

God strengthens the powerless. **Isaiah 40:29**

God heals the brokenhearted. **Psalms 147:3**

I do it all for the sake of the gospel. **1 Corinthians 9:23**

And she began to serve them. **Mark 1:31**

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#### **To Our Guests**

We are glad you are with us. Please sign the guest book by the front door and fill in a visitor's card from the pew pocket. After the service enjoy a cup of fair trade coffee with friends in the Fellowship Hall.

## **THE FONT OF IDENTITY**

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### **+Introit (2x)**

*The light is coming, the light is coming back.  
Darkness may reign for a moment,  
but the light is coming back.*

### **Proclamation**

In life and death we belong to God.  
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit,  
we trust in the one triune God,  
whom alone we worship and serve.

### **Call to Serve**

**\*+Hymn 175**  
"Seek Ye First"

### **Prayer for Service**

This breathing in is a miracle,  
This breathing out, release,  
This breathing in a welcome to the unseen gifts  
that sustain me each moment,  
This breathing out a sweet sigh,  
A bow to my mortality,  
This breathing in a holy yes to life  
This breathing out a sacred no  
To all that causes me to clench and gasp,  
This breathing in is a revelation,  
This breathing out, freedom.

### **+Response 467, v. 1-2 (2x)**

*Give us light; give us light; give us light, O Lord.  
Give us life, give us life; give us life, O Lord*

### **Declaration of Grace and Gratitude**

#### **\*Response 666, v. 1-2**

"O Splendor of God's Glory Bright"

### **Blessing the World**

Germany, France

### **+Response 842 (2x)**

*The Lord is my light, my light and salvation:  
in God I trust; in God I trust.*

## **First Pew**

### **+Response 842 (2x)**

*The Lord is my light, my light and salvation:  
in God I trust; in God I trust.*

### **Welcome and Parish Life**

## **THE WORD OF HOPE**

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### **Reading**

### **Interlude**

### **Lesson**

Mark 1:29-39

### **Sermon**

"The Call to Serve"

### **\*Hymn 762**

"When the Poor Ones"

## **THE BREAD OF LIFE**

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### **Memorial Moment**

### **Eucharistic Prayer**

### **Offering Our Gifts**

### **Offertory**

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### **Ritual of Transition**

### **\*Credo**

*With believers in every time and place  
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death  
can separate us from the love of God  
in Christ Jesus, our Lord*

### **\*+Sending 853, v. 1, 4**

*We are marching in the light of God;  
we are marching in the light of God. (repeat)  
We are marching, we are marching,  
we are marching in the light of God. (repeat)*

*We are singing in the light of God ...*

### **\*Postlude**

The purpose of human life is to serve, and to show compassion and the will to help others.

**Albert Schweitzer**

Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on earth.

**Muhammad Ali**

No joy can equal the joy of serving others.

**Sai Baba**

Everyone can be great because everyone can serve.

**Martin Luther King, Jr.**

*\*Please rise in body and spirit.*

### **Call to Serve**

Mahatma Gandhi

### **Prayer for Service**

Christine Valters Painter

### **Lesson Translation**

New Revised  
Standard Edition

### **Flowers**

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*Shepherdstown Presbyterian Church: An Inclusive Spiritual Community.* We welcome all who long for meaning, hope, and belonging. Our faith & practice are rooted in the way of Jesus and enriched by wisdom from all sources. We are committed to being and becoming people of radical compassion, working for justice and wholeness in ourselves and the world.



Ordinary Time  
Fifth Sunday

February 4, 2024  
11:00 a.m.

## Sunday, February 4

*Isaiah 40:21–31 Psalm 147:1–11, 20c 1 Corinthians 9:16–23 Mark 1:29–39*

8:30 a.m. Early Service Worship with Communion – Sanctuary

9:30 a.m. Sunday Seminar – Fellowship Hall/Hybrid

11:00 a.m. Service of Worship with Communion – Sanctuary and Facebook Live!  
Sunday Studio - Children K-5th Grade – Classroom 1

4:00 p.m. Monthly Hymn Sing – Sanctuary

5:00 p.m. Community Meal – Zion Episcopal Church Social Center,  
215 E. Washington St., Charles Town, WV 25414

## Monday, February 5

7:00 p.m. Teach the Preacher via Zoom

## Tuesday, February 6

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room

## Thursday, February 8

7:00 p.m. Session Meeting – Fellowship Hall/Hybrid

## Sunday, February 11 • Transfiguration of the Lord Sunday

*2 Kings 2:1–12 Psalm 50:1–6 2 Corinthians 4:3–6 Mark 9:2–9*

8:30 a.m. Early Service Worship – Sanctuary

9:30 a.m. Sunday Seminar – Fellowship Hall/Hybrid

11:00 a.m. Service of Worship – Sanctuary and Facebook Live!  
Sunday Studio - Children K-5th Grade - Classroom 1

12:30 p.m. Youth Group Meeting – Downstairs

**The Steady Art**

Patience is not so much a gift as a skill.  
It does not come unbidden  
As though it were foreign to our nature  
But rather it grows through practice  
A steady art, made stronger by being so often tested.

Few disciplines are as important.  
Few tools of the spiritual life more effective.

Patient in our own struggle  
Patient in the need of others.

Patient in our waiting

Patient in our doing  
Patient in our receiving

Patience is how we learn.  
Patience is how we become grace.

Patience: the peace of God embodied.

**Steve Charleston**

**MUSIC IN WORSHIP:** The Introit is by Ann Zimmerman. The late 20th Century Opening Hymn is a meditative singing of Matthew 6. The Response to the Prayer for Light is a typical bhajan from northern India. The Response to the Declaration pairs a 4th Century Latin text with a 15th Century dance-like tune. The Introduction and Response to the First Pew is from the Taizé community. The late 20th Century Sermon Hymn is from Spain. The Communion Hymn is from the Taizé Community. The late 20th Century Sending is a Zulu/Xhosa freedom song.

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