

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

Variations on *Werde munter, mein Gemüte*

Johann Pachelbel

Prelude on *Werde munter, mein Gemüte*

Johann Sebastian Bach

WELCOME

The Reverend Dr. Conrad C. Sharps

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: A voice said:

People: **“This is My Son, the Beloved,**

Pastor: With whom I am well pleased.

People: **Listen to Him!”**

All: **Let us worship God, in the name of Christ our Lord!**

Matthew 17:5

▲ HYMN IN PROCESSION 142

All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!

Coronation

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

The Reverend John F. Magnuson

ORISON

Mark A. Boyle

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(spoken in unison)*

Holy God, You are so far beyond our understanding; Your glory is more than we can comprehend. We persist in making You too small; we restrict Your wisdom and mercy to what we can explain. Forgive us. Open our eyes to Your infinite splendor and make us more faithful, that we may follow, in trust, wherever Jesus Christ our Lord may lead.

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 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 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 2:1-12

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Reverend Todd E. Leach

page 332 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible

ANTHEM

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

Harold Darke

Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ, the true and only Light, Sun of righteousness, arise, triumph o'er the shade of night; Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart appear. Dark and cheerless is the morn unaccompanied by Thee; joyless is the day's return, till Thy mercy's beams I see, till Thy inward light impart, glad my eyes, and warm my heart. Visit then this soul of mine, pierce the gloom of sin and grief; fill me, Radiance divine, scatter all my unbelief; more and more Thyself display, shining to the perfect day.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1740

SCRIPTURE

Mark 9:2-9

page 44 of the New Testament in the pew Bible

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The Reverend Dr. Conrad C. Sharps

The Cascading Grace of God

▲ HYMN OF RESPONSE 74

Jesus on the Mountain Peak

Mowsley

▲ 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

Truly the Light Is Sweet

Carson Cooman

Truly the light is sweet, and a pleasant thing it is for the eyes to behold the sun. Rejoice and let thy heart cheer thee in all days, and walk in the ways of thy heart, and in the sight of thine eyes.

Text: Ecclesiastes 11:7, 9 alt.

▲ 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 263

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

St. Denio

▲ BENEDICTION

▲ CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Emperor's Fanfare

Antonio Soler

Heaven to Earth: Earth to Heaven

..... Today, February 11, at 3:00 p.m.

Join the Pittsburgh Camerata, with special guest, the Pittsburgh Girls Choir, as they take you on a musical journey between heaven and earth.

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

Music in a Great Space Concert

..... Sunday, March 11, at 3:00 p.m.

Pianist Abigail Eagleson is joined by flutist Anna Cooper and oboist Natalie Beckenbaugh in a program of music for piano, oboe, and flute.

No tickets necessary; donations appreciated.

Today in Shadyside Presbyterian Church

The flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Emma O. and H. Parker Sharp by the Dorrance family.

Acolytes for February - Evan H. Kuhn and Jonathan P. Stamy.

Ushers for February - Daniel W. Ernsberger, Leland T. Henry Jr., Nathaniel C. Hunter, Mark A. Krofchik, Ian A. McGough, Frederick L. Porkolab, and Richard H. Potter. **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.

About This Morning's Music

The hymn tune *Werde munter, mein Gemüte* (Be Happy, O My Soul) was composed by the prolific German composer Johann Schop (1590-1664). The tune was used at least twice in cantatas by Johann Sebastian Bach, as well as by Johann Pachelbel and Johann Walther.

Harold Darke (1888-1976) had a world-wide reputation as one of the finest English organists of his era. He is best known for his carol, "In the Bleak Midwinter." Darke wrote sacred music, organ and piano pieces, and art songs.

American composer Carson Cooman (b. 1982) has a catalog of hundreds of works in many forms, from solo instrumental pieces to operas, and from orchestral works to hymn tunes. His music has been performed on all six inhabited continents. Cooman's principal composition teachers were Bernard Rands, Judith Weir, Alan Fletcher, and James Willey, and he holds degrees from Harvard University and Carnegie Mellon University.

Lenten Vespers

..... *Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary*
Beginning Ash Wednesday, February 14

Join us as the season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14, at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary, with the Reverend Dr. Conrad C. Sharps preaching. Lenten vespers continue on Wednesdays through March 21. These 45-minute candlelight Communion services include a homily, the Lord's Supper, and music offered by the Shadyside Strings, Chatham Baroque, and the Pittsburgh Girls Choir. Childcare is available.

News and Notes

East End Cooperative Ministry (EECM) Food Pantry Collection - Following worship today, members of the Hunger and Homelessness Mission Action Community (MAC) will distribute bags to be filled with nonperishable items for EECM and returned next Sunday, February 18. You also may bring donations to the church office during the week before February 18. A list of suggested donation items is attached to each bag for your reference. Your prayers and support for those in our community who are hungry and homeless are appreciated, especially during these harsh winter months.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner - The whole family is invited to join us on Tuesday, February 13, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall; the youth will sponsor an all-you-can-eat pancake supper to aid in the costs of summer mission opportunities. A freewill donation will be received. Please RSVP by signing up in the Sharp Atrium today.

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, February 15. Join us as we continue to build community through study. For more information, please contact Rev. John Magnuson.

Movie & Pajama Night for Older Children & Families - Families of children in third grade and older are invited by the Children's Ministry Team to wear your pajamas and join us in the Hulme Room on Saturday, February 17, for a movie night. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., and the movie begins at 7:00 p.m. No RSVP is needed. Children's Ministry will supply popcorn and beverages. Feel free to bring other snacks to share. You may also bring sleeping bags, chairs, pillows, and blankets. Friends are welcome!

Extended Connections Dinner - On Wednesday, February 21, you are invited to an extended Lenten-themed congregational dinner in the Parish Hall. Join us for a Lenten activity beginning at 5:15 p.m.; then, enjoy a delicious home-cooked meal prepared by Chef Steven Bright 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 Sunday, February 18. 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.

2018 Officer Recommendations - The Representative Nominating Committee (RNC) is accepting recommendations for the offices of elder, deacon, or trustee, and for next year's RNC. Please complete a form located in the pews. The deadline to receive recommendations is Sunday, February 25. Additional forms are available in the Narthex, in the Sharp Atrium, or online at www.shadysidepres.org/nominating.

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, February 26, from 7:00 to 8:30 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.

Shadyside's Divorce Support is an ongoing faith-based ministry designed to help those who are separated or divorced move toward healing and new life. For more information, please contact Rev. Lynn Portz.

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, March 11.

Communion Workshop and Dinner – On Wednesday, March 14, Children’s Ministry welcomes children in kindergarten through fifth grade and their families to gather in the Hulme Room for a dinner at 5:15 p.m. Then, at 6:00 p.m., in order to nurture and instruct our children in the significance of the invitation to the Lord’s Table and the meaning of their response, Ellen Allston will conduct an educational workshop discussing Communion, the Last Supper, and the Passover Seder. After the workshop, participants will attend the 7:00 p.m. vespers service, and all baptized children will partake in the Lord’s Supper with their families and the congregation. Please RSVP in the Sharp Atrium.

An Invitation to Membership – On Saturday, March 24, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., learn what makes Shadyside Church unique at an inquirers’ orientation class. We will share about our ministries and mission, and help you find ways that you can add your gifts to our fellowship to serve Christ together. A light lunch will be served, and childcare is available during the class. New members will be welcomed during worship on Sunday, March 25. To register, please contact Kaysie Strickland in the church office.

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

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.

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!

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.

The Shadyside Presbyterian Church website, www.shadysidepres.org, provides access to audio recordings of the service of worship. Electronic copies of the bulletin also are available, as well as additional information about the church’s many programs, activities, and events.

Mission Partner Spotlight

Shadyside Presbyterian Church's relationship with Malawi began in the mid 1990s, as forward-thinking members became involved with the Pittsburgh Presbytery's partnership with Blantyre Synod. Located in southern Malawi, this synod ministers to the largest denomination in the region (Church of Central Africa, Presbyterian or CCAP), and to its commercial and banking center. Over the past twenty years, we have led five mission trips to this region, developing and sustaining several partner projects. The most recent of these trips occurred in September 2014, and Shadyside Presbyterian Church more recently welcomed four guests from Malawi for a visit to Pittsburgh in October 2016 as part of our 150th anniversary celebration.

Shadyside Presbyterian Church funded the Malawian vision of a hospital in Mulanje, a town on the eastern border with Mozambique. This hospital serves as a multifunctional facility. In addition to the hospital, Shadyside helped coordinate efforts to fund a nursing students' dormitory called the "Emily House." This dormitory was erected in memory of Emily Dorrance, who visited this region on a short-term mission.

To join the efforts of the International Partnerships Mission Action Community (MAC), please contact the Reverend Todd E. Leach, Associate Pastor for Missions, through the church office.

Daily Prayer Lectionary Readings

..... February 11 - 18

Sunday, February 11

Psalms 103; 150

Malachi 4:1-6

2 Corinthians 3:7-18

Luke 9:18-27

Tuesday, February 13

Psalms 42; 146

Proverbs 30:1-4, 24-33

Philippians 3:1-11

John 18:28-38

Thursday, February 15

Psalms 27; 147:12-20

Hab. 3:1-10 (11-15) 16-18

Philippians 3:12-21

John 17:1-8

Saturday, February 17

Psalms 43; 149

Ezekiel 39:21-29

Philippians 4:10-20

John 17:20-26

Monday, February 12

Psalms 5; 145

Proverbs 27:1-6, 10-12

Philippians 2:1-13

John 18:15-18, 25-27

Wednesday, February 14

Psalms 5; 147:1-11

Amos 5:6-15

Hebrews 12:1-14

Luke 18:9-14

Friday, February 16

Psalms 22; 148

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

Philippians 4:1-9

John 17:9-19

Sunday, February 18

Psalms 84; 150

Daniel 9:3-10

Hebrews 2:10-18

John 12:44-50

Church Calendar

..... February 11 – 18

TODAY

February 11

- 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship in the Sanctuary
- 11:20 a.m. Chapel Worship for preschool through 2nd 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
- 2:00 p.m. “Living Stones” Pilgrimage Team in the Hulme Room
- 3:00 p.m. Pittsburgh Camerata Concert in the Sanctuary
Reception following in the Sharp Atrium

MONDAY

- 9:15 a.m. PRISM International Moms’ Group in the Nursery Room

TUESDAY

- 10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer Group in the Craig Room
- 5:30 p.m. Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner in the Parish Hall

WEDNESDAY

- 9:00 a.m. Nursery School Board in the Stamy Room
- 6:00 p.m. Board of Deacons in the Hulme Room
- 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Lenten Vespers in the Sanctuary
- 7:45 p.m. Mission and Urban Ministry Team 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. Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Chapel

SATURDAY

- 6:30 p.m. Movie Night and Pajama Party for Children and Families in the Hulme Room

SUNDAY

February 18

- 9:45 a.m. Christian Education Classes for All Ages
- 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship in the Sanctuary – First Sunday in Lent
- 11:20 a.m. Chapel Worship for preschool through 2nd 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

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 April 29

in the Hulme Room

The Acts of the Apostles

Led by Richard L. McGough III

TOPICAL BOOK STUDY

February 18 through March 25

in the Craig Room

A Way Other Than Our Own:

Devotions for Lent

Led by Elder Conrad E. Bricker
and Victoria G. Wellstead Murphy

PASTORS' BIBLE STUDY

Through May 2018

in the Chapel

The Sermon Scripture Passage

Led by Sunday's Preacher

Cover Photograph: Detail of the Transfigured Christ mosaic located in the chancel apse of the Shadyside Presbyterian Church sanctuary. Design by Rudolf Sheffler, 1938. Photograph by Elder Timothy C. Engleman.

Church Staff

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Shadyside Presbyterian Church seeks to reflect God's unconditional love as we proclaim, witness to, and celebrate the good news of Jesus Christ. We strive to be a worshiping, welcoming, learning, and serving community of faith that is comforted, challenged, and empowered by the Holy Spirit.

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