

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.

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

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 second-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- and second-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.

Flower Ministry - After worship, members of the Board of Deacons' Flower Ministry divide the chancel flowers into bouquets to be distributed to individuals who are celebrating joyous occasions and to those who could use some cheer. If you would like to deliver a bouquet to someone you know, please stop by the front of the Sanctuary after worship to receive one. Help us to share God's love through flowers.

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.

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

Once the Welcome has begun, please wait to enter the Sanctuary until the choir has processed.

PRELUDE

Three Reflections on Familiar Hymns

John Erickson

Let Us Break Bread

Pastorale on a Folk Tune

Be Thou My Vision

WELCOME

The Reverend Dr. Conrad C. Sharps

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Grant to us, O Lord, the ability to worship You in spirit and in truth;

People: **To submit all our nature to You, that our consciences may be cleared by Your holiness,**

Pastor: Our minds nourished by Your truth,

People: **And our imaginations purified by the presence of Your Holy Spirit.**

All: **Let us worship God!**

▲ HYMN IN PROCESSION 361

How Firm a Foundation

Foundation

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

The Reverend Lynn M. Portz

ORISON

Rupert Jeffcoat

Come unto Me all that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.

Text: Matthew 11:28

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(spoken in unison)*

Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer. We confess that it is still all too easy for us to sacrifice our convictions for convenience, Your standards for status, Your principles for promotion, Your absolutes for our ambition, our souls for shallow and unsatisfying success. How easily we are seduced by power, prestige, pleasure, or possessions — seduced into violating our integrity or harming our fellowship with You. From earth's fullest bliss, we turn to You again, unfulfilled. Forgive us our half-hearted devotion and our double-minded spirit. In the name of Jesus Christ, who refused to save Himself that we might be redeemed.

SILENT CONFESSION

▲ *Those who are able are invited to stand.*

Sunday, September 3, 2017

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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 musical notation is for a unison song in 3/4 time, key of B-flat major. It consists of two staves. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are: "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)*

Mark A. Anderson

Glo - ry be to the Fa ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spi - rit;
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be
world with - out end. A - - men.

The musical notation is for a unison song in 4/4 time, key of D major. It consists of three staves. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics, the second staff for the second line, and the third staff for the third line. The lyrics are: "Glo - ry be to the Fa ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spi - rit; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be world with - out end. A - - men."

Children four years old through kindergarten will leave with their teachers through the Sharp Atrium doors. (If you are a first-time guest, please accompany your child to the Chapel, and then you may return to the Sanctuary.) First- and second-graders will remain in worship throughout the service.

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 16:21-28

page 18 of the New Testament in the pew Bible

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Be Still, for the Presence of the Lord

David J. Evans

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here; come, bow before Him now, with reverence and fear. In Him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground. Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around; He burns with holy fire, with splendor He is crowned. How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of Light! Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place; He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister His grace. No work too hard for Him, in faith receive from Him.

SERMON

Five Yards That Make All the Difference

The Reverend Dr. Conrad C. Sharps

▲ HYMN OF RESPONSE 298

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

In Babilone

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Reverend John F. Magnuson

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.

The Nicene Creed

OFFERING ANTHEM

God So Loved the World

Alan Bullard

God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that all who believe in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to judge the world, but that through Him the world might be saved.

Text: John 3:16-17

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

THE INVITATION TO THE TABLE

The Reverend Dr. Conrad C. Sharps

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you,

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts;

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The pastor prays.

... Therefore we praise You, joining our voices with the heavenly choirs and with all the faithful of every time and place, who sing to the glory of Your name:

SANCTUS *(sung in unison)*

Mark A. Anderson

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, heav'n and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!
Bles - sed is the one who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

The pastor continues in prayer.

... Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all glory and honor are Yours, eternal God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION *(please commune as you receive the elements)*

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

The True and Living Bread

David Blackwell

I bow before You, all my sin confessed, to hear again the words of love You said; and at Your table, as Your honored guest, I take and eat the true and living bread. So in remembrance of Your life laid down, I come to praise You for Your grace divine; saved by Your cross, and subject to Your crown, strengthened for service by this bread and wine.

Text: Timothy Dudley Smith (b. 1926)

PRAYER OF RESPONSE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

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▲ **HYMN 447**

Lead On, O King Eternal

Lancashire

▲ **BENEDICTION**

▲ **CHORAL RESPONSE**

POSTLUDE

Triumphal March

Andrew Fletcher

Today in Shadyside Presbyterian Church

The flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are given in loving memory of Louise Schmidt Lockhart and Katharine Frazer Lockhart.

The Chancel Choir is in recess today. Singing in this morning’s ensemble are Jennifer Saunders-LaRocco and Emily Tiberi, soprano; Jane M. Boyle and Abigail Eagleson, alto; Mark A. Boyle, tenor; Scott Cuva, baritone.

Acolytes for September – Nathan Boyle and Grace E. Coffelt.

Ushers for September – Ronald A. Blumer, Frederick W. Brooke IV, Mark A. Krofchik, Michael B. Schwerin, and Robert Thomson. **Coordinators:** Randy C. Adams II, Mark G. Allston, Brigetta P. Del Re, Raymond P. Fitzsimmons, Elise A. Hunter, Percy M. Jackson, and Robert P. O’Neil.

Annual Potluck Picnic Under the Tent

..... *Sunday, September 10, following worship*

Great food and fun for all ages. Everyone is welcome! The church will provide fried chicken and baked beans. Please bring an entrée or side dish to serve 12 people. Ice cream, sorbet, and a variety of toppings will be provided for dessert. Don’t cook? Come anyway; we will have enough food for all. Comfortable clothing is encouraged.

Please sign up in the Sharp Atrium or call the church office to RSVP by Wednesday, September 6.

News and Notes

Hurricane Harvey - Last fall, the SPC Session approved a disaster response plan submitted by our Mission and Urban Ministry (MUM) Team. The MUM Team has committed to set aside annual funds specifically for disaster response, and, in addition, invite SPC members to give to a disaster assistance organization. If you would like to make a contribution to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA), please place your check (payable to Shadyside Presbyterian Church) or cash donation in the pew envelope designated for PDA, and place the envelope in the offering plate. Contributions also may be mailed to the church office. Let us remember in prayer those who have lost family, friends, or property as a result of this natural disaster.

Young Adult Bible Study - Young adults and friends of Shadyside Presbyterian Church are invited to participate in a Bible study focusing on the Book of Acts. We typically gather from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Thursdays in the Stamy Room. Our next meeting is Thursday, September 7. Join us as we continue to build community through study. For more information, please contact Rev. John Magnuson.

Appreciation for Nancy Shaytar's Forty Years of Service - This summer, the church's Finance Office begins a major transition as Nancy Shaytar concludes her forty years of service as the Director of Finance. For months, the Human Resources Committee has worked diligently through a search subcommittee to identify the candidate who is most qualified and best suited to follow Nancy, and we anticipate being able to make a hiring announcement in the near future. To ensure a smooth transition, Nancy will help to train her successor during an orientation period. We offer our heartfelt thanks to the Lord for Nancy's faithful service among us, and we rejoice with her in the new opportunities that lie ahead. Please join us in praying for God's blessings upon her, and plan to join us on Sunday, September 10, as we recognize Nancy's ministry during the service of worship, with an opportunity for individual congregation members to express their appreciation to her during the potluck picnic following worship.

Midweek Vespers will resume on Wednesday, September 13, 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. This fall, the pastors' homilies will focus on 1 Corinthians, following the daily lectionary. Childcare is provided.

Women at the Well - An interesting and varied group of women gathers twice each month for Bible study, discussion, and fellowship. Friendships and connections grow deeper when we share the Scriptures in study and prayer. Join us beginning Thursday, September 14, as together we seek to quench the thirsting of our souls on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month, from 10:30 a.m. to noon in the Craig Room. Women of all ages are welcome and encouraged to attend. Please join us! If you need more information, please contact Lauren Sharps through the church office.

Pastoral Sabbatical - Rev. Todd Leach, Associate Pastor for Missions, is presently engaged in a three-month sabbatical, during which he will research and write a curriculum for a mission study series, to be implemented during the 2017-2018 program year. Rev. Leach's sabbatical continues through September 16.

Young Adults are invited to sort and distribute fresh produce to neighbors in need on the South Side with the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank on Saturday, September 23, from 8:30 a.m. to noon. Four volunteer spaces are available. For more information or to participate, please contact Rev. John Magnuson.

Welcome all new and returning college students! Please join us for lunch on Sunday, September 17, for an opportunity to meet and connect with others. We will meet following worship, and walk together to Walnut Street to grab a bite to eat and get to know one another. If you have any questions, please reach out to Elder Vicki Potter or any member of the Campus Ministry Mission Action Community (MAC).

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 regularly 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, September 25, 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.

Connections Dinner – Enjoy friendly conversation along with a delicious home-cooked meal on Wednesday, September 27, when supper will be served from 6:00 until 6:45 p.m. in the Parish Hall. For reservations, please sign up in the Sharp Atrium or contact the church office by Monday, September 25. A freewill offering will be received to offset the costs of the meal. If you are able, we hope you will stay for vespers at 7:00 p.m.

Young Adult Camping – Young adults and friends are invited to get away for a weekend and enjoy the beauty of God’s creation as we go camping at Bear Run State Park. Join us for a campfire on the evening of Friday, September 29, stay overnight in tents, and then return home after some hiking and relaxation on Saturday, September 30. To reserve a spot, please sign up in the Sharp Atrium or contact Rev. John Magnuson.

The Opioid Addiction Crisis – Shadyside Presbyterian Church’s Stephen Ministry continues to sponsor a series of educational opportunities with the presentation of “The Opioid Addiction Crisis: What You Need to Know,” on Monday, October 2, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Join us to hear speakers Dr. Mitchell West, Medical Director of Addiction Medicine at Allegheny Health Network, and Det. Calvin Kennedy, from the City of Pittsburgh Bureau of Police. To register, please sign up in the Sharp Atrium or contact the church office; there is no cost to attend.

Save the Date – An all-church retreat is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, October 27 and 28, at the Crestfield Camp and Conference Center in Slippery Rock, Pennsylvania. Plan to take a break this fall and treat yourself to a weekend away with church friends, old and new.

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 complements our ongoing prayer groups by lifting 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 providing your email address when registering your attendance in the pew pad or by sending an email message to info@shadysidepres.org.

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

Music in a Great Space Celebrates 25th Anniversary Season

..... *Musica Mundana* presents *Canticum*
Saturday, September 16, at 2:00 p.m. in the Chapel

The 25th anniversary season of Music in a Great Space, Shadyside Presbyterian Church's concert series, begins with Musica Mundana presenting *Canticum*, a program including music by Johann Sebastian Bach, François Couperin, Antonio Vivaldi, Claudio Monteverdi, and more. Join us on Saturday, September 16, at 2:00 p.m. for an intimate afternoon in the Chapel. (Seating will be limited.)

Musica Mundana – a duo comprised of Justin Wallace, harpsichord, and Raquel Winnica Young, mezzo-soprano – will be joined by guest artists Elena Mullins, soprano, and Patricia Halverson, viola da gamba.

As part of our silver anniversary celebration, there will be no charge for admission to Music in a Great Space concerts throughout the 2017-2018 season. Freewill offerings will be accepted and appreciated. (Please note that co-sponsored concerts, such as those presented in partnership with the Pittsburgh Camerata and the Organ Artists Series, will require tickets; ticket costs will vary according to the series partner's pricing schedule.) Season brochures will be available soon; details are available at www.shadysidepres.org/migs.

The Music in a Great Space concert series is a memorial to Lydia Schulze Saul, made possible by a generous act of her son, William E. Saul, upon his death in 1995 – a wonderful and lasting legacy.

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.

Mission Partner Spotlight

Based in Wilkinsburg, Hosanna House is a multi-purpose community center which serves over 35,000 people per year. This ministry provides opportunities that empower families and individuals to discover, acknowledge, and develop their maximum potential physically, spiritually, and economically.

The 18th Annual Golf Outing, Raffle, and Buffet Dinner occurs Saturday, September 9, 2017, at Birdsfoot Golf Club in Freeport. Hole sponsors are greatly appreciated at \$150 per hole; Angel Sponsorship is \$1,000. All proceeds support Hosanna House. Contact Carla Gedman or JoAnn Patross through the church office for details. Over the last seventeen years, Shadyside's annual golf outing has provided thousands of dollars in support of Hosanna House.

For more information about Hosanna House, please visit www.hosannahouse.org.

Church Calendar

..... September 3 - 10

TODAY	11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship in the Sanctuary, with Communion
<i>September 3</i>	11:20 a.m.	Chapel Worship for preschool through kindergarten
	12:00 p.m.	Time of Fellowship in the Sharp Atrium
MONDAY		Office Closed
TUESDAY	10:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer Group in the Craig Room
THURSDAY	2:00 p.m.	Memorial Service for Dolores Smith-Barber in the Sanctuary
	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
SATURDAY	8:30 a.m.	Golf Outing at Birdsfoot Golf Club, Freeport
	11:00 a.m.	Memorial Service for Robert G. Newton Sr. in the Chapel
SUNDAY	9:45 a.m.	Christian Education Classes for All Ages
<i>September 10</i>	9:45 a.m.	Stephen Ministry in the Walton Library
	11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship in the Sanctuary
	11:20 a.m.	Chapel Worship for preschool through 2 nd grade
	12:00 p.m.	Fellowship Event: Potluck Picnic Under the Tent on the McClintock Lawn with a Celebration for Director of Finance Nancy M. Shaytar

Daily Prayer Lectionary Readings

..... September 3 - 10

Sunday, September 3	Tuesday, September 5	Thursday, September 7	Saturday, September 9
Psalms 108; 150	Psalms 12; 146	Psalms 116; 147:12-20	Psalms 63; 149
1 Kings 8:22-30 (31-40)	1 Kings 8:65-9:9	1 Kings 11:1-13	1 Kings 12:1-20
1 Timothy 4:7b-16	James 2:14-26	James 3:13-4:12	James 5:7-20
John 8:47-59	Mark 14:66-72	Mark 15:12-21	Mark 15:33-39
Monday, September 4	Wednesday, September 6	Friday, September 8	Sunday, September 10
Psalms 62; 145	Psalms 96; 147:1-11	Psalms 84; 148	Psalms 103; 150
2 Chronicles 6:32-7:7	1 Kings 9:24-10:13	1 Kings 11:26-43	1 Kings 12:21-33
James 2:1-13	James 3:1-12	James 4:13-5:6	Acts 4:18-31
Mark 14:53-65	Mark 15:1-11	Mark 15:22-32	John 10:31-42

Adult Christian Education

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

On Sunday, September 10, 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.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Beginning September 10

in the Hulme Room

The Book of Daniel

Led by Elder Richard McGough

TOPICAL BOOK STUDY

September 10–October 15

in the Craig Room

Body & Soul: Reclaiming the

Heidelberg Catechism,

by Reverend Dr. M. Craig Barnes

Led by Elders Sara and Ted Brooke

PASTORS' BIBLE STUDY

Beginning September 10

in the Chapel

The Sermon Scripture Passage

Led by Sunday's Preacher

Church Staff

Conrad C. Sharps, *Senior Pastor*

Todd E. Leach, *Associate Pastor for Missions*

John F. Magnuson, *Associate Pastor for Discipleship*

Lynn M. Portz, *Associate Pastor for Parish Life*

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Children's Ministry*

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Bobby C. Pack Jr., *Sexton*

Nancy M. Shaytar, *Director of Finance*

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