

God said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." **Exodus 33:14**

Mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

Psalms 99:4

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers.

Thessalonians 1:2

Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?

Matthew 22:17

THE FONT OF IDENTITY

+Introit (2x)

God welcomes all, strangers and friends;
God's love is strong and it never ends.

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 713 (v. 1, 3)
"Touch the Earth Lightly"

Prayer for Wholeness

Gracious God,
too often our lives reflect chaos
instead of creation.
Living in disorder and turmoil,
we exist as though you do not.
Have mercy on us.
Rain your love upon us,
creating in us a new day.

Declaration of Grace & Gratitude

Passing the Peace

Blessing the World

Cameroon, Central African Republic, Equatorial Guinea

First Pew

Welcome and Parish Life

Stewardship Campaign Minute for Mission

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THE WORD OF HOPE

Reading

Interlude

"Shimmering Stardust"
Randall Hartsell

Lesson

Psalms 99

Sermon

"Out of the Silence"

+Hymn 715 (v. 1, 2, 4)

"The Earth Belongs to God Alone"

THE BREAD OF LIFE

Prayers for Others

Offering Our Gifts

Offertory

"The Lord's Prayer"
Albert Hay Mallotte / Arr. by Fred Bock

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.

† † †

+Sending Hymn 540 (3x)

Farewell, good friends! Farewell, good friends!

Shalom, shalom!

Till we meet again, till we meet again,
shalom, shalom.

I think of a hero as someone who understands the degree of responsibility that comes with his freedom. **Bob Dylan**

We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give.

Winston Churchill

When I stand before God at the end of my life, I would hope that I would not have a single bit of talent left and could say, I used everything you gave me.

Erma Bombeck

No one has ever become poor by giving. **Anne Frank**

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the Price family fund

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Sunday 18 • 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 a.m. Sunday Seminar via Zoom
11:00 a.m. Service of Worship via Facebook Live!
4:00 p.m. Community Hymn Sing. Rumsey Monument

Sunday 25 • 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deuteronomy 34:1–12; Psalm 90:1–6, 13–17; 1 Thessalonians 2:1–8 1; Matthew 22:34–46

9:30 a.m. Sunday Seminar via Zoom
11:00 a.m. Service of Worship via Facebook Live!

PASTOR GUSTI returns to the office **Monday, October, 26**. Please contact Deacon Co-Moderator Debbie Romano for any pastoral concerns. October 25: Reflections by Chris Morehouse and Anne Teresa.

GEORGIANNE TOOLE, Choir Director and Accompanist, is on vacation through November 30th. Please welcome Pat Dick and Terry Tucker as guest accompanists.

SUNDAY SEMINARS are exploring the book *So You Want To Talk About Race* by Ijeoma Oluo. **Sundays at 9:30 a.m. via Zoom.** Next gathering will be **Sunday, October 25**, Chapters 9-12: Racist Behaviors: the “n” word, appropriation, microaggressions.

COFFEE TALK WITH PASTOR GUSTI continues **Sunday, November 1, 9:30 a.m.** via Zoom. A time to check in on how things are going and dream big for our ministry to come.

COMMUNITY MEAL on November 1. Until further notice, meals will consist of “to-go” boxes for our friends in need. Go to [PerfectPotluck.com](https://www.perfectpotluck.com), coordinator Wright, password 5777 to sign up. This month’s specialty will be chili and cornbread with side salads, fruit, snacks and drinks. Donations should be at SPC by 3:15 that Sunday.

ALL GATHERINGS IN THE CHURCH BUILDING have been suspended until November 30. Please contact the church office@shepherdstownpresbyterian.org if your committee or team is planning to meet electronically so we can add it to notices and calendar.

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Ordinary Time
Twenty-ninth Sunday

October 18, 2020
11:00 a.m.

Psalm 99

Awaken, O you people!
Entrust your hearts to Love.
For the Beloved reigns supreme;
let all the earth give thanks!

Your unseen Presence is great in the land;
You sit with the leaders of nations.
Let them be silent and guided by your Voice!
Holy are You!

You are mighty and love justice,
You establish equity;
Out of the Silence, your Word can be heard
in the land inviting the nations to live in peace.

Listen, O you people!
Open your hearts to the Beloved,
that Truth may be born anew!

Many who have gone before you
have followed the Beloved’s Voice,
the unknown saints of all generations.
They surrendered themselves into the Beloved’s hands, and
walked with confidence.

They were guided through difficult times,
keeping to Love’s way, and trusting in Love’s promises.

O Heart of all hearts, You answered their prayers;
With mercy, You forgave them their wrongdoings,
always inviting them to new life.

Sing praises to the Beloved,
and aspire to ascend the holy mountain.
Holy are You, O Giver of Life!

Nan Merrill

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