

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. 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, all children are invited to remain 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

Three Hymn Preludes

Henry Coleman

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Reverend Lynn M. Portz

Pastor: The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; His mercies never come to an end.

People: **They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness.**

Pastor: “The LORD is my portion,” says my soul.

People: **“Therefore I will hope in Him.”**

All: **Come, let us worship God.**

Adapted from Lamentations 3:22-24

▲ HYMN IN PROCESSION 477

Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

Hanover

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

PRECES

Rachel Aarons

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)*

In confidence of Your goodness and great mercy, O Lord, I draw near unto You, as one sick to the healer, as one hungry and thirsty to the fountain of life, a creature to the Creator, a needy soul to my only true comfort. Behold, in You is all that I can or ought to desire. You are my salvation and my redemption, my help and my strength. Cleanse and make glad therefore this day of Your servant, for unto You, O Lord, have I lifted up my soul.

Thomas à Kempis

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

The Reverend Kendra L. Buckwalter Smith

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 121

page 571 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

I Lift Up My Eyes

Russell G. Wichmann

Gail Roup, soprano

I lift up my eyes to the hills. From whence does my help come? My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth. He will not let your foot be moved; He who keeps you will not slumber. Behold, He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade on your right hand. The sun shall not smite you by day, nor the moon by night. The LORD will keep you from all evil; He will keep your life. The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore. Amen.

Text: Psalm 121

SCRIPTURE

Luke 18:1-8

page 81 of the New Testament in the pew Bible

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Bothering God

The Reverend Todd E. Leach

▲ HYMN OF RESPONSE 276

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Faithfulness

▲ 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

Jubilate Deo

William Walton

Meghan DeWald Althouse, soprano

O be joyful in the LORD all ye lands; serve the LORD with gladness and come before His presence with a song. Be ye sure that the LORD He is God; it is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture. O go your way into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise; be thankful unto Him, and speak good of His name. For the LORD is gracious; His mercy is everlasting; and His truth endureth from generation to generation. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Text: Psalm 100

▲ 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 442

The Church's One Foundation

Aurelia

▲ BENEDICTION

▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *(sung with the Chancel Choir)*

We Give Thee but Thine Own

Schumann (Hymn no. 428)

1. We give Thee but Thine own, whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from Thee.
2. May we Thy bounties thus as stewards true receive,
And gladly, as Thou blessest us, to Thee our first-fruits give.

Text: William Walsham How, ca. 1858

▲ OUR LIVING, GIVING FAITH

Our Offerings of Pledges and Prayers

After the chimes, please place your pledges in the baptismal font at either the front of the Sanctuary or in the Narthex. Then come and join us for chili in the Parish Hall!

▲ POSTLUDE

Fugue in C Major

Dieterich Buxtehude

Today in Shadyside Presbyterian Church

Acolytes for October – Lily F. Hunter and Quinn A. Reppe

Ushers for October – John E. B. Baldrige, Shannon L. Bunting, Daniel W. Ernsberger, Nathaniel C. Hunter, Margaret V. Kisslinger, and Martin E. Powell. **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.

Russell G. Wichmann (1912–1987) was Director of Music and Organist at the Shadyside Presbyterian Church from 1936 to 1987. Mr. Wichmann was the first University Organist in Heinz Chapel, chaired the music department at Chatham College for thirty-two years, and was director of the Mendelssohn Choir of Pittsburgh for fourteen years.

William Walton (1902–1983) was a composer who wrote in several classical genres and styles, from film scores to opera. His primary studies were at Christ Church, Oxford. His earliest work of note was a collaboration with Edith Sitwell, *Façade*, which at first brought him notoriety as a modernist, but later became a popular ballet score. Walton wrote a number of large scale anthems, including the 1952 Coronation anthem, based on the *Te Deum* text.

Chili After Church

..... *Today following worship*

At the conclusion of worship, come and enjoy a wide variety of delicious chili along with plenty of wonderful fellowship in the Parish Hall.
There is no cost to attend.

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.

News and Notes

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.

Study the Acts of the Apostles – Join us in the Craig Room on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. to study the Book of Acts, using *Into the World: The Acts of the Apostles*, written by Dr. Carol Miller and published by the Kerygma Program. Facilitated by Elder Peggy Heely, this fourteen-session study will meet for seven weeks this fall, and then for seven weeks in 2020.

Thursday Evening Bible Study – You are invited to participate in a Bible study focusing on the book of Ecclesiastes. We typically gather from 8:00 to 9:30 p.m. on Thursdays in the Stamy Room. Our next meeting is Thursday, October 24. Join us as we continue to build community through study. For more information, please contact Deacon Adam Loucks through the church office.

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.

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.

Mission Dinner – The Mission and Urban Ministry Team invites you to attend our Mission Dinner Series to hear the inspirational stories of our mission partners. Join us in the Parish Hall on Wednesday, November 6, at 6:00 p.m., when we welcome our mission partner Veterans Place of Washington Boulevard. Although there is no charge for the dinner, a freewill offering will be received to offset the costs of the meal. Please RSVP by signing up in the Sharp Atrium or by contacting the church office. (Nursery care is available. Families are encouraged to eat together; then, children may move to the Nursery during the presentation.)

Connections Dinner – On Wednesday, November 20, 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, November 18. 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.

Guatemala Mission Experience (March 14–21, 2020) – Our spring trip to work alongside our mission partner in Guatemala, Promised Land Ministries, is scheduled for March 14 through 21, 2020. In addition to a medical mission team, we need team members willing to work with children and construction ministries. No experience is required. Brochures are available in the Narthex and Sharp Atrium; please take one. Applications are due by Sunday, November 17. If you have questions, please contact Rev. Todd Leach.

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.

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!

Church History and Architecture Books – Shadyside Presbyterian Church has published two books authored by Elder Timothy C. Engleman which explore the church’s history and architecture in depth. Both may be purchased through the church office; order forms are available in the Narthex and on the church website.

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.

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

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 the 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.

Soche Church is Shadyside's vibrant sister church located in the Blantyre Synod. These two churches have been in partnership for more than twenty years, growing together and lifting one another in prayer over the course of our relationship. Projects completed together include a new church construction, the completion of a church manse, and a community kitchen which serves both congregation and community members. Currently, we are working together to establish an orphan care center in Soche.

Over the past twenty years, we have led five mission trips to this region, developing and sustaining several of these partner projects. A mission team from Shadyside last visited Malawi in the fall of 2014. In addition, we have hosted multiple members of Soche Church in Pittsburgh; as part of Shadyside Presbyterian Church's 150th anniversary celebration in October 2016, the church welcomed four guests from Malawi. Most of our mission teams have enjoyed the privilege of worshipping with our brothers and sisters from the other side of the world.

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

Daily Prayer Lectionary Readings

..... October 20 - 27

Sunday, October 20

Psalms 67; 150
Jeremiah 29:1, 4-14
Acts 16:6-15
Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

Monday, October 21

Psalms 57; 145
Jeremiah 44:1-14
1 Corinthians 15:30-41
Matthew 11:16-24

Tuesday, October 22

Psalms 54; 146
Lam. 1:1-5 (6-9) 10-12
1 Corinthians 15:41-50
Matthew 11:25-30

Wednesday, October 23

Psalms 65; 147:1-11
Lamentations 2:8-15
1 Corinthians 15:51-58
Matthew 12:1-14

Thursday, October 24

Psalms 143; 147:12-20
Ezra 1:1-11
1 Corinthians 16:1-9
Matthew 12:15-21

Friday, October 25

Psalms 88; 148
Ezra 3:1-13
1 Corinthians 16:10-24
Matthew 12:22-32

Saturday, October 26

Psalms 122; 149
Ezra 4:7, 11-24
Philemon 1-25
Matthew 12:33-42

Sunday, October 27

Psalms 108; 150
Haggai 1:1-2:9
Acts 18:24-19:7
Luke 10:25-37

Church Calendar

..... October 20 - 27

TODAY <i>October 20</i>	11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship in the Sanctuary – Stewardship Commitment Sunday
	11:20 a.m.	Children’s Chapel (Preschool through 2 nd Grade)
	12:00 p.m.	“Chili After Church” Fellowship Event in the Parish Hall
	12:00 p.m.	Choir School in the Chapel
	12:30 p.m.	SPYS (Youth Group) in the Youth Room
MONDAY	6:30 p.m.	EECM Shelter Dinner Volunteers at EECM, 6140 Station Street
	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.	Yoga in the Hulme Room
	7:00 p.m.	Tuesday Evening Bible Study in the Craig Room
WEDNESDAY	7:00 p.m.	Midweek Vespers in the Chapel – Rev. Dr. John A. Dalles, preaching
	7:30 p.m.	International Partnerships Mission Action Community in the Stamy Room
THURSDAY	10:30 a.m.	“Women at the Well” Bible Study in the Craig Room
	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
	8:00 p.m.	Thursday Evening Bible Study in the Stamy Room
FRIDAY	5:00 p.m.	All-Church Retreat at Crestfield Camp and Conference Center through Saturday, October 26
	5:45 p.m.	Shepherd Wellness Dinner Volunteers at 4800 Sciota Street in Bloomfield
SUNDAY <i>October 27</i>	9:45 a.m.	Christian Education Classes for All Ages
	11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship in the Sanctuary – Reformation Sunday 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 with New Member Reception in the Parish Hall
	12:00 p.m.	Choir School in the Chapel
	12:30 p.m.	SPYS (Youth Group) in the Youth Room

Requiem for All Saints

..... Sunday, November 3, at 3:00 p.m.

In memory of those who have entered the Church Triumphant, the Chancel Choir will present Maurice Duruflé’s *Requiem* in liturgical context, with Communion.

Music in a Great Space Concert

..... Sunday, November 24, at 3:00 p.m.

Aaron Tan, organist
Co-sponsored with the Organ Artists Series
Limited quantity of complimentary tickets available to members; please contact the church office.

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

October 27 through November 24

in the Craig Room

Slow Church

Led by Elder Ted Brooke

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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Children's Ministry*

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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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