



## Order of Worship

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

*We invite you to create a worship space for yourself by preparing Communion elements in advance.*

*Consider gathering grape juice and bread; another beverage, crackers, or matzo also work.*

*At the point that we celebrate the Lord's Supper, the pastor will guide you.*

*We also invite you to light a candle in your worship space if it is safe to do so.*

*Even as we are physically distanced, it is the same light of Christ that shines in all our darkness.*

*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

Sarabande on *Land of Rest*

Gerald Near

*Justin M. Wallace, organ*

### CALL TO WORSHIP

The Reverend Lynn M. Portz

Pastor: To You, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

People: **O my God, in You I trust.**

Pastor: Make me to know Your ways, O LORD; teach me Your paths.

People: **Lead me in Your truth, and teach me, for You are the God of my salvation; for You I wait all day long.**

Pastor: Be mindful of Your mercy, O LORD, and of Your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

People: **Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to Your steadfast love remember me, for Your goodness' sake, O LORD!**

Pastor: Good and upright is the LORD; therefore He instructs sinners in the way. He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble His way.

People: **All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep His covenant and His decrees.**

Based upon Psalm 25:1-10

## ▲ HYMN 543

### Abide with Me

*Eventide*

1. Abide with me: fast falls the eventide;  
The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide!  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.
2. Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;  
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;  
Change and decay in all around I see.  
O Thou who changest not, abide with me.
3. I need Thy presence every passing hour;  
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?  
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.
4. I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless:  
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.  
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.
5. Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;  
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies:  
Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;  
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

Text: Henry Francis Lyte, 1847. Music: William Henry Monk, 1861.

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

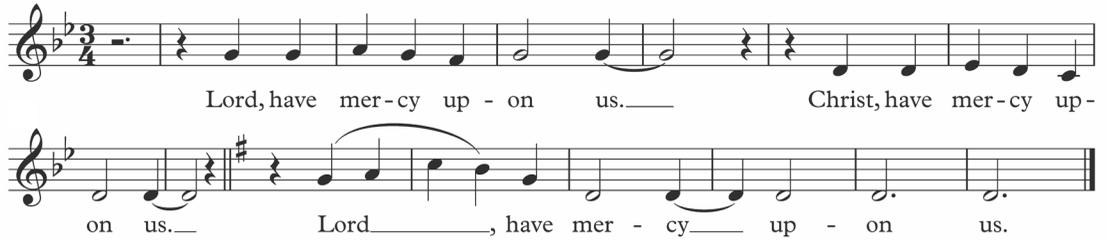
**Holy and merciful God, in Your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against You. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, in forgetting Your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease You. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in Your light and walk in Your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.**

*The Worship Sourcebook*

### 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

Rebecca L. Young

*Candidate for Ministry of Word and Sacrament*

## SCRIPTURE

1 John 1:1-10

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## SOLO

The Trumpet Shall Sound

George Frideric Handel

*Brian Doherty, baritone*

The trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

Text: 1 Corinthians 15:52b

## HOMILY

To Make Our Joy Complete

Rebecca L. Young

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## ▲ HYMN OF RESPONSE 515

Now to Your Table Spread

*Love Unknown*

1. Now to Your table spread we come, each one in faith  
That You alone provide the words of life and death:  
In wine and bread, in promised food we find Your loving heart, O God.
2. Hands of the world stretch out Your mystery to touch  
In longing to believe a truth beyond our reach,  
To sing in joy, to cry in grief, to know Your meaning for our life.
3. Here is our common wealth in sharing what is good,  
As though all humankind around one table stood,  
This bread to break, this wine to taste: one people in the name of Christ.

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## THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

THE INVITATION TO THE TABLE

The Reverend Lynn M. Portz

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*We embody our unity in Christ through the action of partaking. Along with the pastor, please partake of the bread and then the cup.*

PRAYER OF RESPONSE 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.**

## ▲ HYMN 603

Song of Simeon (*Nunc Dimittis*)

*Land of Rest*

1. Lord, bid Your servant go in peace, Your word is now fulfilled.  
These eyes have seen salvation's dawn, this child so long foretold.
2. This is the Savior of the world, the Gentiles' promised light,  
God's glory dwelling in our midst, the joy of Israel.

Text: Luke 2:29-35, paraphrased by James Quinn (1919-2010). Text © 1969, 1989, James Quinn, S.J.  
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## ▲ BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

Chorale Prelude on *Gelobt sei Gott*

Healey Willan

*Justin M. Wallace, organ*

## *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

**The Communion Chalice, Flagon, and Plate** used today are dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of Momoko Hayase Mills, who faithfully prepared the Lord's Table in this Sanctuary with humble reverence and deep love for decades. Commissioned by Shadyside Presbyterian Church, the Communion set was fashioned by Deacon Garret B. Smith. We give thanks to God both for Momoko's caring service and for Garret's talented craftsmanship.

## 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. On-site worship with attendance limitations resumes Sunday, April 18. (Pre-registration is required; please see below.) Most activities will continue to meet remotely until further notice. The COVID-19 Task Force continues to meet regularly to monitor data and to prayerfully discern best plans moving forward.

**Limited on-site Sunday morning worship** is set to resume on April 18. Pre-registration is required, either via the church's website at [www.shadysidepres.org/register](http://www.shadysidepres.org/register) or by calling the church office: 412.682.4300, ext. 100. Registration opens at noon on Monday and closes when the seating capacity is reached or on Friday at noon.

**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!

**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).

**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.

**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 the church's YouTube channel. Previous videos also are available to view at any time throughout the week. 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, April 26, 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.

**Guest Preacher** – On Sunday, May 16, the Reverend Brian R. Wallace will preach during the service of worship at 11:00 a.m. The Reverend Wallace serves as Associate Minister to Pittsburgh Presbytery. We give thanks that he will share God’s Word with us next month. Please join us in welcoming him to Shadyside’s pulpit.

**Care Team Offers COVID-19 Vaccine Process Support** – The Care Team of Shadyside Presbyterian Church has the availability to aid congregation members with navigating the many websites to schedule COVID-19 vaccine appointments. These folks are vaccinated and can bring a laptop computer to your home to assist in this process. We also have vaccinated members that are available to transport congregants to vaccine appointments. Please let us know if you, or anyone you know, is in need of assistance. You may contact Linda Leach, Care Team leader, through the church office: 412.682.4300.

**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.

**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.

**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.

**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 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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*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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