

I will appoint a place for my people. **2 Samuel 6:5**

I will not violate my covenant. **Psalms 89:34**

You are fellow citizens with the saints.

**Ephesians 2:19**

“Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.”

**Mark 6:31**

#### Guest Reflections

Christa Mastrangelo Joyce

#### Worship Leader

Mica Martin

#### Offertory

Men’s Quartet

#### Accompanist

Sam Jannotta

#### Tech Support

Mark Nutwell

#### 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 411 (2x)

*God is here today; as certain as the air I breathe,  
as certain as the morning sun that rises,  
as certain when I sing you’ll hear my song.*

### 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 Worship

#### \*+Hymn 157

“I Danced in the Morning”

### Prayer for Wholeness

Eternal God, Author of our life  
and End of our pilgrimage:  
Guide us by your Word and Spirit  
amid all perils and temptations,  
that we may not wander from your way,  
nor stumble in the darkness;  
but may finish our course in safety,  
and come to our eternal rest in you.

### +Response 471, v. 1 (2x)

*O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer.  
When I call, answer me.*

*O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer.  
Come and listen to me.*

### Declaration of Grace and Gratitude

### +Response 471, v. 2 (2x)

*The Lord is my song; the Lord is my praise:  
all my hope comes from God.*

*The Lord is my song; the Lord is my praise:  
God, the wellspring of life.*

### Blessing the World

The Pacific islands and the French Overseas Territories of  
New Caledonia (Kanaky) and French Polynesia (Tahiti)

### Response 544 (2x)

*Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God’s holy name.  
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.*

### First Pew

### Response 544 (2x)

*Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God’s holy name.  
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.*

### Welcome and Parish Life

## THE WORD OF HOPE

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### Reading

### Interlude

### Lesson

Psalms 23 and Philippians 4:4-9

### Guest Reflections

Faith and Imagination: Why We All Need Church

### \*Hymn 835

“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

## THE BREAD OF LIFE

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### Prayer for Others

### Offering Our Gifts

### Offertory

A Medley

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### \*Acclamation

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 842

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

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### \*Postlude

Listen to the mustn’ts,  
child. Listen to the don’ts.  
Listen to the shouldn’ts,  
the impossibles, the  
won’ts. Listen to the never  
haves, then listen close to  
me... Anything can hap-  
pen, child. Anything can  
be. **Shel Silverstein**

When we begin from a  
place of belief, no mat-  
ter how small, we can see  
what was always there,  
hidden in plain sight.

**Christie Purifoy**

In his great mercy he has  
given us new birth into a  
living hope. **1 Peter 1:3**

How much good inside a  
day? Depends how good  
you live ‘em. How much  
love inside a friend? De-  
pends how much you give  
‘em. **Shel Silverstein**

*\*Please rise in body and spirit.*

### Lesson Translation

New Revised  
Standard Version

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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  
Seventeenth Sunday

July 21, 2024  
11:00 a.m.

**Sunday, July 21 • Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

*Ephesians 2:11–22 Ephesians 2:11–22 Mark 6:30–34, 53–56 Mark 6:30–34, 53–56*

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

11:00 a.m. Service of Worship – Sanctuary and Facebook Live!

Sunday Studio – Children K-5th Grade – Classroom 2

**Thursday, July 25**

6:00 p.m. Communications Team Meeting – Fellowship Hall

**Saturday, July 27**

1:00 p.m. Yarns & Threads Group – Fellowship Hall

**Sunday, July 28 • Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

*Ephesians 3:14–21 Ephesians 3:14–21 John 6:1–21 John 6:1–21*

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

11:00 a.m. Service of Worship – Sanctuary and Facebook Live!

Sunday Studio – Children K-5th Grade – Classroom 2

**PASTOR GUSTI IS TAKING A COMBINATION OF VACATION AND STUDY LEAVE** through Tuesday, July 30. Guest Reflections on Sundays will come from the parents of SPC. Jen Jones is available for pastoral care July 10 - 24 (jenajones44@gmail.com, 681-247-0193). Mica Martin will be available for pastoral care July 25 - 30 (shar6356@frontiernet.net, 304-261-5874).

**MUSIC IN WORSHIP:** The Introit is an Argentinian chant popular throughout Latin America. The mid 20th Century Opening Hymn was written for this Shaker tune. The Response to the Prayer of Place, Declaration, Intro and Response to First, Communion Music, and Sending are from the Taizé Community. The Sermon Hymn is probably an early 20th Century traditional North American evangelistic hymn.

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**Psalm 89:30-34**

“If your children turn their backs  
and follow not Love’s way,  
If they oppress the weak and  
befriend injustice,  
They will separate themselves from  
Love,  
and they will dwell with fear.  
Even so, my steadfast Love will await  
their return,  
my faithfulness will remain sure.  
My Covenant stands true forever, as  
does the Word that brings life.

**Nan Merrill**

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