

# 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 at the back of the sanctuary.

**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 available at the top of the grand staircase accessible through the Sharp Atrium.

**Fifth Avenue Parking** - Parking on the inbound side of the block from Wilkins Avenue to Amberson Avenue is not available on Sundays. 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 Sundays.

**!** *Please silence cellular phones and other mobile devices while in the Sanctuary.  
We respectfully request that no food or drink be brought into 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

Sonata in G Minor

George Frideric Handel

*Chatham Baroque*

## CALL TO WORSHIP

**The Reverend Dr. Conrad C. Sharps**

**Pastor:** God, gather us from the scattered places where we live,

**People:** **And bring us into the house of the Lord.**

**Pastor:** Gather us from a world filled with anger and hate,

**People:** **And bring us into the Church of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**All:** **Let us worship God.**

## ▲ HYMN 76

My Song Is Love Unknown

*Love Unknown*

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(spoken in unison)*

**The Reverend John F. Magnuson**

**You know us, O Lord, better than we know ourselves. There is nothing we can hide from You, even though we try. Forgive us for our unwillingness to face our own failures and for pretending they are not as bad as they are. We are not fooling You with such deceptions, only ourselves. Help us instead to acknowledge our shortcomings, to be honest about who we are. For it is in honestly facing what we do not like about ourselves that we might be able to find resources to become the people You want us to be. This table is a good place to begin such an inward look. The bread here and the wine are reminders of suffering, suffering on our behalf. It is for us that these elements mean what they mean. May they become food that nurtures faith, enabling us to grow and become strong and faithful followers of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

## SILENT CONFESSION

## CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *(sung in unison)*

*Herzliebster Jesu (Hymn no. 93)*

**Ah, holy Jesus, how have You offended, that mortal judgment has on You descended?  
By foes derided, by Your own rejected, O most afflicted!**

**Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon You? It is my treason, Lord, that has undone You. 'Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied You; I crucified You.**

**For me, dear Jesus, was Your incarnation, Your mortal sorrow, and Your life's oblation,  
Your death of anguish and Your bitter passion, for my salvation.**

Text: Johann Heermann, 1630; translated by Robert Bridges, 1899

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Believe the good news of the Gospel:

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

## ▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *(sung in unison)*

*Passion Chorale (Hymn no. 98)*

**What language shall I borrow to thank Thee, dearest friend, for this, Thy dying sorrow, Thy pity without end? O make me Thine forever; and should I fainting be, Lord, let me never, never outlive my love for Thee.**

Text attributed to Bernard of Clairvaux (1091-1153); translated by James Waddell Alexander, 1830

## OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Exodus 12:1-14

page 58 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## SOLO

Thy Rebuke Hath Broken His Heart

George Frideric Handel

Behold and See If There Be Any Sorrow

George Frideric Handel

*George Milosh, tenor*

## NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Mark 14:17-31

page 51 of the New Testament in the pew Bible

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## HOMILY

**The Reverend Dr. Conrad C. Sharps**

The Dark Night of a Lenten Quest

## ▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*The Nicene Creed*

**We believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father by whom all things were made; who for us, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead, whose kingdom shall have no end.**

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And we believe one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

▲ HYMN 513

Let Us Break Bread Together

*Let Us Break Bread*

**THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION**

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND DISTRIBUTION

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Hostias

Gabriel Fauré

*Brian Doherty, baritone*

PRAYER OF RESPONSE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Hymnal page 16*

**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 101

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

*Hamburg*

▲ BENEDICTION

*The congregation is invited to leave the Sanctuary in silence.*

## This Evening in Shadyside Presbyterian Church

**We welcome our musicians this evening:** George Milosh, tenor; Brian Doherty, baritone; and Chatham Baroque: Andrew Fouts, violin; Patricia Halverson, viola da gamba; and Scott Pauley, theorbo. This evening's music is made possible by a grant from the William E. Saul Fund of Shadyside Presbyterian Church.

**Elders:** Nathaniel C. Hunter and Michael B. Schwerin.

**Ushers:** Ellen L. Allston, Mark G. Allston, and W. Dennis Bossick.

## News and Notes

**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-age students are invited to arrive with their families at 10:00 a.m. for a light breakfast and Easter egg hunt.

**Christian Education classes** will not meet at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, April 16. Children’s chapel worship will be offered during both services on Easter Sunday. Education classes for all ages will resume at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, April 23.

**Midweek Vespers** are held in the Chapel on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. through the end of April. These thirty-minute candlelight worship services, with Communion, offer a more intimate worship experience in the midst of our hectic lives. Childcare is provided.

**Young Adult Bible Study** – Beginning April 20 and continuing through June 8, young adults and friends are invited to join us in reading *The Wired Soul* on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. This study will reintroduce us to the classic disciplines of Scripture reading, meditation, prayer, and contemplation – not just as technologies to aid our faith, but as tools to keep us focused and mindful in an increasingly disorienting digital age. Books are available from Rev. John Magnuson through the church office.

**Young Adult Game Night** – Join other young adults and friends for an evening of games and fellowship on Saturday, April 22, at 7:00 p.m. Bring your favorite game and a snack to share! We will meet at the home of Brenden and Michelle Van Buren. Please sign up in the Sharp Atrium or contact Rev. John Magnuson to RSVP and get directions by April 21.

**An Invitation to Membership** – A two-week orientation class for inquirers occurs Sundays, April 23 and 30, from 9:45 to 10:40 a.m. in the Craig Room, and will include an overview of Presbyterian beliefs and history, as well as an opportunity to learn about the various ministries of SPC. (Infant care and children’s Sunday school run concurrently.) New members will be received on April 30, and recognized in worship that day. If you would like to register for the class, please contact Ruth Garrett in the church office.

**Cookies for College Students** – Campus Ministry hopes to gather 2,000 cookies to distribute to students in our continuing efforts to share love and encouragement during the stressful weeks of final exams at CMU and Chatham. Homemade or bakery-bought cookie donations will be collected and bagged during the Time of Fellowship following worship on Sunday, April 23. We also invite helpers of all ages to join us on Tuesday, April 25, or Thursday, May 4, to deliver the cookies to students. Please sign up in the Sharp Atrium, or contact Brytani Clifton or Rebecca Reeder.

**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.

**Calling All Bakers** - Our annual birthday cake celebration is scheduled for Sunday, April 30, in the Parish Hall following worship. 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.

**Service of Ordination for Kendra Buckwalter Smith** - The Pittsburgh Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church (USA) invites you to celebrate the ordination of Kendra Buckwalter Smith as worship coordinator for Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, on Sunday, April 30, at 4:00 p.m. in Shadyside Presbyterian Church. A reception will follow the service. It is a blessing for us to be able to celebrate this special occasion with Kendra, who has been part of our church family since 2004. Please support her through your prayers and your presence at the service.

**Important Worship Schedule Change: Sunday, May 7, at 4:00 p.m.** - Due to the Pittsburgh Marathon, on Sunday, May 7, the service of worship has been re-scheduled to 4:00 p.m. (Christian Education classes will not be held at 9:30 a.m., and worship will not be held at 11:00 a.m.) The Reverend John F. Magnuson will preach, and Communion will be served by intinction. Nursery care will be provided during the service.

**The Mini-Mouse** - Sign up to receive our weekly e-newsletter by sending your subscription request in an email message to [info@shadysidepres.org](mailto:info@shadysidepres.org).

Visit the Shadyside Presbyterian Church website [www.shadysidepres.org](http://www.shadysidepres.org) for even more information.

## Music in a Great Space Concert

..... Saturday, April 22, at 3:00 p.m. ....

Handel's *Messiah*

The Pittsburgh Camerata with Chatham Baroque

Tickets: \$25 in advance; pre-ordering encouraged.

If available, tickets at the door cost \$30 each.

## Guest Choir & String Ensemble

..... Sunday, April 23 .....

The Boyertown Area Senior High School Choir  
and String Ensemble

String Prelude: 10:45 a.m. | Worship: 11:00 a.m.

Fellowship: Noon | Free Concert: 12:30 to 1:00 p.m.

## 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 April 23 through May 28, you are invited to enter a creative approach to reading Scripture through

Lisa Nichols Hickman's *Writing in the Margins:*

*Connecting with God on the Pages of Your Bible*  
with G. Luke Chwala and Deacon Laura B. Vondas.

### Adult Bible Study

Resuming April 23, 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

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 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 and Elisa Kohanski, cellist

### **April 16:** *Easter*

9:00 and 11:00 a.m.  
Identical Worship Services  
in the Sanctuary

Dr. Sharps, preaching,  
with choral, brass, and organ musical offerings

For more, visit [www.shadysidepres.org/lent](http://www.shadysidepres.org/lent)

Cover: Detail of the Communion table in the chancel of Shadyside Presbyterian Church depicting the *Agnus Dei*.  
Table design by Charles Marcus Osborn, 1938. Photograph taken by Ellen L. Allston.

## Church Staff

Conrad C. Sharps, *Senior Pastor*

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