



# Silver Spring Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, March 1, 2026

Youth Sunday, 9:00 am

Please silence your cell phone.

## GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

+WELCOME

Kyla Callahan and Morgan Crompton

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Youth Programs

Rev. Lisa Chase

MUSIC FOR ADORATION

“Children of the Heavenly Father”  
Cassidy Ickes, flute

arr. Parks

+\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Brayden Pierce

L: Holy Lord, we come to worship you - we come, seeking new life, born of the Spirit and Truth.

P: **We come into the light - we long for renewal and grace.**

L: Step forward in faith, trusting God who keeps us close forever.

P: **God is our shelter and our strength, by day and by night.**

L: Come, people of God, let us worship together. In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

All: **Let us worship the One who keeps us close now and forever.**

+\*HYMN #634

“To God Be the Glory”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Brayden Pierce

Merciful God, we come to You, seeking light, yet we often choose the safety and shelter of shadows, where we can hide. Just like Nicodemus, we struggle to understand Your call to new life in Christ. Forgive us when fear keeps us from changing ourselves to be more like Jesus, when we resist the Holy Spirit and fail to listen to you. Renew us, make us born again in your Love and Grace, and lead us to trust, follow, and live in the new life you call us to do. In Christ's 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

Brayden Pierce

L: Hear the Good News: God so loved the world that He gave us his only Son, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through Him. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

**All: Thanks be to God!**

+\*RESPONSE TO PARDON #421   “Have Mercy, God, upon My Life”

**Create in me a faithful heart, a spirit right and new.**

**Sustain me with your saving love, and keep me close to you.**

**Then I will praise you with my heart, my mind, my soul, my voice.**

**You save the least and seek the lost; Let all the world rejoice.**

+\* PASSING THE PEACE

Brayden 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 ADULTS - Role Models

Lily Taylor

FIRST READING

Psalm 121

R.J. Holt

SECOND READING

John 3:1-17

Kate Hall

YOUTH PRESENTATION

“The Summer I Turned Christian”

## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

THE INVITATION

*...and for all who call on his name, in every language, across every land.*

# Communion Setting

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving  
Preface

Mark A. Miller

Leader: People: Leader:

Voice The Lord be with you. And al - so with you. Lift up your

11 People: Leader:

Vo. hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. - Let us give thanks to the

19 People:

Vo. Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with the heavenly choirs and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:*

## Sanctus

by Mark A. Miller

Voice Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord; God of power and might.

9 Vo. Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

17 Vo. san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the high -

23 Vo. est! Blest is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

32 Vo. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the

38 Vo. high - est!

## THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*...Accept this, our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, as a living and holy offering of ourselves, that our lives may proclaim the one crucified and risen. Great is the mystery of faith:*

## Memorial Acclamation

by Mark A. Miller

Voice   
Christ has died, Christ is ris-en, Christ will come a - gain. Ho -

Vo.   
san - na in the high-est! Ho - san - na in the high-est! Ho san - na in the high - est!

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

CLOSING PRAYER

*...Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, eternal God, now and forever.*

## Great Amen

by Mark A. Miller

Voice   
A - men. A - men. A - men. Ho - san - na in the

Vo.   
high-est! Ho - san - na in the high-est! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Rev. Dr. Wahlig

\*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 #721 ["Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"](#)

\*BENEDICTION Scott Pepperman, Elder, CE Chair

\*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 "Glorious Things of These Are Spoken" arr. Hughes

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

*+Latecomers will be seated*

The chancel flowers are given by Millie Swatt in loving memory of Ken Swatt.

The window flowers are given in loving memory of a special friend,  
Jeannette Hertzler.

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**

Thank you to our youth for your participation and planning in today's service!

**Ushers:** Kate Hall and Morgan Lenk

**Deacon Servers:** Megan Crompton and Melanie Pepperman

**Downtown Daily Bread March 6th:** Denny and Jenny Bell

## **WEEKLY SSPC ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MARCH 1, 2026**

**2026 Lenten Series begins this week - *Seeking to find meditative, reflective silence and deeper connection with God in your spiritual life?*** Join Pastors Lisa Chase and Don Wahlig for a meaningful four-week Lenten Series beginning Wednesday, March 4, from 6 – 7 pm in the Chapel. The dates are March 4, 11, 18, and 25.

This series is designed as an in-person experience, as it is highly participatory and invites attendees into spiritual practices that will foster a deeper experience of God in their faith journeys. Together, we will explore sacred disciplines, such as Lectio Divina, Meditative Prayer, and discernment practices that deepen our ability to notice and listen to God.

Through guided reflections, shared conversation and spiritual exercises, we will learn how to apply discernment in everyday life and cultivate awareness, clarity, and faithful responses throughout the Lenten season and beyond within a supportive, prayerful community. Hope to see you there! Please sign up in the Gathering Place or on Realm.

### **Sympathy**

We extend our prayers and sympathy to Bill Cook for the death of his mother last week. Please keep Bill and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

**Adult Forum and Sunday School, 10:10:** We begin our Lenten study, "He Choose the Nails" by Max Lucado. Come and join us for this five-part series.

**Youth Church this week, Room 112:** This class is for children from 5 to 17! Parents and grandparents are invited to attend along with the children.

**The Pre-K/K Youth Church, Room 108, 10:15-10:50 am:** Each class includes singing, a lesson, and play time!

### **Monday Bible Study – March 9th**

All are invited, come and join this unique study. We meet 1 pm to 3 pm, every other week. We are studying 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!

**Lunch Bunch** will meet on Wednesday, March 11, 2026, at 11:30 am at Carrabba's Italian Grill, 5250 Carlisle Pike, Mechanicsburg. For reservations, sign up at church or email Dale or Linda Darkes at [dldarkes@comcast.net](mailto:dldarkes@comcast.net).

**Our Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be Saturday, March 28 at 10:00 am.**

### **Save the Date – Ladies Tea Luncheon on May 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Ladies, reserve **May 2<sup>nd</sup>** for the annual Presbyterian Women's Tea Luncheon starting at 11 am. This year's guest speaker will be from **Pink Hands of Hope** – a non-profit committed to supporting women fighting breast cancer. If you or an immediate loved one has ever used the services of Pink Hands of Hope in Mechanicsburg, please let us know by contacting Ellen Frey or Carol Service. A sign-up sheet will be coming soon.

**CORE Youth:** There is no CORE this Sunday. Rest up and we will see you next week to stuff Easter Eggs.

**Earth Care - Did you know?** Paper is one of the easiest materials to recycle. Using paper products [toilet paper, paper towels, etc.] made with used paper is a good place to start. Arie, Green Forest, Natural Value, Trader Joe's and Whole Foods all have these products. Read contents of the product.

## **Feed My Starving Children**

According to UNICEF about 13,000 children under the age of five die every day, with malnutrition being a major underlying factor in these premature deaths. **FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN (FMSC)** is a Christian non-profit organization committed to feeding God's starving children. With God's help they work together with local organizations and ministries to end hunger. They have developed a process they call "Mobil Pack" that allows them to pack, label and box thousands of meals in a weekend.

The Turning Point Church Mechanicsburg is hosting a Mobil Pack operation on the weekend of March 13-15. Their goal is to raise \$65,000 and pack over 200,000 meals.

The Mission Committee is recruiting a team to volunteer on Friday March 13th for either the 2-4 PM or the 6-8 PM shift. Not all work requires standing. While donations are welcome, they are not required. If you're interested, please send an email to Fred Shatto at [fredshatto@gmail.com](mailto:fredshatto@gmail.com) and indicate which shift you can volunteer. This is a great event and fun for people to do together. I hope you can join us. -Fred Shatto

## **New Hope Ministries**

New Hope Ministries can use the following items for February: pasta noodles (anything EXCEPT spaghetti), pasta sauce, and dish detergent. Items can be placed in the bin outside the Chapel. Thank you very much!

**Prayers of healing and comfort:** Kris Carpinello and her parents, the Arbogasts, Gail Bumsted, Roxanne Dagino, Margaret Glockner, Betty Hawk, Ron Kutz, Judy La Pointe, Pat Miller, Bill Moore, Betsy Neilson, Kathy Rutledge, Chris Sebring, Don Spangler

**Prayers for sympathy:** Bill Cook for the death of his mother

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

## **Thank you**

Many, many thanks to those who participated in our Meal with a Mission this week. With your help we assembled and delivered 220 School Activity Kits to Mission Central on Thursday. They were VERY grateful! - The Membership Committee

## ATTENDANCE

February 15	February 22
9 am Traditional – 99    YouTube – 35	9 am Traditional – 78    YouTube – 106
11 am Gathering – 62    YouTube – 11	11 am Gathering – 42    YouTube – 33
Sunday School – 28	Sunday School – 16

## 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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## To God Be the Glory

1 To God be the glo - ry; great things he has done!  
2 Great things he has taught us; great things he has done,

So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
and great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son;

who yield - ed his life an a - tone - ment for sin,  
but pur - er and high - er and great - er will be

and o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.  
our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

*Refrain*

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the peo - ple re - joice!

O come to the Fa - ther through Je - sus the Son,

and give him the glo - ry: great things he has done!

# 721 Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

## *Tú has venido a la orilla*



1 Lord, you have come to the lake - shore look - ing  
 2 You know so well my pos - ses - sions; my boat  
 3 You need my hands, full of car - ing, through my  
 4 You, who have fished oth - er o - ceans, ev - er



nei - ther for wealth - y nor wise ones; you on - ly  
 car - ries no gold and no weap - ons; you will  
 la - bors to give oth - ers rest and con - stant  
 longed for by souls who are wait - ing, my lov - ing



asked me to fol - low hum - bly.  
 find there my nets and la - bor.  
 love that keeps on lov - ing.  
 friend, as thus you call me:

### Refrain / Estribillo



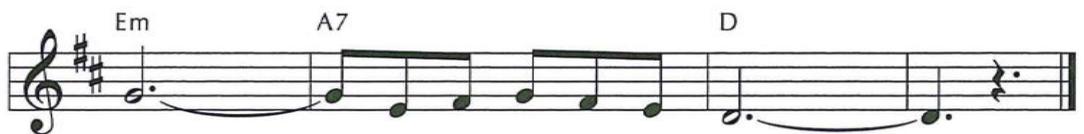
O Lord, with your eyes you have searched me, and while  
*Se - ñor, me has mi - ra - do a los o - jos, son - ri -*



smil - ing have spo - ken my name; now my  
*en - do has di - cho mi nom - bre, en la a -*



boat's left on the shore - line be - hind me. By your  
*re - na he de - ja - do mi bar - ca, jun - to a*



side I will seek oth - er seas.  
*ti bus - ca - ré o - tro mar.*