

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 evening, our ushers are available to assist you.

Gluten-free, vegan Communion wafers are available in the Narthex for those who prefer them to the regular Communion bread.

Communion will be served through the practice of intinction. As ushers release your pews, you are invited to come forward to one of the two stations where a pastor and elder will be waiting for you. Take a piece of bread from the pastor, dip the bread into the cup the elder holds, and, after communing, you may return to your seat using the side aisles. If you are unable to come forward, please indicate that to an usher and the elements will be brought to 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.

Enlarged bulletins and individual listening devices for improved sound are available in the Narthex at the back of the Sanctuary. Please see an usher for assistance.

Restrooms are located off the Narthex and can be accessed by exiting the back of the Sanctuary and turning right. Additional restrooms are located at the top of the grand staircase accessible through the Sharp Atrium.

This Evening in Shadyside Presbyterian Church

We welcome our musicians: Brian Doherty, baritone; and Peggy Yoo, flute. This evening's music is made possible by a grant from the William E. Saul Fund of Shadyside Presbyterian Church.

Elders: Randy C. Adams II and Fallaw B. Sowell.

Ushers: Robert D. Hoehl, Frederick L. Porkolab, and Carey T. Vinson.

! 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

Andante from Sonata in E minor

Johann Sebastian Bach

Adagio ma non tanto from Sonata in E Major

Johann Sebastian Bach

Largo e dolce from Sonata in B minor

Johann Sebastian Bach

Peggy Yoo, flute

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Reverend Todd E. Leach

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the LORD,

People: Who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: Seek the LORD while He may be found; call upon Him while He is near.

People: Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me and answer me.

Pastor: “Come,” my heart says, “seek His face.”

All: Your face, LORD, do I seek.

Psalm 124:8; Isaiah 55:6; Psalm 27:7-8

▲ HYMN 179

God Is My Strong Salvation

Christus, der ist mein Leben

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(spoken in unison)*

The Reverend Dr. Conrad C. Sharps

O Lord, my ears are dull so I cannot hear Your voice. And my eyes are dim, so I cannot see the signs of Your presence. You alone can quicken my hearing and purge my sight that I may receive Your Word.

John Henry Newman

SILENT CONFESSION

KYRIE ELEISON *(sung in unison)*

Mark A. Anderson

Lord, have mer-cy up - on us.____ Christ, have mer-cy up -
on us.____ Lord____, have mer - cy____ up - on us.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in 3/4 time, key of B-flat major. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line of text. The lyrics are written below the notes.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Believe the good news of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *(sung in unison)*

Nicaea (Hymn no. 138)

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth and sky and sea! Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

SCRIPTURE

John 8:12-20

page 101 of the New Testament in the pew Bible

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SOLO

Vouchsafe, O Lord

George Frideric Handel

Brian Doherty, baritone

HOMILY

The Reverend Todd E. Leach

The Sustaining Light

▲ 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.

▲ HYMN 515

Now to Your Table Spread

Love Unknown

Now to Your table spread we come, each one in faith that You alone provide the words of life and death: In wine and bread, in promised food we find Your loving heart, O God.

Text: Shirley Erena Murray, 1987

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND DISTRIBUTION

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Prayer of St. Francis

Jonathan Willcocks

Brian Doherty, baritone

PRAYER OF RESPONSE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

▲ HYMN 425

Lord of Light, Your Name Outshining

Abbot's Leigh

▲ BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Allegro

Johann Sebastian Bach

Peggy Yoo, flute

Lenten Vespers

..... Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Lenten vespers continue on Wednesdays through April 5. These 45-minute candlelight Communion services include a homily, the Lord's Supper, and music offered by the Shadyside Strings, Chatham Baroque, Trio Nova Mundi, and the Choirs of the Pittsburgh School for the Choral Arts. Childcare is provided.

Join us via the live webcast at www.shadysidepres.org/live.

Please remain after vespers and join the pastors in the Craig Room for a Bible study and casual conversation about the Scripture passage on which the homily for that evening is based.

Please pick up a copy of the Lenten booklet available in the Narthex and Sharp Atrium.

News and Notes

Lenten Vespers Bible Study with the Pastors - As Lent is a season for self-reflection, it is also a good time to reflect upon Scripture and its importance in our lives. During the Wednesdays in Lent, join our pastors after vespers from 7:45 to 8:30 p.m. in the Craig Room for a Bible study and casual conversation about the Scripture preached on that night. Booklets with the Scripture passages, accompanied by thoughts to ponder, are available in the Sharp Atrium and Narthex. You may also download the booklet from the church website.

Young Adult Bible Study - Young adults and friends of Shadyside Presbyterian Church are invited to join us as we continue to build community through study. During the season of Lent, we will meet on Wednesdays following vespers; please see the announcement above.

Easter Lilies - The Board of Deacons is again providing the opportunity for the placement of lilies in the Sanctuary during the Easter worship services. Orders may be placed *in memory of* loved ones at a cost of \$8 per lily. Order forms are available in the Narthex and Sharp Atrium and must be received by Sunday, March 26.

Grief Support Group - Shadyside Presbyterian Church offers a Grief Support Group designed to provide encouragement and a faith-centered perspective for those who have lost a loved one. The group meets periodically to discuss a variety of subjects that are important in the grief recovery process, including the range of emotions which grief brings, and resources for moving forward. Our next gathering occurs Monday, April 3, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Craig Room. New participants are always welcome to join; there is no cost to attend the group. For more information, please contact Rev. Lynn Portz.

Campus Ministry Pirates Game - For our Campus Ministry Mission Action Community (MAC) spring celebration, we are headed to PNC Park to watch the Pirates take on the Atlanta Braves, on Saturday, April 8, at 7:05 p.m. If you would like to watch some baseball and hang out with our area college students before they leave for the summer, you are most welcome to join us. Cost: \$10 per ticket, which includes a \$5 concessions voucher. Please sign up in the Sharp Atrium, or contact Brytani Clifton or Rebecca Reeder. Our thirty tickets will go quickly, so reserve your ticket early.

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 one Wednesday of each month, dinner occurs from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Join us on Wednesday, April 5, when our Mexico mission team will share with us about their recent experience serving with our partner ConeXión Mosaico. 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.)

God and Family First (GAFF) on Second Sundays at SPC - On the second Sunday of the 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. This 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, April 9.

Easter Egg Hunt - All Shadyside families and friends are invited to an Easter egg hunt on Saturday, April 15, on the church lawn. (In the event of rain, the festivities will move indoors.) Junior and senior high students are encouraged to arrive at 9:00 a.m. for breakfast and to help hide the eggs, while infants to elementary-grade students are invited to arrive with their families at 10:00 a.m. for a light breakfast and Easter egg hunt.

Room for One More? We are seeking congregants to host college students for Easter brunch. If you will be having an Easter meal in the Pittsburgh area and have room to host one more person, please sign up in the Sharp Atrium or contact the church office. Thank you!

Connections Dinner - On Wednesday, April 26, supper is served from 6:00 until 6:45 p.m. in the Parish Hall. The menu will include beef stroganoff, steamed white rice, and sautéed corn. Assorted cookies will be served for dessert. For reservations, please sign up in the Sharp Atrium or contact the church office by Monday, April 24. A freewill offering will be received to offset the costs of the meal. If you are able, we hope you will stay for vespers in the Chapel at 7:00 p.m.

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 which lifts up urgent prayer requests. 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 sending your subscription request in an email message to info@shadysidepres.org.

Visit the Shadyside Presbyterian Church website www.shadysidepres.org for even more information.

Adult Christian Education

..... Sundays at 9:45 a.m.

On Sunday mornings, the Adult Christian Education Team invites you to gather in the Sharp Atrium at 9:30 a.m. for a time of fellowship and light refreshments before attending the study of your choice.

Topical Book Study

From March 5 through April 9, you are invited to deepen your Lenten journey by reading John Indermark's *Parables and Passion: Jesus' Stories for the Days of Lent* with Mark A. Krofchik and Deacon Sherri P. Krofchik.

Adult Bible Study

Explore Scripture in-depth in this study led by Elder Richard L. McGough III. Join us as we continue to study the writings of St. John, including the Gospel, Epistles, and the Book of Revelation.

Holy Week and Easter at Shadyside

..... *The Passionate Life*

As we follow Christ to the cross, and then through death and loss to the resurrection, we discover that Jesus died to give us life. Join us during Holy Week to find your place in the Passion and the new life Easter offers.

April 9: Palm Sunday
11:00 a.m. Worship
in the Sanctuary
Dr. Sharps, preaching

April 13: Maundy Thursday
7:00 p.m. Communion Service
in the Sanctuary
Dr. Sharps, preaching

April 14: Good Friday
10:00 a.m. Family Service
with Communion in the Chapel
led by the Children's Ministry

7:00 p.m. Service
of Music and Readings
in the Sanctuary
John Tavener's *Svyati*
The Chancel Choir with cello

April 16: Easter
9:00 and 11:00 a.m.
Identical Worship Services
in the Sanctuary
Dr. Sharps, preaching

For more information,
visit the website:

www.shadysidepres.org/lent

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