

O You, who know all hearts, how manifold are your works! In wisdom You have created them all. All of creation looks to You, to give them food in due season. When we are in harmony with You, the earth provides; yes, a bountiful harvest to be shared with all.

Psalm 104 (Merrill)

So the Lord scattered them from Babel over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. **Genesis 11:8**

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages. **Acts 2:1-4**

The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you.

John 14:26

Preacher
Rev. Bill Sitterley
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Georgiann Toole
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Alan Ogden
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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.

GATHERING OUR HEARTS

Introit (2x)

Holy Spirit, come to us; kindle in us the fire of your love.
Holy Spirit, come to us. Holy Spirit, come to us

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 673

"Jesus, Light of Joy"

ENCOUNTERING GRACE

Prayer for Wholeness

Holy Spirit, Breath of Life, you call us to move beyond ourselves—to welcome the stranger, to love our enemies and to build your Beloved Community. But we are weary and discouraged. Our vision is dim, our dreams too small. Kindle new fire within us. Revive and renew us with a vision of liberation for all peoples and nations. Open our hearts, and love the world through us. Amen

Kyrie eleison (2x)

Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy
Lord, have mercy on us

Declaration of Grace & Gratitude

*Response

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Welcome

Blessing the World

Colombia, Ecuador, Venezuela

**Hymn 19

"God of Great and God of Small"

First Pew

Parish Life

Hymn 282

"Come Down, O Love Divine"

HEARING THE WORD

Reading

(front cover)

Interlude

Lesson

Acts 2:1-21

Sermon

"The Messy Church"

*Hymn 186

"Come Now, You Blessed, Eat at My Table"

SHARING THE GIFTS OF LIFE

Eucharistic Prayer

Communion

The Lord is my light, my light and salvation.
In God I trust, in God I trust.

SERVING THE WORLD

Presenting Offerings

Offertory

"This Little Light of Mine"
Traditional/arr. Joel Raney

Affirmation

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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.

*Response

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis deo.
Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia.

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Charge and Benediction

Postlude

When we describe "Church," we like to say that it is a gift-evoking, gift-bearing community . . . This is why "Church" implies a people; no one enters into the fullness of his being except in community with other persons.

Elizabeth O'Connor

There's something wholesome, healthy, and very human about going to church and pooling your needs and your ignorance with that of other people who are willing to get out of bed and put on good clothes and come out to this totally gratuitous event. Nobody's forcing them to do it, the rewards are elusive, yet the fact that we do it in a group is somehow part of the point.

John Updike

Gradually I remembered what I had known all along, which is that church is not a stopping place but a starting place for discerning God's presence in this world. **Barbara Brown Taylor**

A church that doesn't provoke any crises, a gospel that doesn't unsettle, a word of God that doesn't get under anyone's skin, a word of God that doesn't touch the real sin of the society in which it is being proclaimed -- what gospel is that?

Archbishop Oscar Romero

* stand if you are able

** children grades 5 and younger to the first pew

Flowers placed by
the Price family fund

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Sunday flowers
sign up in office

Lord have Mercy
by Bro. Stefan Waligur

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 9 • Pentecost Sunday

8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship

12:15 p.m. More Light group meeting. Classroom No. 1

Tue 11

11:00 a.m. Music committee. Classroom No. 1

7:00 p.m. Session. Fellowship Hall

Sat 15

7:30 a.m. Men's breakfast. Fellowship Hall

10:00 a.m. Deacon meeting. Fellowship Hill

6:00 p.m. Movable Feast supper group. Hosted by John & Helen Burns

Sun 16 • Trinity Sunday

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31; Psalm 8; Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15

8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship

COMMUNION TODAY: All are welcome to participate. The bread is gluten free; the "wine" is alcohol free.

PENTECOST OFFERING, Sunday, June 9. Split equally between Caring Cupboard which supplies food to school children for the weekend and the PCUSA Youth Mission Fund.

SPC's NOMINATING COMMITTEE is inviting members to suggest candidates to be considered for the offices of Elder and Deacon. Forms available in the office or fellowship hall, or email suggestions directly to the office. Nominations due by June 23.

2019 SUNDAY STUDIO SUMMER LOUNGE! Sunday Studio has turned into the Summer Lounge. Kids will spend time socializing, doing art projects, and playing games. Kids will meet in the nursery after first pew and then move on from there for activities. Any adult willing to be a chaperon is warmly welcomed! No need to plan a lesson, just be there for guidance and to help with activities. If you want to volunteer or have questions please contact Amanda Groff at amandagroff@gmail.com.

SAY ADIEU, tot ziens, adiós, Auf Wiedersehen, do svidaniya, sayonara, salaam, shalom, arrivederci and

GOODBYE to our Interim Pastor Bill Sitterley at a reception in the Fellowship Hall after both services on **Sunday, June 16.**

REFLECTIONS ON THE JOURNEY: An Open Conversation. **Sunday June 23 @ 9:45 a.m.** Please join us for this opportunity to reflect together on our ongoing transition. We have grown and changed as a church family in the last two years. Let's come together to take a breath, reaffirm our connectedness and renew our intentions for the journey ahead. Hosted by the Strategic Visioning Team and SPC Session.

JUNE IS PRIDE MONTH, and SPC will celebrate our LGBTQIA+ community in several ways: On **Saturday, June 29, 10:00 a.m.** we will host an interfaith Service of Blessing to kick off Panhandle Pride 2019, (which begins at 11:00 a.m. in downtown Shepherdstown). We will also have a table at Pride -- please contact Jeananne Stine if you can take a shift. On July 7, we will observe More Light Sunday; this year, we will remember key moments in our "rainbow history" and share stories about how God's infinite abundance has shown up in our ongoing journey of welcome.

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Pentecost Sunday

June 9, 2019

11:00 a.m.

When We Breathe Together

A Blessing for Pentecost Day

This is the blessing
we cannot speak
by ourselves.

This is the blessing
we cannot summon
by our own devices,
cannot shape
to our purpose,
cannot bend
to our will.

This is the blessing
that comes
when we leave behind
our aloneness
when we gather
together
when we turn
toward one another.

This is the blessing
that blazes among us
when we speak
the words
strange to our ears
when we finally listen
into the chaos
when we breathe together
at last.

Jan Richardson

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Celebrating 276 Years
Claiming the Past • Engaging the Present • Imagining the Future
We Choose Welcome