



Silver Spring Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, April 19, 2026

3rd Sunday of Easter, 9:00 am

Please silence your cell phone.

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

+WELCOME

Austin Shoop

MUSIC FOR ADORATION

“My Jesus I Love Thee”

arr. Nelson

+*CALL TO WORSHIP

Steve Williamson

L: Friends, the tomb is empty. Our Redeemer lives!

P: **In the risen Christ, God has defeated death itself!**

L: Through the power of the Spirit, we are made new.

P: **Through the Spirit, we have new life in Christ!**

L: In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

ALL: Let us worship God!

+*HYMN #485

“We Know That Christ Is Raised”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Steve Williamson

God of Mercy, in resurrecting Jesus from the grave you conquered death and paved the way to new life. Our risen Lord has breathed your Spirit upon us, and sent us out to testify to him and his gospel message. Yet we resist our calling. We remain huddled behind locked doors of doubt, standing idle as our world denies your Easter promise of hope, love, and new life in Christ. Lord, renew our faith and remind us that your Holy Spirit is all we need to be his faithful witnesses. By the Spirit's power, inspire us to live our Easter faith boldly in all we think, say and do. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

(Continue in Silent Reflection and Confession)

KYRIE—HYMN # 551 “Lord, Have Mercy”

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.
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*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Steve Williamson

L: Hear the good news of the Gospel. The mercy of the Lord is from
everlasting to everlasting. In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven!

All: Alleluia, and thanks be to God!

+*RESPONSE TO PARDON #288

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

+* PASSING THE PEACE

Steve Williamson

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

Austin Shoop

FIRST READING

Psalm 139:1-10

Steve Williamson

SECOND READING

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Rev. Dr. Don Wahlig

SERMON

“The Work of the Spirit, Part 1:
The Gift of the Spirit”

Rev. Dr. Wahlig

ANTHEM

“Order My Steps”
Sanctuary Choir

arr. Schrader

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER

Rev. Lisa Chase

*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 #286

“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. Wahlig

*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

“Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing”

Wagner

**Please rise in body and/or spirit*

+Latecomers will be seated



The chancel flowers are given by Don and Chris Winning,
in celebration of all SSPC members.

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: Tim and Barb Wiggin

Liturgist: Steve Williamson

Deacon Servers: Judy LaPointe and Charlie Dagino

Downtown Daily Bread April 24th: Jayson Wolfgang and friend

WEEKLY SSPC ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR APRIL 19, 2026

Meal with a Mission - April 29, 2026, 5:30 - 7 pm, in Fellowship Hall

Enjoy a free community meal, followed by a hands-on service project supporting CAITLIN'S SMILES, a nonprofit located in Harrisburg that delivers arts and craft activities to children in medical facilities. All ages are invited! We are requesting donations of the following items to assemble activity kits and decorate cards for the children:

- Craft Gimp (plastic lacing, any colors) See picture →
- Lanyard Hooks
- Paperclips
- Pony beads
- Construction paper
- Ziploc Baggies (snack, sandwich, and quart size)
- Stickers
- Scissors
- Glue sticks
- Card Stock paper



Additionally, we are collecting the following supplies to donate to Caitlin's Smiles:

- Coloring books and activity books (varying levels)
- Play-Doh cans
- Reading books (elementary age)
- Jigsaw puzzles (100 piece or less)
- Postage Stamps

Please sign up in advance. There is a signup sheet in the Gathering Place or register through Realm. Thank you and we look forward to another great Meal with a Mission!

Sympathy: We extend our sympathy and prayers to the family of Ken Miller who died this week. Please keep Pat, Sheri Miller, Debbie Bitting and other family members in your thoughts and prayers.

The Health Ministries Committee invites you to our continuing lecture series on Healthy Living TODAY at 10:10, in Room 204. The lecture will be presented by our own Stephen Rexford. The title of the lecture is: "Alcoholism and Addiction, they can affect everyone's life in some way." We look forward to seeing you!

Preschool/Kindergarten Youth Church, 10:15-10:50 am, Room 108:

There will be singing, a lesson, and play time.

Youth Church Meets today in Room 112 in the Preschool. We will study about Jesus and the Bible, sing, do crafts and play games. This class is for children from 5 to 17!

Ladies Tea Luncheon on May 2nd, 11:00 am

This year's guest speaker will be from Pink Hands of Hope – a non-profit in our community committed to supporting women fighting breast cancer. Please sign up in the Gathering Place on the pink sign-up sheet by April 26th!

New Men's Bible Study beginning April 20th! We begin a Men's Bible Study Class, 7:00 – 8:30 pm in Room 204, open to all SSPC congregation men and friends, ages 18 and above. What does the Bible say about the role of men on earth and in life. How does this correspond to how we live and act in today's world? What questions do you have as men, what answers does the Bible provide? We will meet the first and third Mondays of the month. Questions? Contact Scott Pepperman at puppytrainer52@aol.com.

May 3rd Adult Forum: "SSPC Finances 101 ~ Today and Tomorrow"

We invite you to join us for the Adult Forum on Sunday, May 3rd, at 10:10 AM in Room 204, where the Co-Chairs of the Finance Committee (Gary Hollinger and Gary Karkuff) and the Commitment, Legacy and Endowment (CLE) Committee (Jim Anderson and Bill Resser) as well as our church Treasurer, Don Winning, will be addressing questions such as:

- What are SSPC's average annual sources of income?
- How does the annual Budget Process work?
- What's the difference between a Designated, Permanent and Non-Permanent Fund?
- What's the purpose and benefit of having "reserves"?
- What are we doing, financially, to prepare for the future?
- What are the *1734 Legacy Society* endowment funds?
- When do we plan to start using more of our endowment funds?
- How do I become a member of the *1734 Legacy Society*?

We hope to see you there!

Can you believe it's been 10 years? Come celebrate with us!!

On May 6th 2016, the Rev. Donald B. Wahlig was installed as Senior Pastor/Head of Staff of Silver Spring Presbyterian Church. Since that time, he has faithfully led our congregation as we strive to be a grace-filled family of faith sharing Christ's love with all! It was my great privilege to have served as chair of the Pastor Nominating Committee who recommended Rev. Wahlig's call to SSPC. On behalf of your Session, your Fellowship Committee, and my former PNC colleagues, it is now my privilege to invite you to join us in the Gathering Place on **May 10th after the 9:00 am service** for a reception to celebrate Rev. Dr. Don Wahlig and this significant milestone in the life of SSPC! ~ Jim Anderson

CORE Youth: Join us for Core youth group tonight, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm in the Core Room! It's going to be a blast with a brand-new game, an interactive lesson, and a meaningful time of prayer—bring a friend and come have some fun!

Monday Bible Study – April 27th

All are invited, come and join this unique study. We meet 1 pm to 3 pm, every other week. We continue our in-depth study of the Gospel of John.

Wednesday Bible Study

We meet each week in the Parlor from 1-3 pm, currently studying Max Lucado's new book, "Taming Your Thoughts". This class is for adults from 19 to 99. Come and learn!

Young Adults Christian Education Group, the Pathfinders!

CE and young leaders from SSPC started a new group for young adults over 18. Watch for new events being planned! For more information, please contact Ty Headley.

Earth Care – Did you know? Americans dump approximately 1,500 tons of polystyrene [Styrofoam] in landfills daily and less than 10% is recycled nationally. Currently, donation or reuse remains the best option for this material.

Young Family Activity Update - Saturday, May 2nd

Spring Parent Drop-Off event at SSPC from 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm. We will give the parents of our young families some time to spend together, doing what they need or want to do for a few hours. All young families from church and Preschool are invited to bring their children, ages two to ten, to SSPC on May 2nd. We will make crafts for Mother's Day, play games, enjoy yummy toddler/pre-teen approved food, and watch a G-rated short movie together. If interested, contact the church office or CE Co-chair, Scott Pepperman, at puppytrainer52@aol.com.

Laundry Ministry Update

The SSPC Youth and CORE members continue their new ministry here at the church, the **Laundry Ministry**. We continue to collect quarters in the Gathering Place, in the laundry basket and purchase laundry cards to hand out to patrons at local Morris Laundromats. We are planning our next outing to the Dillsburg Morris Laundromat!

New Hope Ministries: For April, the needs are canned fruit, peanut butter, and toilet paper. Items can be placed in the bin outside the Chapel. Thank you for your help!

Tinner-Fehr Scholarship

Thanks to the Tinner/Fehr families, SSPC students have a wonderful opportunity. Applicants for this scholarship must be current, active members of SSPC and either a high school senior or college student committed to a career in human healthcare and/or a human healthcare-related field of study. To apply for the scholarship, they must write a short essay that includes, but is not limited to, listing of the colleges to which they are applying, chosen major, career goal, and explaining how SSPC has influenced their lives and future career choices. Please submit your essay to the Deacon Moderator (Megan Crompton) or to the church office **by May 15th**.

Storyboard Ministry

The SSPC Youth started a new ministry called the **Storyboard Ministry!** Here is how it works: The Youth have an easel in the Gathering Place with Post-it notes and markers. Fill out a Post-it note with a prayer request or hope (no names, please) and 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 in place beside the Storyboard. Feel free to place any answered prayers that you are thankful for in the box. God does indeed answer prayers! Blessings.**

Prayers of healing and comfort:

Les Adams, Kris Carpinello and her parents, the Arbogasts, Carol Boyer, Gail Bumsted, Roxanne Dagino, Fred Frey, Margaret Glockner, Betty Hawk, Russ Janson, Ron Kutz, Pat Miller, Bill Moore, Rich Morelli, Betsy Neilson, Deb Pfaff, Kathy Rutledge, Chris Sebring, Jim and Harriet Shoop, Tanya Wagner, Amy Wentz, Chris Winning

Prayers for sympathy: Pat Miller and family for the death of Ken Miller; Linda Wallower for the death of her Uncle Bob; Susan Hudson and family for the death of Curt; family of Peggy Toms

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

Memorial Services:

Memorial services are scheduled for Nancy Thomas on Saturday, April 25 at 11:00 am, and for Curt Hudson on Saturday, May 16 at 11:00 am.

ATTENDANCE

April 5	April 12
9 am Traditional – 198 YouTube –133	9 am Traditional – 92 YouTube – 103
11 am Gathering – 39 YouTube – 23	11 am Gathering – 54 YouTube – 28
Sunday School – 6	Sunday School – 15

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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We Know That Christ Is Raised 485

Capo 3: (D)

F (Asus) (A) (A/G) (D/F#)
Csus C C/B^b F/A

1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death.
3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.
4 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows

(D) (A) (D) (E7) (A)
F C F G7 C

Em - braced by death he broke its fear - ful hold,
Re - born we share with him an Eas - ter life
The Spir - it's pow - er shakes the church of God.
as Christ's new bod - y takes on flesh and blood.

(Am) (D) (G) (Em) (Bm)
Cm F B^b Gm Dm

and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy.
as liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ.
Bap - tized we live with God the Three in One.
The u - ni - verse, re - stored and whole, will sing:

1-3 4
(Em) (D) (Asus) (A) (Em) (D)
Gm F Csus C Gm F

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Breathe on Me, Breath of God 286



1 Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life a - new,
2 Breathe on me, Breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,
3 Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am whol - ly thine,
4 Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I nev - er die,



that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.
un - til with thee I will one will, to do and to en - dure.
un - til this earth - ly part of me glows with thy fire di - vine.
but live with thee the per - fect life of thine e - ter - ni - ty.

