

GATHERING OUR HEARTS

Introit (2x)

What does the Lord require of you?
What does the Lord require of you?
To seek justice and love kindness
and walk humbly with your God.

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 Prayer

Lift up your hearts
We lift them up to the Lord

Prayer

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*Hymn 36

"For the Fruit of All Creation"

ENCOUNTERING GRACE

Prayer for Wholeness

We give thanks, merciful God, that in Christ, you seek to unite all things in heaven and in earth, to reconcile all people to one another and to You, to heal all that is broken. We confess that the new creation is not yet complete in us, and that we feel everywhere the barriers that separate us from each other and from your creation. Free us. Help us tear down walls of selfishness, hatred and fear. Fill us with Your Spirit of oneness, and empower us to love, fully and freely, in the way and in the spirit of Jesus. Amen.

Kyrie eleison (2x)

Declaration of Grace & Gratitude

*Response

Love the Lord your God with all your heart
Love the Lord your God with all your soul
Love the Lord your God with all your mind
Love the Lord your God with all that you are

Blessing the World

Cambodia, Laos, Vietnam

**Hymn

This Little Light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine...
All around the neighborhood...

First Pew

See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. **Deuteronomy 30:15**

O that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your statutes! **Psalm 119:5**

I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth.

1 Corinthians 3:6

"Let your word be 'Yes, Yes,' or 'No, No'; anything more than this comes from the evil one."

Matthew 5:37

Pastor
Rev. Gusti Linnea Newquist

Assistants
Flora Tzortzinis
William Gibbs
Mica Martin

Organ
Alan Ogden

Choir Director
Georgiann Toole

Offertory
Men's Quartet

To Our Guests
Glad you're 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.

Welcome and Parish Life

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*Hymn 250

"In the Bulb There Is a Flower"

HEARING THE WORD

Reading

Interlude

"Consecration"

Frederick Chatfield

Lesson

1 Corinthians 3:1-9

Sermon

"On Gardening and the Grace of God"

*Hymn 301

"Let Us Build a House"

SERVING THE WORLD

Prayer for Others

Presenting Offerings

Offertory

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness" (Lamentations 3:22-23)

Thomas Chisholm / William Runyan

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*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.

*Song of Hope

May the God of hope go with us every day,
Filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.

May the God of justice speed us on our way,
Bringing light and hope to every land and race.

Praying, let us work for peace; Singing, share our joy with all;
Working for a world that's new,
Faithful when we hear Christ's call.

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

Within our present world disorder of circus living, faith invites us to see, live and tell the story of the tended garden.

Susan S. Phillips

What would it mean to our ways of life, our demographics, our economics, our output of carbon dioxide and methane if we began to truly and viscerally think of ourselves as just one species among many? **Bill McKibben**

We should not attempt to "manufacture" church growth, but rather to release the biotic potential which God has put into every church.

Christian A. Schwarz

Natural Church Development
One rose from the world's garden is enough for us. In the field, the shade of that flowing cypress is enough for us. **Diwan of Hafiz**

* stand if you are able

** children grades 5 and younger to the first pew

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the Price family fund

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shepherdstownpresbyterian.org

Sunday flowers
sign up in office

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.



Sun 16 • Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship
9:45 a.m. Sunday Seminar. FH
12:15 p.m. Immigration & Refugee. CR 1

Wed. 19

10:30 a.m. Exploring Spiritual Practices.
Upstairs library
4:00 p.m. Connections @ Blue Moon
7:30 pm. Choir rehearsal. Choir Room

Thu 20

10:00 a.m. Listening group. CR 1
7:00 p.m. EP Youth Alliance. FH

PASTOR GUSTI will be taking a continuing education leave from **Tuesday, Feb. 18 - Monday, Feb. 24**. In the event of a pastoral emergency, please contact Deacon Co-Moderator Debbie Romano.

LITURGICAL ART IN WORSHIP through Feb. 16 invites us to soak in the Living Waters of our baptismal covenant. Take a moment to rest in the trust that you, too, are "God's Beloved Child, in whom God is well pleased."

EXPLORING SPIRITUAL PRACTICES theme for **Wednesday, February 19** is "The Healing Power of Love".

SUNDAY SEMINAR "Race, Privilege and Faith." We are exploring Jennifer Harvey's book: Dear White Christians: For Those Still Longing for Racial Reconciliation. Books are in the office. (\$20 or pay what you can. Also available on Kindle for \$1.99). All are welcome. Childcare provided. **February 23: Chapter 3.**

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE. A brief order of prayer, song and silence. Imposition of ashes (on forehead or hand) optional. **Wednesday, February 26, 7:30 p.m.**

Fri 21

6:00 p.m. TGIF supper group.
Hosted by Elaine Hurd

Sun 23 • Transfiguration of the Lord

*Exodus 24:12-18; Psalm 2; 2 Peter 1:16-21;
Matthew 17:1-9*

8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship
9:45 a.m. Sunday Seminar. FH
4:30 p.m. Hymn Sing. Choir Room

LENTEN SUNDAY EVENINGS, March 1, 8, 15. Soup & Bread Supper: 5:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall. Sign-up sheet to bring soup or bread in Fellowship Hall & Narthex. Program 6:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary. "Notes from My Spiritual Journey" Details to follow.

COLDWEATHER SHELTER AT SPC March 7-14. Overnight guests arrive 7 p.m., leave 7 a.m. Volunteers needed in two separate efforts: overnight stays and morning meals. At least one man and one woman is needed each night. Contact Paul Hodder phodder@frontiernet.net if you can help. Volunteers also needed to cook a hot breakfast in the mornings. Contact Cathy Cross at 304-876-2412 or catcross@frontiernet.net to volunteer.

EASTER OFFERING (One Great Hour of Sharing) Donations will be split between humanitarian ministries of the PCUSA (hunger relief, disaster assistance, self-development of people projects) 25% to Jefferson County Community Ministries. (JCCM) and 25% to Good Shepherd (GSIVC). Checks to SPC: memo: OGHS.

Ordinary Time

Sixth Sunday

February 16, 2020

11:00 a.m.

To the one who knows nothing,
mountains are mountains,
waters are waters,
and trees are trees.

But when he has studied and knows a little,
mountains are no longer mountains,
water is no longer water,
and trees are no longer trees.

But when he has thoroughly understood,
mountains are once again mountains,
waters are waters,
and trees are trees.

Zen Buddhist Saying