

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 by the fireplace in the Parish Hall, 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.

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.

PRELUDE

Five Pieces for Organ

Gilbert M. Martin

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Reverend Todd E. Leach

Pastor: God is greatly to be honored!

People: Here, in the assembly of the saints!

Pastor: God is greatly to be honored!

People: Now, as God's children gather!

Pastor: God is greatly to be honored!

All: Let us worship God!

Adapted from Psalm 89:7

▲ HYMN IN PROCESSION 486

When the Morning Stars Together

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▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

PRECES

Robert J. Powell

O Lord, open Thou our lips: And our mouth shall shew forth Thy praise. O God, make haste to save us: O Lord, make haste to help us. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Praise ye the Lord. The Lord's name be praised.

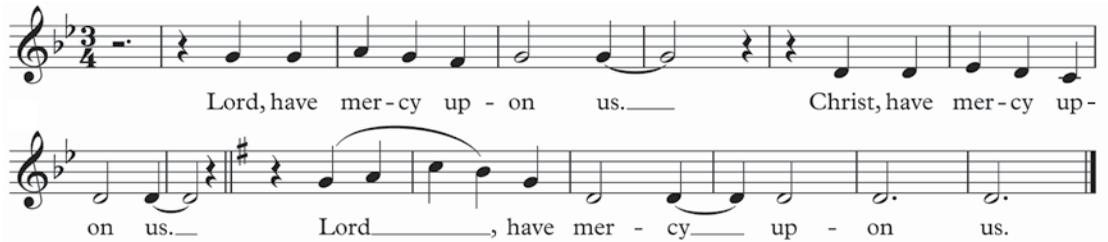
PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(spoken in unison)*

Dear God, forgive us when we get so carried away with the busyness of each day that we stop dwelling in Your love; when we allow the stresses and demands of work or family to erode and wear away our hope; when we are caught up in conflict and frustration; and when we harbor resentment, instead of giving out forgiveness. Forgive us when we seek to be fulfilled by food, drink, or entertainment, yet fail to feast on Your truth; when we desire the wrong things, and forget to engage with the real treasures of love and justice. You are all love, all hope, all forgiveness, all truth, and all we really need.

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 before returning to the Sanctuary.)

WELCOME

SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 8:18-9:21

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Reverend Lynn M. Portz

page 709 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible

ANTHEM

Laudate Nomen

Carlyle Sharpe

Hallelujah! Praise the name of the LORD; give praise, you servants of the LORD, you who stand in the house of the LORD, in the courts of the house of our God. Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good; sing praises to His name, for it is lovely. For the LORD has chosen Jacob for Himself, and Israel for His own possession. For I know that the LORD is great, and that our Lord is above all gods. Bless the LORD, O house of Israel! O house of Aaron, bless the LORD! Bless the LORD, O house of Levi! You who fear the LORD, bless the LORD! Blessed be the LORD out of Zion, who dwells in Jerusalem. Hallelujah!

Text: Psalm 135:1-5, 19-21

SCRIPTURE

Luke 16:1-13

page 79 of the New Testament in the pew Bible

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The Reverend Dr. John A. Dalles

Making Amends

▲ HYMN OF RESPONSE 426

Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak

Canonbury

▲ 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

Sing to the Lord a New Song

Stuart Forster

Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the whole earth. Sing to the LORD and bless His holy name; proclaim the good news of His salvation. Declare His glory among the nations and His wonders among all peoples. O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness, let the whole earth stand in awe of Him. Hallelujah!

Text based upon Psalms 96:1-3, 9; 149:1, 5-6; 150:6

▲ 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 371

Lift High the Cross

Crucifer

▲ BENEDICTION

▲ CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

I. Allegro from Sonata for Organ

Robert J. Powell

Food Truck Fellowship

..... *Today following worship*

Today we will host the BRGR food truck in the circular driveway as a part of 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 join us after worship!

Today in Shadyside Presbyterian Church

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Rev. George P. Fulton by Kathleen Fulton.

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.

About This Morning’s Music

The opening choir response is a setting of the *Preces*, a form of prayer which is one of the oldest in Christianity. The *Preces* finds its source in the pre-Christian Hebrew prayers of the Psalms in Temple Worship. The form consists of a series of short petitions by an individual, and responses by an ensemble.

Carlyle Sharpe (b. 1965) is Professor of Music in Composition and Theory at Drury University in Springfield, Missouri. He is in high demand as a composer for both choral and chamber music.

Australian composer, organist, and conductor Stuart Forster currently is Director of Music and Organist at Christ Church, Cambridge, Massachusetts. His sacred music is performed extensively throughout the United States, Europe, and Australia. He was educated at the University of Australia and Yale University.

Mission Partner Spotlight

The Caribbean Youth Network (CYN) in the Bahamas exists to serve as an international mission organization fostering the planting, partnering, and networking of relational, Christ-centered youth ministry to the ends that youth can be introduced to the Gospel and grow into a mature relationship with Christ. Shadyside Presbyterian Church has supported this ministry since its founding by Dan and Kelly Weightman, who are native to Pittsburgh. Members from Shadyside have partnered with this ministry through short-term mission trips, the most recent of which occurred in March 2014, when our campus ministry led a trip to serve alongside the CYN. In June 2019, the Weightmans visited us at Shadyside to join us in worship and fellowship.

Hurricane Dorian made landfall in the Bahamas as a Category 5 hurricane on September 1, 2019, and stalled over the islands for 24 hours, causing loss of life and massive damage. The CYN has shared several updates with us which are available to read on the Shadyside Presbyterian Church website. The Mission and Urban Ministry team is responding to Hurricane Dorian by supporting CYN Hurricane Relief with \$5,000. If you would like to make an additional contribution, please make your check payable to Shadyside Presbyterian Church with “CYN Hurricane Relief” in the memo line, and place your check in the offering plate today.

For more information, visit www.caribbeanyouthnetwork.org. To join the efforts of the International Partnerships Mission Action Community (MAC), contact the Reverend Todd Leach through the church office.

News and Notes

Congregational Survey - The Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) invites all members and friends to participate in a congregational inventory that will better inform our search process. Your individual input is important! Please visit www.surveymonkey.com/r/shadysidepres to complete the survey by September 30. A paper alternative also is available for those who are unable to access the Internet; please see an usher in the Narthex today. If you have questions, please contact the PNC: pnc@shadysidepres.org.

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!

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.

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. Nursery care is available.

New "Women at the Well" Bible Study - Women of all ages are welcome to gather twice monthly with the "Women at the Well" for in-depth Bible study, discussion, fellowship, and snacks. Friendships and connections grow deeper when we share the Scriptures in study and prayer. Beginning this fall and continuing through the spring, we will follow Sherry Harney's study guide, *Twelve Women of the Bible: Life-Changing Stories for Women Today*. The first study will be held on Thursday, September 26, from 10:30 a.m. to noon in the Craig Room. Join us as together we seek to quench the thirsting of our souls. If you need more information, please contact Deacon Connie Coffelt through the church office.

Great Race - On Sunday, September 29, the City of Pittsburgh Great Race occurs. The church building is completely accessible during this event; however, you may save yourself some time and stress if you compare your Sunday morning travel route to the race route, which includes portions of Forbes, Fifth, and Morewood Avenues in Oakland and Squirrel Hill. Traffic closures along the course will be enforced during the morning, but all streets should be open to traffic by 11:00 a.m. If you have concerns, please check the map on the Great Race website (www.rungreatrace.com) and consider taking an alternate route next Sunday morning.

Supper with a Scholar – Each year, Shadyside Presbyterian Church’s Howard C. Scharfe Endowment supports pastors in their post-graduate studies for the benefit of the Church and for the glory of God. Our speaker series invites recent recipients to share over dinner and through worship about their studies. Join us on Wednesday, October 2, when we welcome Rev. James W. Kirk as our first speaker for dinner at 6:00 p.m. followed by vespers at 7:00 p.m. Please RSVP in the Sharp Atrium.

Garfield Workday – On Saturday, October 5, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., join your faith community for a day of service. Opportunities include distribution of food at Valley View Presbyterian Church, working with Garfield Community Farm, or participating in a home construction project with Open Hand Ministries. Lunch will be provided. Please sign up in the Sharp Atrium or contact Rev. Todd Leach with questions.

Service of Ordination for Rebecca Reeder – The Pittsburgh Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church (USA) invites you to celebrate the ordination and installation of Rebecca D. Reeder as Associate Pastor of Sewickley Presbyterian Church on Sunday, October 6, at 5:00 p.m. in the Sewickley Presbyterian Church sanctuary. A dinner reception in the dining hall will follow the service. As a previous member of our congregation and staff, Rebecca is a ministerial daughter of our church family, and we rejoice with her as she celebrates this special occasion. We thank God for the blessing Rebecca has been to us and for calling her into ministry. Please support her through your prayers and your presence at the service.

Retreat for Mothers of Sojourner House – On Saturday, October 12, Shadyside Presbyterian Church will host a retreat for Sojourner House, one of our mission partners. This event offers uplifting discussion, learning, fellowship, and praise for women and their children who are working hard to reclaim their lives. We need volunteers to greet, talk, and share with the mothers as well as volunteers to provide child care from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. If you are able to help, please sign up in the Sharp Atrium.

The Pittsburgh East CROP Hunger Walk will be held Sunday, October 13. Walkers will meet at the South Avenue United Methodist Church at 733 South Avenue in Wilkinsburg. Registration begins at 1:00 p.m. with the walk starting promptly at 2:00 p.m. Walkers, sponsors, and prayers are needed. For further information, contact Paul Brown through the church office.

An Invitation to Membership – On Tuesday, October 15, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., learn what makes Shadyside Presbyterian Church unique at a new members’ orientation class. We will share about the ministries and mission of our church, and help you find ways that you can add your gifts to our fellowship to serve Christ together. A light dinner will be served in the Hulme Room, and childcare is available during the class. New members will be welcomed during worship on Sunday, October 27. To register, please contact Kaysie Strickland in the church office.

Connections Dinner – On Wednesday, October 16, 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, October 14. A freewill offering will be received to offset the costs of the meal. If you are able, we hope you will stay for vespers at 7:00 p.m. Nursery care is available during vespers.

Chili After Church - On Sunday, October 20, a favorite congregational event returns. Once again the Parish Hall will be filled with the aroma of delicious chili, chowder, and chocolate brownies. Do you have a favorite recipe that you would be willing to make for this event? We are looking for volunteers to make at least three quarts of chili or chowder – beef, chicken, turkey, or vegetarian. If you would prefer to make brownies for dessert, that would be wonderful. Not a cook or a baker? Come and enjoy; there will be plenty to share! Make your reservations today in the Sharp Atrium or call the church office. If you could lend us a crockpot to keep these goodies piping hot, please let us know. There is no cost to attend.

All-Church Retreat - 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, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary professor of New Testament, will lead us in a weekend exploring the theme *“Take Up and Read”: Biblical Interpretation and the Christian Life*, as we connect with church friends, old and new. (Childcare is provided.) Brochures with details and registration forms are available in the Narthex and Sharp Atrium, and online at www.shadysidepres.org/retreat. Please mark your calendar and consider joining us! The deadline to register is Monday, October 7.

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.

The Mini-Mouse - Subscribe to our weekly e-newsletter by e-mailing info@shadysidepres.org.

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

Daily Prayer Lectionary Readings

..... September 22 - 29

Sunday, September 22 Psalms 67; 150 2 Kings 4:8-37 Acts 9:10-31 Luke 3:7-18	Tuesday, September 24 Psalms 54; 146 2 Kings 5:19-27 1 Corinthians 5:1-8 Matthew 5:27-37	Thursday, September 26 Psalms 143; 147:12-20 2 Kings 9:1-16 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18	Saturday, September 28 Psalms 122; 149 2 Kings 11:1-20a 1 Corinthians 7:10-24 Matthew 6:19-24
Monday, September 23 Psalms 57; 145 2 Kings 5:1-19 1 Corinthians 4:8-21 Matthew 5:21-26	Wednesday, September 25 Psalms 65; 147:1-11 2 Kings 6:1-23 1 Corinthians 5:9-6:11 Matthew 5:38-48	Friday, September 27 Psalms 88; 148 2 Kings 9:17-37 1 Corinthians 7:1-9 Matthew 6:7-15	Sunday, September 29 Psalms 108; 150 2 Kings 17:1-18 Acts 9:36-43 Luke 5:1-11

Church Calendar

..... September 22 - 29

TODAY <i>September 22</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 Parish Hall with Food Truck in the Circular Driveway
	12:00 p.m.	Choir School in the Chapel
	12:30 p.m.	SPYS (Youth Group) in the Youth Room
MONDAY	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.	Culinary Class with Chef Steven Bright in the Kitchen
	6:00 p.m.	Yoga in the Hulme Room
	7:30 p.m.	Board of the Pittsburgh Girls Choir in the Stamy Room
WEDNESDAY	6:00 p.m.	Care Team in the Hulme Room
	7:00 p.m.	Midweek Vespers in the Chapel – Rev. Todd E. Leach, preaching
THURSDAY	10:30 a.m.	“Women at the Well” Bible Study in the Craig Room
	6:00 p.m.	Culinary Class with Chef Steven Bright in the Kitchen
	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 <i>September 29</i>	9:45 a.m.	Christian Education Classes for All Ages
	11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship in the Sanctuary – Rev. Dr. John A. Dalles, preaching
	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.	Choir School in the Chapel
	12:15 p.m.	New Member Committee in the Craig Room
	12:30 p.m.	SPYS (Youth Group) in the Youth Room
3:00 p.m.	Pittsburgh Camerata Concert in the Sanctuary	

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.

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

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*

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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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