

Welcome to Shadyside Presbyterian Church

We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate in the worship, study, fellowship, and service of this congregation.

If you are a guest with us this morning, our ushers are available to assist you.

Nursery care is available for infants through three-year-olds during worship. Pagers are available. A cry room with a video broadcast of worship is available in the Craig Room, accessible through the Narthex.

Children in Worship - At 11:00 a.m., families with two- and three-year-olds are welcome to report directly to the Nursery. Four-year-olds through fifth-graders attend worship and may exit with their teachers before the sermon to participate in chapel worship and children's activities. (If you are a first-time guest, please accompany your child to the Chapel, and then you may return to the Sanctuary.) Parents should meet their children in the Christian education classrooms after worship. On the first Sunday of the month, first- through fifth-graders stay in worship through the entire service for Communion. A bulletin insert designed for children is available in the Narthex.

Prayer Request Cards - You are invited to write on a Prayer Request Card the names of those who are sick or in need of intercessory prayer.

Individual listening devices for improved sound are available for those with hearing needs. Please see an usher in the Narthex.

Fifth Avenue Parking - Parking on the inbound side of the block from Wilkins Avenue to Amberson Avenue is not available for parking on Sunday mornings. Parking is available on the outbound side as well as both sides of Fifth Avenue from Amberson Avenue into Oakland. We appreciate your helpfulness utilizing these available parking areas on Sunday mornings.

Time of Fellowship immediately follows worship. Please join us after the service for light refreshments and an opportunity to greet each other.

! Please silence cellular phones and other mobile devices while in the sanctuary.

Order of Worship

The service of worship begins with the music of the prelude.

Through its power and brilliance, may you feel the majesty and glory of God; in its quietness, His peace.

PRELUDE

I Know That My Redeemer Lives
Prelude
Rhosymedre

George Shearing
William Harris
Ralph Vaughan Williams

WELCOME

The Reverend Dr. Conrad C. Sharps

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: One thing have we asked of the LORD,

People: **That we will seek after;**

Pastor: That we may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of our lives,

People: **To behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in His temple.**

All: **Let us worship God!**

Psalm 27:4

▲ HYMN IN PROCESSION 262

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

National Hymn

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

The Reverend Todd E. Leach

ORISON

Justin M. Wallace

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Text: Psalm 118:24

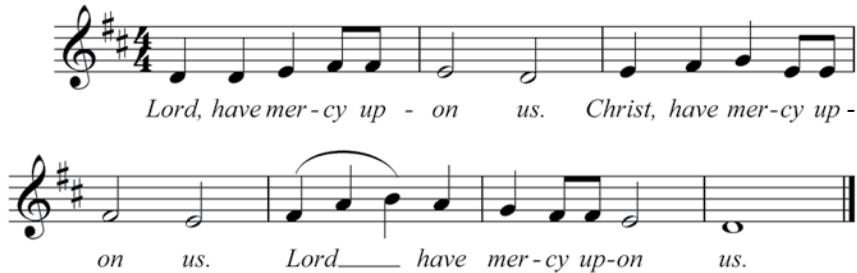
PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(spoken in unison)*

Eternal God, our Judge and Redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from You, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and apart from You. We have turned from our neighbors, and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In Your great mercy, forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose Your will and obey Your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

SILENT CONFESSION

KYRIE (sung in unison)

Healey Willan



Lord, have mer-cy up - on us. Christ, have mer-cy up -
on us. Lord have mer-cy up-on us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Believe the good news of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

▲ GLORIA PATRI (sung in unison)

Westminster Abbey (Hymn no. 416)

Glory be to God the Father, glory be to God the Son, glory be to God the Spirit, ever three and ever one; one in might and one in glory while unending ages run.

Children who are participating in children's worship activities are invited to leave through the Sharp Atrium door. (If you are a first-time guest, please accompany your child to the Chapel, and then you may return to the Sanctuary.)

SCRIPTURE

John 13:31-35

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Reverend Lynn M. Portz

page 108 of the New Testament in the pew Bible

ANTHEM

Teach Me, O Lord

Teach me, O LORD, the way of Thy statutes, and I shall keep it unto the end.

Thomas Attwood

Text: Psalm 119:33

SERMON

The Place to Which We Go

The Reverend Dr. Conrad C. Sharps

▲ HYMN OF RESPONSE 376

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Hyfrydol

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

MOMENT FOR THE SESQUICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Elder Percy M. Jackson

Sesquicentennial Committee

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Reverend John F. Magnuson

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERING ANTHEM

And I Saw a New Heaven

Edgar Bainton

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and first earth had passed away, and there was no more sea. And I, John, saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband; and I heard a great voice out of heaven, saying: "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people; and God Himself shall be with them and be their God; and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes, and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain, for the former things are passed away."

Text: Revelation 21:1-4

▲ DOXOLOGY

Lasst uns erfreuen (Hymn no. 229)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God above, ye heavenly host! Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

▲ OFFERTORY PRAYER

▲ HYMN 361

How Firm a Foundation

Foundation

▲ BENEDICTION

▲ CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

On a Theme of Orlando Gibbons

Charles Villiers Stanford

Today in Shadyside Presbyterian Church

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given in celebration of the marriage of Rebecca Denise Verley to Zachary Daniel Reeder, and in loving memory of their grandparents who have already left this world and whose influence and love will never be forgotten.

Acolytes for April - Christopher Balaan and Ian A. McGough.

Ushers for April - William A. Bake, Shannon L. Bunting, Peter J. Freymark, William E. Hunt, Sandra H. Miller, Martin E. Powell, Michael B. Schwerin, and Michael S. Wickerham. **Coordinators:** Mark G. Allston, Brigetta P. Del Re, Elise A. Hunter, Percy M. Jackson, Robert P. O'Neil, and Paul T. Straitiff.

About This Morning's Music

Edgar Bainton (1880–1956) is best known as a composer of church music. He studied under Charles Stanford at the Royal College of Music. In 1914, he had travelled to Bayreuth for the annual music festival, when World War I broke out; the German authorities arrested and interned him for the duration of the war as “a male enemy alien of military age” at Ruhleben, near Berlin. When the war ended, he returned to his post in Newcastle upon Tyne at the Conservatory. He spent much of his time touring Commonwealth countries, and, in 1934, he and his family moved to Australia, where he became director of the New South Wales State Conservatorium in Sydney. He is best remembered in Australia as a composer of operas and for introducing music by composers such as Debussy, Delius, Sibelius, and Walton. His music – of which “And I Saw a New Heaven” is typical – is in a late-romantic idiom and employs none of the folk influences of many of his contemporaries, such as Vaughan Williams. Composed in 1938, it is likely the best known of his works.

About the Cover Artwork

In November 2011, Shadyside Presbyterian Church revealed more than six months of planning and artistic effort with the unveiling of a mosaic mural on the lower level of the church. This installation crafted by local artist Lisa Platt now greets members and visitors arriving to our educational spaces.

Made with handcrafted red-clay tiles, stained glass, and recycled objects, the mosaic was a collaborative creation of the artist, SPC's Art Task Force, and the children and youth of the church and nursery school. Under Lisa's direction, the children and youth created bordering tiles and embellishments such as leaves and hearts.

The mosaic emphasizes our Christian faith and illustrates our commitments to the areas of education, missions, and music. Our church building is represented prominently alongside a cross and a depiction of Jesus Christ – all nestled within a stylized global context, establishing through multiple natural motifs a wonder-filled sense of God's Creation. The artwork incorporates the nursery school's logo, which was designed by the first husband of church member and nursery school volunteer Susie Pettler. Ms. Platt also has expressed our local and international connections, including in the design reminders of our missions-based relationships in Mexico, Malawi, China, Guatemala, and Mars Hill, as well as nods to our immediate neighborhood. For example, the artwork includes a Scottish terrier vested in tartan as a reference to Carnegie Mellon University. A pipe organ is visible through the open doors of the church's façade, while a traditional Scottish bagpiper appears elsewhere.

Repeated viewings prove rewarding, as new elements emerge and enrich the overall piece. The mosaic captivates and delights viewers of all ages as we discover details and appreciate previously unnoticed figures. Visit the lower level and look closely – you may even see a church mouse!

About the Artist: Lisa Platt likes to make people smile with her whimsical work, which can be seen around the city. She has crafted mosaic pieces for the Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh in Lawrenceville and for the Pittsburgh Zoo and PPG Aquarium. Her work is available at the Pittsburgh Center for the Arts in Shadyside. For information, visit www.pittsburgharts.org.

Daily Prayer Lectionary Readings

..... April 24 – May 1

Sunday, April 24

Psalms 67, 68
Leviticus 8:1-13, 30-36
Hebrews 12:1-14
Luke 4:16-30

Tuesday, April 26

Psalms 70, 71
Leviticus 16:20-34
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
Matthew 6:7-15

Thursday, April 28

Psalms 74, 75
Leviticus 19:26-37
2 Thessalonians 1:1-12
Matthew 6:25-34

Saturday, April 30

Psalm 78
Leviticus 23:23-44
2 Thessalonians 3:1-18
Matthew 7:13-21

Monday, April 25

Psalm 69
Leviticus 16:1-19
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Wednesday, April 27

Psalms 72, 73
Leviticus 19:1-18
1 Thessalonians 5:12-28
Matthew 6:19-24

Friday, April 29

Psalms 76, 77
Leviticus 23:1-22
2 Thessalonians 2:1-17
Matthew 7:1-12

Sunday, May 1

Psalms 79, 80
Leviticus 25:1-17
James 1:2-8, 16-18
Luke 12:13-21

News and Notes

New Pictorial Directory - Distribution of the church's new pictorial directory will occur after worship today. During the Time of Fellowship, please visit the reception area of the Sharp Atrium, where volunteers will assist you in obtaining your copy (one directory per family). If you would like to help the church conserve print editions for future new members, consider opting for an electronic edition. Speak to the distribution volunteers or contact the church office about this "green" alternative. We thank all members who helped to make our church family album more complete by participating in a portrait session at the church or by submitting photographs.

Used Clothing Sale - On Monday and Tuesday, April 25 and 26, the nursery school is holding a children's and maternity clothing sale. All are welcome to stop by the sale and stock up on clothes. Proceeds from the sale will benefit the nursery school, and any leftover clothing will be donated to charity.

Light Bite Night - On Wednesday, April 27, supper is served from 6:00 until 6:45 p.m. in the Parish Hall. The menu will include lemon herb roasted chicken; tomato cucumber salsa, with fresh basil and mint; mixed greens salad, with sherry vinaigrette; and sliced baguettes. Assorted cookies will be served for dessert. For reservations, please sign up in the Sharp Atrium or contact the church office by Monday, April 25. Cost: adults, \$6; children 10 and under, goodwill offering. If you are able, we hope you will stay for vespers.

Midweek Vespers - The final vespers service for the spring will be held on Wednesday, April 27, at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel. These thirty-minute candlelight worship services, with Communion, offer a more intimate worship experience in the midst of our hectic lives. Nursery care is available. Vespers resume September 7.

Important Worship Schedule Change: Sunday, May 1, at 4:00 p.m. - Due to the Pittsburgh Marathon, on Sunday, May 1, the service of worship has been re-scheduled to 4:00 p.m. (Christian Education will not be held at 9:30 a.m., and worship will not be held at 11:00 a.m.) The Reverend Todd E. Leach will preach, and Communion will be served by intinction. Nursery care will be provided during the service.

Pittsburgh Marathon - As thirty members and friends of SPC prepare to "Own the Race" in the Pittsburgh Marathon on Sunday, May 1, the entire church is invited to run alongside them in a number of exciting ways.

- **Show Your Support** - This year, we are honored to be running with our local mission partner, Open Hand Ministries (OHM). Shadyside runners are running with a purpose to raise funds in support of OHM's work in the Garfield and East Liberty communities. Visit their Crowdrise pages at www.crowdrise.com/ohmpittsburgh2016. Please also keep the runners in your prayers.
- **Pasta Dinner and Pep Rally** - Join the runners and meet our mission partner at a carbo-loading pasta dinner and pep rally on Friday, April 29, at 6:00 p.m. at East Liberty Presbyterian Church (116 S. Highland Avenue). Please RSVP to Shadyside Presbyterian Church no later than Monday, April 25. If you are interested in assisting with the dinner, please contact Rev. John Magnuson.
- **Cheering and Orange Distribution** - A "cheer station" will be set up near the church at the corner of Amberson and Fifth Avenues to hand out orange slices to runners from 7:30 to 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, May 1. We also need volunteers to cut nearly 200 pounds of oranges on Saturday, April 30, at 1:00 p.m. in the church kitchen. Please sign up in the Sharp Atrium.

Mission Dinner - The Mission and Urban Ministry Team invites you to attend our Mission Dinner Series to hear the inspirational stories of our mission partners. On the first Wednesday of each month, dinner occurs from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Join us on Wednesday, May 4, when our Guatemala mission team will share with us about their recent trip to Promised Land Ministries last month. Although there is no charge for the dinner, a freewill offering will be received to offset the costs of the meal. Please RSVP by signing up in the Sharp Atrium or by contacting the church office. (Nursery care is available. Families are encouraged to eat together; then, children may move to the Nursery during the presentation.)

Garfield Workday - On Saturday, May 7, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., we will partner with Open Hand Ministries and Garfield Community Farm in an all-church workday. Volunteers will rehabilitate a home, work in an urban garden, and participate in landscaping projects. All ages are encouraged to participate; no experience is required. For additional information, please contact Rev. Todd Leach.

God and Family First (GAFF) on Second Sundays at SPC - On the second Sunday of every month, join other families at 9:30 a.m. for a child-friendly family fellowship in the Parish Hall. A light breakfast will be provided to help you start the morning. Young children can play and parents can converse with each other (or at least try to do so). This new opportunity is a great way to meet other families; while children form and explore new friendships, adults may discover other exciting things happening at Shadyside. Our next gathering occurs on Sunday, May 8.

An Invitation to Membership - A class for new members occurs Sunday, May 15, from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m., and will include an overview of Presbyterian beliefs and history, as well as an opportunity to learn about the various ministries of SPC. A continental breakfast will be served. Childcare is available during the class. New members will be received on Sunday, May 15, and recognized in worship that day. If you would like to register for the class, please contact Ruth Garrett in the church office.

Annual Meetings - Our annual meetings will be held on Sunday, May 15, in the sanctuary immediately following worship. Members are asked to remain so that we can accomplish the election of officers and handle other important business. Extended childcare will be available for the duration of the meeting.

Sesquicentennial Kickoff Sunday and Birthday Cake Fellowship - During the same month in which we observe the liturgical “birthday of the Church” (Pentecost), we also launch the celebration of the 150th “birthday” of Shadyside Presbyterian Church with our annual birthday cake celebration, which is scheduled for Sunday, May 22, following worship in the Parish Hall. Please plan to stay and enjoy the fellowship as you discover others who share your birth month – perhaps even your birthday! (Did we mention there will be cake, too?) The Sesquicentennial Kickoff Sunday officially introduces a season dedicated to celebrating 150 years of blessings as a congregation, with many events to experience, guests to greet, and memories to share. Read more online at www.shadysidepres.org/150.

Calling All Bakers - Our annual birthday cake celebration is scheduled for Sunday, May 22, following worship in the Parish Hall. We need a minimum of two dozen cakes. Bake your favorite recipe or try a new one – a variety of cakes makes for a great event. Please sign up in the Sharp Atrium or call the church office to let us know what kind of cake you will bring and which month of the year you would prefer to honor.

Vacation Bible School - Registrations are now being accepted for Shadyside's VBS program scheduled for June 20 through 24. Brochures and applications are available in the Sharp Atrium and in the Narthex, as well as online at www.shadysidepres.org/vacation-bible-school-2016. For additional information, please contact Ellen Allston (eallston@shadysidepres.org). Enrollment is limited, so please register soon.

Mars Hill Mission Experience: July 10-16, 2016 - Over 100 people from SPC have traveled to Mars Hill to serve our neighbors in the Appalachian region of North Carolina. We are hoping for fifty participants to take part in our annual mission, and we need you to consider joining the Shadyside team. Projects range from children's ministry to housing rehabilitation. Your presence would be a blessing to this team! For further information, please contact Rev. Todd Leach: tleach@shadysidepres.org.

Letters of joys and concerns are on the table in the Narthex. Please take time to sign the letters.

Daily Prayer - The listing of the daily lectionary readings for the entire year is available in the Narthex.

Prayer Gatherings occur on Tuesdays from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m., and on Thursdays from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. You are invited to join us for a time of silent and spoken prayers, as we bring our concerns before God. If you cannot be with us in person, we encourage you to remember the congregation in your prayers at these same times. This is one of the many ways we can express our care for one another.

PrayerNet is a complement to our ongoing prayer groups and prayer shawl ministry which lifts up urgent prayer requests for you or your loved ones. If you or a loved one are in need of urgent prayer, or if you would like to become a PrayerNet prayer partner to help lift up these requests, email member Krissy Moehling at prayernet@shadysidepres.org. Confidentiality, if requested for names and/or situations, will be maintained.

The Mini-Mouse - Sign up to receive our weekly e-newsletter by providing your email address when registering your attendance in the pew pad or by sending an email message to info@shadysidepres.org.

The Shadyside Presbyterian Church website, www.shadysidepres.org, provides access to audio recordings of the service of worship. Electronic copies of the bulletin also are available, as well as additional information about the church's many programs, activities, and events.

Mission Partner Spotlight

In 1924, Shadyside Presbyterian Church built a hospital in the Shantung Province of China. The hospital was part of a larger mission compound that was used as an internment camp during World War II. (Langdon Gilkey's book, *Shantung Compound*, relates his experience in this internment camp.) This hospital is now a historical site, surrounded by Shadyside Park. In an attempt to renew and restore our relationships in this region, various teams from Shadyside have traveled to China, most recently in October 2015 for our fifth visit. Highlights of this relationship include exploring a historic culture, reliving our own history, and continuing discussions with a church in Wei Hei to enable us to walk alongside the growing Christianity of China.

To join the efforts of the International Partnerships Mission Action Community (MAC), contact the Reverend Todd E. Leach, Associate Pastor for Missions.

Church Calendar

..... April 24 - May 1

TODAY <i>April 24</i>	11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship in the Sanctuary
	11:20 a.m.	Chapel Worship for preschool through 5 th grade
	12:00 p.m.	Time of Fellowship in the Sharp Atrium with Distribution of Pictorial Directories
	12:30 p.m.	SPYS (Youth Group) in the Youth Room
MONDAY	9:00 a.m.	Nursery School Used Clothing Sale in the Parish Hall
TUESDAY	9:00 a.m.	Nursery School Used Clothing Sale in the Parish Hall
	10:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer Group in the Craig Room
	6:00 p.m.	Yoga in the Hulme Room
	8:00 p.m.	Campus Ministry Mission Action Community off-site
WEDNESDAY	4:00 p.m.	Audit Committee in the Craig Room
	5:30 p.m.	Alternative Gifts Committee in the Stamy Room
	6:00 p.m.	Light Bite Night in the Parish Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Midweek Vespers in the Chapel
	7:45 p.m.	Session in the Hulme Room
THURSDAY	10:00 a.m.	Mornings Out with Mom in the Nursery
	6:30 p.m.	Campus Ministry Cookie Delivery to Carnegie Mellon University Students
	7:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer Group in the Walton Library
	7:00 p.m.	Young Adult Bible Study in the Stamy Room
	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Chapel
	8:15 p.m.	Chatham Christian Fellowship in the Craig Room
FRIDAY	6:00 p.m.	Marathon Pasta Dinner and Pep Rally at East Liberty Presbyterian Church, 116 S. Highland Avenue
SATURDAY	1:00 p.m.	Marathon Preparation (Orange Slicing) in the Kitchen
SUNDAY <i>May 1</i>		Marathon Sunday
	7:30 a.m.	Cheering and Orange Distribution at the Corner of Fifth and Amberson Aves.
	9:30 a.m.	No Christian Education Classes
	11:00 a.m.	No Morning Worship
	4:00 p.m.	Afternoon Worship with Communion in the Sanctuary

Live Webcast

Listen to a live audio stream of our service of worship at 11:00 a.m. on Sundays:

www.shadysidepres.org/live

Please share this link with friends and neighbors who may not be able to join us in person.

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