

BEHOLD! IT IS GOOD

Introit

*Holy Spirit, come. Make my eyes to see. Make my ears to hear.
Make my mouth to speak. Make my heart to sing and my hands
to reach out and touch the world with your love.*

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 Worship

Lift up your hearts
We lift them up to the Lord

Prayer

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Hymn 481

“Praise the Lord, God’s Glories Show”

GRACE ABOUNDS

Prayer of Confession

Mothering God, you promise peace but we allow fear and doubt to overwhelm our hearts. Your living streams of grace enfold us but we turn away. Forgive us. Give us strength and courage to break the bonds of fear. Awaken the holy within us that we may dwell in peace—loving you and others wholeheartedly.

Silence

Kyrie eleison

*Lord, have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy on us.
Lord, have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy on us.*

Declaration of Grace & Gratitude

We will love God with all our heart, mind, soul and strength,
And love our neighbors as we love ourselves.

Doxology (Hymnal No. 591)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

Blessing the World

The Indian Ocean islands:
Comoros, Madagascar, Mauritius, Seychelles, Maldives

I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver.

Jeremiah 32:9

But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

1 Timothy 6:9-10

“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores.”

Luke 16:19-21

Organ/Piano

Dianne Holliman

Assistants

Eva Joyce
Sydney Walker
Christa Joyce

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.

Hymn 467 (vs. 1-2)

“How Great Thou Art”

First Pew

Parish Life

Interlude

LISTENING TO THE WORD

Reading

Lesson

Luke 16:19-31

Sermon

“Reforming the Church (Again)”

Sing the Faith 2236

“Gather Us In”

SERVING THE WORLD

Prayer for Others

Presenting Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“Prayer of St. Patrick”

Mark Schweizer

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.

Holy Spirit, come..

Charge and Benediction

Blessing Song

*May the blessing of God go before you,
May Her grace and peace abound
May Her Spirit live within you
May Her love wrap you round.
May Her blessing remain with you always
May you walk on holy ground.*

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Postlude

“Soli Deo Gloria”

Roger C. Wilson

I see the church as a field hospital after battle.

Pope Francis

The greatest challenge of the day is: how to bring about a revolution of the heart, a revolution which has to start with each one of us.

Dorothy Day

I believe all suffering is caused by ignorance. People inflict pain on others in the selfish pursuit of their happiness or satisfaction. Yet true happiness comes from a sense of peace and contentment, which in turn must be achieved through the cultivation of altruism, of love and compassion, and elimination of ignorance, selfishness, and greed.

Dalai Lama

Reconciliation of the world through Jesus Christ makes it plain that enslaving poverty in a world of abundance is an intolerable violation of God’s good creation.

PCUSA Confession of 1967

Weather Report: Expect today today. Tomorrow may form upwind of us but it will remain consistently today all day. Conditions will remain steady and prevail into tomorrow.

Steve Garnaas-Holmes

Sermons

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Sunday flowers

sign up in office

Blessing Song, Words & Music by Miriam Theresa Winter.

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Ethel Hornbeck
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Sun 29 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:15 a.m. Liturgy of the Word
 9:25 a.m. Membership Class. Classroom No. 1
 9:25 a.m. Sunday Seminar. Fellowship Hall
 9:30 a.m. Middlers in the Morning. Classroom No. 2
 10:45 a.m. Liturgy of the Word
 4:00 p.m. Youth visit migrant workers (meet at church at 3:15 p.m.)
Mon 30
 7:00 p.m. Adult Ed committee meeting
Tues 1
 7:30 p.m. Choir practice
Wed 2
 7:00 p.m. Taizé prayer in song, silence and candlelight
 7:30 p.m. Psalm Singers practice
Thurs 3
 10:00 a.m. Women's Circle meets in Fellowship Hall
Sun 6 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Lam. 1:1-6; Lam. 3:19-26b or Ps. 137; 2 Tim. 1:1-14; Luke 17:5-10
 8:15 a.m. Liturgy of the Word & Table
 9:15 a.m. Blood Pressure Clinic. Narthex
 9:30 a.m. Listening Session with Pastor. Fellowship Hall
 9:30 a.m. Gardening Forum. Portico
 9:30 a.m. Middlers in the Morning. Classroom No. 2
 10:45 a.m. Liturgy of the Word & Table

CARING CUPBOARD MINISTRY. October is our month. Please help pack bags for local school children on Thursday mornings starting at 9:15 a.m. for about an hour. Contact Suellen Myers at wilowsp@earthlink.net or (304)876-6035 to help out one time or more.

SUNDAY SEMINARS: Exploring Park-er Palmer's book. *Healing the Heart of Democracy: The Courage to Create a Politics Worthy of the Human Spirit.* This week's topic will be chapter 2: "Confessions of an Accidental Citizen."

LISTENING SESSION with Pastor Tremba. *When you see the rainbow decal on our church sign, how do you see it? How does it make you feel?* **Sunday, Oct. 6, 9:30-10:15 a.m.** Fellowship Hall.

GARDENING FORUM. **Sunday, Oct. 6, 9:30 a.m.,** Portico. Welcome all gardeners and gardener wanna-bees. Share plants, seeds, produce & ideas. SPC is an Earth-care Congregation!

BOOK DISCUSSION with Pastor Tremba: *Proof of Heaven: A Neurosurgeon's Jour-*

ney into the Afterlife by Eben Alexander. **Wednesday, Oct. 9, 7:00 p.m.** Fellowship Hall.

FORUM: Prison Visitation Programs. Learn how you might assist inmates at the prisons near Hagerstown (MCI and RCI) through several established volunteer organizations. **Sunday, Oct. 13, 4:30 p.m.** Fellowship Hall.

BREAKING THE SILENCE: Facing Our Mortality with Grace and Dignity. Practical resources and information available including estate planning, advanced directives, funeral arrangements, and hospice options. **Saturday, Oct. 19, 9:30 a.m.** Fellowship Hall.

HIGH SCHOOL BANQUET for 9th-12th graders, **Sunday, Oct. 27, 5:00 p.m.** Shepherd University, Wellness Center banquet room. Hear advice from current and recent college students Parents welcome, too. \$10 in advance (\$12 at the door). Contact the office by Oct 13 to reserve your seat. <kathy@shepherdstownpresbyterian.org> or 304-876-6466.

Ordinary Time
 26th Sunday

September 29, 2013
 10:45 A.M.

BETWEEN OUR POLES

Who
 Can I tell
 The secrets of love?

Who has not confined their life
 to a padded cell?

Look at
 The nature of a river.

Its size, strength, and ability to give
 Are often gauged by its width
 and current.

God
 Too moves between our poles, our depth.
 God flows and gathers power between
 Our heart's range of
 Forgiveness and
 Compassion.

Who
 Can I tell,
 Who can Hafiz tell tonight
 All the secrets of
 Love?

Hafiz
 Sufi Muslim, Persia (1320-1389)

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