

Silver Spring Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, November 22, 2026

Christ the King Sunday, 9:00 am

Please silence your cell phone.

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

+WELCOME Rev. Lisa Chase

MUSIC FOR ADORATION "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" arr. Wagner

*CALL TO WORSHIP Rick Pierce

L: "I will shepherd my people," says the Lord.
P: We are God's cherished fold, his beloved flock.
L: "I will gather my people from far and near," says the Lord.
P: We listen for the voice of God who seeks and sustains us.
L: The Lord searches out his lost lambs and scattered sheep.
P: In Christ, God seeks us and calls us home.
L: Let us sing praises to the Good Shepherd,
ALL: Let us worship our Shepherd King!

+*HYMN #268 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Rick Pierce

God of Grace and mercy, in Jesus Christ, you came among us to lead us back to you, as a shepherd gathers his sheep. He calls us to listen for his voice and anticipate his coming reign by caring for the least and the lost. We confess that we fail to follow his commands. We push away the poor and allow the powerful to plunder the weak. We ignore the homeless and hungry. We forget the sick and lame. Forgive us, we pray. Renew our faith, reshape our hearts, and guide our steps so that once more we might walk in the way of Jesus, our Shepherd King. 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 Rick Pierce

L: "Come now, let us reason together," says the LORD. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool." Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

P: Amen. Thanks be to God!

+*RESPONSE TO PARDON #611

Joyful, joyful, we adore You, God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before You, Op'ning to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day!

*PASSING THE PEACE Rick Pierce

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 23	Rick Pierce
SECOND READING	Ezekiel 34:1-5, 11-16	Rev. Dr. Don Wahlig
SERMON	"The Shepherd King"	Rev. Dr. Wahlig
ANTHEM	"Come, Christians, Join to Sing" Sanctuary Choir	Susan Naylor Callaway

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 # 385 "All People that on Earth Do Dwell"

*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 "Now Thank We All Our God" — arr. Larson

**Please rise in body and/or spirit* *+Latecomers will be seated*

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The chancel flowers are given by Linda Darkes in honor of Jim and Karen Weagley for the singing debut of Jim's Christmas song on November 29th.

The window flowers are given by Linda Darkes in honor of Lisa Chase and Tracy Wieseman for singing/playing Jim Weagley's Christmas song on November 29th.

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: Carol Service and Fred Voigt **Liturgist**: Rick Pierce
Deacon Servers: Beth Winters and Beth Vipperman
Downtown Daily Bread is closed on Nov. 27th

WEEKLY SSPC ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR NOVEMBER 22, 2026

Thanksgiving Holiday
The church office will be closed on Thursday, November 26th and Friday, November 27th for the Thanksgiving holiday. We wish you and your families a very blessed Thanksgiving holiday!

Sunday morning nursery for infants to three (3) year olds is available.
Contact CE if you need this service on Sunday mornings.

Adult Forum and Sunday School today, 10:10-10:50 am in Room 204
We begin a new Advent study this week, from Pastor Louis Giglio, titled "Waiting Here for the Lord". Is Christmas too much of a rush, never enough time. Pastor Louie discusses how we can find time to pause and listen for God's voice. Come and listen and learn. Come and discuss. Room 204 at 10:10 am, bring your coffee or tea and a friend! See you on Sunday.

Sunday School for High School/Middle School Youth - Room 203 10:00 am
We will begin in Room 112 with singing and then split up for study. Parents are welcome to attend with their children. Come and find out what's going on in this new class taught by Reverend Andrew and Jenny Jillson.

Youth Church and Pre-K/K Youth Church today: Room 112 10:00 am
Sunday School is music, bible lessons, crafts, and lots of fun! Sunday School is for 3-year-olds to 10-year-olds. Parents, and grandparents are welcome!

The Intergenerational Choir
We gather in Room 112 to start Sunday School with music! Come and join us at 10 am, as we begin practice for our second performance of the year, an Advent special!

Men's Bible Study Monday night, November 23rd at 7 - 8:30 pm.
Join us in Room 204. For the next session we will be studying Leviticus 23:34. We will discuss the passage and the question, "What do other people do that makes me feel loved?" Any men 18 and above are welcome to join. It is not a continuing study so jump in anytime. Suggestions for courses of study are welcome, contact Scott Pepperman at puppytrainer52@aol.com.

Monday Afternoon Bible Study – December 7th, 1:00 – 3:00 pm, Room 204
We meet every first and third Monday of the month. We will cover the end of John 12 and 13 in our next session. If you need the Zoom link, contact Scott Pepperman. Due to high interest, we will now feature this class on Zoom as well as in person. If you are interested reach out to Scott Pepperman for Zoom details. This is not a continuing study, so anyone is welcome at any time.

Wednesday Afternoon Bible Study will reconvene on January 13, 2027.

Poinsettia Dedications:
Christmas poinsettia order forms are available in the Gathering Place. Please return the form to the box in the Gathering Place by December 13th. The names of dedication will be listed in the bulletin on Sunday, December 20th. The cost of each poinsettia is $12.

Angel Tree
We invite you to help make the holidays a little brighter for local students! We are again partnering with Cumberland Valley schools, and each angel represents a student's wish for a special gift or gift card. To participate, simply select an angel from the tree and sign it out on the corresponding color sheet at the table next to the tree. Please return your gifts by December 13, with the colored angel attached. Be sure to remove the white tags before attaching the colored angel to your gift. The white tag is for your shopping reference only. We are incredibly grateful for your continued kindness and willingness to make a difference in the lives of these students. Suggested gift amount is $50. Thank you for helping spread some holiday joy!

Hanging of the Greens - November 28th
Please join in to decorate the Meeting House, Chapel and Church grounds on Saturday, November 28th at 9 am in preparation of the Advent Season. This is the Saturday following Thanksgiving. We will need help with decorating trees, hanging the greens and wreaths, placing poinsettias in the Meeting House and the Chapel, etc. Families are welcome. Wear your garden gloves and bring a small cutting tool. All help is appreciated. Thank you in advance from the Worship Committee.

Carlisle Truck Stop Ministry Cookie Baking – November 30th!
We will be baking cookies at the church in the morning, for the Carlisle Truck Stop Ministry. If you can help, please call Roy McLain at 717-421-2065. The cookies are always very appreciated by the truck drivers.

Parent's Night Out – kid's drop off is here! Saturday, December 12th
Parents can drop off their children, ages 3 to 10 at the SSPC gym from 3 pm to 6 pm and take a break, go shopping, enjoy some time together. Our certified youth mentors and youth will take great care of the children. We'll make crafts, watch an appropriate video and play safe and fun games. Pizza, chicken nuggets and tater tots will be provided. Sign up for all church and Preschool families can be done by contacting Scott Pepperman, Christian Education Co-Chair at puppytrainer52@aol.com or the church office.

CE, Worship and Fellowship present the Annual Feast and Festival! December 13th
The Annual Advent Feast and Festival will be held on Sunday, December 13th, immediately following the Cantata. Join us in the gym for a complete ham dinner. Following dinner, the Worship Committee will lead us on a "Journey to Bethlehem". After the journey we will reconvene in the gym for dessert, Christmas cookies and a celebration of our volunteers. Look for sign-ups on Realm and in the Gathering Place.

Lunch Bunch – Wednesday, December 16th at 11:30 am
We will gather Wednesday afternoon, Dec 16th 11:30 am at Angelina's 398 N York St, Mechanicsburg. Don & Chris are offering ride services; simply call us a couple days ahead to request please. We hope you can join us. Use the sign-up sheet in the Gathering Place or call/text Don Winning 717-704-6962 so we may give the restaurant a final head count the day before.

Service of Love, Gratitude and Hope - Sunday, December 20th, 4 pm
For Advent, Rev. Dr. Don Wahlig, Rev. Lisa Chase and Silver Spring Stephen Ministers will lead a worship service of Love, Gratitude and Hope. Please plan to attend this uplifting service enriched by beautiful music. Celebrate this beautiful season.

From Pastor Lisa
A few people have come up to Pastor Lisa asking when she will do another sermon that includes stories of answered prayer. As you recall, she did a series in the fall of 2025 about answered prayer. She would like to do another sermon, which includes a few stories from the congregation that are new, and print out the stories she's received. This sermon will be delivered sometime in early 2027.

If you would like to share your new story about answered prayer, please send directly to Lisa, or put in her box. She would like to have all stories in by January 10th.

Earth Care: Three uses for plastic bags:

- Line a paint tray
- Keep knees clean when gardening
- Waterproof a tote bag

Core Youth
There is no CORE this Sunday, November 22nd.

Giant Gift Cards - Help CE Raise Money for our Christian Education programs!
For many years, Cindy Corbin has administered the Giant food gift card program. We thank Cindy, as she will soon be handing it off to another member of the congregation. If you shop at Giant and sign up for gift cards, there's no added cost. For every dollar, Christian Education gets five cents, so on a monthly basis, it's $75 maybe $100. Christian Education appreciates your faith and trust in our programs and your support as always. Blessings

Prayers of healing and comfort:
John Clegg, Ken Engle, Bob Gaffney, Carol Gebert, Margaret Glockner, Phil Hippensteel, Tony Kren and Tracy Bryan, Judy LaPointe, Esther Leinaweaver, Gil and Joyce Longwell, Pat Miller, Cheryl Moore, Betsy Neilson, Joe Nokovich, Chris Sebring, Bill Spoon, Millie Swatt, Tanya Wagner

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

John Clegg's address for cards:
509 Hickory Ridge Road, Newport, PA 17110

Thank You
Dear SSPC family,
At this time of the year when we celebrate Thanksgiving, I want to tell you how very, very much I appreciate all the prayers, cards and help you have given me in the past year. I give thanks to God that I have such a wonderful, caring church family. And I am grateful that your care will be ongoing. Your prayers mean the world to me!

With a thankful heart, Betsy Neilson

ATTENDANCE

November 8		November 15	
9 am Traditional – 125	YouTube – 72	9 am Traditional – 109	YouTube – 77
11 am Gathering – 54	YouTube – 41	11 am Gathering – 52	YouTube – 24
Christian Education – 43		Christian Education – 64	

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

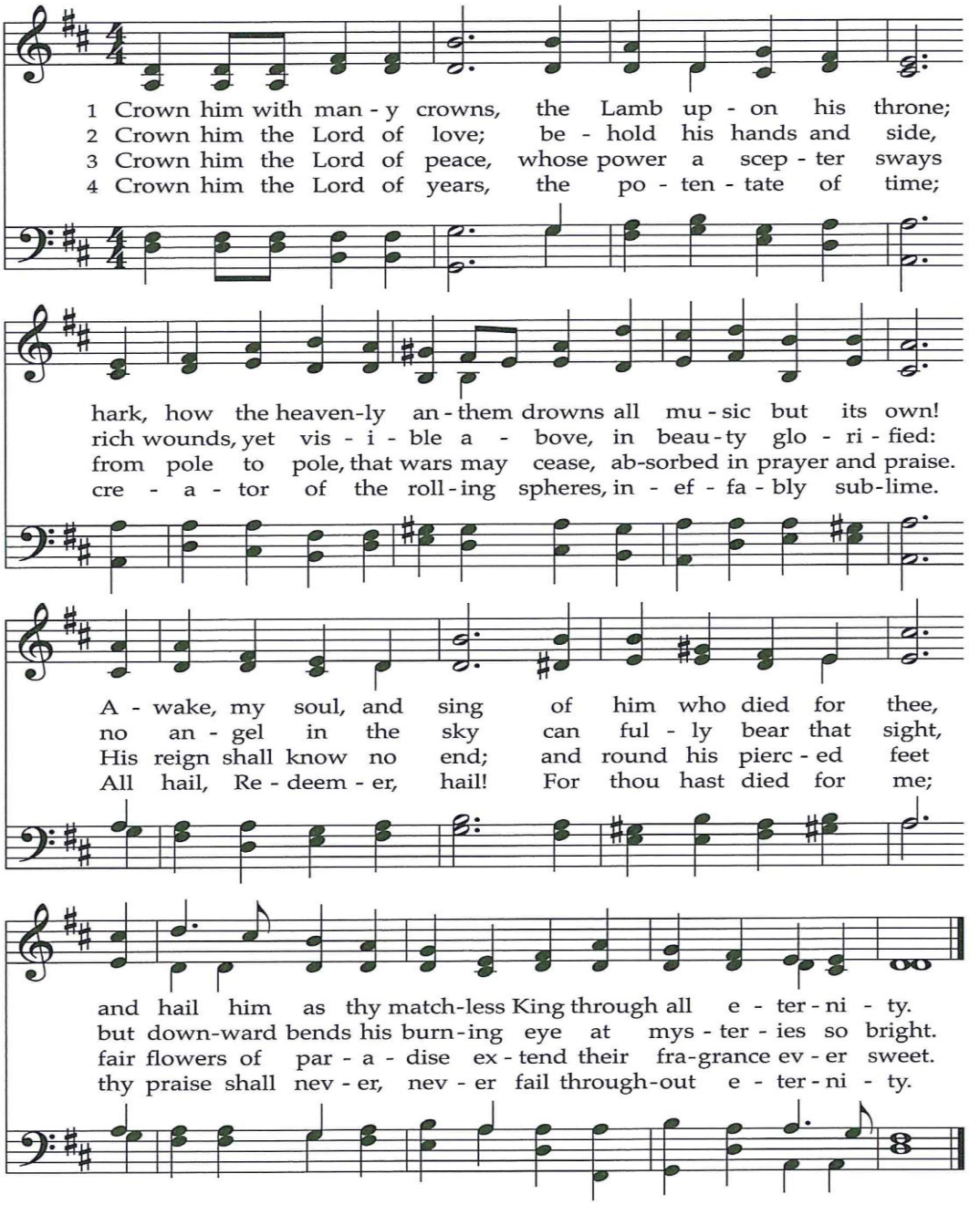
Nurture Relationships: Nurture relationships through respect, support and communication

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

Soli Deo Gloria

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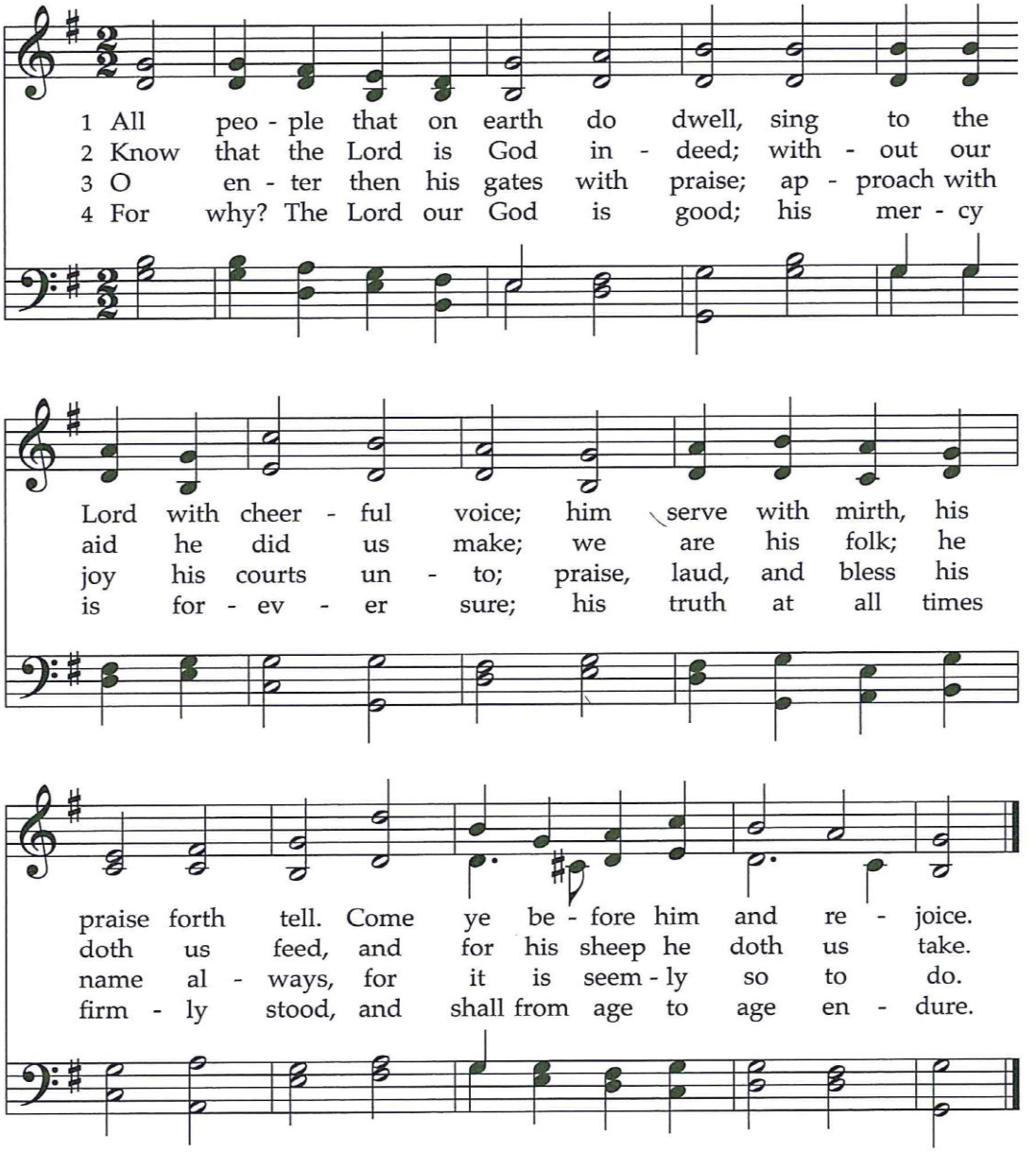
(Psalm 100)

