

## Order of Worship

*We regret that we cannot gather in person, but we are grateful to be gathered in spirit. 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

A Solemn Melody

Walford Davies

### WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

The Reverend Lynn M. Portz

Pastor: The LORD is king; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

People: **The LORD is great in Zion; He is exalted over all the peoples.**

Pastor: Let them praise Your great and awesome name. Holy is the LORD!

People: **Mighty King, lover of justice, You have established equity; You have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.**

Pastor: Extol the LORD our God; worship at His footstool. Holy is the LORD!

People: **Extol the LORD our God, and worship at His holy mountain; for the LORD our God is holy.**

Based upon Psalm 99:1-5, 9

### ▲ HYMN 482

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

*Lobe den Herren*

1. Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;  
Join me in glad adoration!
2. Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!  
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been  
Granted in what He ordaineth?

*(Hymn continues on page 2.)*

- Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!  
Let the amen sound from His people again,  
Gladly for aye we adore Him.

Text: Joachim Neander, 1680. Translation: Catherine Winkworth, 1863; alt.  
Music: Stralsund *Ernewerten Gesangbuch*, 1665. Harmonization: *The Chorale Book for England*, 1863.

## ▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

### ORISON

Our God Shall Come

Richard Shephard

*The Shadyside Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir Ensemble*

Our God shall come and shall not keep silence. There shall go before Him a consuming fire, and a mighty tempest shall be stirred up round about Him. He shall call the heavens from above and the earth, that He may judge His people. And the heavens shall declare His righteousness; for God alone is Judge.

Text based upon Psalm 50:3-4, 6

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(spoken in unison)*

**God of compassion, in Jesus Christ You reveal the light of Your glory, but we turn away, distracted by our own plans. We confess that we speak when we should listen, and act when we should wait. Forgive our aimless enthusiasms. Grant us wisdom to live in Your light and to follow in the way of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.**

### 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

Pastor: Believe the good news of the Gospel:  
People: **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.

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Wesley C. Smith, *Student Assistant Pastor*

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

2 Kings 2:12

Psalms 50:1-6

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### ANTHEM

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

Walford Davies

*The Shadyside Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir Ensemble*

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

Text: Charles Wesley

### SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 9:2-9

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The End Is Where We Start From

▲ HYMN OF RESPONSE 73

Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

*Geneva*

1. Swiftly pass the clouds of glory, heaven's voice, the dazzling light:  
Moses and Elijah vanish; Christ alone commands the height!  
Peter, James, and John fall silent, turning from the summit's rise  
Downward toward the shadowed valley where their Lord has fixed His eyes.
2. Glimpsed and gone the revelation, they shall gain and keep its truth,  
Not by building on the mountain any shrine or sacred booth  
But by following the Savior through the valley to the cross  
And by testing faith's resilience through betrayal, pain, and loss.
3. Lord, transfigure our perception with the purest light that shines,  
And recast our life's intentions to the shape of Your designs,  
Till we seek no other glory than what lies past Calv'ry's hill  
And our living and our dying and our rising by Your will.

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▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Reverend Todd E. Leach

**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.**

The Apostles' Creed

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.**

## ANTHEM

The Transfiguration

Richard Shephard

*The Shadyside Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir Ensemble*

After six days, Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John, his brother; and bringeth them up to a high mountain apart, and was transfigured before them. And His face did shine as the sun. And His raiment was white as the light. And behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them; and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said: “This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Hear ye Him.”

Text based upon Matthew 17:1-2, 5

### ▲ DOXOLOGY *(sung in unison)*

*Old Hundredth*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Text: Thomas Ken, 1695, 1709. Music: Genevan Psalter, 1551.

### ▲ OFFERTORY PRAYER

### ▲ HYMN 75

O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair

*Deo gracias*

1. O wondrous sight, O vision fair of glory that the church shall share,  
Which Christ upon the mountain shows, where brighter than the sun He glows!
2. From age to age the tale declare, how with the three disciples there,  
Where Moses and Elijah meet, the Lord holds converse high and sweet.
3. The law and prophets there have place, two chosen witnesses of grace;  
The Father’s voice from out the cloud proclaims His only Son aloud.
4. With shining face and bright array Christ deigns to manifest today  
What glory shall be theirs above who joy in God with perfect love.
5. And faithful hearts are raised on high by this great vision’s mystery,  
For which in joyful strains we raise the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.

Text: Latin, 15<sup>th</sup> century. Translation: John Mason Neale, 1851; alt. 1861.

Music: “The Agincourt Song,” England, ca. 1415.

### ▲ BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

The Heavens Declare the Glory

Benedetto Marcello

## Soli Deo gloria!

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Thank you for worshipping with us virtually this day.  
Please let us know you joined us online today by [clicking here](#) and completing the form.

### Today from Shadyside Presbyterian Church

**Singing in the Chancel Choir Ensemble this morning are** Meghan DeWald Althouse and Gail Roup, soprano; Jolanta Doherty, alto; Mark A. Boyle, tenor; Brian Doherty, baritone; and Hayden Keefer, bass.

### Farewell for the Dalles Family

..... Today, February 14, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in the Semi-circular Driveway .....

Following worship today, February 14, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., we will hold a drive-by farewell for the Reverend Dr. John A. Dalles and his family in the church's semi-circular driveway. Parishioners are invited to wave from their vehicles as the Dalles family maintains a safe social distance in the entrance to the Parish Hall. We also encourage you to reach out directly to Dr. Dalles with messages of appreciation via email ([jdalles@shadysidepres.org](mailto:jdalles@shadysidepres.org)) or notes sent to his attention at the church's postal address.

We give thanks to God for John's ministry among us and for the time we have been able to serve the Lord alongside each other. Please join us in expressing our thanks and well wishes to the Dalles family as best we can under the current conditions.

### Virtual Lenten Vespers

..... Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m., beginning Ash Wednesday, February 17 .....

During the liturgical season of Lent, Shadyside Presbyterian Church invites you to join us each Wednesday for an evening of music and reflection. These 45-minute candlelight Communion services include the Lord's Supper; homilies exploring the "I AM" statements of Jesus from John's Gospel; and music offered by the Shadyside Strings, Chatham Baroque, and vocal soloists.

### An Evening with the Pittsburgh Camerata

..... Sunday, February 21, at 3:00 p.m. .....

In this exclusive web-based concert, Pittsburgh's premier professional chamber choir shares a musical program combining previous recordings of the ensemble alongside new recordings of soloists. The performance will be released for viewing online at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 21, and available through Sunday, March 28.

Virtual tickets and subscriptions may be purchased online at [www.pittsburghcamerata.org](http://www.pittsburghcamerata.org).

## News and Notes

**Leadership Transition** - The Session of Shadyside Presbyterian Church has announced the conclusion of the interim ministry of the Reverend Dr. John A. Dalles, who has been serving as our Interim Senior Pastor and Head of Staff. We are grateful for his excellent leadership over the past two years. Today, February 14, is Dr. Dalles's last Sunday with us. (Please see the announcement on page 6 for details about our plans to bid a fond farewell to Dr. Dalles and his family.) The associate ministers will share the responsibilities of preaching, leading worship, and coordinating pastoral care until the arrival of our next senior pastor.

**Building Status** - Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the church building is open on a limited basis to members and guests by appointment only. With the exception of small weddings, funerals, and memorial services, all other activities, including Sunday services of worship, will not meet on-site until further notice.

**Virtual Friendship Pad** - Please take a moment to let us know you joined us today by "signing" our virtual friendship pad. Complete the form at [www.shadysidepres.org/check-in](http://www.shadysidepres.org/check-in) and click submit. Thank you!

**2021 Officer Recommendations** - The Representative Nominating Committee (RNC) is accepting recommendations for the offices of elder, deacon, or trustee, and for next year's RNC. Brochures which provide detailed information about the process have been mailed to the congregation. The same information may be found on the church website: [www.shadysidepres.org/nominating](http://www.shadysidepres.org/nominating). In order to be considered, recommendations must be submitted by Sunday, February 21. Your input is appreciated.

**COVID-19 Task Force** - We know that our church and, indeed, our whole world continues through a challenging time of transition. In the midst, we give thanks for Christ's peace and for the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Please know that the COVID-19 Task Force continues to meet regularly to monitor data and to prayerfully discern best plans moving forward. We thank you for your prayers and your patience as we endure the pandemic. Along with Rev. Lynn Portz, the task force is comprised of Trustee Alex Dick and Elders Don Coffelt, Brigetta Del Re, Rob Ferguson, Carla Gedman, Jim Gockley, Bob Luthultz, and Alex Viehman. You are welcome to contact any member of the task force through the church office.

**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. While the COVID-19 countermeasures remain in effect, both prayer groups will meet virtually via Zoom videoconferencing. Please contact Deacon Connie Coffelt through the church office to access the meetings.

**Virtual Coffee with a Pastor** - While practicing "social distancing" we can be intentional about remaining connected with one another. Our associate pastors invite you to join in casual and informal conversation with them and others on Thursday morning at 9:30 a.m. This is an opportunity for us to check in with one another and, perhaps, share creative ideas of embracing this time of "self-isolation." To join the conversation, contact Kaysie Strickland: [kstrickland@shadysidepres.org](mailto:kstrickland@shadysidepres.org).

**Friday Evening Scripture and Prayer** - Shadyside Presbyterian Church's Prayer Ministries invite you to a time of spiritual connection as we experience physical distancing. Gather with us via Zoom videoconferencing on Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. to read the daily lectionary Scriptures and pray together. Please contact Deacon Adam Loucks through the church office to access the meeting.

**Children’s Chapel** - The Children’s Ministry of Shadyside Presbyterian Church invites families to gather remotely with us for our weekly online chapel time on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. Children enjoy singing songs, hearing a story from the Bible, and praying with us. Chapel worship streams live through a protected Facebook group; for access, please contact Ellen Allston: [eallston@shadysidepres.org](mailto:eallston@shadysidepres.org). To view previous videos, visit the church’s YouTube channel. We’re looking forward to celebrating Jesus with you!

**Virtual Time of Fellowship** - Immediately following worship, the Parish Life Ministry Team will host an informal Time of Fellowship online so that we may connect with one another and share the blessings and challenges we are experiencing in this time of isolation. Folks are welcome to “come and go” as we check in with one another. To participate in future virtual fellowship gatherings via Zoom videoconferencing, please contact Kaysie Strickland through the church office before noon on Friday.

**Grief Support Group** - Shadyside Presbyterian Church offers a Grief Support Group designed to provide encouragement and a faith-centered perspective for those who have lost a loved one. The group meets regularly to discuss a variety of subjects that are important in the grief recovery process, including the range of emotions which grief brings, and resources for moving forward. Our next gathering occurs Monday, February 22, via Zoom videoconferencing. New participants are always welcome. To access the meeting, please contact Rev. Lynn Portz by email ([lportz@shadysidepres.org](mailto:lportz@shadysidepres.org)) or call the church office.

**The Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC)** is comprised of seven church members: Susan Balaan, Sara Brooke, Don Coffelt, Percy Jackson, Adam Loucks, Ann Pauley, and Janet Rohrer. Previous updates from the PNC are published on the church website: [www.shadysidepres.org/pnc](http://www.shadysidepres.org/pnc). Please continue to pray for them as they work to discern whom God is calling to be our next senior pastor.

**eGiving Options** - Shadyside Presbyterian Church offers secure eGiving options in order to encourage faithful stewardship. Please visit [www.shadysidepres.org/give](http://www.shadysidepres.org/give) to begin a one-time or recurring contribution; or, text **SHADYSIDE** and an amount to 73256, then follow the link to complete your gift. Thank you for faithfully supporting the mission and ministry of Shadyside Presbyterian Church.

**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 Geffel at [prayernet@shadysidepres.org](mailto:prayernet@shadysidepres.org). Confidentiality, if requested for names and/or situations, will be maintained.

**Care and Support** - Your pastors, staff, elders, deacons, and Care Team remain deeply committed to caring for our congregation. We are making every effort to remain connected, especially with those who are most vulnerable and those who may be feeling lonely or anxious. We encourage you to stay connected by phone, email, or social media. Please don’t hesitate to reach out by any of these means if you want to talk to someone.

**The Mini-Mouse** - Sign up to receive our weekly e-newsletter by sending your subscription request in an email message to [info@shadysidepres.org](mailto:info@shadysidepres.org) or by following the instructions at [shadysidepres.org/mini-mouse](http://shadysidepres.org/mini-mouse).

**The Shadyside Presbyterian Church online worship archive** contains audio recordings of worship from previous years, which we encourage you to explore. We hope these archived resources will enhance your personal devotional time as we face an extended period of physical separation from our community of faith.

**The Shadyside Presbyterian Church website, [www.shadysidepres.org](http://www.shadysidepres.org)**, provides additional information about the church’s programs and activities, as well as access to video and audio recordings of worship.

# Church Calendar

..... February 14 - 21 .....

<b>TODAY</b> <i>February 14</i>	11:00 a.m.	Virtual Worship Online – Transfiguration of the Lord
	12:00 p.m.	Virtual Time of Fellowship via Zoom Videoconferencing
	12:30 p.m.	Drive-by Farewell for the Dalles Family in the Semi-circular Driveway
<b>MONDAY</b>		Building Closed for President’s Day
<b>TUESDAY</b>	10:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer Group via Zoom Videoconferencing
	5:00 p.m.	Yoga via Zoom Videoconferencing
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study via Zoom Videoconferencing
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	7:00 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Vespers on YouTube and Facebook
	7:45 p.m.	Session via Zoom Videoconferencing
<b>THURSDAY</b>	9:30 a.m.	Virtual Coffee with a Pastor via Zoom Videoconferencing
	6:30 p.m.	Pastor Nominating Committee via Zoom Videoconferencing
	7:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer Group via Zoom Videoconferencing
<b>FRIDAY</b>	9:00 a.m.	Youth Ministry Committee via Zoom Videoconferencing
	7:30 p.m.	Evening Scripture and Prayer Gathering via Zoom Videoconferencing
<b>SUNDAY</b> <i>February 21</i>	9:30 a.m.	Adult Christian Education Studies via Zoom Videoconferencing
	10:00 a.m.	Children’s Chapel in the Children’s and Family Ministries’ Facebook Group
	11:00 a.m.	Virtual Worship Online – First Sunday in Lent Rev. Kendra L. Buckwalter Smith, preaching
	12:00 p.m.	Virtual Time of Fellowship via Zoom Videoconferencing

## Daily Prayer Lectionary Readings

..... February 14 - 21 .....

<b>Sunday, February 14</b> Psalms 103; 150 Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 2 Corinthians 3:1-9 John 12:27-36a	<b>Tuesday, February 16</b> Psalms 42; 146 Deuteronomy 6:16-25 Hebrews 2:1-10 John 1:19-28	<b>Thursday, February 18</b> Psalms 27; 147:12-20 Deuteronomy 7:6-11 Titus 1:1-16 John 1:29-34	<b>Saturday, February 20</b> Psalms 43; 149 Deuteronomy 7:17-26 Titus 3:1-15 John 1:43-51
<b>Monday, February 15</b> Psalms 5; 145 Deuteronomy 6:1-15 Hebrews 1:1-14 John 1:1-18	<b>Wednesday, February 17</b> Psalms 5; 147:1-11 Jonah 3:1-4:11 Hebrews 12:1-14 Luke 18:9-14	<b>Friday, February 19</b> Psalms 22; 148 Deuteronomy 7:12-16 Titus 2:1-15 John 1:35-42	<b>Sunday, February 21</b> Psalms 84; 150 Jeremiah 9:23-24 1 Corinthians 1:18-31 Mark 2:18-22

## Adult Christian Education

..... Sundays prior to Worship .....

On Sunday mornings, the Adult Christian Education Team invites you to gather online to attend the study of your choice. [Click here](#) to learn more about each class, including access instructions.

### BIBLE STUDY

The Pauline Epistles:  
2 Corinthians  
Led by Elder Jason M. Huber  
via Zoom Videoconferencing at 9:45 a.m.

### TOPICAL STUDY

*Becoming Brave: Finding the Courage to Pursue Racial Justice Now*, by Brenda Salter McNeil  
Led by Elder Sharon A. Taylor, January 10–February 14  
via Zoom Videoconferencing at 9:30 a.m.

## 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, *Associate Pastor*

Wesley C. Smith, *Student Assistant Pastor*

Ellen L. Allston, *Director of Christian Education for Children's Ministry*

Mark A. Anderson, *Director of Music Ministry*

Peter F. Bodnar, *Director of Communications*

Jane M. Boyle, *Assistant Children's Choir Director*

Steven M. Bright, *Hospitality Coordinator*

Judy A. Brust, *Accountant*

Robert A. Coder, *Director of Finance*

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

Della L. Ellard, *Administrative Assistant*

Ruth E. Garrett, *Assistant to the Senior Pastor*

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

Dennis H. Martin, *Head 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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