

And they shall live secure.
Micah 5:4b

My soul magnifies the
Lord. **Luke 1:46b**

Then I said, "See, God, I
have come to do your will,
O God." **Hebrews 10:7a**

"Blessed are you among
women, and blessed is the
fruit of your womb."
Luke 1:42

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THE FONT OF IDENTITY

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+Introit

*Sing out, my soul. Sing out, my soul.
Sing out and glorify the Lord who sets us free.
Sing out, my soul. Sing out my soul.
Sing out and glorify the Lord 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.

Prayer

Response

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Prayer for Wholeness

My soul magnifies the Lord,
and my Spirit rejoices in God my Savior.
Holy One, as you did with Mother Mary,
have mercy on this generation.
Strengthen us with your justice.
Cultivate within us a heartfelt humility and
teach us right relationship with power.
Prepare a table where all who are hungry find enough
and all who overindulge find release.
Stay faithful to us, as we strive to be faithful to you.

Kyrie

Declaration of Grace & Gratitude

***Alleluia**

Blessing the World

Algeria, Libya, Morocco, Tunisia

First Pew From a Distance

+Response

*These treasured children present now
are bound to us by sacred vow:
with love, we make a heartfelt claim
to welcome them in Jesus' name.*

Welcome and Parish Life

THE WORD OF HOPE

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Reading

Interlude

Lesson

Luke 1:39-45

Sermon

"Hope Magnified"

***+Response 100**

"My Soul Cries Out With a Joyful Shout"

THE BREAD OF LIFE

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Eucharistic Prayer

Communion

Offering Our Gifts

Offertory

***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.

***Prepare The Way**

If we magnified blessings as
we magnify disappointments,
we would all be much happier.
John Wooden

Hardship and ease walk hand
in hand in this world.
Hamza Yusuf

All which happens through
the whole world happens
through hope. **Martin Luther**

Surely I, too, can be reborn.
Toni Sorenson

**Please rise in body and spirit.*

Affirmation

*Love can flow through me
as it flowed through Jesus*

Lesson Translation

New Revised
Standard Version

Flowers

many generous donations
from the Congregation

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.



Sunday, December 19 • Fourth Sunday of Advent

Micah 5:2-5a; Luke 1:46b-55; Hebrews 10:5-10; Luke 1:39-45 (46-55)

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

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

Sunday Studio - Children ages 3-5th Grade (Classroom and Recorded)

Tuesday, December 21

10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting - Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service Rehearsal

Friday, December 24 - Christmas Eve

Isaiah 9:2-7; Psalm 96; Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:1-14, (15-20)

5:00 p.m. Family Service in Sanctuary and Facebook Live!

8:00 p.m. Service of Lessons and Carols in Sanctuary and Facebook Live!

11:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion in Sanctuary

Saturday, December 25 - Christmas Day, Happy Birthday Jesus!

Dawn: *Isaiah 62:6-12; Psalm 97; Titus 3:4-7; Luke 2:(1-7) 8-20*

Day: *Isaiah 52:7-10; Psalm 98; Hebrews 1:1-4 [5-12]; John 1:1-14*

December 26 • First Sunday of Christmastide

1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26; Psalm 148; Colossians 3:12-17; Luke 2:41-52

No 8:30 a.m. Worship Service

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

No Sunday Studio

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8:00 p.m. Service of Lessons and Carols in Sanctuary and Facebook Live!

11:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion in Sanctuary

CHRISTMAS OFFERING received through December 31: Coalfield Development Corporation (WV) and VERBO (Nicaragua). Indicate "Christmas Offering" in the memo line of your check or in the comment section when you click Give on the SPC web site.

Pastor Gusti will be taking a combination of vacation and study leave from Sunday, December 26 - January 8, 2022. Debbie Romano will be available for Pastoral Care.

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The Season of Advent

Fourth Sunday

December 19, 2021

11:00 a.m.

The Advent

No sudden thing of glory and fear
Was the Lord's coming; but the dear
Slow Nature's days followed each other
To form the Saviour from his Mother
One of the children of the year.

The earth, the rain, received the trust,
The sun and dews, to frame the Just.
He drew his daily life from these.
According to his own decrees
Who makes man from the fertile dust.

Sweet summer and the winter wild,
These brought him forth, the Undefined.
The happy Springs renewed again
His daily bread, the growing grain,
The food and raiment of the Child.

Alice Thompson Meynell

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