***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, November 15
Judges 4:1-7 Psalm 90:1-8, (9-11), 12 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 Matthew 25:14-30
8:30 a.m. Early Service of Worship – Sanctuary
9:30 a.m. Sunday Seminar – Fellowship Hall/Zoom
11:00 a.m. Youth Led Service of Worship – Sanctuary/Zoom
Sunday Studio Program – Children K-5th Grade – Classroom 2

Tuesday, November 17
5:00 p.m. Immigration & Refugee Support Committee via Zoom

Thursday, November 19
7:00 p.m. Stated Session Meeting – Fellowship Hall/Zoom

Sunday, November 22
Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 Ephesians 1:15-23 Matthew 25:31-46
8:30 a.m. Early Service of Worship – Sanctuary
9:45 a.m. Congregational Meeting – Fellowship Hall/Zoom
11:00 a.m. Service of Worship – Sanctuary/Zoom
Sunday Studio Program – Children K-5th Grade – Classroom 2
12:30 p.m. Hospitality Reception welcoming New Members – Fellowship Hall

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING, Sunday, November 22, 9:45 a.m. in person/Hybrid. Receive updates from the Session, elect congregational leaders, approve Pastor Terms of Call, Preparatory Materials will be sent in a separate email. Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3048766466?pwd=cnhPY3kyeG9pbUdGSmZQVVlEM2Jodz09

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Youth Led Sunday **November 15, 2026**
Thirty-third Sunday of Ordinary Time 11:00 a.m.

A Multiple Choice for Beginning

You could lace up your shoes, put on your jacket, and walk out the door.
You could pause, close your eyes, and bow your head in prayer.
You could preheat the oven, send the invites, and add chairs to the table.
You could start with seeds, add water, and place them by the windowsill.
You could add the yeast and give it time to rise.
You could make the sign and learn the protest songs.
You could hold out your hand, or link arms with mine.
You could ask the question, or tell your story.
You could put one toe in the water, or cannonball in.
It doesn't matter how you begin, but start somewhere.
Start today.

Rev. Sarah (Are) Speed

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We Choose Welcome

Then the Israelites cried out to the LORD for help.
Judges 4:3

To you I lift up my eyes.
Psalm 123:1

But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation.
1 Thessalonians 5:8

I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed.
Matthew 25:24

Worship Leader
Christa Mastrangelo Joyce

Assistants
Youth Group Members

Special Music
William Gonano

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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Call To Worship
One: I know that whatever God does endures forever.
All: Nothing can be added to it nor anything taken from it.
One: God has done this so that all should stand in awe.
All: That which is already has been, that which is to be already is, and God seeks out what has gone by.

Introit 70
What does the Lord require of you? What does the Lord require of you?
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
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.

Baptismal Blessing

***Hymn 821**
"My Life Flows On"

Prayer for Wholeness
God, we have seen there is a time for birth and death,
for mourning and dancing, for breaking down and building up,
for weeping and for laughing;
a time to love and, yes, even a time to hate.
Yet, we resist the times that don't match our plans.
We forget to trust that in every season and time, you endure.
Remind us to stand in awe before you,
and when we're motivated by fear, forgive us,
teaching us to trust in your love and grace.

***Response 551**
Lord have mercy; Christ have mercy;
Lord have mercy upon us. (repeat)

Declaration of Grace and Gratitude

***Response 582**
Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning is now and every shall be. Amen

***Passing the Peace**

Blessing the World
Cape Verde, the Gambia, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Senegal

Welcome and Parish Life

THE WORD OF HOPE

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Reading

Interlude

Lesson
Ecclesiastes 3:1-15

Lesson Acted Out
What Time Is It?

***Hymn 373**
"O Day of Peace"

THE BREAD OF LIFE

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Prayer for Others

Offering Our Gifts

Offertory
"Let It Be"

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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 80**
You shall go out with joy and be led forth in peace;
The mountains and the hills will break forth before you;
They'll be shouts of joy,
and all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.
And all the trees of the field will clap their hands (clap, clap)
The trees of the field will clap their hands (clap, clap)
The trees of the field will clap their hands
While you go out with joy.

***Postlude**

Did you know that a mockingbird can learn over 200 songs? I never catch all of them. But what I know is that late into the night, when no else is listening, God hears every one.
~ from "Mockingbirds" by Rev. Sarah (Are) Speed

*Please rise in body and spirit.

Lesson Translation
New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition

Prayer for Others
Celtic Lord's Prayer
by John Philip Newell

Prayer for Wholeness
Based on Ecclesiastes 3:1-15

Sanctuary Flowers
In Memory of
Greg Lloyd

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373 O Day of Peace



Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This text on peace was created to offer non-nationalistic words for a popular British tune. The first stanza depicts *pax,* a mode of peace focused on ending conflict, and the second (based on Isaiah 11:6–9) describes *shalom,* the condition of living in harmony and mutual good will.

TEXT: Carl P. Daw Jr., 1982
MUSIC: C. Hubert H. Parry, 1916; harm. Charles H. Webb, 1987
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821 My Life Flows On

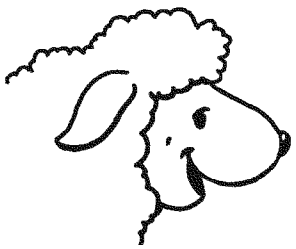
How Can I Keep from Singing?



In the *New York Observer* of August 7, 1868, this text was titled "Always Rejoicing," and was attributed to "Pauline T." This may well be where the Baptist pastor and musician to whom it is usually credited encountered the words that he later published with his tune.

TEXT and MUSIC: Robert Lowry, 1869

HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING
8.7.8.7 with refrain



This passage tells us about why Christ died for us. What does it say?

Fill in the blanks below by matching the numbers with the missing words.

3 we	2 awake	10 are		1 together
	9 with		5 live	
		6 whether		
4 asleep	8 Him		7 may	11 or

"He died for us so that,

_____ ___ _____ _____
6 3 10 2

____ _____, ___ _____ _____
11 4 3 7 5

_____ _____ _____."
1 9 8

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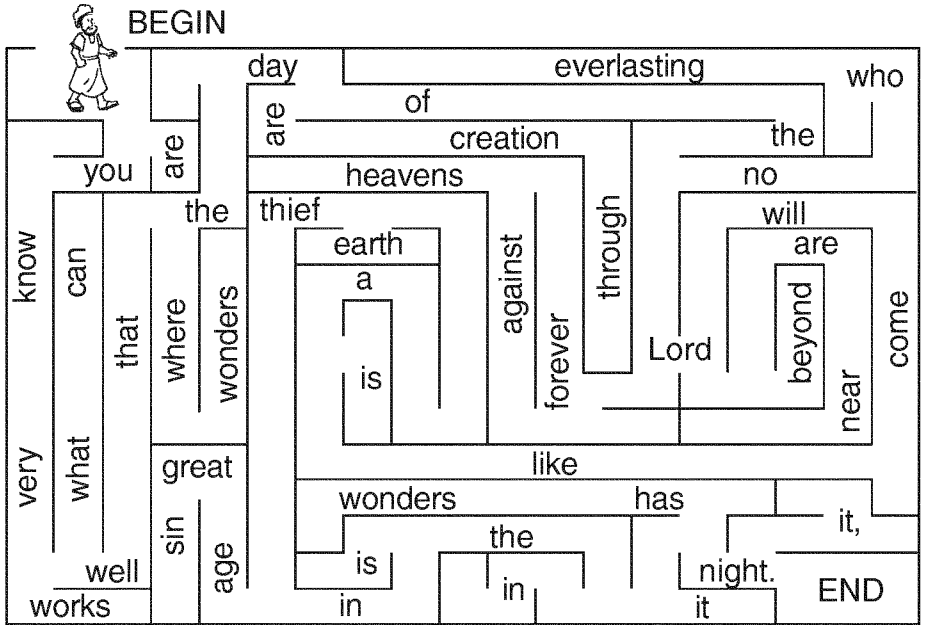
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Ages 7+ **November 15, 2026 • 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11**

The Day of the Lord

Paul wrote about the day of the Lord. What did he say?

Guide the disciple through the maze to complete the passage. Transfer the words in the order you find them to the lines below.

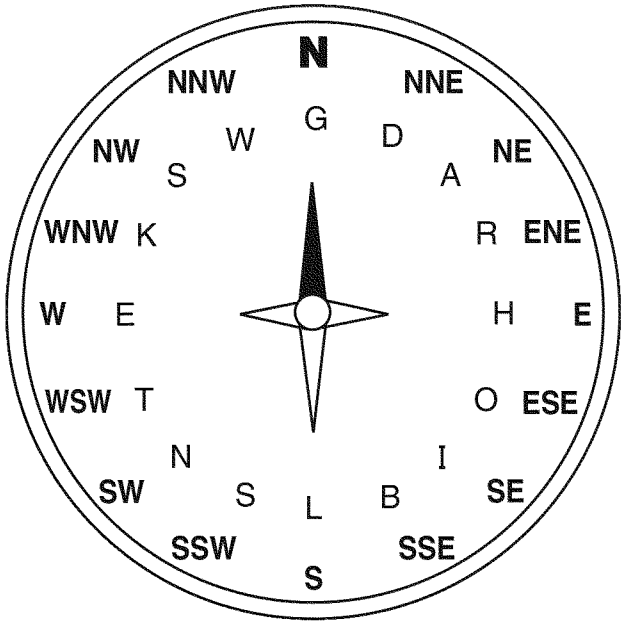


Paul wrote, "Now, brothers and sisters, about times and dates we do not need to write to you, for

_____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____
_____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____
_____ ___ _____ ___ _____ _____."

Paul said, “You are all children of the light and children of the day.” Discover more of what Paul told them.

Use this compass code to fill in the blanks.



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NNW	W		NNE	ESE		SW	ESE	WSW

SSE	W	S	ESE	SW	N

WSW	ESE		WSW	E	W

SW	SE	N	E	WSW		ESE	ENE

WSW	ESE		WSW	E	W

NNE	NE	ENE	WNW	SW	W	NW	SSW

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Paul told his followers to allow faith, love and hope of salvation to guide them. What else did he say?

Add the numbers from the row and column to find the letter to fill in the blanks.

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2	D	N	T	L	A	S	R	W	G	H
3	N	T	L	A	S	R	W	G	H	E
4	T	L	A	S	R	W	G	H	E	U
5	L	A	S	R	W	G	H	E	U	F
6	A	S	R	W	G	H	E	U	F	I
7	S	R	W	G	H	E	U	F	I	O

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15	17	9		11	17	3		3	16	3

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14	8	5	17	8	14	15	15	13	9

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10	9	7	5	12		14	5	5	17

		c				
9	13		13	16	2	13

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