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Beverly Heights
Presbyterian
Church

SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

Beverly Heights Church

Welcome and Greeting

Rev. Dr. Nathanael Devlin, Senior Pastor

Announcements

Amy Lucas, Church Administrator

THE LORD GATHERS US FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Festive Voluntary
Jinna Park, *Accompanist and Organist*

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*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: O magnify the Lord with me!

People: Let us exult His name together!

Congregational Introit **No. 302**

v. 1

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Prayer of Invocation

Opening Hymn of Praise **No. 302**

vv. 2, 3

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Responsive Reading

from Psalm 25

Mr. Peter A. Chace

Leader: To You, O LORD, I lift up my soul. O my God, in You I trust; let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies exult over me. Indeed, none who wait for You shall be put to shame; they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

People: **Make me to know Your ways, O LORD; teach me Your paths. Lead me in Your truth and teach me, for You are the God of my salvation; for You I wait all the day long.**

Leader: Good and upright is the LORD; therefore He instructs sinners in the way. He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble His way. All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep His covenant and His testimonies.

People: **Consider how many are my foes, and with what violent hatred they hate me. Oh, guard my soul, and deliver me! Let me not be put to shame, for I take refuge in You. May integrity and uprightness preserve me, for I wait for You.**

Responsive Hymn **No. 453**

vv. 1-4

All Authority and Power

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

302

Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD. Ps. 95:1

1. Come, Chris - tians, join to sing Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 2. Come, lift your hearts on high, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 3. Praise yet our Christ a - gain, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

loud praise to Christ our King; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 let prais - es fill the sky; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 life shall not end the strain; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

let all, with heart and voice, be - fore his throne re - joice;
 he is our Guide and Friend; to us he'll con - de - scend;
 on heav - en's bliss - ful shore, his good - ness we'll a - dore,

praise is his gra - cious choice. Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 his love shall nev - er end. Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 sing - ing for - ev - er - more, "Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!"

All Authority and Power

453

All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Matt. 28:18

1. All au - thor - i - ty and pow - er, ev - 'ry sta - tus
 2. All the na - tions owe him wor - ship, ev - 'ry tongue shall
 3. All the clear com - mands of Je - sus must be heed - ed
 4. All the time he will be with us, al - ways, to the

and do - main, now be - longs to him who suf - fered
 call him Lord; how are men to call up - on him
 and o - beyed; full pro - vi - sion for our weak - ness
 end of days, with his own be - liev - ing peo - ple,

our re - demp - tion to ob - tain; an - gels, de - mons,
 if his name they have not heard? There - fore go and
 in his teach - ing he has made; in the Gos - pel
 who keep stead - fast in his ways; God the Fa - ther,

kings and rul - ers, o - ver all shall Je - sus reign!
 make dis - ci - ples, preach his gos - pel, spread his word.
 words and sym - bols, sav - ing truth to us con - veyed.
 Son, and Spir - it, bless us, and to him the praise!

THE LORD CLEANSSES OUR SIN

Unison Prayer of Confession, Followed by Silent Confession of Sin

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

Gracious God, You have given us the law of Moses and the teachings of Jesus to direct us in the way of life. You offer us Your Holy Spirit so that we can be born to new life as Your children. Yet, O God, we confess that the ways of rebellion and death have a strong attraction and that we often succumb to their lure. Give us Your grace and the courage to choose life and obey Your commands that we may receive Your blessing. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news of the gospel: The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. As a father has compassion for his children, so the Lord has compassion for those who fear Him.

Unison Confession of Faith

Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made;
who, for us, and for our salvation, came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary,
and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified;
who spoke by the prophets.**

**And we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE LORD SANCTIFIES OUR LIVES

New Testament Lesson

Matthew 12:1-21

Dr. Kyle David Bennett

Hymn of Praise **No. 524**

vv. 1-3

Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ

Special Music

Song without Words, op. 38, no. 6: Duetto
Katie Phelps, piano

Mendelssohn

Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ

524

He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy.

Titus 3:5

1. Thy works, not mine, O Christ, speak glad - ness to this heart; they
 2. Thy pains, not mine, O Christ, up - on the shame - ful tree, have
 3. Thy cross, not mine, O Christ, has borne the aw - ful load of
 4. Thy righ - teous- ness, O Christ, a - lone can cov - er me: no

REFRAIN

tell me all is done; they bid my fear de - part.
 paid the law's full price and pur - chased peace for me. To whom, save
 sins that none in heav'n or earth could bear but God. To whom, save
 righ - teous- ness a - vails save that which is of thee.

thee, who canst a - lone for sin a - tone, Lord, shall I flee?

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all
 crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host:
 praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

*Children ages 18 months to kindergarten are dismissed to the Walkabouts Room and Runabouts Room.
 The Nursery is open but not staffed. All other children remain in worship with their families.*

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 56:1-8

Sermon

The Increase of His Kingdom
 They That Wait

Pastor Devlin

THE LORD RECEIVES OUR GIFTS AND HEARTS

Call for the Offering and Offertory

My Jesus, I Love Thee

Kingsmore

Prayers for the People

Prayers for Grandparents

Mr. Peter A. Chace

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 below)

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

See Screen

In You, O Lord, I Place My Trust

Prayer of Thanksgiving followed by the Threefold Amen No. 740

Trinity Hymnal

THE LORD SCATTERS US TO ADVANCE HIS KINGDOM

Closing Hymn No. 524

v. 4

Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ

Benediction

Postlude

Festive Prelude on "Truro"

McDonald

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

All baptized 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.

Sermon Notes

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Worship at a Glance

A Brief Overview of our Worship Service and How to Participate

A Note to Parents

Children are encouraged to be in the sanctuary because we believe the Bible commands us to include children in the worship service. Parents have the privilege of training their children for worship every Lord's Day. We are happy to partner with you in that training. To assist in training, we encourage families with children to sit closer to the front with their kids and make use of the children's worship bags in the sanctuary. Childcare rooms are also available when additional training or discipline is necessary. For more information, feel free to contact Nadine Michalak or Pastor Nate.

What is a Bulletin?

The bulletin contains our order of worship and includes all the information you need to worship with us on Sundays. The bulletin is not something we simply "work through" but a guide that helps us in our worship of God. Our worship services are approximately 90 minutes.

Announcements

Announcements about the ministry are given before the worship service begins. In the summer, we include a time of musical instruction as part of the announcements.

Prelude

The prelude is a musical selection that is played at the beginning of the worship service. During that time, worshipers are encouraged to pray and prepare their hearts and minds for worship. The prelude ends with the "ringing of the hour," which includes the Westminster Chime, followed by a Trinitarian bell.

Congregational Responses

Worship at Beverly Heights is "dialogical," meaning it is a dialogue between God and His people. The Pastor calls and the congregation responds throughout the service. All responsive readings for the congregation are in **bold**. The congregation also responds by kneeling for confession, standing for the reading of God's word before the sermon, and declaring "Amen" after prayer and song.

Confessions of Sin and Faith

Each Sunday, the congregation is invited to confess their sins. We first confess corporately, followed by a time of silent and private confession. Everyone is invited to bow their heads and, for those who are able, to kneel for confession. Following the confession of sin, the pastor offers assurance of your forgiveness. The congregation then joins in a unison confession of faith through one of the ecumenical creeds (Apostles' Creed, Nicene Creed, Definition of Chalcedon).

Music

Our worship service includes weekly special music. Normally, the choir (which is the "first-fruit" of the voice) sings an anthem on behalf of the congregation. When the choir is in recess, special music is offered by soloists or ensembles. We refrain from clapping for these musical offerings but respond as a congregation by lifting up our hands and singing the Doxology *a cappella*. All congregational music for the service can be found in the bulletin, the Trinity Hymnbook, or the Summer Psalter. Our Director of Music cantors to assist the congregation in singing.

Scripture Readings

There are two scripture lessons during the worship service, normally one from the Old Testament and one from the New Testament. We always stand for the reading before the sermon in keeping with the model found in Nehemiah 8:5.

Sermon

The preaching of the word is understood as a direct address by God through the preacher to the congregation. Our sermons are predominantly exegetical (derived from the text) but sometimes topical. Most sermons will include an introduction, an explanation of the text, an application, and a takeaway (call to action).

Offering

Every Lord's Day includes the opportunity to present an offering to the Lord in the form of gifts, tithes, offerings, and prayers. (A "tithes" is defined by the scriptures as a tenth of our income.)

Pastoral Prayer

Following the offering, a pastoral prayer is made on behalf of the congregation. The subject of the prayer varies weekly, and worshipers are encouraged to join in the prayer by faith.

Communion

We practice weekly communion in worship. All baptized believers who trust in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are invited to partake in the Lord's Supper (See additional note in bulletin). Worshipers come to the front of the sanctuary to receive the bread and wine, but all partake of the elements together in the pews. As you receive the elements, the congregation is invited to sing. After communion, there is a "Eucharistic" (thanksgiving) prayer, followed by the singing of the threefold "Amen."

Closing

After communion, the congregation sings a closing hymn or Psalm, followed by the benediction. The benediction is a blessing given by God to the congregation by the pastor. All worshipers are encouraged to stretch out their hands as a gesture of receptivity as they receive the benediction.

Postlude

The service ends with the playing of a postlude.

The Increase of His Kingdom

The Kingdom to Come

September 7	Isaiah 56:1-8
September 14	Isaiah 56:9-57:13
September 21	Isaiah 57:14-21
September 28	Isaiah 58:1-14
October 5	Isaiah 59:1-21
October 12	Isaiah 60:1-22
October 19	Isaiah 61:1-11
October 26	Isaiah 62:1-12
November 2	Isaiah 63:1-14
November 9	Isaiah 63:15-64:12
November 16	Isaiah 65:1-25
November 23	Isaiah 66:1-24

THIS WEEK AT BEVERLY HEIGHTS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

9:00 AM Christian Ed for all ages
10:00 AM Worship Service
4:30 PM Church Picnic

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Church Offices Closed

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

7:00 PM Session Meeting

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 10

8:00 AM Men's Study Group
10:00 AM Staff Meeting
7:00 PM Women's Chorale Rehearsal

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

1:00 PM Women's Book Study
4:00 PM Prayer Team Meeting
7:00 PM Men's Chorale Rehearsal
7:30 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

8:00 AM Men's Study Group

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

9:00 AM Christian Ed for all ages
10:00 AM Worship Service

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