Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke?

Isaiah 58:6

[The righteous] have distributed freely, they have given to the poor; their righteousness endures forever; their horn is exalted in honor. **Psalm 112:9**

Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

1 Corinthians 2:12

For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and the Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Matthew 5:20

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To Our Guests

Glad you're with us. Please sign the guest book by the front door and fill in a visitor's card from the pew pocket. After the service enjoy a cup of fair trade coffee with friends in the Fellowship Hall.

GATHERING OUR HEARTS

Introit (2x) What does the Lord require of you? What does the Lord require of you? To seek justice and love kindness and walk humbly with your God.

Proclamation

In life and death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, whom alone we worship and serve.

> **Call to Prayer** Lift up your hearts We lift them up to the Lord

Prayer

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***Hymn 401** "Gather Us In"

ENCOUNTERING GRACE

Prayer for Wholeness

We give thanks, merciful God, that in Christ, you seek to unite all things in heaven and in earth, to reconcile all people to one another and to You, to heal all that is broken. We confess that the new creation is not yet complete in us, and that we feel everywhere the barriers that separate us from each other and from your creation. Free us. Help us tear down walls of selfishness, hatred and fear. Fill us with Your Spirit of oneness, and empower us to love, fully and freely, in the way and in the spirit of Jesus. Amen.

Kyrie eleison (2x)

Declaration of Grace & Gratitude

*Response

Love the Lord your God with all your heart Love the Lord your God with all your soul Love the Lord your God with all your mind Love the Lord your God with all that you are

> **Blessing the World** Myanmar (Burma), Thailand

****Hymn** This Little Light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine... All around the neighborhood...

Welcome and Parish Life

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***Hymn 729** "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

HEARING THE WORD

Reading

Interlude "O God, to Whom We Turn—IV" J. S. Bach

> **Lesson** 1 Corinthians 2:1-12

Sermon "The Mind of Christ"

***Hymn 346** "For the Healing of the Nations"

SERVING THE WORLD

Prayer for Others

Presenting Offerings

Offertory "My Spirit Longs for Thee" Richard Shephard

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*Credo With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

*Song of Hope

May the God of hope go with us every day, Filling all our lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of justice speed us on our way, Bringing light and hope to every land and race. Praying, let us work for peace; Singing, share our joy with all; Working for a world that's new, Faithful when we hear Christ's call.

*Charge and Benediction

***Postlude** "God's Word Is Upright" Juan Luis Garcia Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind. Ralph Waldo Emerson

The mind is its own place, and in itself, can make a heaven of Hell, a hell of Heaven.

John Milton

You must learn a new way to think before you can master a new way to be.

Marianne Williamson

None but ourselves can free our minds. **Bob Marley**

* stand if you are able

** children grades 5 and younger to the first pew

Flowers placed by the Price family fund

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Sunday flowers sign up in office

Shepherdstown Presbyterian Church: An Inclusive Spiritual Community. We welcome all who long for meaning, hope, and belonging. Our faith & practice are rooted in the way of Jesus and enriched by wisdom from all sources. We are committed to being and becoming people of radical compassion, working for justice and wholeness in ourselves and the world.



Sun 9 • Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time
8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship
9:45 a.m. Sunday Seminar. FH
1:00 p.m. Earthcare Forum. FH
Tue 11
7:00 p.m. Session. FH
Wed. 12
7:30 pm. Choir rehearsal. Choir Room
Thu 13
5:30 p.m. Parish Care. FH

Sat 15

7:30 a.m. Men's breakfast FH **Sun 16 • Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time** *Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm 119:1-8; 1 Corinthians 3:1-9; Matthew 5:21-37* 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship 9:45 a.m. Sunday Seminar. FH 12:15 p.m. Immigration & Refugee. CR

5:50 p.m. Parish Care. FH

LITURGICAL ART IN WORSHIP through Feb. 16 invites us to soak in the Living Waters of our baptismal covenant. Take a moment to rest in the trust that you, too, are "God's Beloved Child, in whom God is well pleased."

SUNDAY SEMINAR *"Race, Privilege and Faith."* We are exploring Jennifer Harvey's book: Dear White Christians: For Those Still Longing for Racial Reconciliation. Books are in the office. (\$20 or pay what you can. Also available on Kindle for \$1.99). All are welcome. Childcare provided. **February 23: Chapter 3.**

SPC EARTH CARE team is sponsoring a discussion of PCUSA fossil fuel divestment with guest Bill McKibben (online). **Sunday, Feb. 9, 1-2 p.m.** Fellowship Hall.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE. A brief order of prayer, song and silence. Imposition of ashes (on forehead or hand) optional. **Wednesday, February 26, 7:30 p.m.**

LENTEN SUNDAY EVENINGS, March 1, 8, 15. Soup & Bread Supper: 5:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall. Sign up sheet to bring soup or bread in Fellowship Hall & Narthex. Program 6:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary. *"Notes from My Spiritual Journey"* Details to follow.

EASTER OFFERING (One Great Hour of Sharing) Donations will be split between humanitarian ministries of the PCUSA (hunger relief, disaster assistance, self-development of people projects) 25% to Jefferson County Community Ministries. (JCCM) and 25% to Good Shepherd (GSIVC). Checks to SPC: memo: OGHS.

Ordinary Time Fifth Sunday

Cleverness, as usual, takes all the credit it possibly can.

> But it's not the Clever Mind that's responsible when things work out.

It's the mind that sees what's in front of it, and follows the nature of things.

Benjamin Hoff *The Tao of Pooh*

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