"... you shall go to my father's house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son." Genesis 24:38

I will cause your name to be celebrated in all generations; therefore the peoples will praise you forever and ever. Psalm 25:17

For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do.

Romans 7:19

"We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn." Matthew 11:17

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GATHERING OUR HEARTS

#Introit (1x leader, 2x congregation)
Praise God, all you nations. People of God, sing praise!
Praise God, all you nations. People of God, sing praise: God's love is great and endures forever.
Praise God, all you nations. People of God, sing praise.

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 346** (v. 1-3) "For the Healing of the Nations"

ENCOUNTERING GRACE

Prayer for Wholeness Sometimes the world feels like it is split apart, but we have the power to make it whole again. An artist's pallet has many colors. Maybe there is one certain color you love, perhaps that color blends with a different color to make it even better. We can help this world mix and change but we need all colors, all help, and all have equal value. Let us move on from yesterday and start thinking about tomorrow.

Response

America! America! God mend thine every flaw; confirm thy soul in self control, thy liberty in law! America! America! May God thy gold refine till all success be nobleness and every gain divine!

Declaration of Grace & Gratitude

Passing the Peace

Blessing the World Canada, USA (including indigenous nations)

> +**Hymn 340** (v. 1 & 2) "This Is My Song"

First Pew Welcome and Parish Life + † + HEARING THE WORD

Reading Interlude

Lesson Romans 7:15-25a

Sermon "And Justice for All" +**Hymn 756** (v. 1, 2, 4) "O God of Every Nation"

SHARING THE GIFTS OF LIFE

Eucharistic Prayer

Communion

+**Response** You, Creator God, have written your great name on humankind; for our growing in your likeness, bring the life of Christ to mind, that by our response and service earth its destiny may find.

SERVING THE WORLD

Offering Our Gifts

Offertory "Jesus on the Main Line" trad. American gospel

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

In every land begin the song; to every land the strains belong: Alleluia! Alleluia! In cheerful sound all voices raise and fill the world with joyful praise. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Charge and Benediction

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Postlude

The logic behind patriotism is a mystery. At least a man who believes that his own family or clan is superior to all others is familiar with more than 0.000003% of the people involved. **Criss Jami**

Someday, I hope that we will all be patriots of our planet and not just of our respective nations. **Zoe Weil**

Today, more than ever before, life must be characterized by a sense of Universal responsibility, not only nation to nation and human to human, but also human to other forms of life. Dalai Lama

Ultimately, a great nation is a compassionate nation. Martin Luther King, Jr.

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Sun 5 • 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 a.m. Sunday Seminar via Zoom11:00 a.m. Service of Worship & Communion via Facebook Live!5:00 p.m. Community dinner. Zion Episcopal Church, Charles Town

Sun 12 • 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Genesis 25:19–34; *Psalm* 119:105–112; *Romans* 8:1–11; *Matthew* 13:1–9, 18–23 11:00 a.m. Service of Worship via Facebook Live!

ALL GATHERINGS IN THE CHURCH BUILDING have been suspended through August. Please contact the church office@shepherdstownpresbyterian.org if your committee or team is planning to meet electronically so we can add it to notices and the calendar.

PASTOR GUSTI will be taking vacation July 6 - 26. Several pastors in the presbytery are available for pastoral emergencies, as needed. Please contact Debbie Romano for more information.

AS PART OF OUR ONGOING WORK on racism and privilege, the Session is requesting all members and friends of the congregation to watch either the *Just Mercy* movie or the *True Justice* documentary about the work of the Equal Justice Initiative. Sunday Seminars and other activities in August will encourage the congregation to gather in conversation about how the Equal Justice Initiative applies to our ministry right here in the eastern panhandle.

TEACH THE PREACHER is taking a break for the next couple of weeks but will resume Tuesday, July 28 at 7:00 p.m., via Zoom. Join Pastor Gusti for discussion of the readings for the following Sunday's service.

NEXT SUNDAY'S GUEST PREACHER, Rev. Dr. Amaury Tañón-Santos (he/him/his), will join us from Albany, NY, where he serves as Synod Networker. A native Puerto Rican, Amaury has served as Director of Programs for Continuing Education at Princeton Theological Seminary and as pastor of congregations in the northeastern United States. Amaury is a Foundations of Christian Leadership Fellow at Duke University Divinity School.

NEW MEMBER CLASSES will be held in August and/or September for those wishing to explore official membership at SPC. If you are interested in learning more, please contact the church office at office@shepherdstownpresbyterian.org.

COMMUNITY MEAL on July 5 will consist of "to-go" boxes of hamburgers, fruit, snacks and drinks for our friends in need. Bert Wright and Adam Ware will be assembling the meals at SPC at 3:30 Sunday.

Ordinary Time Fourteenth Sunday

Country of Freedom

Country of freedom, be free in thy heart: Free from the shackles of prisoning pride,

Free from the liar's contemptible art,

Free from allurements that tempt thee aside,Free from the crafty and treacherous guide,Free from the ravening greed of the mart,Free from the snares that in opulence hide, –Country of freedom be free in thy heart!

Amos Russel Wells

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