

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 under the ficus tree in the Sharp Atrium, 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

Give Me Jesus

arr. Richard Billingham

How Great Thou Art

arr. Robert Hobby

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Reverend Lynn M. Portz

Pastor: Come, let us worship and bow down!

People: Let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

Pastor: For God is our God!

People: And we are the people of God's pasture!

Pastor: Yes, we are the sheep of God's hand!

All: Let us worship God!

Adapted from Psalm 95:6-7

▲ HYMN IN PROCESSION 487

When Morning Gilds the Skies

Laudes Domini

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

ORISON

Simon Lole

Spirit of God, enfold me; Spirit of God, wash me; Spirit of God, fire me; Spirit of God, love me.

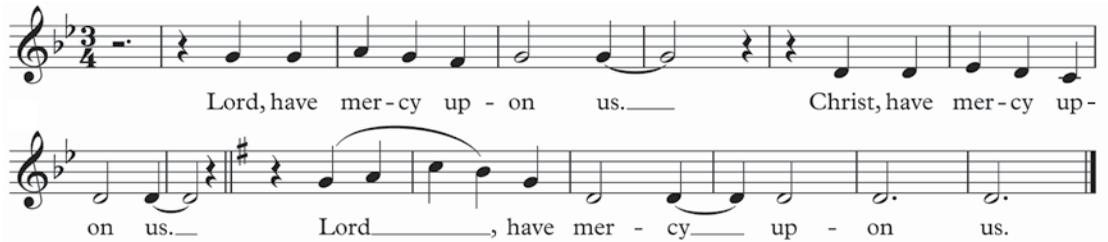
PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(spoken in unison)*

Gracious God, You created the world in beauty, You created us in Your image, You restored us in Christ, and You allow us to glimpse Your glory. 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, through Christ, our Lord.

SILENT CONFESSION

KYRIE ELEISON *(sung in unison)*

Mark A. Anderson



Lord, have mer-cy up - on us.____ Christ, have mer-cy up -
on us.____ Lord____, have mer - cy____ up - on us.

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 32:1-3a, 6-15

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Reverend Todd E. Leach

page 736 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible

ANTHEM

Fight the Good Fight

John Gardner

Fight the good fight with all thy might; Christ is thy strength, and Christ thy right; lay hold on life, and it shall be thy joy and crown eternally. Run the straight race through God's good grace, lift up thine eyes, and seek His face; life with its way before us lies, Christ is the path, and Christ the prize. Cast care aside; upon thy Guide lean, and His mercy will provide; lean, and the trusting soul shall prove, Christ is its life, and Christ its love. Faint not, nor fear, His arms are near; He changeth not, and thou art dear; only believe, and thou shalt see that Christ is all in all to thee.

Text: John Samuel Bewley Monsell, 1863

SCRIPTURE

Luke 16:19-31

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

Friends in High and Low Places

▲ HYMN OF RESPONSE 397

O for a Closer Walk with God

Dalehurst

▲ 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

Let the People Praise Thee

William Mathias

Let the people praise thee, O God; yea, let all the people praise Thee. O let the nations rejoice and be glad, for Thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth. Then shall the earth bring forth her increase, and God, even our own God, shall give us His blessing. God shall bless us, and all the ends of the world shall fear him. God be merciful unto us, and bless us, and show us the light of His countenance, and be merciful unto us. That Thy way may be known upon earth, Thy saving health among all nations. 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.

Text: Psalm 67

▲ 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 274

O God of Earth and Space

Leoni

▲ BENEDICTION

▲ CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Fanfare

William Mathias

A Whitman Sampler

..... Today at 3:00 p.m.

The Pittsburgh Camerata sings choral settings of the poetry of Walt Whitman, celebrating democracy, nature, love, and friendship.

Tickets: \$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.

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.

About This Morning’s Music

English musician John Gardner (1917–2011) was a prolific composer. He wrote music for choir, organ, solo voice, chamber ensemble, and full symphonic forces. In addition to an opera, he wrote for theater and ballet, as well. His *Five Hymns in Popular Style* (1962) are compositions based on familiar hymn texts, set to new music, lending a fresh and evocative spirit to beloved poems.

William Mathias (1934–1992) composed both instrumental and vocal music, covering a wide range of expressions, but he was known principally for his church music. A number of his compositions were written expressly for royal occasions. Queen Elizabeth II made him a Commander of the British Empire in 1985. His career reached a high point – and a worldwide audience – in 1981 when he received a royal commission for an anthem to be performed in St. Paul’s Cathedral for the wedding of Prince Charles and Lady Diana. The work, “Let the People Praise Thee, O God,” was a setting of Psalm 67 for chorus and organ, and was heard by about 750 million television viewers.

Daily Prayer Lectionary Readings

..... *September 29 - October 6*

Sunday, September 29

Psalms 108; 150
2 Kings 17:1-18
Acts 9:36-43
Luke 5:1-11

Monday, September 30

Psalms 62; 145
2 Kings 17:24-41
1 Corinthians 7:25-31
Matthew 6:25-34

Tuesday, October 1

Psalms 12; 146
2 Chron. 29:1-3; 30:1 (2-9) 10-27
1 Corinthians 7:32-40
Matthew 7:1-12

Wednesday, October 2

Psalms 96; 147:1-11
2 Kings 18:9-25
1 Corinthians 8:1-13
Matthew 7:13-21

Thursday, October 3

Psalms 116; 147:12-20
2 Kings 18:28-37
1 Corinthians 9:1-15
Matthew 7:22-29

Friday, October 4

Psalms 84; 148
2 Kings 19:1-20
1 Corinthians 9:16-27
Matthew 8:1-17

Saturday, October 5

Psalms 63; 149
2 Kings 19:21-36
1 Corinthians 10:1-13
Matthew 8:18-27

Sunday, October 6

Psalms 103; 150
2 Kings 20:1-21
Acts 12:1-17
Luke 7:11-17

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 SPC Video with Dr. Dalles - The SPC Communications Committee has created a new video with Dr. Dalles that you can watch on the SPC website at www.shadysidepres.org. We also have posted it on the SPC Facebook page, where we hope all Facebook users will “like” it and share it with friends and neighbors. It’s an easy way to invite friends to join us for Sunday worship.

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.

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.

Kindergarten Fair - Where is your child going to kindergarten? What are your options? How do you apply? What are the deadlines? Parents, join us on Thursday, October 3, in the Parish Hall from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Representatives from Pittsburgh Public Schools and area private and parochial schools will be available to answer your questions. Friends and neighbors who are also exploring kindergarten options are welcome to join us for this hour, which is hosted by the Shadyside Presbyterian Church Nursery School.

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.

Guatemala Mission Experience (March 14-21, 2020) - An informational meeting regarding our spring trip to Guatemala will be held in the Hulme Room following worship on Sunday, October 6. In addition to a medical mission team, we need team members willing to work with children and construction ministries. No experience is required. If you are interested in participating, you are encouraged to attend the informational meeting. Brochures are available in the Narthex and Sharp Atrium; please take one.

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.

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, October 21, 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.

Shepherd Wellness – Shadyside Presbyterian Church will sponsor a Wellness Dinner for the Shepherd Wellness Community on Friday, October 25, at the Shepherd Wellness Community Center (4800 Sciota Street in Bloomfield). Volunteers should sign up online by visiting www.swconline.org and clicking on the “Volunteer Online Now” button on the Volunteer Opportunities page. There is a separate tab for Shadyside Presbyterian Church. If online access is not available, please call 412-683-4477, ext. 12.

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.

Remembering Loved Ones: November 3 – Christians throughout the world celebrate All Saints’ Day in honor of all the saints, both known and unknown. In most Protestant churches, it is celebrated on the first Sunday of November. Protestants regard all Christians, both past and present, as saints. As we solemnly remember all those who have died in the past year, we also focus on Christ’s victory over death. While the festival acknowledges the reality of death, we emphasize our hope in the Resurrection and our place in the “communion of saints.”

- During the All Saints’ Sunday morning service at 11:00 a.m., we will remember those members of Shadyside Presbyterian Church who have gone on to the Church Triumphant in the past calendar year.
- On the afternoon of All Saints’ Sunday, at 3:00 p.m., the Chancel Choir will sing Maurice Duruflé’s *Requiem* setting. We invite the congregation to submit the names of any deceased family members whom they would like to have acknowledged in the afternoon bulletin. Please submit the names to Kaysie Strickland in the church office before Friday, October 25.

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 – 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.

Church Calendar

..... September 29 - October 6

TODAY <i>September 29</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.	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
TUESDAY	10:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer Group in the Craig Room
	6:00 p.m.	Yoga in the Hulme Room
WEDNESDAY	6:00 p.m.	Supper with a Scholar in the Parish Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Midweek Vespers in the Chapel – Rev. James W. Kirk, preaching
THURSDAY	6:00 p.m.	Kindergarten Fair in the Parish Hall
	6:30 p.m.	Pastor Nominating Committee in the Craig Room
	7:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer Group in the Walton Library
	7:00 p.m.	Thursday Evening Bible Study in the Stamy Room
	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Chapel
SATURDAY	9:00 a.m.	All-Church Workday in Garfield
SUNDAY <i>October 6</i>	9:45 a.m.	Christian Education Classes for All Ages
	11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship in the Sanctuary – World Communion Sunday Rev. Dr. John A. Dalles, preaching
	12:00 p.m.	Time of Fellowship in the Sharp Atrium
	12:00 p.m.	Choir School in the Chapel
	12:15 p.m.	Informational Meeting for Guatemala Mission Experience in the Hulme Room
	12:30 p.m.	SPYS (Youth Group) in the Youth Room

Mission Partnerships of Shadyside Presbyterian Church

The mission outreach efforts of Shadyside Presbyterian Church range from educating community youth and feeding the homeless, to international efforts of caring for orphans and promoting health care. Please visit www.shadysidepres.org/serve-others for more information regarding the church's local, national, and international mission partners.

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*

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

Kendra L. Buckwalter Smith, *Temporary Associate Pastor*

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Children's Ministry*

Mark A. Anderson, *Director of Music Ministry*

Robert K. Anderson, *Head Sexton*

Peter F. Bodnar, *Director of Communications*

Jane M. Boyle, *Director of Children's Handbell Choir*

Steven M. Bright, *Hospitality Coordinator*

Judy A. Brust, *Accountant*

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Stephen M. Donnelly, *Associate for Children's Music
Education*

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Mary E. Lang, *Director of the Nursery School*

Sonja Lipski, *Infant Ministry*

Dennis H. Martin, *Sexton*

Bobby C. Pack Jr., *Sexton*

Nancy M. Shaytar, *Director of Finance Emerita*

Kaysie L. Strickland, *Assistant to the Associate Pastors*

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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