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 Sunday through Thursday  
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**Ethel Hornbeck**  
 By appointment

**Sun 22 • 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:15 a.m. Liturgy of the Word  
 9:25 a.m. Youth drama class. Classroom No. 1  
 9:25 a.m. CAT follow-on. Fellowship Hall  
 10:45 a.m. Liturgy of the Word  
 4:30 p.m. Young Adults. Fellowship Hall  
 4:30 p.m. Confirmation class. Classroom No. 1

**Tue 24**

7:30 p.m. Choir practice. Choir Room

**Wed 25**

10:45 a.m. Service of song & prayer at Canterbury

**Fri 27**

6:00 p.m. Youth leave SPC for DC mission trip

**Sat 28**

9:30 a.m. Forum: Traces of the Trade. Fellowship Hall  
 1:00 p.m. Knitting Group. Fellowship Hall  
 8:00 p.m. Georgian Polyphonic Singers. Sanctuary

**Sun 29 • 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Micah 6:1–8; Psalm 15; 1 Corinthians 1:18–31; Matthew 5:1–12*

8:15 a.m. Liturgy of the Word  
 9:25 a.m. Youth drama class. Classroom No. 1  
 9:25 a.m. CAT follow-on. Fellowship Hall  
 10:45 a.m. Liturgy of the Word  
 4:30 p.m. Hymn Sing. Choir Room

**CAT** (Congregational Assessment Tool) provided very positive feedback on the life of SPC in 2016. A follow-on process has been underway to help us define and articulate strengths. Feedback sessions will be held **between services on Jan. 22 & 29.** If you did not participate in a session this Fall then we want to hear your “only-at-SPC” moment. Sign-up sheets are in the Fellowship Hall.

**FORUM:** *Traces of the Trade: A Story from the Deep North* (PBS: 2008) Rescheduled to January 28, 9:30 a.m. Film and discussion with filmmaker Katrina Browne. Given how the recent election brought simmering divisions to the fore, it is a prime time to practice deep, honest, respectful dialogue and to consider how we want to move forward.

**SUNDAY SEMINARS:** *Becoming the Beloved Community, Part 2,* begins

**Feb. 12, 9:25 a.m.,** with a series of conversations around race using *Waking Up White* by Debbie Irving. This book offers “a rare window on how white Americans are socialized. Start reading now! Books available in the office (\$15. Pay what you can).

**COMMUNITY CHOIR FESTIVAL.** Our own choir plus music from the churches of Shepherdstown including the Shepherdstown Elementary Drumming Group. **Sunday, Feb. 12, 4:30 p.m.,** Asbury United Methodist Church. (Shepherdstown, Rt. 480)

**SHOWCASE OF TALENT.** Friday, March 10. Twelve 4-minute spots available, plus world premier of Chloe William’s original play: “The Golden Truths from Willy Wonka.” Notify the office if you have an “act” (music or reading).

**Ordinary Time**  
 Third Sunday

**January 22, 2017**  
 10:45 a.m.

Psalm 27

Love is my light and my salvation,  
 whom shall I fear?  
 Love is the strength of my life,  
 Of whom shall I be afraid?

One thing have I asked of Love,  
 that I shall ever seek:  
 That I might dwell in the Heart of Love  
 all the days of my life,  
 To behold the Beauty of my Beloved,  
 and to know Love’s Plan.

For I shall hide in Love’s heart in the day of trouble,  
 As in a tent in the desert,  
 Away from the noise of my fears.

And I shall rise above my struggles, my pain,  
 Shouting blessings of gratitude in Love’s Heart  
 And singing melodies of praise to my Beloved.

**Nan C. Merrill**  
*Psalms for Praying*

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## BEHOLD! IT IS GOOD

### Introit

Our darkness is never darkness in your sight;  
the deepest night is clear as the daylight.

### Proclamation

In life and in 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 23

“God, You Spin the Whirling Planets”

## GRACE ABOUNDS

### Prayer of Confession

Loving God, you invite us to follow the way of Jesus—to bring good news, to mend and heal, to release and redeem. We hear your Word of hope, but let bad news overwhelm us. We are silent in the face of injustice. We ignore the poor, oppressed, imprisoned and neglected. We wound others with harsh words. Help us hear your invitation anew, and give us the courage and compassion to follow the way of Love.

### Kyrie eleison (2x)

### Declaration of grace and gratitude

### \*Response (2x)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

### Blessing the World

Germany, France

### \*\*Song

In the light of the morning the love of God fills our hearts  
In the light of the morning the love of God fills our hearts  
And we shall sing for joy and we shall sing for joy  
And we shall sing for joy and we shall sing for joy

Hear, O my Beloved, when I cry aloud, be gracious and answer me! You have said, “Seek my face.” My heart responds, “Your face, my Beloved, do I seek; hide not your face from me.

**Psalm 27 (Merrill)**

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness on them light has shined.

**Isaiah 9:2**

And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” Immediately they left their nets and followed him.

**Matthew 4:20**

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose.

**1 Corinthians 1:10**

### Organ

Dianne Holliman

### Piano

Kari Edge

### Postlude

Melissa Huempfer

Kari Edge

### Assistants

Michael Joyce

Jordan Hughes

Leslie Williams

### To Our Guests

Glad you're with us. Please sign the guest book in the Narthex and fill in a visitor's card from the pew pocket. After the service enjoy a cup of “fairly traded” coffee or tea with friends in the Fellowship Hall.

### Childcare

Available in the nursery.

See ushers for assistance.

## First Pew

## Parish Life

**Hymn 79** (1-choir; 2-3 all)  
“Light Dawns on a Weary World”

## HEARING THE WORD

### Reading

### Interlude

### Lessons

Isaiah 9:1–4 • Matthew 4:12–23

### Sermon

“Calling”

### Hymn 721

“Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”

## SERVING THE WORLD

### Prayers for Others

### Presenting Offerings

### Offertory

### Affirmation

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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.

### \*Response

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 & Benediction

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### Postlude

The call to ministry is the call to be a citizen of the kingdom of God in a new way, the daring, free, accepting, compassionate way Jesus modeled. It means being bound by no yesterday, fearing no tomorrow, drawing no lines between friend and foe, the acceptable ones and the outcasts. **Verna Dozier**

Your calling is when your passion meets the world's needs. But you don't hear your calling behind thick walls. You need to go to the places where the world needs you—the places of pain and neglect. But do not go to save the people you find there. Go to be saved by them. For in those places, you will find your greatest teachers on life and love and courage.

**Valerie Kaur**, Sikh activist

To come to Jesus or to follow him is to accompany him into the kingdom. Becoming a disciple is an alternative way of speaking about entering into the kingdom. **Albert Nolan**

### SHOULD YOU CHOOSE TO ACCEPT

Observe detachedly  
Sweep broadly  
with passionate heart  
Calibrate the mind to depth  
And then report back, please!

**Euonymous**

Accept misfortune as a blessing. Do not wish for perfect health, or a life without problems. What would you talk about? **Jewish Buddha**

### Flowers placed by

The Price family fund

\*stand if you are able

\*\*children to First Pew

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