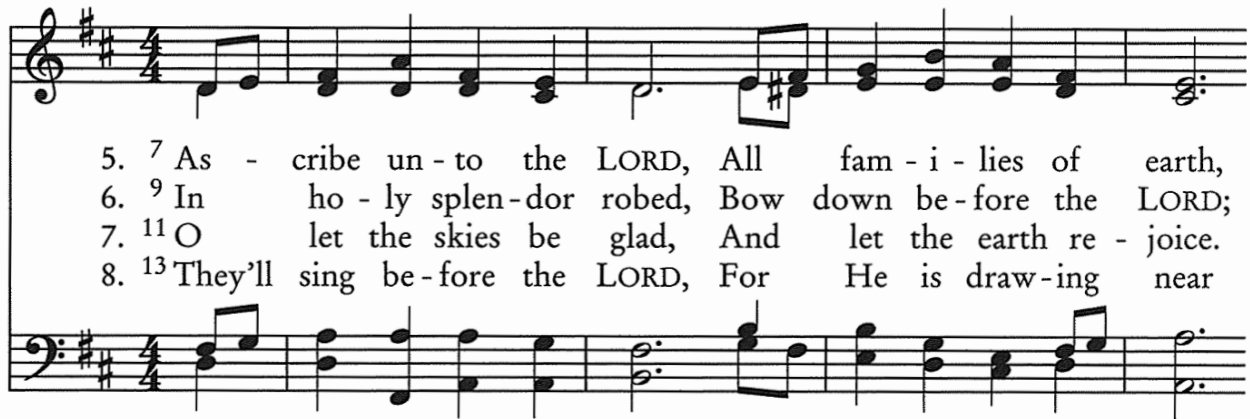
3. ⁴Restore our fortunes, gracious LORD,
Like streams in desert soil.
⁵A joyful harvest shall reward
The weeping sower's toil.

4. ⁶The man who, bearing seed to sow,
Goes out with tears of grief,
Will come again with songs of joy,
Bearing his harvest sheaf.

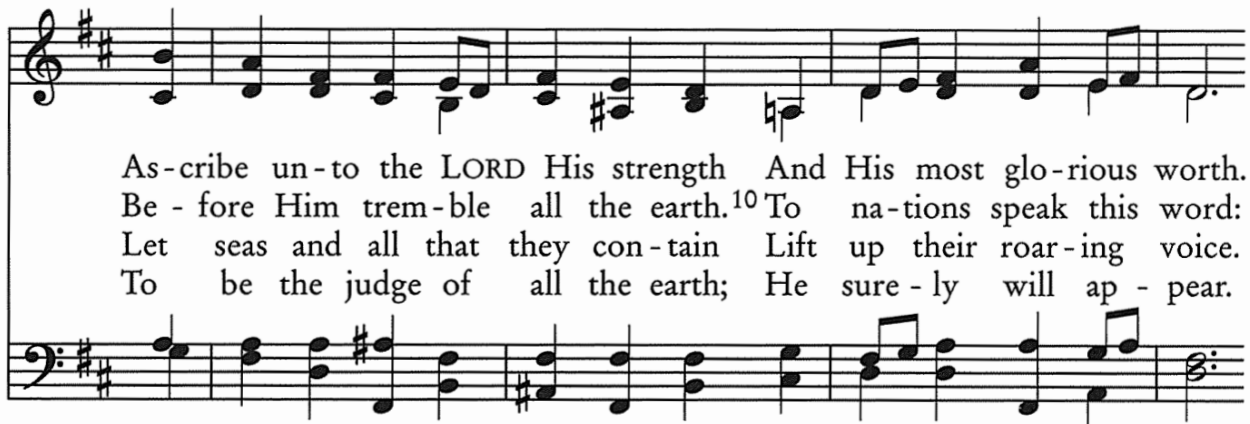
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*"Yes, I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
—Revelation 22:20*

96D
Psalm 96:7-13



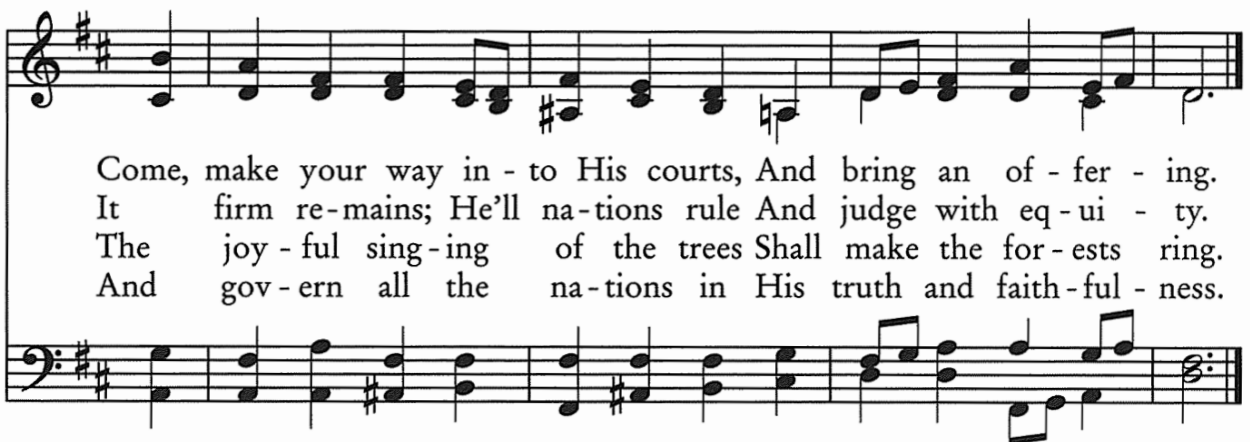
5. ⁷ As - crite un - to the LORD, All fam - i - lies of earth,
6. ⁹ In ho - ly splen - dor robed, Bow down be - fore the LORD;
7. ¹¹ O let the skies be glad, And let the earth re - joice.
8. ¹³ They'll sing be - fore the LORD, For He is draw - ing near



As - crite un - to the LORD His strength And His most glo - rious worth.
Be - fore Him trem - ble all the earth. ¹⁰ To na - tions speak this word:
Let seas and all that they con - tain Lift up their roar - ing voice.
To be the judge of all the earth; He sure - ly will ap - pear.



⁸ As - crite un - to the LORD The glo - ry of His name;
"The LORD reigns o - ver all!" The world un - moved will be,
¹² Let ev - ery beast ex - ult, Let fields with glad - ness sing;
Then He will rule the world In per - fect righ - teous - ness,



Come, make your way in - to His courts, And bring an of - fer - ing.
It firm re - mains; He'll na - tions rule And judge with eq - ui - ty.
The joy - ful sing - ing of the trees Shall make the for - ests ring.
And gov - ern all the na - tions in His truth and faith - ful - ness.

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.

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in Your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the Light of the world. 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

2 Peter 1:1-21

Dr. Kyle David Bennett

Hymn of Praise **No. 700**

vv. 1, 3, 5

Come, We That Love the Lord

Choral Anthem

To Sing Once More

Courtney

*Awake our souls to sing once more the songs that long have silent been.
From troubled nights and fearful days, our notes of praise and joy begin, our notes of praise and joy begin.
Inspired by hope, compelled by grace, we sing Your everlasting praise.
Most holy God, Your song we seek and trust in Your unchanging ways, and trust in Your unchanging ways.
With comfort, Your eternal voice is music to our waiting soul.
It speaks in times of hurt and wrong, it whispers peace, it makes us whole, it whispers peace, it makes us whole.
Arise, His children, rise again, your God and maker now adore.
No longer silent, lift your voice, awake your souls to sing once more.
Awake our souls to sing once more.*

Come, We That Love the Lord

700

Let the people of Zion be glad in their King. Ps. 149:2

1. Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known;
2. Let those re - fuse to sing that nev - er knew our God;
3. The men of grace have found glo - ry be - gun be - low;
4. The hill of Zi - on yields a thou - sand sa - cred sweets,
5. Then let our songs a - bound, and ev - 'ry tear be dry;

join in a song with sweet ac - cord, and thus sur - round the throne.
but chil - dren of the heav'n - ly King may speak their joys a - broad.
• ce - les - tial fruits on earth - ly ground from faith and hope may grow.
be - fore we reach the heav'n - ly fields or walk the gold - en streets.
we're march - ing through Im - man - uel's ground to fair - er worlds on high.

Isaac Watts, 1707; alt.

ST. THOMAS S.M.
Aaron Williams, 1763

**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 39:1-8

Sermon

The Increase of His Kingdom
Trusting Him to the End

Pastor Devlin

THE LORD RECEIVES OUR GIFTS AND HEARTS

Call for the Offering and Offertory

Amen

Krug

Prayers of the People

Prayers of Thanksgiving

Mr. Peter A. Chace

Congregational Response No. 734

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.

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 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 No. 100

Holy, Holy, Holy

Prayer of Thanksgiving followed by the Threefold Amen No. 740

Trinity Hymnal

A musical score for the hymn 'Amen, amen, amen.' It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature has three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with the lyrics 'A - men, a - men, a - - - men.' written below the notes. The piece ends with a double bar line. In the bottom right corner of the score area, it says 'DANISH Anon.'

THE LORD SCATTERS US TO ADVANCE HIS KINGDOM

Closing Hymn No. 320

vv. 1, 4

Rejoice, All Ye Believers

Benediction

Postlude

Voluntary on "Nicaea"

Frackenpohl

****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.

Holy, Holy, Holy!

Day and night they never stop saying: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was, and is, and is to come." Rev. 4:8

Chords: D Bm A D G D 7

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!

Chords: A D Bm A E7 A

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.

Chords: D Bm A D G D

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!

Chords: Bm D G D G A7 D 7

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.
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Rejoice, All Ye Believers

Here's the bridegroom! Come out to meet him! Matt. 25:6

1. Re - joice, all ye be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear;
 2. See that your lamps are burn - ing; re - plen - ish them with oil;
 3. Ye saints, who here in pa - tience your cross and suf - f'rings bore,
 4. Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;

the eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing, and dark - er night is near:
 and wait for your sal - va - tion, the end of earth - ly toil.
 shall live and reign for - ev - er, when sor - row is no more:
 a - rise, thou sun so longed for, o'er this be - night - ed sphere.

the Bride - groom is a - ris - ing, and soon he draw - eth nigh;
 The watch - ers on the moun - tain pro - claim the Bride - groom near;
 a - round the throne of glo - ry the Lamb ye shall be - hold,
 With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, we plead, O Lord, to see

up, pray, and watch, and wres - tle: at mid - night comes the cry.
 go meet him as he com - eth, with al - le - lu - ias clear.
 in tri - umph cast be - fore him your di - a - dems of gold.
 the day of earth's re - demp - tion that brings us un - to thee.

The Increase of His Kingdom

The King Who Saves

March 2	Isaiah 40:1-29
March 5 (Ash Wednesday)	Isaiah 41:1-29
March 9	Isaiah 42:1-25
March 16	Isaiah 43:1-28
March 23	Isaiah 44:1-28
March 30	Isaiah 45:1-25
April 6	Isaiah 46:1-13
April 13	Isaiah 47:1-15
April 17 (Maundy Thursday)	Isaiah 48:1-22
April 20	Isaiah 49:1-26

THIS WEEK AT BEVERLY HEIGHTS

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

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Church Offices Closed

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

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 27

1:00 PM Women's Book Study
4:00 PM Prayer Team Meeting
7:15 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28

SATURDAY, MARCH 1

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