



Silver Spring Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, August 9, 2026

11th Sunday after Pentecost, 9:00 am

Please silence your cell phone.

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

+WELCOME

Rev. Lisa Chase

MUSIC FOR ADORATION

"Peace Like a River"

arr. Stallsmith

+*CALL TO WORSHIP (From God be the Glory, F. Crosby)

Josiah Montgomery

L: Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice!

P: Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!

L: God be the glory, great things He hath done, so loved He the world that He gave us His Son,

P: Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son

L: In the name of God the Creator, Jesus the Savior and the Holy Spirit the Sustainer,

All: Let us worship God!

+*HYMN #611

"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Josiah Montgomery

Holy and compassionate God, we come to you, asking for your mercy. You command us to glorify you, not because you need our feeble hallelujahs, but rather it's because we need to be reminded that you are God, you are sovereign, and we are not. So often we forget that. Instead of glorifying and praising you, we glorify and praise our own ingenuity and inventions, until we realize, often too late, that every invention of ours has an equal potential for destruction.

(Continued)

Most patient God, bring us up short in the midst of our self-centered pursuits. Let our hallelujahs resound joyfully and thankfully, and come from the deepest parts of ourselves. We pray in the name of the Lord Jesus, who forgives us and loves us.

(Continue in Silent Reflection and Confession)

KYRIE—HYMN # 551 “Lord, Have Mercy”

**Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.**

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Josiah Montgomery

L: Hear the Good News, the Spirit of the One who raised Jesus from the dead, and the same Spirit gives new life to each of us, and calls and claims us! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and made new.

P: Thanks be to God! Hallelujah!

+*RESPONSE TO PARDON #442, vv. 1 & 3 “Just as I Am, without One Plea”

**Just as I am, without one plea, but that thy blood was shed for me,
and that thou bidd'st me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

**Just as I am, thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

+* PASSING THE PEACE

Josiah Montgomery

L: Now, as those who know God's peace in Jesus Christ, let us share his peace with one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

P: And also with you!

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Rev. Chase

FIRST READING

Psalm 98

Josiah Montgomery

SECOND READING

Luke 4:14-21

Rev. Chase

SERMON

“Story Arc”

Rev. Chase

SPECIAL MUSIC

“When He Was On the Cross (I Was On His Mind)”

Payne and Hinson

Merle Dimeler, soloist

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER

Austin Shoop

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Austin Shoop

*Doxology, Hymnal #606 “Doxology”

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

SENDING IN THE SPIRIT

*HYMN #39

“Great is Thy Faithfulness”

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Chase

*MUSICAL RESPONSE #541, v.1

**God be with you till we meet again; Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
With a shepherd’s care enfold you: God be with you till we meet again.**

POSTLUDE

“Come, Christians Join to Sing”

arr. Portman

**Please rise in body and/or spirit*

+Latecomers will be seated



The chancel flowers are given to celebrate Claudia Brown’s 80th birthday.

Hearing-assist devices are located at each entrance of the Meeting House.

To assist those who for some reason must leave the sanctuary during the worship service, a video-camera link broadcasts the service to the Chapel.

WE THANK THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE FOR THEIR SERVICE THIS WEEK

Ushers: Megan and Drew Crompton **Liturgist:** Josiah Montgomery

Deacon Servers: Susan Evans

Downtown Daily Bread August 14th: Steve and Mary Poague Rexford

WEEKLY SSPC ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR AUGUST 9, 2026

Thank you all to the AWESOME volunteers we had for VBS and for all the great donations for Bountiful Blessings! A more comprehensive thank you will follow! We will be collecting items for Bountiful Blessings through August 16th. Please bring shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, dishwashing detergent (not dishwasher), household cleaner, body wash! Thank you!

Thank you to all the AMAZING volunteers we had for the Feed My Starving Children Mini-Mobile Packing Event, August 7-8.

Sympathy

We extend our prayers and sympathy to Sylvia Morelli for the death of her beloved husband Rich this week. Rich's memorial service is Monday, August 10th at 11 am in the Meeting House. Visitation will be in the Chapel beginning at 9:30 am. A luncheon will follow the service. Please keep Sylvia and her family in your thoughts and prayers.

For All Choir Members and Singers for Rich Morelli's memorial service on Aug. 10 Carol Anderson is inviting anyone interested to join together in singing a simple anthem for Rich's service. We will have a brief rehearsal on Sunday at 10:00 am in the Meeting House following the 9:00 Worship Service, and again on Monday at 10:15 in the Music Room before the funeral. If you are able to attend either, or both rehearsals, please consider joining us as we remember Rich and lift our voices in song. For any questions, please contact Carol Anderson at (717) 579-0932 or cjacv@comcast.net.

Blood Pressure Sunday - TODAY

Come to Room 201 to have your blood pressure checked between 10:00-10:45 am.

Adult Forum and Sunday School Room 204, starting at 10:10 am

This week we start a new study, called "Eyewitness Bible". We learn about the many characters of stories of the Bible as acted out in first person. This week we will listen to the story of "Matthew, the richest disciple!" See you there!

Youth Church, Pre-K/K Church and Intergenerational Choir are on summer recess.

Monday Bible Study – August 17th: Join us from 1 pm to 3 pm, every first and third Mondays of the month, in Room 204. We continue our in-depth study of the Gospel of John, by Pastor Skip Heitzig. Our next section we will cover is John 7:1-36.

Wednesday Bible Study will reconvene in the fall.

Men's Bible Study August 11th, 7:00 pm: For the summer we will meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month in Room 204. In our next session we will explore the topic of "Matthew 5:38-42, The Believer's Right to Not Fight - Turn the Other Cheek." Should Christian men apply this in all conflicts, or only certain situations? We will discuss two questions posed in our last session - "Why Are You Alive"? and "For what would you give your life?" We now offer this course online via Zoom. Contact Scott Pepperman and he can supply you a link!

Lunch Group - August 12th

Join us for a delicious lunch and good fellowship at Chef de Crepe in Camp Hill on August 12 at 11:30 am. Their address is 2017 Market Street, Camp Hill. Please sign up in the Gathering Place or call Arnita Hawkins at (352) 630-5213. All are welcome!

CORE Youth

There will be no Core today, Sunday 8/9/2026. Rest up and we will see you next week!

Laundry Ministry Update - Loads of love!

Donation Update: Due to your generous giving, we are going to donate some of the cards to the laundry ministry of Downtown Daily Bread and New Hope Ministries. We are also anticipating a trip to Enola soon to donate more cards to local patrons. Thanks for your continuous support and prayers.

Earth Care - Hints to help trees during heat waves:

Trees, like people, become stressed during high heat and humidity. Check the following article for information on why this happens, how to help trees and what you can do about it. <https://earth911.com/home-garden/when-the-canopy-turns-brown-caring-for-trees-in-extreme-heat/>

Prayers of healing and comfort:

Carol Boyer, Roxanne Dagino, Carol Gebert, Margaret Glockner, Angie Katzenstein, Ron Kutz, Pat Miller, Eliza Myers, Betsy Neilson, Judy Perrine, Chris Sebring, Jim and Harriet Shoop, Bill Spoon, Ruth Stoll, Millie Swatt, Tanya Wagner, Amy Wentz, Chris Winning

Prayers for sympathy: Sylvia Morelli and family

Prayers for our Military Members & First Responders: Olivia Chase, Bill Cook, Jacob Flenner, Wyatt La Pointe, Justin Ledvina, Josiah Scandle, Chloe Scott

From Christian Education:

Did You Know?! Christian Education at SSPC and Evangelism

This past weekend, several members of our Youth Group, Pastor Lisa, Austin Shoop and Scott Pepperman visited the Morris laundromat in Enola. It was an incredible experience! We handed out several gift cards, talked to a dozen different folks and were asked to pray with a man and his partner for his father. We gathered in a prayer circle and prayed together for healing mercies. Following is an email we received after our event:

"I just had an interaction with some of your Youth Group today at Morris Laundromat in Enola. They were handing out laundry cards to people there. I thought it was just great! I love to see our faithful Youth getting out into the World and interacting... no matter how big or small it might be. It's true you never know what might come out of a small gesture. It shows a lot about your church and your leadership... and your youth! In fact, it sparked a conversation between my partner and I in visiting your church sometime in the near future. So again, thank you! In Christ's Love, Matt and Tony"

Christian Education offers more than 10 Bible study classes each month for adults during the summer! We offer classes on Sunday morning, Monday afternoon, Tuesday night and Wednesday afternoon. Come and join us to discuss and learn!

Contact Scott Pepperman, (puppytrainer52@aol.com) or Heather McCarthy (hjd.gmb@gmail.com) for more information.

Young Adults Christian Education Group, the Pathfinders!

CE and young leaders from SSPC started a new group for young adults over 18 called "Pathfinders!" For further information, contact Ty Headley. Currently, the group is studying from the Book of Matthew. Come and discuss, come and learn!

Storyboard Ministry

The Youth have an easel in the Gathering Place with Post-it notes and markers for your prayer requests (no names, please). Each Sunday we collect the requests and pray for them at our CORE meetings. Whatever is on your heart, put it on the storyboard and we will pray for each request. If you see a request that you would like to take with you and pray for, feel free to do so. If you want to add one, please do as well. Our new box for answered prayers is beside the Storyboard. Feel free to place any answered prayers that you are thankful for in the box. God does indeed answer prayers! Blessings.

REALM at Silver Spring Church

Update Your REALM Profile Today!

At Silver Spring Presbyterian Church, we're all part of one family — and REALM helps us stay connected as that family grows and changes. Whether you're new to our congregation or you've been worshiping with us for years, REALM is our online tool for keeping in touch, sharing updates, and getting involved.

What is REALM?

REALM is our church's online directory and communication hub. Through REALM, you can:

- View the church directory and connect with fellow members
- Stay up to date on church events
- Register for events and small groups
- Give online securely/check your giving history

Why Update Your Profile?

A complete, up-to-date profile helps our whole church family stay connected. When your information and photo are current, it's easier for:

- Fellow members to recognize and greet you (especially newer folks!)
- Ministry leaders to reach you about groups, events, and volunteer opportunities
- Our pastoral staff to keep our records accurate for care and communication

It Only Takes a Few Minutes

- Log in to REALM (or contact Priscilla to create your account)
- Click on your name to visit your profile
- Update your contact information, family details, and any changes
- Upload a current photo — a simple, friendly headshot is perfect!
- Save your changes

Need Help?

If you have questions about logging in, updating your profile, or using any of REALM's features, please reach out to the church office. A little time spent updating your profile goes a long way in helping our church community stay warm, welcoming, and connected. Thank you for being part of the Silver Spring Presbyterian Church family!

ATTENDANCE

July 26	August 2
9 am Traditional – 96 YouTube - 122	9 am Traditional – 92 YouTube – 69
11 am Gathering – 44 YouTube - 52	11 am Gathering – 46 YouTube – 20
Christian Education - 14	Christian Education – 23

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Dr. Donald B. Wahlig	Senior Pastor/Head of Staff
Rev. Lisa S. Chase	Associate Pastor
Tracy Wieseman	Director of Music
Erica Ickes	Organist
Ryan Edwards	Worship Tech Specialist
Emily Cocores	Preschool Director
Austin Shoop	Youth Director
Diane G. Rabold	Business Manager
Priscilla Biller	Office Manager
John Clegg	Sexton

We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.

Our Mission is to love and praise God, love and nurture our church family, and love and serve our neighbors,

through worship, prayer, fellowship, education, hands-on work, financial support and compassionate care,

in order to follow Jesus and make known the Kingdom of Heaven.

Our Vision is to be a grace-filled family of faith sharing Christ's love with all.

Our Values:

Glorify God: Glorify and praise God through discipling, sharing faith and serving with love

Show Compassion: Compassion expressed as care and concern for all

Share Hospitality: Inclusive hospitality through welcome, acceptance and fellowship

Nurture Relationships: Nurture relationships through respect, support and communication

Steward God's gifts: Faithful stewardship of all God's gifts



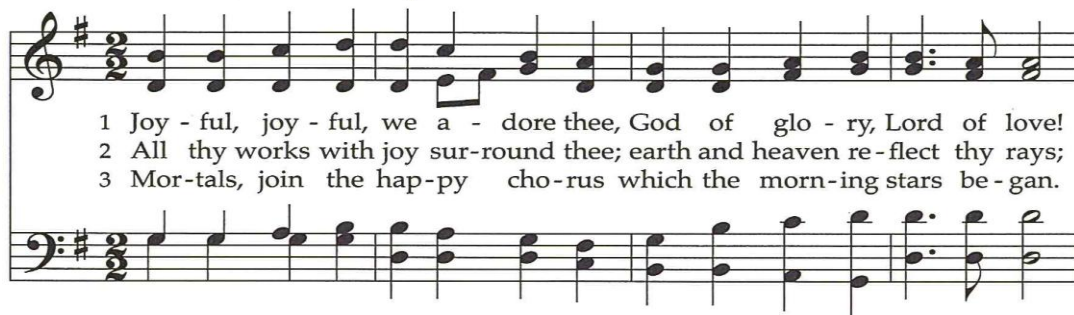
Soli Deo Gloria

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611 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee; earth and heaven re-lect thy rays;
 3 Mor-tals, join the hap-py cho-rus which the morn-ing stars be-gan.



Hearts un-fold like flowers be-fore thee, o-pening to the sun a-bove.
 stars and an-gels sing a-round thee, cen-ter of un-bro-ken praise.
 Love di-vine is reign-ing o'er us, join-ing all in heav-en's plan.



Melt the clouds of sin and sad-ness; drive the dark of doubt a-way.
 Field and for-est, vale and moun-tain, flower-y mead-ow, flash-ing sea,
 Ev-er sing-ing, march we on-ward, vic-tors in the midst of strife.



Giv-er of im-mor-tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day.
 chant-ing bird and flow-ing foun-tain, call us to re-joice in thee.
 Joy-ful mu-sic leads us sun-ward in the tri-umph song of life.

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

1 *Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;
 2 Sum - mer win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
 3 Par - don for sin - and a peace that en - dur - eth,

there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee.
 sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a -
 thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to -
 guide,

Thou chang - est not; thy com - pas - sions they fail not.
 join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
 strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row:

As thou hast been, thou for - ev - er wilt be.
 to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
 bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Refrain

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness!
 오 신 실 하 신 주 오 신 실 하 신 주

Morn - ing by morn - ing, new mer - cies I see.
 날 마 다 자 비 를 배 푸 시 며

All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed.
 일 용 활 모 든 것 내 러 주 시 니

Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord un - to me!
 오 신 실 하 신 주 나 의 구 주