

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. Paggers 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.

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.

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.

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

Prelude on “Praise to the Lord” (*Richmond*)

Alec Rowley

Prelude on “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name” (*Miles Lane*)

Alec Rowley

Benedictus in E

Alec Rowley

WELCOME

The Reverend Dr. Conrad C. Sharps

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: O God, let us hear in the morning of Your steadfast love, for in You we have put our trust.

People: **Teach us the way we should go, for to You we lift up our souls.**

Pastor: Deliver us, O Lord, from our enemies.

People: **For we have fled to You for our refuge!**

All: **Let us worship God!**

▲ HYMN IN PROCESSION 476

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!

Lyons

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

The Reverend Todd E. Leach

ORISON

Noel Rawsthorne

O sing unto the LORD a new song! Let the congregation of saints praise Him! Let them praise His name in the dance. Let them sing praises unto Him with tabret and harp. Let the saints be joyful in glory. O sing unto the LORD a new song.

Text: Psalm 149

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(spoken in unison)*

God of mystery, God of life, we imagine that we are capable judges of power and wisdom and goodness. We trust our own standards; we separate and categorize; we mark the performance of others. We fail to trust Your power, hidden in all things. We fail to watch for You, working out Your purposes. Gracious God, hidden and manifest, transform our withered imaginations until we surrender the judgments we trust, to a love we cannot control, made known in Christ our Lord.

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 musical score is written on two staves in a 3/4 time signature with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics placed below the notes. The first staff contains the first two phrases, and the second staff contains the remaining two phrases. The piece ends with a double bar line.

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 score is written on three staves in a 4/4 time signature with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is more rhythmic and melodic than the Kyrie Eleison. The lyrics are placed below the notes. The piece ends with a double bar line.

During the Gloria Patri, children are invited to come forward to the baptismal font.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Reverend Dr. Conrad C. Sharps

Elder Sharon A. Taylor

Please refrain from taking pictures.

THE BAPTISMAL QUESTIONS

REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

Through baptism we enter the covenant God has established. Within this covenant God gives us new life, guards us from evil, and nurtures us in love. In embracing this covenant, we choose whom we will serve, by turning from evil and turning to Jesus Christ.

THE BAPTISM

McKenzie Mae Sharps

PRAYER OF RESPONSE

RESPONSE *(sung with the choir)*

Kingdom (Hymn no. 498)

Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized with the Spirit's sign, with this water God has sealed you unto love and grace divine. Child of God, your loving Parent, learn to listen for God's call. Grow to laugh and sing and worship, trust and love God more than all.

Text: Ronald S. Cole-Turner, H. Parker Sharp Professor of Theology and Ethics,
Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

At the beginning of the hymn, 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

2 Kings 5:1-14

The Reverend John F. Magnuson

page 336 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning

arr. André Thomas

Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, the time is drawing nigh. Children, don't get weary 'til your work is done. Christian, journey soon be over, the time is drawing nigh.

Text based on Matthew 25:1-13

SERMON

The First Step

The Reverend Dr. Conrad C. Sharps

▲ **HYMN OF RESPONSE 390**

O Savior, in This Quiet Place

St. Stephen

▲ **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.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Reverend Lynn M. Portz

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

Serve the Lord with Gladness

George Frideric Handel

Serve the Lord with gladness and come before His presence with a song.

Text: Psalm 100

▲ 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 429

Lord, You Give the Great Commission

Abbot's Leigh

▲ BENEDICTION

▲ CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Voluntary

John Stanley

Music in a Great Space Concert

..... *Sunday, November 19, at 3:00 p.m.*

Tenor Eric Rieger and pianist J.J. Penna present *Voyage of Life*, exploring journeys of life, love, death, and the subconscious in songs by Schubert, Duparc, and Britten. No tickets; donations welcome.

Chancel Choir Concert

..... *Sunday, December 3, at 3:00 p.m.*

The Chancel Choir sings Francis Poulenc's *Gloria* accompanied by organ, along with other carols for the Advent and Christmas seasons. No tickets; donations welcome.

Today in Shadyside Presbyterian Church

Acolytes for November - Christopher Balaan and Quinn A. Reppe.

Ushers for November - Barbara L. Dunkelman, Robert J. Ferguson, Peter J. Freymark, David M. Gilliland, Robert C. Howard, James S. Kissel, Hunter A. McGeary Jr., and Robert J. Miles Sr. **Coordinators:** Mark G. Allston, Brigetta P. Del Re, Elise A. Hunter, Percy M. Jackson, Robert P. O'Neil, and Paul T. Straitiff.

Daily Prayer Lectionary Readings

..... *November 12 - 19*

Sunday, November 12	Tuesday, November 14	Thursday, November 16	Saturday, November 18
Psalms 19; 150	Psalms 123; 146	Psalms 36; 147:12-20	Psalms 56; 149
Ezra 10:1-17	Nehemiah 9:26-38	Nehemiah 6:1-19	Nehemiah 13:4-22
Acts 24:10-21	Revelation 18:9-20	Revelation 19:1-10	Revelation 20:1-6
Luke 14:12-24	Matthew 15:21-28	Matthew 16:1-12	Matthew 16:21-28
Monday, November 13	Wednesday, November 15	Friday, November 17	Sunday, November 19
Psalms 135; 145	Psalms 15; 147:1-11	Psalms 130; 148	Psalms 67; 150
Nehemiah 9:1-15 (16-25)	Nehemiah 7:73b-8:3, 5-18	Nehemiah 12:27-31a, 42b-47	Ezra 7:(1-10) 11-26
Revelation 18:1-8	Revelation 18:21-24	Revelation 19:11-16	Acts 28:14b-23
Matthew 15:1-20	Matthew 15:29-39	Matthew 16:13-20	Luke 16:1-13

Thanksgiving Eve Service

..... *Wednesday, November 22, at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary*

We have chosen to set aside this time to celebrate God's many blessings to us as a congregation. The service will include Thanksgiving hymns and a meditation by the Reverend Dr. Conrad C. Sharps. Special food donation bags will be distributed in the Narthex and Sharp Atrium today and next Sunday, November 19, with a list of suggested non-perishable items attached to each bag. Please return the filled bags during the Thanksgiving Eve Service on Wednesday, November 22, or to the church office during the week of Thanksgiving. All gifts collected will be contributed to the East End Cooperative Ministry (EECM) Food Pantry to replenish its food supply. If you would prefer to make a monetary donation, checks should be made payable to "Shadyside Presbyterian Church" with "EECM Food Collection" on the memo line, and placed in the offering plate next Sunday, November 19, or on Thanksgiving Eve. Questions may be directed to the Reverend Todd E. Leach, Associate Pastor for Missions, or to any member of the Hunger and Homelessness Mission Action Community (MAC).

News and Notes

Christian Education Guest Speakers - Our topical study reflecting on the Reformation after 500 years welcomes two guest speakers to join our conversation on Sundays, November 12 and 19, at 9:45 a.m.: the Reverend Kendra Buckwalter Smith and Father Michael Salvagna. We invite you to hear the added insight and perspective they bring to our discussion. Learn more at www.shadysidepres.org and join us!

Stewardship Reminder - If you have not submitted your pledge form, please remember to return it soon. Additional pledge forms are located in the pew racks. We greatly appreciate the many pledge forms that have already been received.

Raking Leaves - All ages are welcome to join the youth and young adults today, November 12, as we spend the afternoon helping fellow members of the congregation with some fall yard work. Following worship, we will meet in the Hulme Room before departing for various homes. We will return to the church by 3:30 p.m. Please bring rakes and gloves if you have them. For more information, please contact Rev. John Magnuson.

Moms' Group - Bring your little ones and join American and international moms of young children for friendship, support, and a good cup of coffee or tea. Shadyside Presbyterian Church (SPC) is partnering with Pittsburgh Region International Student Ministries (PRISM) to host a weekly gathering at SPC on each Monday from 12:15 to 1:45 p.m., beginning November 13. Please contact Rev. Todd Leach for details.

Grief Support Group: Surviving the Holidays - For those who have experienced the death of a loved one, the approaching holidays often bring mixed feelings of sadness, nostalgia, and even dread. 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. On Monday, November 13, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., the Grief Support Group will gather in the Craig Room. To help you prepare for the holidays, the discussion will be filled with practical and uplifting ideas for the weeks ahead. Please feel free to bring a family member or friend. New participants are always welcome to join; there is no cost to attend the group. For more information, please contact Rev. Lynn Portz.

Host an International Student for Thanksgiving - Do you have room at your Thanksgiving table? Consider welcoming an international student or scholar to your home – simply include them in your traditions, get to know them, and share Christ's love with them. They will never forget it, and neither will you! If you are able to offer this special hospitality to international students, please contact Rev. Todd Leach through the church office before Tuesday, November 14, or sign up in the Sharp Atrium.

Midweek Vespers are held on Wednesdays 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 lead us in exploring 1 Corinthians, following the daily lectionary. Childcare is available.

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, November 16. Join us as we continue to build community through study. For more information, please contact Rev. John Magnuson.

Cooking Demonstration at Williams Sonoma on Walnut – Chef Steven Bright and Elder Randy Adams II will lead a cooking demonstration at the Williams Sonoma store in Shadyside (5514 Walnut Street) on Saturday, November 18, from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. The menu will feature chestnut soup and upside-down pear gingerbread. Donations will be received and will benefit St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. To attend, please RSVP by calling Williams Sonoma: 412.688.9220.

Christmas Poinsettias – The Board of Deacons is providing the opportunity for the placement of poinsettias in the Sanctuary during the worship services on Christmas Eve. Order forms are available in the Narthex and Sharp Atrium. All orders must be accompanied by payment and received by Sunday, November 26.

Special Advent-Themed Connections Dinner – On Wednesday, November 29, join us for an extended Advent-themed congregational dinner in the Parish Hall. You are invited to make an Advent wreath beginning at 5:15 p.m.; then, enjoy friendly conversation along with a delicious home-cooked meal from 6:00 until 6:50 p.m. Please make your reservation by signing up in the Sharp Atrium or by contacting the church office by Monday, November 27. A freewill offering will be received to offset the costs of the meal. Nursery care is available. If you are able, we hope you will stay for vespers in the Chapel at 7:00 p.m.

Care Packages for Students and Military – Next month, the Deacons will send care packages to our college students and military. We need current contact information for new and existing students or military personnel. If you have a child or loved one in college or the military, please share the recipient’s name and address with us by contacting the church office before Friday, December 1. Thank you!

Community Open House – On Sunday, December 3, take a break from the hustle and bustle of this hectic season, and refresh your spirit in the beauty and serenity of our sacred spaces. Warm beverages and cookies will be available in the Sharp Atrium from 12:30 to 3:00 p.m. Join us as your schedule permits, and please invite friends and neighbors to this welcoming event. Consider returning or remaining afterward for a free choral concert at 3:00 p.m.

Caroling at Allegheny County Jail – Get an early start on polishing your finest Christmas carols *and* share community with those who will spend Christmas in jail. Come and participate in the Advent Lessons and Carols service at the Allegheny County Jail on Tuesday, December 5, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., with Shadyside Presbyterian and other local churches. All participants must be 21 or older. If you are interested, please sign up in the Sharp Atrium or contact Corinne Nunez through the church office by Wednesday, November 29.

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, which will have an Advent focus, occurs on Sunday, December 10.

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

Daily Prayer – As a part of our church-wide discipleship, we follow the daily lectionary in the *Book of Common Worship Daily Prayer*, which also contains prayers and intimate worship services. Feel free to pick up one of the books from the bookcase in the Parlor (accessible via the Sharp Atrium) for a suggested donation of \$10. (Checks may be placed in an offering plate and made payable to “Shadyside Presbyterian Church” with “Daily Lectionary” in the memo line.) We hope you will join us on this journey of discipleship!

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.

Pulpit Notes – Dr. Sharps’ blog, *Pulpit Notes*, is published online at www.shadysidepres.org/blog for readers to explore thoughts, prayers, and devotions from the pastor.

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

Mission Partner Spotlight

Off the Floor Pittsburgh (OFF) is a volunteer organization that helps families in Pittsburgh who are eating and sleeping on their floors because they cannot afford furniture. OFF arranges donations of furniture and furniture deliveries for these families.

Shadyside’s Community Partnerships Mission Action Community (MAC) has a delivery team that works one Saturday every six to eight weeks. The MAC has held fundraisers for OFF, and individuals at Shadyside Presbyterian Church have donated furniture to OFF.

Consider supporting this ministry by attending a fundraising event this Saturday, November 18, from noon to midnight, with a raffle and auction from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. For details, please contact Rev. Todd E. Leach, Associate Pastor for Missions.

For more information, visit www.offthefloorpittsburgh.org. To join the efforts of the Community Partnerships MAC in support of OFF, contact Rev. Leach. The Community Partnerships MAC is still looking for a volunteer to take over the volunteer coordinator position. This team leader coordinates the logistical details to prepare for the Saturday delivery days on which a team from Shadyside works (about five to six Saturdays per year). If you would like more information about this liaison position, please contact the church office.

Church Calendar

..... November 12 - 19

TODAY <i>November 12</i>	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.	Time of Fellowship in the Sharp Atrium
	12:00 p.m.	Sunday Adventures in Music (SAM) continues in the Chapel
	12:00 p.m.	Youth and Young Adult Leaf Raking Team in the Hulme Room
MONDAY	12:15 p.m.	Moms' Group in the Nursery Room
	5:00 p.m.	Board of Trustees in the Stamy Room
	6:00 p.m.	Communications Committee in the Hulme Room
	7:00 p.m.	Grief Support Group in the Craig Room
TUESDAY	10:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer Group in the Craig Room
	6:00 p.m.	Yoga in the Hulme Room
WEDNESDAY	9:00 a.m.	Nursery School Board in the Stamy Room
	7:00 p.m.	Vespers in the Chapel
	7:30 p.m.	Board of the Pittsburgh Girls Choir in the Stamy Room
THURSDAY	10:30 a.m.	"Women at the Well" Bible Study in the Craig Room
	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.	Choir Rehearsal in the Chapel
SUNDAY <i>November 19</i>	9:45 a.m.	Christian Education for All Ages
	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.	Time of Fellowship in the Sharp Atrium
	12:00 p.m.	Sunday Adventures in Music (SAM) continues in the Chapel
	12:30 p.m.	SPYS (Youth Group) in the Youth Room
	3:00 p.m.	Music in a Great Space Concert in the Sanctuary Reception in the Sharp Atrium following

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.

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.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Through January 28

in the Hulme Room

The Gospel according to Luke
Led by Elder Richard McGough

TOPICAL BOOK STUDY

Through November 19

in the Craig Room

*Reflecting on the Reformation
after 500 Years*
Led by Trustee Gretchen Gockley
and Elder Peggy Heely,
with guests Nov. 12 and 19
(please see page 8 for details)

PASTORS' BIBLE STUDY

Through May 2018

in the Chapel

The Sermon Scripture Passage
Led by Sunday's Preacher

Church Staff

Conrad C. Sharps, *Senior Pastor*

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John F. Magnuson, *Associate Pastor for Discipleship*

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