



# Silver Spring Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, November 9, 2025

**22nd Sunday after Pentecost, 9:00 am**

*Please silence your cell phone.*

## GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

+WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Don Wahlig

REFLECTION ON COMMITMENT

Ty Headley and Sarah Neville

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Rodger Hoke

MUSIC FOR ADORATION

"Here's to the Heroes"  
Jose Venereo, tenor

Barry and Black

+\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Susie Reed

L: Sisters and brothers, we have been raised with Christ to new life.

P: In Christ, we are freed from anxiety and fear.

L: Christ assures us that God provides for our needs.

P: In Christ, we are filled with God's grace!

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

ALL: Let us worship God!

+\*HYMN #337

["My Country, 'Tis of Thee"](#)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Susie Reed

Gracious Lord, you lavish us with every good gift, yet we persist in chasing after that which robs us of abundant life. We hold fast to the material blessings you provide, failing to show gratitude to you and generosity toward others. You call us to use the money, time and talent you have given us to make the marginalized whole, but we would rather use it for our own comfort. Forgive us, we pray. Turn our hearts away from the temptation of greed and the idolatry of money. Lead us back to you and your purposes, as Jesus teaches us to do. In his name, we pray.

(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

Susie Reed

L: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. As far as the East is from the West, so has God removed our transgressions from us. I declare to you then, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

P: Amen! Thanks be to God!

+\*RESPONSE TO PARDON #39

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee. Thou changest not; thy compassions they fail not.  
As thou hast been, thou for every wilt be. Great is thy faithfulness!  
Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see.  
All I have needed thy hand hath provided. Great is thy faithfulness,  
Lord unto me!

+\* PASSING THE PEACE

Susie Reed

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. Lisa Chase

FIRST READING

Colossians 3:1-11

Susie Reed

SECOND READING

Luke 12:13-21

Rev. Dr. Wahlig

SERMON

Faithful Stewardship, Part 3:  
“How the Rich Fool Squandered His Money”

Rev. Dr. Wahlig

ANTHEM

“Amazing Grace”  
Sanctuary Choir  
Janet Schrader, Soprano soloist

arr. Hafso

# RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Chase

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Rev. 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 #716

["God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"](#)

\*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

"Hymn to Joy"

arr. Lasky

*\*Please rise in body and/or spirit*

*+Latecomers will be seated*



The chancel flowers are given by Bill Cook in honor of his mother  
"Nan's" 87<sup>th</sup> 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:** Terry Reed and Diane Lupia    **Liturgist:** Susie Reed

**Deacon Servers:** Christa Lenk and Melanie Pepperman

**Downtown Daily Bread November 14th:** Dick and Cathy Leeds

## WEEKLY SSPC ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR NOVEMBER 9, 2025

### **1734 Legacy Society Endowment Fund Balances Reach \$1Million**

When the Silver Spring 1734 Legacy Society was established in 2018, its goal was to establish a large enough (multi-million dollar) endowment through cash gifts and bequests such that a small percentage could be used to help Christ's work continue to be done at, and through, Silver Spring for generations to come.

We're very pleased to report the three permanent 1734 Legacy Society-eligible funds – The Fund for the Living Word and The Building and Grounds Fund, both established in 2016, and the preexisting Heritage Fund, established in 1931 and from which Silver Spring already receives distributions – reached an important milestone as of September 30<sup>th</sup> – a total balance of \$1,028,151!

In addition to the current fund balance, fourteen individuals or couples have made a bequest in their wills or trusts directing that some portion of their estate be invested in one or more of the 1734 Legacy Society funds upon their passing. This is a very significant step on our way to achieving our total fund balance goal of approximately \$6Million that we feel we need to help fund praising and worshiping God, maintaining and enhancing our buildings and grounds and carrying out our other important work of Christian Education, fellowship and community outreach/mission.

We want to thank those committed Christians whose vision, hard work and generosity helped us achieve this key milestone and position Silver Spring for a bright and impactful future. We still have a way to go on our journey to \$6Million. If you'd like to learn more about the 1734 Legacy Society or how you can help us continue to move forward and grow, please go to <https://www.silverspring.org/1734-legacy-society>

Bill Resser and Jim Anderson

Co-Chairs of the Commitment, Legacy and Endowment Committee

### **Christian Education today at 10:00 am**

- **Adult Forum and Sunday School not meeting today**
- **Youth Church, Room 112:** Join us downstairs for music, a Christian Education lesson, crafts and games. This class is for children from 1st grade and up.
- **Preschool Sunday School, Room 112:** We will begin in Room 112 and then move across the hall. This class is for children below 1st grade.

**The Intergenerational Choir practices today!** Join us from 10—10:10 am in Room 112.

### **Veterans Day Celebration on Sunday, November 9th**

Join us for today's Veterans celebration, 10-11 am in the Gathering Place. There will be cake, a slide show, recognition plaques, and presentations to honor all our Veterans. **The Veterans Outreach of PA (VOPA) will have a Veterans Tiny House in the parking lot for you to tour and brochures; donations much appreciated.**

### **"Conversations for the Curious" today**

Join Rev. Dr. Wahlig after worship on the 2nd Sunday of each month for an informal conversation on what membership entails. This is a chance to ask any questions you may have about SSPC or faith in general. For those interested, this is a simple and easy way to join the congregation. A more in-depth class for New Members will be held in December.

**Blood Pressure Sunday:** Come to Room 201 between 10 and 10:45 am today.

### **Fall Work Day - November 15th - 8 am to Noon**

The Buildings & Grounds Committee invites you to pitch in for Fall Workday, if you are able. Most of our work will be outdoors. So bring your rake and/or leaf blower if you have one and join in. Coffee, donuts, and lunch will be provided. This is a great opportunity for members and friends of all ages to get together as we prepare our church property for the winter season. Thanks for YOUR support on this day.

### **Meal with a Mission**

The next Meal with a Mission will be Wednesday, November 19th at 5:30 pm in the gym. We will serve a free, simple supper and afterward pack food boxes for New Hope Ministries. Bins are in the Gathering Place and Preschool. The food items needed are: canned fruit or vegetables, cereal, pasta, rice, instant oatmeal, beans, peanut butter, snack bars, cans of chicken or tuna, canned soup, boxes of mac n cheese, pasta sauce, hamburger helper, etc. **Please plan to attend and bring a guest. We very much want non-member participation.**

### **Monday Afternoon Bible Study - November 10th**

We meet 1 pm to 3 pm, every other week. We will continue with a video and Bible study from Pastor Louie Giglio, titled, "Indescribable". Come and learn, come and discuss.

### **Circle Rebekah - November 13th**

Bible Study from 1 – 2:00 in room 204 led by Jenny Bell. Our topic will be *Jesus is tested*. Prior to the lesson, we have fellowship time. Bring your sack lunch to the Parlor between noon and 12:15. Jan Maurer will provide a dessert at 12:30. Please join us in person OR join remotely via Zoom. Any questions, contact Emily Krebs, 717-805-5778.

### **Dining Out Group - November 18th**

We will meet for lunch at the Bonefish Grill - 3505 Gettysburg Road, Camp Hill, on Tuesday, November 18th at 11:30. Please sign up on or before November 16th, in the Gathering Place or contact Bob Davis at 717-805-5251.

### **West Shore's Interfaith Thanksgiving Service - November 23rd, 6 pm**

This year's Interfaith Thanksgiving service is at **Trindle Spring Lutheran Church**, 14 State Road in Mechanicsburg. Attendees are encouraged to be a blessing to our community by bringing a non-perishable food donation for New Hope Ministries.

### **Help needed for cookie baking - NEW DATE - Monday, December 1**

The Carlisle Truck Stop Ministry cookie bake at SSPC will be on Monday, December 1st at 8:00 am. Contact Roy McLain at 717-421-2065 if you are able to help.

**Earth Care—Did you know?** The U.S. aluminum can recycling rate was only 43% in 2023. That's well below the 52% average recovery rate over the last 30 years, and the gap represents the equivalent of every American discarding approx. 15 twelve-packs worth of aluminum cans annually, a loss of \$1.2 billion worth of aluminum sent to landfills.

### **Mark your calendars for these Christian Education Advent Events:**

**Parent Drop Off** - Saturday, December 6th, from 3 pm to 6 pm, at SSPC. We welcome any children from 4 to 10 years old. We will be doing Advent crafts, enjoying pizza and chicken nuggets, and a Christmas movie. Parents may drop off their children and enjoy some time to shop, dine or relax! Please RSVP to Scott Pepperman, 717-389-5100.

**Advent Feast and Festival** - CE will again sponsor this, along with the Fellowship Committee, on Sunday, December 14th, immediately following the Cantata at 10 am. We will also have a special recognition of our Choir. We will have a traditional ham dinner, and special music provided by our own sister duet, Amanda and Sydney Bevenour.

**Annual Christmas Breakfast** - CE will again hold the Annual Christmas Breakfast, prior to our single service, on Sunday, December 28th, at 9:30 am, in the gym. Come and enjoy a full breakfast before church of eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes and more.

**Voices of the Valley Concert, Dec. 7th:** **Voices of the Valley** is returning to SSPC with a concert on Sunday, December 7th at 3:00 pm. The Choir includes SSPC's own Jim & Carol Anderson, Ken Harm and Lucy Vaughan. The Concert is free and open to the public. Join us for *Home for the Holidays....* Carols old and new celebrating the joys of the season!

**WANTED: 2 Living Room Chairs in good or very good condition for the Silver Spring Retreat Center.** They can be any style, preferably a neutral or earth tone color. Contact Karen Karkuff, Retreat Center Manager, with any ideas you have. 717-802-2067 or [kkarkuff@comcast.net](mailto:kkarkuff@comcast.net).

**There is No Core this Sunday 11/9/2025.**

Go catch up on some sleep and we'll see you next Sunday for Core!

**Shop early for Christmas gifts now! Discount cards to support the SSPC YOUTH**

The SSPC Youth are continuing our effort to raise additional funds for our Christian Education programs. Here's how it works: the Discount Cards feature savings from 15 local and national programs, like restaurants, family fun centers and service organizations. The cards are usable until January 31, 2026, and can be used over and over. Each card costs \$15. This is how the SSPC youth can give back to our congregation. Just reach out to me at [puppytrainer52@aol.com](mailto:puppytrainer52@aol.com) or call me at 717-389-5100 to request a card or cards. Then make out a check for SSPC and drop it off at the office or give it to me. They are great to use or give as gifts. For each card we sell, the SSPC Christian Education program will make \$10, and we hope to sell another 100 cards in 2025. As always, the CE Youth appreciate your support of our efforts and your prayers.

**Pastor Lisa is collecting new/used paperback or hardback books for our parishioners** who can't get out to the library. Special books would be anything by Francine Rivers, Jan Karon, and Phil Gulley, who has the precious Quaker series that people love. Please drop them off at the office in a bag. Please note these will not be returned, but will be given to parishioners who can't get out. Large print would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

**Mark your calendars for our Women's Tea on Saturday, May 2nd from 11 am to 2 pm.**

Set up will be done on Friday, May 1. Please reach out to Pastor Lisa and Linda Adams if you were interested in being a hostess! Last year's hostesses will be contacted as well.

**Prayers of healing and comfort:** Kris Carpinello's parents, the Arborgasts, Elizabeth Bentzel, Debbie Bitting, Bob Buyers, Betsy Eichelberger, Mary Glace, Margaret Glockner, Ron Kutz, Pat Langdon, Roy McLain, Pat Miller, Don Spangler, Nancy Thomas.

**Prayers for Sympathy:** Alix Fider, Pat Richter, Jill Handshew

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

## My Country, 'Tis of Thee

1 My coun - try, 'tis of thee, sweet land of  
 2 My na - tive coun - try, thee, land of the  
 3 Let mu - sic swell the breeze, and ring from  
 4 Our \*fa - thers' God, to thee, au - thor of

lib - er - ty, of thee I sing: land where my  
 no - ble free, thy name I love; I love thy  
 all the trees sweet free - dom's song. Let mor - tal  
 lib - er - ty, to thee we sing. Long may our

\*fa - thers died, land of the pil - grims' pride,  
 rocks and rills, thy woods and tem - pled hills;  
 tongues a - wake; let all that breathe par - take;  
 land be bright with free - dom's ho - ly light;

from ev - ery moun - tain - side let free - dom ring.  
 my heart with rap - ture thrills like that a - bove.  
 let rocks their si - lence break, the sound pro - long.  
 pro - tect us by thy might, great God, our King.

# God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending 716

Capo 3: (D)

(Bm)

(G)

F

Dm

B $\flat$



1 God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, from your rich and  
2 Skills and time are ours for press - ing toward the goals of  
3 Trea - sure, too, you have en - trust - ed, gain through powers your

(D)

F

(Bm)

Dm



end - less store, na - ture's won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom, cost - ly  
Christ, your Son: all at peace in health and free - dom, rac - es  
grace con - ferred: ours to use for home and kin - dred, and to

(G)

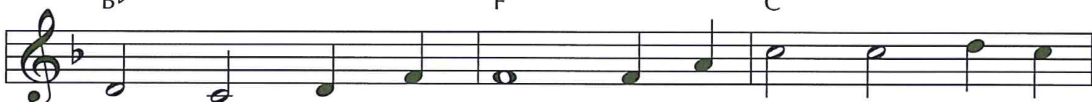
B $\flat$

(D)

F

(A)

C



cross, grave's shat - tered door: gift - ed by you, we turn  
joined, the church made one. Now di - rect our dai - ly  
spread the gos - pel word. O - pen wide our hands in

(Bm)

Dm

(F $\sharp$ m)

Am

(Bm)

Dm

(G)

B $\flat$

(A)

C

(D)

F



to you, of - fer - ing up our - selves in praise; thank - ful song shall  
la - bor, lest we strive for self a - lone. Born with tal - ents,  
shar - ing, as we heed Christ's age - less call, heal - ing, teach - ing,

(Bm)

Dm

(G)

B $\flat$

(D)

F



rise for - ev - er, gra - cious do - nor of our days.  
make us ser - vants fit to an - swer at your throne.  
and re - claim - ing, serv - ing you by lov - ing all.

## ATTENDANCE

### October 26

9 am Traditional—99    YouTube—79  
11 am Gathering—57    YouTube—24  
Sunday School—33

### November 2

9 am Traditional—120    YouTube—66  
11 am Gathering—50    YouTube—24  
Sunday School—30

## 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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