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Beverly Heights  
Presbyterian  
Church

SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

# 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.

# 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!

Choral Introit **No. 71**

vv. 1, 2

*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 Hymn of Praise **No. 71**

v. 3

*Stand Up, O God, Be Present Now*

Responsive Reading

Psalm 94

Dr. Kyle David Bennett

Leader: O LORD, God of vengeance, O God of vengeance, shine forth! Rise up, O judge of the earth; repay to the proud what they deserve! O LORD, how long shall the wicked, how long shall the wicked exult?

People: They pour out their arrogant words; all the evildoers boast. They crush Your people, O LORD, and afflict Your heritage. They kill the widow and the sojourner, and murder the fatherless; and they say, "The LORD does not see; the God of Jacob does not perceive."

Leader: Understand, O dullest of the people! Fools, when will you be wise? He who planted the ear, does He not hear? He who formed the eye, does He not see? He who disciplines the nations, does He not rebuke? He who teaches man knowledge—the LORD—knows the thoughts of man, that they are but a breath.

**People: Blessed is the man whom You discipline, O LORD, and whom You teach out of Your law, to give him rest from days of trouble, until a pit is dug for the wicked. For the LORD will not forsake His people; He will not abandon His heritage; for justice will return to the righteous, and all the upright in heart will follow it.**

Leader: Who rises up for me against the wicked? Who stands up for me against evildoers? If the LORD had not been my help, my soul would soon have lived in the land of silence. When I thought, “My foot slips,” Your steadfast love, O LORD, held me up. When the cares of my heart are many, Your consolations cheer my soul.

**People: Can wicked rulers be allied with You, those who frame injustice by statute? They band together against the life of the righteous and condemn the innocent to death. But the LORD has become my stronghold, and my God the rock of my refuge. He will bring back on them their iniquity and wipe them out for their wickedness; the LORD our God will wipe them out.**

Responsive Hymn **No. 163**

vv. 1-3

*At the Name of Jesus*

**THE LORD CLEANSSES OUR SIN**

Unison Prayer of Lament, 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.*

**Why, Lord, must evil seem to get its way? We confess that our sin is deeply shameful; but the wicked are openly scornful—they mock Your name and laugh at the dismay of Your people. We know Your providential love holds true: nothing can curse us endlessly with sorrow. Transform, Oh Lord, this damage into good; show us Your glory, hidden by this evil. How long will my enemy triumph over me? But I trust in Your unfailing love; my heart rejoices in Your salvation. I will confess and sing the LORD’s praise. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

*Hear the comfort of the gospel: Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise Him, my salvation and my God.*

## Stand Up, O God, Be Present Now

*May God arise, may his enemies be scattered; may his foes flee before him. Ps. 68:1*

*Unison* Dm Em<sup>7</sup> Dm Em<sup>7</sup> F Gm<sup>7</sup>

1. Stand up, O God, be pres - ent now, and all who hate you,  
 2. Stand up, O God, be pres - ent now, as once on Si - nai  
 3. Stand up, O God, be pres - ent now, and we, your peo - ple,

let them run like driv - en smoke, like melt - ing wax, bound  
 you were heard by those who left the pris - on's chain, who  
 will re - joice, for you have saved us from the pit, for

for de - struc - tion, doomed to die. But let the righ - teous  
 crossed the sea and faced the sand. They ate the man - na,  
 you have brought us back from death. So, to your ho - ly

sing and dance, yes, sing and dance and shout for joy, for  
 drank from springs pro - vid - ed by your gra - cious love. They  
 place, we come with choirs and mu - sic, young and old. Re -

C Gm Dm

HIS SOVEREIGNTY

F C Bbmaj<sup>7</sup> A<sup>7</sup>

he who rides up - on the clouds is com - ing, as he  
 watched as might - y ar - mies fled, and so they gained the  
 buke the god - less, cast them down till hum - bled, they for

Dm G A Dm Em<sup>7</sup> Dm Em<sup>7</sup>

came of old. His jus - tice vin - di - cates the op - pressed, he  
 prom - ised land. Now, march - ing on to Zi - on's mount, we  
 mer - cy call; then men shall lis - ten for your voice as

F Gm<sup>7</sup> F Bb REFRAIN Dm A<sup>7</sup> G<sup>9</sup>

frees the pris - 'ner, brings him home.  
 see the heav'n - ly hosts de - scend. Stand up, O God, be  
 rid - ing through the heav'ns you come.

A<sup>7</sup> Dm Gm Dm Asus Am Dm 7

pres - ent now, and we will sing and shout for joy.

## At the Name of Jesus

*That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow ... and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Phil. 2:10, 11*

1. At the name of Je - sus ev - 'ry knee shall bow,  
 2. At his voice cre - a - tion sprang at once to sight,  
 3. Hum - bled for a sea - son to re - ceive a name  
 4. In your hearts en - throne him; there let him sub - due  
 5. Broth - ers, this Lord Je - sus shall re - turn a - gain,

ev - 'ry tongue con - fess him King of glo - ry now.  
 all the an - gel fac - es, all the hosts of light,  
 • from the lips of sin - ners un - to whom he came,  
 all that is not ho - ly, all that is not true:  
 with his Fa - ther's glo - ry, with his an - gel train;

'Tis the Fa - ther's plea - sure we should call him Lord,  
 thrones and dom - i - na - tions, stars up - on their way,  
 • faith - ful - ly he bore it spot - less to the last,  
 crown him as your Cap - tain in temp - ta - tion's hour:  
 for all wreaths of em - pire meet up - on his brow,

who from the be - gin - ning was the might - y Word.  
 all the heav'n - ly or - ders in their great ar - ray.  
 • brought it back vic - to - rious, when from death he passed.  
 let his will en - fold you in its light and pow'r.  
 and our hearts con - fess him King of glo - ry now.

**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	Luke 13:1-17	Mr. Peter A. Chace
Hymn of Praise <b>No. 163</b>	vv. 4, 5	<i>At the Name of Jesus</i>
Choral Anthem	<i>Be Thou My Vision</i> Women's Chorale	Morton
Congregational Response <b>No. 731</b>		<i>Doxology</i>

**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 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 56:9-57:13
Sermon	<b>The Increase of His Kingdom</b> When the Righteous Man Is Killed	Pastor Devlin

**THE LORD RECEIVES OUR GIFTS AND HEARTS**

Call for the Offering and Offertory                      *Fairest Lord Jesus*                      Berry  
Prayers for the People              Prayers for the Kirk Family, for Justice and for Our Nation                      Pastor Devlin  
Congregational Response **No. 734**                      *Gloria Patri*

**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 Psalm                      See Screen                      *Ascribe Unto the Lord*  
Prayer of Thanksgiving followed by the Threefold Amen **No. 740**                      *Trinity Hymnal*

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

Closing Hymn **No. 358**                      vv. 1, 3                      *For All the Saints*  
Benediction  
Postlude                      *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*                      Gaspard

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***\*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.*

# For All the Saints

*They will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them. Rev. 14:13*

*Unison*

1. For all the saints who from their labors rest,  
 2. Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;  
 3. O may thy soldiers faithful, true, and bold,  
 4. The golden evening brightens in the west;  
 5. But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;  
 6. From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,

who thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed,  
 thou, Lord, their Cap - tain in the well - fought fight;  
 fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old,  
 soon, soon to faith - ful war - riors comes their rest;  
 the saints tri - um - phant rise in bright ar - ray;  
 through gates of pearl streams in the count - less host,

thy name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.  
 thou, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.  
 and win with them the vic - tor's crown of gold.  
 sweet is the calm of par - a - dise the blest.  
 the King of glo - ry pass - es on his way.  
 sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

# 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 14

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

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

*Church Offices Closed*

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

### WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 17

8:00 AM Men's Study Group

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

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

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

8:00 AM Men's Study Group

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

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

### Call for the Annual Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation:

The Session of Beverly Heights Presbyterian Church hereby calls the Annual Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation to be held on Sunday, September 28, 2025, at 6:00 PM in the church sanctuary.

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