

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. Following worship, we invite those who are new to the church to join us just inside the gate near the tent outside, where New Member Committee representatives will greet you and answer any questions you may have.

Nursery care is available for infants through three-year-olds during worship. Pagers are available. A cry room with an audio broadcast of worship is available downstairs in the Marks Room.

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 children's chapel worship and Christian education. (If you are a first-time guest, please accompany your child to the Chapel before returning 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.

A video broadcast of worship is available in the Craig Room, accessible through the Narthex at the back of the Sanctuary.

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.

! 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.

PRELUDE

Two Preludes
Fanfare

Charles Hubert Hastings Parry
John Cook

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Reverend Todd E. Leach

Pastor: We are here to sing and pray!

People: **We have come to hear about God and tell of God's goodness.**

Pastor: We are here to give thanks to God!

People: **And share the love of Christ our Lord!**

All: **Let us worship God!**

▲ HYMN IN PROCESSION *(please see page 7 of this bulletin)*

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Los Gatos

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

ORISON

Mark A. Boyle

Enter God's gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise! This day is God's day! Rejoice and be exceedingly glad!

Text adapted from Psalms 100:4 and 118:24

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(spoken in unison)*

O God, we have come to know and believe that You love us without limit, and have drawn us into Your church as part of Your care and guidance for our lives. How glad we are that we are here, and that we are in Your presence. Nonetheless, we have made mistakes and have sinned against You. We ask You humbly to forgive us. Mold us into a community of faith. May all who join together here be filled with joy, as we serve Christ, in whose name we pray.

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 image shows two staves of musical notation in 3/4 time. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (Bb), and a 3/4 time signature. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the staff. The second staff continues the melody, starting with a key signature change to one sharp (F#) and ending 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 image shows three staves of musical notation in 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are written below the staff. The second staff continues the melody. The third staff concludes the piece with a double bar line.

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 before returning to the Sanctuary.)

WELCOME

UPDATE FROM THE PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Elder Percy M. Jackson

SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28

The Reverend Lynn M. Portz
page 702 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

Charles Hubert Hastings Parry

Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways! Reclothe us in our rightful mind, in purer lives Thy service find, in deeper reverence, praise. In simple trust like theirs who heard, beside the Syrian sea, the gracious calling of the Lord, let us, like them, without a word rise up and follow Thee. Drop Thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of Thy peace. Breathe through the heats of our desire Thy coolness and Thy balm; let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire, O still, small voice of calm.

Text: John Greenleaf Whittier, adapted G. Horder, 1884

SCRIPTURE

Luke 14:25-33

page 78 of the New Testament in the pew Bible

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The Reverend Dr. John A. Dalles

Getting the Estimate

▲ HYMN OF RESPONSE 391

Take My Life

Hendon

▲ 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

I Was Glad

Charles Hubert Hastings Parry

I was glad when they said unto me, "We will go into the house of the LORD." Our feet shall stand in thy gates, O Jerusalem. Jerusalem is built as a city that is at unity in itself. O pray for the peace of Jerusalem: "They shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls, and plenteousness within thy palaces."

Text: Psalm 122:1-3, 6, 7

▲ 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 434

Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

Kingsfold

▲ BENEDICTION

▲ CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Prelude in G Major BWV 541

Johann Sebastian Bach

Today in Shadyside Presbyterian Church

Acolytes for September - Nathan N. 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.

Potluck Picnic Under the Tent

..... Today, following worship

At the conclusion of worship, join us under the tent on the McClintock Lawn to enjoy great food along with plenty of fellowship and fun for all ages.

Everyone is welcome!

Midweek Vespers in the Chapel

..... Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

These thirty-minute candlelight services, with Communion, offer a more intimate worship experience in the midst of our hectic lives.

Nursery care is provided.

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

LOS GATOS

7th c. Latin, transl. John Mason Neale

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Mark A. Anderson, 2006



1.Christ is made the sure_ Found - a - tion, Christ the Head and Cor - ner - stone;
2.To this tem - ple where we call Thee, Come, O Lord of Hosts to - day;
3.Here be - stow on all_ Thy ser - vants What they ask_ of Thee to gain,
4.Laud and hon - or to_ the Fa - ther, Laud and hon - or to the Son,



Cho - sen of the Lord, and pre cious, Bind - ing all_ the Church in one,
With Thy won - ted lov - ing kind - ness, Hear Thy ser - vants as they pray;
What they gain from Thee for - ev - er With the bless - ed to re - tain,
Laud and hon - or to the Spir - it, Ev - er Three and ev - er One;



Ho - ly Zi - on's Help for - ev - er, And her Con - fi - dence a - lone.
And Thy full - est ben - e - dic - tion Shed with - in_ its courts al - way.
And here - af - ter in_ Thy glo - ry Ev - er - more with Thee to reign.
One in might and one_ in glo - ry While un - end - ing a - ges run.



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A Whitman Sampler

..... Sunday, September 29, at 3:00 p.m.

The Pittsburgh Camerata sings choral settings of the poetry of Walt Whitman. Tickets: \$30 each from www.pittsburghcamerata.org in advance, or \$35 each at the door.

World Communion Sunday

..... Sunday, October 6, at 11:00 a.m.

World Communion Sunday celebrates our oneness in Christ with all our brothers and sisters around the world, transcending boundaries of denomination, geography, and language.

News and Notes

Dr. Dalles Returns - The congregation and staff of Shadyside Presbyterian Church give thanks that the Reverend Dr. John A. Dalles joins us in worship this morning after receiving encouraging reports from his doctors, who are pleased with the progress of his recovery from recent cardiac surgery. As he gradually returns to the church routine, his office schedule may be modified for some time. Your continued prayers and support for the Dalles family are deeply appreciated. If you would like to join the Meal Train to provide a meal for the Dalles family, please contact Deacon Luke Chwala at spchelpers@gmail.com.

Campus Ministry Welcomes College Students - We extend a special welcome to all new and returning college students as life on campus begins to be re-energized with the start of a new academic term. If you are a student looking to get involved in our activities (on campus or off), please sign the friendship pad in your pew this morning, checking the appropriate box. Please also provide your contact information so that we may keep in touch. After worship, please introduce yourself to one of our ministers before joining us for a picnic lunch outside under the tent, where we will be happy to greet you.

Video Filming and Photography - Today during our fellowship event following worship, you may notice a photographer and videographer, accompanied by one of the members of the SPC Communications Committee. The resulting imagery will be used in order to enhance future church communications. If you have any questions or concerns for the committee, please contact Peter Bodnar through the church office.

New Staff Role for Rev. Kendra Buckwalter Smith - The Human Resources (HR) Committee of the Session is especially excited to announce that Rev. Kendra Buckwalter Smith has joined the church staff as Temporary Associate Pastor. In her new role, Rev. Smith's primary area of responsibility will be oversight of our Youth Ministry, in addition to frequent worship duties. The part-time nature of this position means that Rev. Smith will continue serving full-time as the Director of the Worship Program at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. We give thanks to God that Rev. Smith has agreed to add the spiritual care of our youth and their families to the many ways in which she already shares her gifts in our community of faith. Please join us in welcoming Rev. Smith to our church staff!

Children's "Give Choir a Try" Day - On Sunday, September 15, from 12:00 to 12:30 p.m., children in grades kindergarten and older are invited to "give choir a try" by attending an informal, no-obligation rehearsal with their families. Our children's music director, Mr. Stephen Donnelly, will engage the children in a typical music rehearsal consisting of a warm-up, various vocal exercises, singing, and even a fun game or two. Following the rehearsal, he will discuss the program and commitment before answering any questions you might have. No experience is necessary. Please RSVP to sdonnelly@shadysidepres.org if you plan to attend.

Veterans Place Open House and Art Exhibition - Shadyside Presbyterian Church's Community Partnerships Mission Action Community (MAC) began supporting Veterans Place in 2016 with several initiatives to support homeless veterans, including an art therapy program. Veterans Place will host an event sharing veterans' artwork in their newly renovated hospitality room on Tuesday, September 17, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. You are invited to attend this open house which will showcase their new space and display the veterans' art. All art enthusiasts are encouraged to sign up in the Sharp Atrium.

Connections Dinner – On Wednesday, September 18, you are invited to a congregational dinner at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Join us for a wonderful time to connect with one another while enjoying a delicious home-cooked meal prepared by Chef Steven Bright. Please make your reservation by signing up in the Sharp Atrium by Monday, September 16. A freewill offering will be received to offset the costs of the meal. If you are able, we hope you will stay for vespers in the Chapel at 7:00 p.m. with Dr. Tucker S. Ferda, Visiting Assistant Professor of New Testament at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, preaching. Nursery care is available during vespers.

Food Truck Fellowship – Join us on Sunday, September 22, when we will welcome the BRGR food truck in the circular driveway to enhance our Time of Fellowship following worship. Chef Steven Bright's wonderful cookies and coffee will be available in the Parish Hall, and, weather-permitting, the McClintock Lawn will be open for children to play outside. Whether you want to connect with others indoors or mingle outside, we hope you will plan to stay after worship!

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 23, 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.

Save the Date – An all-church retreat at the Crestfield Camp and Conference Center in Slippery Rock, Pennsylvania, is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, October 25 and 26. Dr. Tucker S. Ferda, Visiting Assistant Professor of New Testament at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, will lead us in a weekend exploring the theme *“Take Up and Read”: Biblical Interpretation and the Christian Life*, while we connect with church friends, old and new. Please mark the date on your calendar and consider joining us!

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 \$15. (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.

Live Webcast - Listen to a live audio stream of our service of worship at 11:00 a.m. on Sundays. Please share the link www.shadysidepres.org/live with friends and neighbors who may not be able to join us in person.

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

Mission Partner Spotlight

Promised Land Ministries (PLM) is a multifaceted mission ministry based in Guatemala City. Shadyside has partnered with PLM's Spring of Hope mission, which provides educational services and a feeding program to some of the poorest children in the Lake Atitlan region. Shadyside also helps to support the Genesareth Medical Clinic, based in San Lucas Tolimán. Members from Shadyside have traveled three times to this region, conducting medical clinics in partnership with the Genesareth Clinic, providing Vacation Bible Schools for the Spring of Hope's children, and assisting in construction of homes for the most vulnerable in the region. Shadyside also has hosted Director Jorge Santizo twice in the past. In addition, Shadyside members sponsor the education costs for thirty-two students (comprising one entire class) attending the Promised Land School.

We are currently planning a trip to Guatemala for March 14 through 21, 2020. Please consider joining us, and plan to attend an informational meeting following worship on Sunday, October 6, at 12:15 p.m.

For more information about PLM, visit www.plmmissions.org. To join the efforts of the International Partnerships Mission Action Community (MAC), contact Rev. Todd Leach, Associate Pastor for Missions.

About the Cover Artwork

The illustration by local graphic artist Mark Bender was developed as a commission by the Shadyside Presbyterian Church (SPC) Communications Committee. This digital art, fully owned by the church, will serve as a new branding image to visually communicate the blessings of faith and service at SPC. This "digital mosaic" is composed of vignettes that depict a vibrant and inclusive community of faith, enriching the lives of its members and welcoming any and all to join in its mission of service to God and to the world. The illustration draws inspiration from the visual centerpiece of the church sanctuary, Rudolf Sheffler's shimmering 1938 mosaic of the Transfigured Christ.

About the Artist: Mark Bender is a nationally-recognized illustrator who is currently an assistant professor of art at Chatham University. Mark is known for creating illustrations that give contemporary concepts an elegant and timeless motif. His illustrations have been featured frequently on the covers of *Pittsburgh Quarterly*. Mark also created the illustration which formed the basis for the Magee-Women's Hospital 100th anniversary photo mosaic. His other clients include *The Boston Globe*, Carnegie Mellon University, Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, the Kelly Strayhorn Theater, the University of Pittsburgh, Heinz History Center, NPR, and the University of Chicago.

Church Calendar

..... September 8 – 15

TODAY	11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship in the Sanctuary
<i>September 8</i>	11:20 a.m.	Children’s Chapel (Preschool through 2 nd Grade)
	12:00 p.m.	Fellowship Event: Potluck Picnic Under the Tent on the McClintock Lawn
MONDAY	10:00 a.m.	Board of American Guild of Organists, Pittsburgh Chapter, in the Stamy Room
	5:30 p.m.	Building and Grounds Committee in the Stamy Room
TUESDAY	10:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer Group in the Craig Room
	6:00 p.m.	Communications Committee in the Craig Room
	6:00 p.m.	Yoga in the Hulme Room
	7:00 p.m.	Board of the Pittsburgh Camerata in the Stamy Room
WEDNESDAY	7:00 p.m.	Midweek Vespers in the Chapel – Rev. Kendra L. Buckwalter Smith, preaching
THURSDAY	6:30 p.m.	Pastor Nominating Committee in the Craig Room
	7:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer Group in the Walton Library
	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Chapel
SUNDAY	9:45 a.m.	Christian Education Classes for All Ages
<i>September 15</i>	11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship in the Sanctuary
	11:20 a.m.	Children’s Chapel (Preschool through 2 nd Grade)
	12:00 p.m.	Time of Fellowship in the Sharp Atrium
	12:00 p.m.	Children’s “Give Choir a Try” Event in the Chapel
	12:30 p.m.	SPYS (Youth Group) in the Youth Room

Daily Prayer Lectionary Readings

..... September 8 – 15

Sunday, September 8	Tuesday, September 10	Thursday, September 12	Saturday, September 14
Psalms 103; 150	Psalms 42; 146	Psalms 97; 147:12-20	Psalms 104; 149
1 Kings 12:21-33	1 Kings 16:23-34	1 Kings 18:1-19	1 Kings 18:41-19:8
Acts 4:18-31	Philippians 1:12-30	Philippians 2:12-30	Philippians 3:17-4:7
John 10:31-42	Mark 16:1-8 (9-20)	Matthew 2:13-23	Matthew 3:13-17
Monday, September 9	Wednesday, September 11	Friday, September 13	Sunday, September 15
Psalms 5; 145	Psalms 89:1-18; 147:1-11	Psalms 51; 148	Psalms 19; 150
1 Kings 13:1-10	1 Kings 17:1-24	1 Kings 18:20-40	1 Kings 19:8-21
Philippians 1:1-11	Philippians 2:1-11	Philippians 3:1-16	Acts 5:34-42
Mark 15:40-47	Matthew 2:1-12	Matthew 3:1-12	John 11:45-57

Adult Christian Education

..... Resuming Sunday, September 15, 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

September 15 through May

in the Hulme Room

Joshua and Judges

Led by Dr. Richard L. McGough III

TOPICAL STUDY

September 15 through October 13

in the Craig Room

Presbyterian 101

Led by the Reverend Dr. John A. Dalles

Church Staff

John A. Dalles, *Interim Senior Pastor and Head of Staff*

Todd E. Leach, *Associate Pastor for Missions*

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

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Dennis H. Martin, *Sexton*

Bobby C. Pack Jr., *Sexton*

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Justin M. Wallace, *Assistant Organist*

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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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