

The time is surely coming, says the Lord God, when I will send a famine on the land; not a famine of bread, or a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the Lord. **Amos 8:11**

Chris is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers--all things have been created through him and for him.

**Col. 1:15-16**

Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks. **Luke 10:38-40**

**Guest Preacher**

Mark Dewey

**Worship Leader**

Ethel Hornbeck

**Assistants**

Indie Asam

Joel Dillow

Frances Marshall

**Piano**

Georgiann Toole

**Offertory**

Barbara Stenger

Mark Pullen

**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)**

Praise, I will praise you, Lord, with all my heart.

O God, I will tell the wonders of your ways,  
and glorify your name.

Praise, I will praise you, Lord, with all my heart.

In you I will find the source of all my joy. Alleluia!

**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 307**

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

**ENCOUNTERING GRACE**

**Prayer for Wholeness**

Loving God, we are so busy doing so many things that we often miss what is needed most. Our minds are beset by distractions, worries, and fears. We refuse to receive the longing of your heart for peace, freedom and justice for all your children. Forgive us. Open our eyes that we may see clearly. Open our ears that we may hear deeply. Open our hearts that we may love boldly in the way and in the spirit of Jesus.

**Kyrie eleison (2x)**

**Declaration of Grace & Gratitude**

**\*Response**

Love, I will love you, Lord...

**Welcome**

**Blessing the World**

The Pacific Islands

**\*Hymn 21**

"Many and Great, O God, Are Thy Works"

**Parish Life**

**Hymn 702**

"Christ Be Beside Me"

**HEARING THE WORD**

**Reading**

(front cover)

**Interlude**

**Lesson**

Amos 8:1-12; Luke 10:38-42

**Sermon**

"Just one thing is needful? Really?"

**\*Hymn 762**

"When the Poor Ones"

**SERVING THE WORLD**

**Prayer for Others**

**Presenting Offerings**

**Offertory**

"God Will Make All Things Right"

George B. Nevin

**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**

Serve, I will serve you, Lord...

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**Charge and Benediction**

**Postlude**

Contemporary mystics, masquerading as ordinary people (are) people who hear the call both to turn inward and to step up, to cultivate a contemplative life, and to offer the fruits in service.

**Mirabai Starr**

*Living the Fierce and Tender  
Wisdom of the Women Mystics*

Don't wait for some miracle to be performed on you from without, lifting you above your fears and doubts and self-centeredness. You help God from within by turning in outgoing love to others, and miraculously your fears and doubts and self-centeredness will vanish. The miracle starts within, not from without. **E. Stanley Jones**

How busy we become when we lose sight of how God loves us.

**Julian of Norwich** (1342-1416)

God wants to be known and loved through Justice and Compassion, now and forever."

**Hildegard of Bingen**

(1098-1179)

\* stand if you are able

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*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 21 • 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

9:30 a.m. Immigrant/Refugee committee. Classroom No.

**Wed 24**

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

**Sun 28 • 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Hosea 1:2-10; Psalm 85; Colossians 2:6-15, (16-19); Luke 11:1-13*

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

**BOOK BAGS FOR NEEDY KIDS PROGRAM.** SPC has been matched with Jefferson High School to help provide needy kids with book bags and basic school supplies. Leave items in the collection box in the Fellowship Hall by **Sunday, August 11**. Items needed: larger, durable, new backpacks appropriate to high school age students, notebook paper (college ruled), pencils (regular and mechanical), ballpoint pens, pocket folders, single subject spiral notebooks, tissues.

**SHARE YOUR GARDEN** surplus with others. Place your surplus vegetables and fruit in boxes or bags and leave in the Fellowship Hall.

**YOUR FAITHFULNESS** and generosity to the church are appreciated again this year. Remember that expenses continue through the summer months. Your continuing support is needed and greatly appreciated. SPC Finance Committee.

Ordinary Time  
Sixteenth Sunday

July 21, 2019  
11:00 a.m.

Contemplation is a very dangerous activity.  
It not only brings us face to face with God,  
it brings us, as well, face to face with the world,  
and then it brings us face to face with the self;  
and then, of course, something must be done.

Something must be filled up, added to, freed from,  
begun again, ended at once, changed, or created or healed,  
because nothing stays the same  
once we have found the God within. . . .

We become connected to everything, to everyone.

We carry the whole world in our hearts,  
the oppression of all peoples,  
the suffering of our friends,  
the burdens of our enemies,  
the raping of the earth,  
the hunger of the starving,  
the joyous expectation  
every laughing child has a right to.

Then, the zeal for justice consumes us.  
Then, action and prayer are one.

**Sister Joan Chittister**

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