



HANOVER VALLEY
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 3, 2024

**Pastor Drew Derreth
The Math of Grace**

WELCOME TO HANOVER VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Our purpose is to become an **authentic** community that knows **Christ** and makes His **grace** and **truth** known with such power and glory that lives are **transformed** by the **gospel**, multiplying worship and praise to God throughout **Hanover** and the world.

Welcome. We're glad that you're with us. We hope you'll find joyful worship that engages both your heart and mind, as well as genuine friendship and a caring atmosphere. Please take advantage of any of the opportunities offered here. If we can serve you in any way today, simply speak to one of the ushers.

Children are welcome to stay in the service, but if you prefer, quality childcare is provided throughout the service for children from infants to kindergarten aged. Please speak to one of our ushers for locations.

This bulletin will guide you through the service - just start on the next page and continue as the pastor leads. (Moments when you should stand are noted).

As a courtesy to you and those around you, we ask that you please mute cell phones during the worship time.

REFLECTIONS

*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
To all who mourn and long for comfort;
To all who struggle and desire victory;
To all who sin and need a Savior;
To all who are strangers and want fellowship;
To all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
And to all who will come,
this church opens wide her doors and
offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ*

These then are the two works of God, praised many times in Scripture: he kills and gives life, he wounds and heals, he destroys and helps, he condemns and saves, he humbles and elevates, he disgraces and honors... He does these works through these two offices, the first through the letter, the second through the Spirit. The letter does not allow anyone to stand before his wrath. The Spirit does not allow anyone to perish before his grace. Oh, this is such an overwhelming affair that one could talk about it endlessly!

Martin Luther
Concerning the Letter and the Spirit

SUNDAY WORSHIP

November 3rd, 2024

Prelude

Call to Worship

Gathering Songs

(Please Stand)

Arise, My Soul Arise

Arise, my soul, arise. Shake off your guilty fears
The bleeding sacrifice on my behalf appears
Before the throne my surety stands
Before the throne my surety stands
My name is written on His hands

Chorus: Arise (arise) arise (arise)

Arise, arise my soul arise

Arise (arise) arise (arise)

Arise, arise my soul arise

Shake off your guilty fears and rise

He ever lives above for me to intercede
His all-redeeming love, His precious blood to plead
His blood atoned for every race
His blood atoned for every race
And sprinkles now the throne of grace **Chorus**

My God is reconciled, His pardoning voice I hear
He owns me for His child, I can no longer fear
With confidence, I now draw nigh
With confidence, I now draw nigh
And "Father, Abba, Father" cry **Chorus**

Shout to the Lord

My Jesus, My Savior, Lord, there is none like You
All of my days I want to praise the wonders of Your mighty love
My comfort, my shelter, Tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath, all that I am never cease to worship You

Chorus: Shout to the Lord, all the earth let us sing
Power and majesty, praise to the King
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name
I sing for the joy at the work of Your hands
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You

My Jesus, My Savior, Lord, there is none like You
All of my days I want to praise the wonders of Your mighty love
My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength
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Tag: Nothing compares to the promise I have,
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Corporate Prayer of Confession

Loving Lord Jesus Christ, who came to seek and to save the lost, who invites the weary and the overburdened to rest, and who heals the hurting: we confess that we have lost our way. Forgive our wayward and willful disobedience. Lead us back to you. Forgive us for every thought, word, or deed that has brought hurt to others, harmed ourselves, or dishonored your name. Look to the Cross for our payment and to the righteousness of your Son for our covering. Heal the pain we have caused. Grace us with your Holy Spirit and lead us once again in the way that leads to life and holiness. And now, receive our worship and thanks as we celebrate your forgiveness, love and mercy. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

Private Confession

Words of Encouragement

I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean; I will cleanse you from all your impurities and from all your idols. I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws.

Ezekiel 36: 25-27

Song of Assurance

Wonderful Merciful Savior

(Please Stand)

Wonderful, merciful Savior,
Precious Redeemer and friend.
Who would have thought that a lamb could
Rescue the souls of men?
Oh, You rescue the souls of men.

Counselor, comforter, keeper,
Spirit we long to embrace.
You offer hope when our hearts have
Hopelessly lost the way.
Oh, we hopelessly lost the way.

Chorus: You are the One that we praise,
You are the One we adore.
You give the healing and grace our
Hearts always hunger for,
Oh, our hearts always hunger for.

Almighty, infinite Father,
Faithfully loving Your own,
Here in our weakness You find us
Falling before Your throne.
Oh, we're falling before Your throne. **(Chorus 2X)**

Announcements & Prayers of the People

Special Music & Offering

Scripture

Genesis 18.16-33

Sermon

The Math of Grace

Song of Reflection

Jesus, Priceless Treasure

(Please Stand)

Jesus, priceless treasure, source of purest pleasure, truest friend to me.

Long my heart hath panted 'til it well nigh fainted, thirsting after Thee.
Thine I am, O spotless Lamb, I will suffer naught to hide Thee,
Ask for naught beside Thee, ask for naught beside Thee

In Thy strength I rest me, if Thy arms protect me, who can reach me here?

Though the earth be shaking, every heart be quaking, God dispells our fear.

Sin and hell and conflict fell, with their heaviest storms assail us,
Jesus will not fail us, Jesus will not fail us

Banished is our sadness, for the Lord of gladness, Jesus enters in.

Those who love the Father, though the storms may gather, still have peace within.

Yea, whate'er we here must bear still in Thee lies purest pleasure,

Jesus, priceless treasure, Jesus, priceless treasure

Yea, whate'er we here must bear still in Thee lies purest pleasure,

Jesus, priceless treasure, Jesus, priceless treasure

Invitation to the Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper, also called Communion or the Eucharist, is the family meal of Christians. We welcome all committed followers of Jesus Christ to partake of this sacrament; those who are baptized members of a congregation which proclaims the gospel, who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer. Note About the Supper: Wine is used. However, the outer ring of the tray contains non-alcoholic grape juice. Please hold the elements so that we may all partake together.

Benediction

Parting Song of Praise

Wonderful Merciful Savior

Chorus: You are the One that we praise,

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WORSHIP MUSICIANS

Jessi Stauffer - piano, vocals

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 18.16-33

16 When the men got up to leave, they looked down toward Sodom, and Abraham walked along with them to see them on their way. 17 Then the Lord said, "Shall I hide from Abraham what I am about to do? 18 Abraham will surely become a great and powerful nation, and all nations on earth will be blessed through him. 19 For I have chosen him, so that he will direct his children and his household after him to keep the way of the Lord by doing what is right and just, so that the Lord will bring about for Abraham what he has promised him." 20 Then the Lord said, "The outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is so great and their sin so grievous 21 that I will go down and see if what they have done is as bad as the outcry that has reached me. If not, I will know." 22 The men turned away and went toward Sodom, but Abraham remained standing before the Lord. 23 Then Abraham approached him and said: "Will you sweep away the righteous with the wicked? 24 What if there are fifty righteous people in the city? Will you really sweep it away and not spare the place for the sake of the fifty righteous people in it? 25 Far be it from you to do such a thing—to kill the righteous with the wicked, treating the righteous and the wicked alike. Far be it from you! Will not the Judge of all the earth do right?" 26 The Lord said, "If I find fifty righteous people in the city of Sodom, I will spare the whole place for their sake." 27 Then Abraham spoke up again: "Now that I have been so bold as to speak to the Lord, though I am nothing but dust and ashes, 28 what if the number of the righteous is five less than fifty? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five people?" "If I find forty-five there," he said, "I will not destroy it." 29 Once again he spoke to him, "What if only forty are found there?" He said, "For the sake of forty, I will not do it." 30 Then he said, "May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak. What if only thirty can be found there?" He answered, "I will not do it if I find thirty there." 31 Abraham said, "Now that I have been so bold as to speak to the Lord, what if only twenty can be found there?" He said, "For the sake of twenty, I will not destroy it." 32 Then he said, "May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak just once more. What if only ten can be found there?" He answered, "For the sake of ten, I will not destroy it." 33 When the Lord had finished speaking with Abraham, he left, and Abraham returned home.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT COMMUNING

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, You claim to be the way, the truth and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following You as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what You claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who You are. Give me an understanding of You that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that You Proclaim. Amen.

Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through You I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that You have been raised from the dead as proof of your power to conquer sin and death, I turn from my sins and receive You as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in You the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on You, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to You, the pioneer and perfecter of my faith. Amen

Prayer of Commitment

Lord Jesus, You have called us to follow You in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your Church. Grant that I may take the steps necessary to be one with Your people and live in the fullness of Your Spirit. Amen

COMMUNITY & CHURCH LIFE

Parking on Sundays

We're glad you're here today! There is a map available on our website (www.hanovervalley.org), highlighting available local parking. There's plenty and it's all less than a block away. There is also a parking lot, especially for guests, next to our building outside the Railroad Street Entrance. All public, metered, on-street parking is free on Sundays.

Live Stream & Bulletin Instructions

You can access the livestream from the front page of hanovervalley.org or through youtube.com/user/HanoverValley.

If you would like to access the weekly bulletin electronically, you can do so through the member area of our website. To access the bulletin, login to the website (after registering for free using your email), click the drop down menu in the upper right hand corner and select 'Weekly Bulletin' to download and view the most recent bulletin.

Sunday Morning Childcare

We have childcare for children up to the age of four during our 10:00am worship service. The nursery has recently been renovated to provide more space and will be cleaned thoroughly each week.

Catechism Class

Starting on September 15th, we will offer a class discussing the Westminster Shorter Catechism from 9:00-9:45am. This class is taught by Noah and is open to all students 3 years of age to 5th grade.

Ladies Bible Study

You are invited! The ladies bible study is starting up again on Saturday, September 28th. Group will be on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month, from 10am to 11:30am at the church. We will be studying, "Becoming a Woman of Grace" by Cynthia Heald. The sign up sheet is in Great room and by the kitchen.

Adult Workshop

As the fall takes root, we will be offering a two week adult workshop each other before we get to close to the holiday. The session and pastors will teach and the format will be very practical and discussion oriented. Each workshop begins at 9 am in the Dock Room. We hope you'll take part. If you have any questions contact Pastor Derreth.

November 17 & 24 - Building Cultural Bridges

COMMUNITY & CHURCH LIFE

Prayer Gathering

We are meeting on the **2nd and 4th Wednesday** of every month @ **6:30 pm** at the church following safe social distancing. We would love to have you join us! Please contact Gary Harrity for more information at (717) 630-2771.

Kids Group

Kids Group will restart Sunday August 18th from 6:00-7:30pm. This group is for 1st-5th grade students and is currently coordinated by Ellis Lankford. Please see Ellis or Noah with questions!

Operation Christmas Child

It's time again to fill a shoe box for Operation Christmas Child. A shoe box filled with items that children around the world would love, is the bridge that local pastors use to reach families with the light of the gospel. We have provided shoe boxes located in the hallway by the kitchen, that you can use to provide this precious gift. The national collection week will be November 18-24. There will be pamphlets that will help you know how to fill the box and what not to use. I hope you will take the time to enjoy this activity that could change a child's life.

Attention musicians and singers

We are in need of volunteers for Advent Sunday and Christmas Eve services. Please contact Jessi@hanovervalley.org if you are able to volunteer. Thank you!

Mercy Fund

We want to remind everyone that the Mercy Fund is available to provide short-term financial support for unexpected needs and emergencies. If you or someone you know needs assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the pastor or an elder. All inquiries are strictly confidential. The Mercy Fund is tangible evidence of God's grace and mercy. Such blessings are meant to be used.

PRAYERS

Prayer Requests:

Pray that Andrew Hauser will continue to remain clear of any rejection of his new organs and for safety as he travels to and from Pittsburgh for his tests. Pray that we would recognize God's hand in our lives and the lives around us.

Please pray for healing for Debbie's back and legs and for direction with the decisions she and Steve need to make.

Please pray for Kenzi Stapf's friend Ksenia, who lost her boyfriend of four years to a tragic vehicle accident. We ask that you also keep his family in your prayers as they go through this difficult time.

Ann Kerrison, a friend of Debbie Stapf, was recently diagnosed with a rare form of cancer. Pray for Ann and her family as they navigate this challenging time, both physically and emotionally. Please pray for the doctors in their discernment of her treatment.

Please pray for the Smith family as Myfanwy's dad, Alan Jacob, passed away recently after being on hospice. Please also pray for Myfanwy's three sisters and her mother, Jane Rosenfield. Steve's "poppy" Joseph Wantz, also passed away this week. Please pray for the family as they go through this difficult time.

. We want to share your concerns and praises. If you have something to include here please contact Sarah Trask;

GROWTH GROUPS



No one can thrive with just a Sunday morning connection. We all need a place to develop genuine friendships, ask honest questions, and discover the applications of the Gospel to real life. Growth Groups are where that happens most authentically. They are the primary place for pastoral care. They are open groups led by trained lay leaders designed for the curious, the skeptic, the struggling, the experienced, the new and the old - people all along their spiritual journey. They are the very lifeblood of the church. Contact the pastor or one of these Growth Group leaders to discuss getting involved. Every group is always open to all.



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VIRTUAL GIVING

We are so grateful for the many ways everyone supports Hanover Valley! While we do collect offerings on Sunday morning, we also have online giving with options for automatic weekly or monthly donations. The QR code to the right makes it easier to get to our website giving page.



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If you're a guest, please let us know you were with us today by completing the form below. We'll add you to our mailing list so you can receive church information and updates. You can also use the space below to share any questions, ideas or prayer concerns you may have.

NAME:

DATE:

SPOUSE & CHILDREN:

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