

THIS WEEK AT SPC:

May 21 - 27

TODAY, 1pm CPR Training (Fire Department)

Offered by Shepherdstown Volunteer Fire Department (SVFD) personnel for all who are interested.

The 4-hour training will be held in Barron Hall at the fire station.

Wednesday, 7pm, Teach the Preacher (Zoom):

Share your questions and reflections on how the week's Lesson speaks to your spiritual journey

Friday, noon, Gathering Space for Prayer (Zoom):

Offering our prayers for ourselves and others, the community, country and the world.

Bring any of your own joys and concerns, but this is not required.

Saturday, 1pm, Yarns & Threads (Fellowship Hall):

A group of knitters, crocheters and embroidery-ers and makers of anything with yarn or thread meet once a month to work on various projects, including prayer shawls and baby blankets.

No reservation needed, just show up!

WANTED: COORDINATOR for MONTHLY COMMUNITY MEALS. These meals, served by SPC volunteers, feed members of our community who may be unable to have nutritious meals. The coordinator (or coordinators--invite a friend to work with you!) create and monitor the monthly volunteer signup for meal preparation and manage the delivery and serving of meals in Charles Town on the first Sunday of the month. Training will be provided.

Celebrate!

SPC Worship Through Eastertide and Beyond

April 9 - May 28

As we emerge from the worst of the pandemic and settle into the glory of spring in the panhandle, we celebrate the gift of life together and form new foundation for the future here at SPC.

Warming the Cross liturgical art returns

for a second season,

inviting us to dwell in the promise of peace

on the other side of despair.

May 28 (Pentecost): Join the Joy!

June 4 (Trinity Sunday): PRIDE-Making Progress

June 11: Faith Made Well (Guns 2 Gardens)

June 18: Youth Mission Trip Reflections

June 25: Hymn Sing

Worship Planning Team: Keri Mahoney, Lores Morton, Debbie Romano, Bob Tucker, Julie Tucker, Diana Wesley

Children and Youth In Worship at SPC

11 a.m. Service

Children of all ages are joyfully welcome
in all aspects of worship life.

Parents of children younger than 5
may wish to utilize the nursery upstairs.

Children ages 5 through 5th Grade
are invited to participate in **First Pew**
time of conversation with the Pastor
and then proceed to **Sunday Studio upstairs**,
facilitated by a Children's Ministry volunteer.

On some Sundays,
the children return to the sanctuary
at the end of the service
to share what they have learned.
When children do not return to the sanctuary,
they may be picked up
from the Sunday Studio room upstairs.

Youth in Grades 6 – 12
are encouraged to worship in the sanctuary.
Youth Group generally meets after worship
every other Sunday.

Prayer for Loneliness

What happened is, we grew lonely
living among the things,
so we gave the clock a face,
the chair a back,
the table four stout legs
which will never suffer fatigue.

We fitted our shoes with tongues
as smooth as our own
and hung tongues inside bells
so we could listen
to their emotional language,

and because we loved graceful profiles
the pitcher received a lip,
the bottle a long, slender neck.

Even what was beyond us
was recast in our image;
we gave the country a heart,
the storm an eye,
the cave a mouth
so we could pass into safety.

Lisel Mueller