



## 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

Steal Away to Jesus

André Marques

### WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

The Reverend Lynn M. Portz

Pastor: You who fear the LORD, praise Him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify Him; stand in awe of Him, all you offspring of Israel!

People: **For He did not despise or abhor the affliction of the afflicted; He did not hide His face from me, but heard when I cried to Him.**

Pastor: From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will pay before those who fear Him.

People: **The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek Him shall praise the LORD. May your hearts live forever!**

Pastor: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; and all the families of the nations shall worship before Him.

People: **Let us worship the Lord!**

Based upon Psalm 22

### ▲ HYMN 87

The Glory of These Forty Days

*Erhalt uns, Herr*

1. The glory of these forty days we celebrate with songs of praise;  
For Christ, by whom all things were made, Himself has fasted and has prayed.
2. Alone and fasting, Moses saw the loving God who gave the law;  
And to Elijah, fasting, came the steeds and chariots of flame.
3. So Daniel trained his mystic sight, delivered from the lions' might;  
And John, the Bridegroom's friend, became the herald of Messiah's name.

*(Hymn continues on page 2.)*

4. Then grant that we like them be true, consumed in fast and prayer with You;  
Our spirits strengthen with Your grace, and give us joy to see Your face.

Text: Gregory the Great (540–604). Translation: Maurice F. Bell, 1906.

Text from the *English Hymnal*, 1906, Oxford University Press.

Music: Klug's *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543. Harmonization: Johann Sebastian Bach, 1725.

## ▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

### ORISON

The Christ Who Died

Alfred V. Fedak

*The Shadyside Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir Ensemble*

The Christ who died and rose again, triumphant from the grave, now pleads our cause at God's right hand, all-powerful to save. What now can separate us from the love of Christ our Lord? Can persecution, nakedness, or peril, or the sword? The troubles that are ours to bear are trials we cannot flee, yet He who loved us from the first ensures our victory. Thus, nothing in the heights or depths, no power earth can afford, will separate us from the love of Jesus Christ our Lord. Yes, He who loved us from the first is Jesus Christ our Lord.

Text by Granton Douglas Hay, based on Scottish paraphrases (1781) of Romans 8:34-39.

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

What shall I render to You, my Creator, for all of Your blessings to me? You will accept only my whole self, all I have and all I am. But I cannot shake off the fear that tempts me to hoard my life. So I ask only for Your mercy. Fill me with Your pure and heavenly love, that all my narrow selfishness may be done away, lost in the expanse of Your love.

Clement of Rome, d. 96

### 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

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

The Reverend Kendra L. Buckwalter Smith

### SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 17:1-7

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### SOLO

Steal Away

Traditional Spiritual, arr. Henry Thacker Burleigh

*Loghan Bazan Wright, mezzo-soprano*

Steal away, steal away, steal away to Jesus. Steal away, steal away home. I ain't got long to stay here. My Lord calls me; He calls me by the thunder. The trumpet sounds within my soul. I ain't got long to stay here. Steal away, steal away, steal away to Jesus. Steal away, steal away home. I ain't got long to stay here. Green trees are bending; poor sinner stands a-trembling. The trumpet sounds within my soul. I ain't got long to stay here. Steal away, steal away, steal away to Jesus. Steal away, steal away home. I ain't got long to stay here.

Traditional Spiritual text

### SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 8:31-38

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON

I Ain't Got Long to Stay Here

The Reverend Todd E. Leach

## ▲ HYMN OF RESPONSE 393

Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said

*Bourbon*

1. Take up your cross, the Savior said, if you would My disciple be;  
Take up your cross with willing heart, and humbly follow after Me.
2. Take up your cross, let not its weight fill your weak spirit with alarm;  
Christ's strength shall bear your spirit up and brace your heart and nerve your arm.
3. Take up your cross, heed not the shame, and let your foolish heart be still;  
The Lord for you accepted death upon a cross, on Calvary's hill.
4. Take up your cross, then, in Christ's strength, and calmly every danger brave:  
It guides you to abundant life and leads to victory o'er the grave.

Text: Charles William Everest, 1833; alt. Music attributed to Freeman Lewis, 1825.

## ▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**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

Now Let Us All with One Accord

Arlen Clarke

*The Shadyside Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir Ensemble*

Now let us all with one accord, in company with ages past, keep vigil with our heavenly Lord in His temptation and His fast. Your love, O Christ, our sinful race has not returned, but falsified; Author of mercy, turn Your face and grant repentance for our pride. Remember, Christ, though frail we be, in Your own image were we made; help us, lest in anxiety, we cause Your name to be

betrayed. Therefore, we pray You, Christ, forgive; so when our wanderings here shall cease, we may with you forever live, in love and unity and peace.

Text attributed to Pope Gregory the Great

### ▲ 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 247

I Will Give Thanks with My Whole Heart

*Herr Jesu Christ*

1. I will give thanks with my whole heart, before the gods my praise express;  
I will bow down before Your throne and praise Your love and faithfulness.
2. Above all things, O Lord, my God, You glorified Your name and Word;  
I called and then You answered me and gave me increased strength, O Lord.
3. All kings on earth who hear Your words, O Lord, will give You thanks and praise  
And tell how great Your glory is, and they will sing of all Your ways.
4. The Lord is high, yet scorns the proud, protects the lowly on their path;  
Although I walk in trouble, Lord, You keep me safe from my foe's wrath.
5. Lord, Your right hand shall save my life and make Your purpose for me sure;  
Do not forsake what You have made; Your love forever will endure.

Text: Christopher L. Webber, 1986, 1988. Text © 1986 Christopher L. Webber. All rights reserved.

Music: *Cantionale Germanicum*, 1628. Arrangement: Johann Sebastian Bach, ca. 1708.

### ▲ BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee

Johann Sebastian Bach

***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.*

## News and Notes

**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. The COVID-19 Task Force meets regularly to monitor data and to prayerfully discern best plans moving forward.

**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!

**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.

**Women at the Well** - Women of all ages are welcome to gather online with the “Women at the Well” for in-depth Bible study, discussion, and fellowship. Currently, we are exploring Max Lucado’s *He Chose the Nails: What God Did to Win Your Heart* as a Lenten study. In general, we meet from 10:30 a.m. to noon on the second and fourth Thursday of each month, but check the calendar for exceptions. Our next virtual gathering occurs Thursday, March 11. Please contact Deacon Connie Coffelt to join us via Zoom.

**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, March 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.

**Easter Lilies** - The Board of Deacons will approach our Flower Ministry's lily options differently this season. Although we are unable to provide you with the opportunity to order a lily plant for yourself this year, we invite you to support the church's flower fund and to memorialize loved ones by placing their names in the bulletin. There is no required minimum amount for a donation; please give whatever you deem appropriate and know that, in addition to beautifying the Sanctuary this Easter Sunday, you also will be bringing joy to those who would be blessed by a lily delivered by the deacons. Visit [www.shadysidepres.org/lilies](http://www.shadysidepres.org/lilies) before Sunday, March 14, for details and instructions.

**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 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.

## Virtual Lenten Vespers

..... *Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m., through March 24* .....

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 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.

# Church Calendar

..... February 28 – March 7 .....

<b>TODAY</b> <i>February 28</i>	11:00 a.m. Virtual Worship Online – Second Sunday in Lent 12:00 p.m. Virtual Time of Fellowship via Zoom Videoconferencing
<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. Virtual Lenten Vespers Online
<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>	7:30 p.m. Evening Scripture and Prayer Gathering via Zoom Videoconferencing
<b>SUNDAY</b> <i>March 7</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 – Third Sunday in Lent Rev. Lynn M. Portz, preaching 12:00 p.m. Virtual Time of Fellowship via Zoom Videoconferencing

# Daily Prayer Lectionary Readings

..... February 28 – March 7 .....

<b>Sunday, February 28</b> Psalms 84; 150 Jeremiah 1:1-10 1 Corinthians 3:11-23 Mark 3:31-4:9	<b>Tuesday, March 2</b> Psalms 34; 146 Jeremiah 2:1-13, 29-32 Romans 1:16-25 John 4:43-54	<b>Thursday, March 4</b> Psalms 27; 147:12-20 Jeremiah 4:9-10, 19-28 Romans 2:12-24 John 5:19-29	<b>Saturday, March 6</b> Psalms 43; 149 Jeremiah 5:20-31 Romans 3:19-31 John 7:1-13
<b>Monday, March 1</b> Psalms 119:73-80; 145 Jeremiah 1:11-19 Romans 1:1-15 John 4:27-42	<b>Wednesday, March 3</b> Psalms 5; 147:1-11 Jeremiah 3:6-18 Romans 1:(26-27) 28-2:11 John 5:1-18	<b>Friday, March 5</b> Psalms 22; 148 Jeremiah 5:1-9 Romans 2:25-3:18 John 5:30-47	<b>Sunday, March 7</b> Psalms 84; 150 Jeremiah 6:9-15 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 Mark 5:1-20

## 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

*Handel's Messiah: The Gospel in Words and Music*  
Parts Two and Three: February 21 through March 28  
Led by Elder Margaret E. Heely  
via Zoom Videoconferencing at 9:30 a.m.

## Church Staff

Todd E. Leach, *Associate Pastor for Missions*  
Lynn M. Portz, *Associate Pastor for Parish Life*  
Kendra L. Buckwalter Smith, *Associate Pastor*  
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