

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.

Christ the King Sunday - On this last Sunday in the church year, before we begin our Advent preparations, we celebrate Christ's reign at the right hand of God, now and always, as one liturgical year ends so that another can begin anew.

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 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

Berceuse (Lullaby)

Louis Vierne

Lied (Song)

Louis Vierne

WELCOME

The Reverend Lynn M. Portz

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: The heavens proclaim God's righteousness;

People: **And all the peoples behold His glory.**

Pastor: The LORD is most high over all the earth;

All: **Let us rejoice and give thanks to His holy name! Let us worship God!**

Adapted from Psalm 97

▲ HYMN IN PROCESSION 147

Blessing and Honor

O quanta qualia

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

The Reverend John F. Magnuson

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)*

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In Your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name.

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.

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.

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

Ephesians 1:15-22

page 192 of the New Testament in the pew Bible

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

King of Glory, King of Peace

Gerald Near

King of glory, King of peace, I will love Thee; and that love may never cease, I will move Thee.

Thou hast granted my request, Thou hast heard me; Thou didst note my working breast, Thou hast spared me. Wherefore with my utmost art I will sing Thee, and the cream of all my heart

I will bring Thee. Though my sins against me cried, Thou didst clear me; and alone, when they replied, Thou didst hear me. Sev'n whole days, not one in sev'n, I will praise Thee; in my heart, though not in heav'n, I can raise Thee. Small it is, in this poor sort to enroll Thee: e'en eternity's too short to extol Thee.

Text: George Herbert

SERMON

The Reverend Lynn M. Portz

No Ordinary King

▲ HYMN OF RESPONSE *(please see page 7 of this bulletin)*

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

Rustington

▲ 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

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

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Norman Gilbert

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation! All ye who hear, now to Christ Jesus draw near; praise Him in glad adoration. Praise to the Lord, who over all things so wondrously reigneth, shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth! Hast thou not seen how thy desires ever have been granted in what He ordaineth? Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee; surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee. Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, if with His love He befriend thee. Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him! All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him. Let the amen sound from His people again, gladly for aye we adore Him.

Text: Joachim Neander (1650-1680)

▲ **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 151**

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Diademata

▲ **BENEDICTION**

▲ **CHORAL RESPONSE**

POSTLUDE

Prelude, Fugue, and Chaconne

Dieterich Buxtehude

Today in Shadyside Presbyterian Church

The flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are given in loving memory of George Dilworth Lockhart.

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, Randy C. Adams II, Brigetta P. Del Re, Raymond P. Fitzsimmons, Elise A. Hunter, Percy M. Jackson, and Robert P. O'Neil.

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

December 3-24, and January 7

in the Craig Room

While We Wait:

Living the Questions of Advent

Led by Elder Robert Luthultz and

Sharon Luthultz

PASTORS' BIBLE STUDY

Through May 2018

in the Chapel

The Sermon Scripture Passage

Led by Sunday's Preacher

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

William Chatterton Dix, 1866

RUSTINGTON

C. Hubert H. Parry, 1897



1. Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus! His the scep - ter,
2. Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans, Are we left in
3. Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of an - gels, Thou on earth our
4. Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Thee the Lord of



His the throne! Al-le-lu-ia! His the triumph, His the vic - to -
sor - row now. Al-le-lu-ia! He is near us; Faith be-lieves nor
food, our stay. Al-le-lu-ia! Here the sin - ful flee to Thee from
lords we own; Al-le-lu-ia! Born of Ma - ry, Earth Thy foot - stool,



ry a - lone! Hark! the songs of peace - ful Zi - on
ques - tions how. Though the cloud from sight re - ceived Him,
day to day. In - ter - ces - sor, Friend of sin - ners,
heav'n Thy throne. Thou with - in the veil hast en - tered,



thun - der like a might - y flood; Je - sus out of
when the for - ty days were o'er, Shall our hearts for -
Earth's Re - deem - er, plead for me, Where the songs of
Robed in flesh, our great High Priest; Thou on earth both



ev - ery na - tion Hath re - deemed us by His blood.
get His pro - mise, "I am with you ev - er - more"?
all the sin - less Sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
Priest and Vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.

News and Notes

Advent Reflections - Please pick up a copy of this booklet, available in the Narthex and Sharp Atrium, to help guide your own daily prayer and personal devotions throughout the season of Advent. Each day offers a personal reflection composed by a member of our church family to complement one of the daily Scripture readings from the Daily Prayer lectionary. We pray that your time with these writings will be an opportunity to engage with one another and with Christ, through whom we receive the gifts of hope, love, joy, and peace. Please begin reading along with us Sunday, December 3.

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 today, November 26.

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. Please contact Rev. Todd Leach for details.

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.

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

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!

Children's Ministry - This year's Family Christmas Service is scheduled on Sunday, December 17, at 5:00 p.m. Rehearsals will occur on Sundays, December 3, 10, and 17, throughout our Children's Ministry programs in the morning. A mandatory dress rehearsal will be conducted after worship on December 10. Children must participate in rehearsals to be part of the service. Families with four-year-olds through fifth-graders are invited to contact Ellen Allston about their children's participation.

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

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.

The Giving Tree - On Sundays, December 3 and 10, the Giving Tree in the Sharp Atrium will be decorated with special ornaments listing the name and clothing/shoe sizes of the women from Sojourner House and POWER (Pennsylvania Organization for Women in Early Recovery). A member of the Community Partnerships Mission Action Community (MAC) will be present to register your name along with the name of the recipient. Please return gift-wrapped pajamas and slippers to the church by Sunday, December 17. If you have questions, please contact Lisa Iadicicco through the church office.

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.

Cookies for College Students - Do you have a passion for baking, or are you able to make an extra batch of Christmas cookies to share with college students? Shadyside Presbyterian Church's Campus Ministry Mission Action Community (MAC) will once again be spreading cookie love to college students as they study for their final exams. Please bring cookies to church on Sunday, December 10, for distribution during the week of December 11. Would you like to help us spread the love on campus? Please contact Vicki Potter through the church office for more information.

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.

Mission Partner Spotlight

Veterans are more than twice as likely as civilians to become homeless during their lifetimes. In Western Pennsylvania, there are literally hundreds of veterans who are homeless at any given time. Founded in 1996, Veterans Place of Washington Boulevard is dedicated to ending homelessness among veterans in the Pittsburgh area and provides a variety of supportive services for homeless veterans. The efforts of Veterans Place equip veterans to transition from homelessness to becoming engaged, valuable citizens with a place to call home.

Veterans Place is supported by Shadyside Presbyterian Church's Community Partnerships Mission Action Community (MAC). Thank you for your contributions of winter coats for our recent warmth drive; many coats were collected for Veterans Place to share with the vets who spend the days and nights outside in the elements.

For more information, visit www.veteransplace.org. To join the efforts of the Community Partnerships Mission Action Community (MAC), contact the Reverend Todd E. Leach, Associate Pastor for Missions.

Daily Prayer Lectionary Readings

..... *November 26 - December 3*

Sunday, November 26

Psalms 108; 150
Isaiah 19:19-25
Romans 15:5-13
Luke 19:11-27

Tuesday, November 28

Psalms 12; 146
Nahum 1:1-13
1 Peter 1:13-25
Matthew 19:13-22

Thursday, November 30

Psalms 116; 147:12-20
Zephaniah 3:1-13
1 Peter 2:11-25
Matthew 20:1-16

Saturday, December 2

Psalms 63; 149
Micah 7:11-20
1 Peter 4:7-19
Matthew 20:29-34

Monday, November 27

Psalms 62; 145
Joel 3:1-2, 9-17
1 Peter 1:1-12
Matthew 19:1-12

Wednesday, November 29

Psalms 96; 147:1-11
Obadiah 15-21
1 Peter 2:1-10
Matthew 19:23-30

Friday, December 1

Psalms 84; 148
Isaiah 24:14-23
1 Peter 3:13-4:6
Matthew 20:17-28

Sunday, December 3

Psalms 24; 150
Amos 1:1-5, 13-2:8
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
Luke 21:5-19

Advent Vespers

..... *Wednesdays, December 6, 13, and 20, at 7:00 p.m.*

During the season of Advent, Shadyside Presbyterian Church invites you to join us on Wednesdays for an evening of music and reflection in our Sanctuary. These 45-minute candlelight Communion services include a homily, the celebration of the Lord's Supper, and music offered by the Shadyside Strings, Chatham Baroque, and the Pittsburgh Girls Choir. Childcare is available.

Wednesday, December 6

Rev. Dr. Conrad C. Sharps, preaching

Wednesday, December 13

Rev. Lynn M. Portz, preaching

Wednesday, December 20

Rev. Todd E. Leach, preaching

Church Calendar

..... November 26 - December 3

TODAY <i>November 26</i>	11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship in the Sanctuary – Christ the King Sunday
	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
MONDAY	12:15 p.m.	Moms’ Group in the Nursery Room
	6:00 p.m.	Yoga in the Hulme Room
TUESDAY	10:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer Group in the Craig Room
WEDNESDAY	5:15 p.m.	Special Advent-Themed Connections Dinner in the Parish Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Vespers in the Chapel
THURSDAY	3:00 p.m.	Audit Committee 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
FRIDAY	10:00 a.m.	Memorial Service for Bertha Mae Chaplin in the Sanctuary Reception following in the Sharp Atrium
SUNDAY <i>December 3</i>	9:45 a.m.	Christian Education Classes for All Ages
	11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship in the Sanctuary – First Sunday of Advent
	11:20 a.m.	Chapel Worship for preschool through kindergarten
	12:00 p.m.	Time of Fellowship in the Sharp Atrium
	12:00 p.m.	Sunday Adventures in Music (SAM) continues in the Nazareth Room
	12:00 p.m.	College Care Package Assembly in the Hulme Room
	12:30 p.m.	Advent Community Open House in the Sharp Atrium
	12:30 p.m.	SPYS (Youth Group) in the Youth Room
	3:00 p.m.	Advent Choral Concert in the Sanctuary Reception following in the Sharp Atrium

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.

Bach’s *Magnificat*

..... Sunday, December 10, at 3:00 p.m.

The Pittsburgh Camerata and Chatham Baroque present J.S. Bach’s glorious 30-minute vocal canticle alongside a cappella choral music for the season.

Tickets: www.pittsburghcamerata.org or at the door.

Sundays in Advent

..... Worship at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

“Advent” means “coming” or “arrival.” During the season of Advent, we celebrate Christ’s coming into the world and watch with expectant hope for His coming again. In its historical origins, the season of Advent was patterned after the season of Lent, a six-week period of penitence and preparation for Easter. Similarly, the four weeks of Advent present an opportunity for communal discernment and personal examination, as the Church prepares to celebrate the Nativity of the Lord and looks with hope for Christ’s return.

First Sunday of Advent, December 3

Rev. Dr. Conrad C. Sharps, preaching

Third Sunday of Advent, December 17

Rev. Dr. Conrad C. Sharps, preaching

Second Sunday of Advent, December 10

Rev. Dr. Conrad C. Sharps, preaching

Fourth Sunday of Advent, December 24

Rev. Dr. Conrad C. Sharps, preaching

Church Staff

Conrad C. Sharps, *Senior Pastor*

Todd E. Leach, *Associate Pastor for Missions*

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