

Silver Spring Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, May 3, 2026

Fifth Sunday of Easter, 9:00 am

Please silence your cell phone.

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

+WELCOME

Rev. Lisa Chase

MINUTE FOR MISSION

1734 Legacy Society

Maryan McCormick

MUSIC FOR ADORATION

"Simple Gifts"

arr. Dixon

Tracy Wieseman, piano / Erica Ickes, organ

+*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jay Ledvina

L: Come, let us worship God, source of love and new life in Christ.

P: **Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed!**

L: See the risen Christ, seated in glory at God's right hand!

P: **Let us lean on the Spirit and witness boldly to Christ!**

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

ALL: Let us worship God!

+*HYMN #246

"Christ is Alive"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Jay Ledvina

God of Power and Might, in baptism you claim us as your own and give us the gift of your Holy Spirit. Empowered by your Spirit, we hear your call to witness to your love as Christ did. With hearts and minds clouded by sin, however, we are only reluctant witnesses. We ignore the guidance of your Spirit and fail to trust its power. We do not share our experience of new life in Christ as widely or as well as we should. Lord, forgive us, we pray. Renew our faith in you and the power of your Spirit within us so that we might be Jesus' confident and courageous witnesses. 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.
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*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Jay Ledvina

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 #802

And so through all the length of days thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever.

+* PASSING THE PEACE

Jay Ledvina

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 27:1-5, 13-14

Jay Ledvina

SECOND READING

Acts 7:51-60

Rev. Dr. Don Wahlig

SERMON

“The Work of the Spirit, Part 3:
The Courage of the Spirit”

Rev. Dr. Wahlig

ANTHEM

“Invitation to Communion”
Sanctuary Choir

Govenor

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 -

21 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

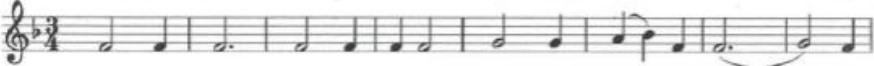
38 Vo. high - est!


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 #326

"For All the Saints"

*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

"Alleluia, Sing to Jesus"

arr. Sewell

*Please rise in body and/or spirit

+Latecomers will be seated

The chancel flowers are given by the Brown family
in honor of what would have been Jane Brown's 105th 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 and Mary Jane Jones **Liturgist:** Jay Ledvina

Deacon Servers: Judy La Pointe and Shannon Leary

Downtown Daily Bread May 8th: Susan and Ally Neville

WEEKLY SSPC ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MAY 3, 2026

Reflections on Our Legacy - Maryan McCormick

With today being Legacy Sunday, we're having two special events. First, member Maryan McCormick will be sharing her own personal "reflections on legacy" today. Second, we invite you to attend the Adult Forum, starting at 10:10 am in Room 204, where we will be discussing "*SSPC Finances 101 ~ Today and Tomorrow*". 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 historically?
- 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 you will join us today at 10:10 in Room 204!

Adult Forum and Sunday School: Adult Sunday School will not be held this week as we will support an Adult Forum on Church Finances in Room 204

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!

Confirmation Class will meet today from 10:15 – 10:55 am in Room 202-203.

The Intergenerational Choir will practice this Sunday, May 3rd at 10 am

The Choir is practicing for a special Mother's Day presentation!

Monday Bible Study – May 4th

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 – 1:00 – 3:00 pm in the Parlor

We are currently studying Max Lucado's new book, "Taming Your Thoughts".

New Men's Bible Study beginning May 11th, 7 - 8:30 pm! We begin a Men's Bible Study Class, in Room 204, open to all SSPC congregation men and friends, ages 18 and above. Questions? Contact Scott Pepperman at puppytrainer52@aol.com.

Laundry Ministry Update - Loads of love!

Update: Members of our youth CORE group visited the Morris Laundromat in Dillsburg on April 25th. We visited with 20 patrons and handed out 10 laundry cards. The youth performed with the Holy Spirit as servant leaders. Everyone thanked us and asked about our program. Our next outing will be to the Morris Laundromat in Enola. Thank you for your contributions and faith in our efforts. Blessings.

Earth Care - Did you know?

Wine corks can be reused in outdoor projects: plant markers, pot feet on edges or bottom of containers, fillers for bottom of planters or mulch if they are chopped up.

Vacation Bible School: August 3-7, 2026

VBS is Monday, August 3rd through Friday, August 7th from 9:00 am to 12 noon. We need tons of help with food, decorations, crafts, music, and of course teaching! Please contact Pastor Lisa or Scott Pepperman to volunteer. There is a \$25 fee per family for the whole week. Use REALM or sign up forms in the Gathering Place to register.

CORE Youth: Join us this Sunday for Core, starting with a pizza feast to fuel up for the afternoon! We'll be heading outside afterward to plant in the youth garden and beautify the church grounds, ending the day with an awesome game.

New Hope Ministries

Needs for MAY include: canned pasta, tuna, and apple sauce. Items can be placed in the bin outside the Chapel. Thank you for your help to our local community!

Prayers of healing and comfort: Kris Carpinello and her parents, the Arbogasts, Carol Boyer, Gail Bumsted, Roxanne Dagino, Ashley Dierich, Fred Frey, Margaret Glockner, Ron Kutz, Pat Miller, Bill Moore, Rich Morelli, Betsy Neilson, Deb Pfaff, Kathy Rutledge, Chris Sebring, Jim and Harriet Shoop, Millie Swatt, Tanya Wagner, Amy Wentz, Chris Winning

Prayers for sympathy: Barb and Tim Wiggin and Jacob, Noah and Rachel; Family of Don Spangler; Pat Miller and family of Ken Miller; Susan Hudson and family

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

Thank you

A very special thank you to our church community for the sympathy cards, telephone calls and in-person hugs during this very difficult time. Curt and I have been blessed over the years by the love and support we have received. Curt was loved and respected by his buddies on the golf team, the Soup Group and the ROAR team plus many others in the church. Curt will be missed by us all. Thank you again! **Susan Hudson**

It is with deep love and affection we want to thank our church family and those who brought so many tasty meals. We will have leftovers for days to come and they will be as good as the first time. The response was overwhelming and we met some new people, what a wonderful experience. We are progressing very slowly. Again, thanks to all, and we love being Silver Springer's. **Jim and Harriet Shoop**

To my church family, I am home and have recovered well from my procedures in the past two weeks. I want to thank all of you for your continued prayers, your visits, your calls, cards and flowers. They made my healing time go faster. I appreciated them all.

Les Adams

Memorial Services are scheduled for Don Spangler on Thursday, May 7th at 2:00 pm, for Ken Miller on Friday, May 15 at 11:00 am, and for Curt Hudson on Saturday, May 16 at 11:00 am.

ATTENDANCE

April 19	April 26
9 am Traditional – 107 YouTube – 96	9 am Traditional – 106 YouTube – 80
11 am Gathering – 46 YouTube – 24	11 am Gathering – 52 YouTube – 15
Sunday School – 15	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

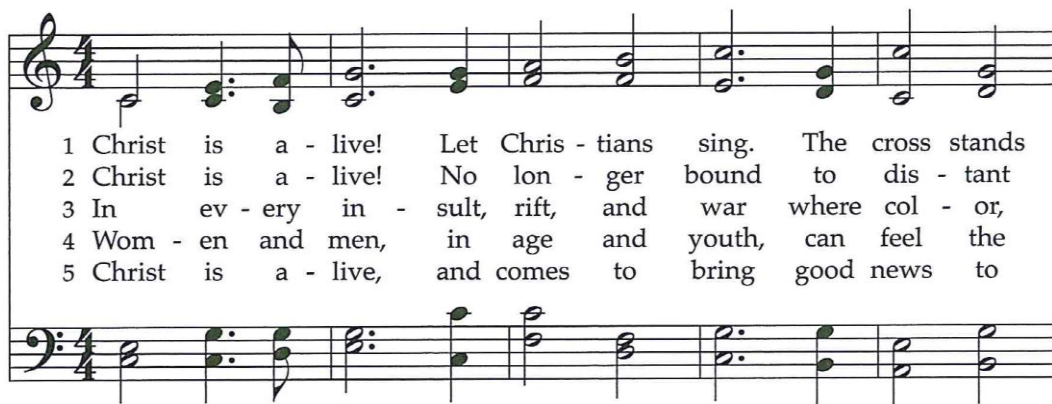
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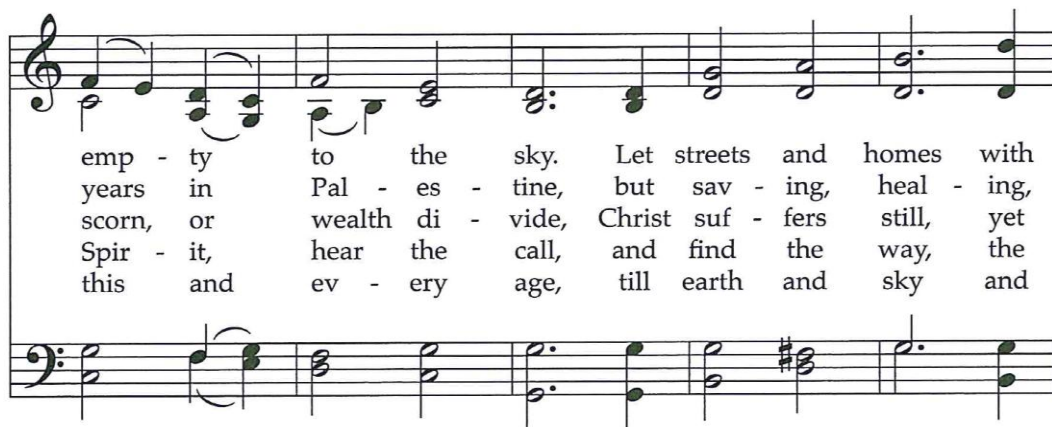
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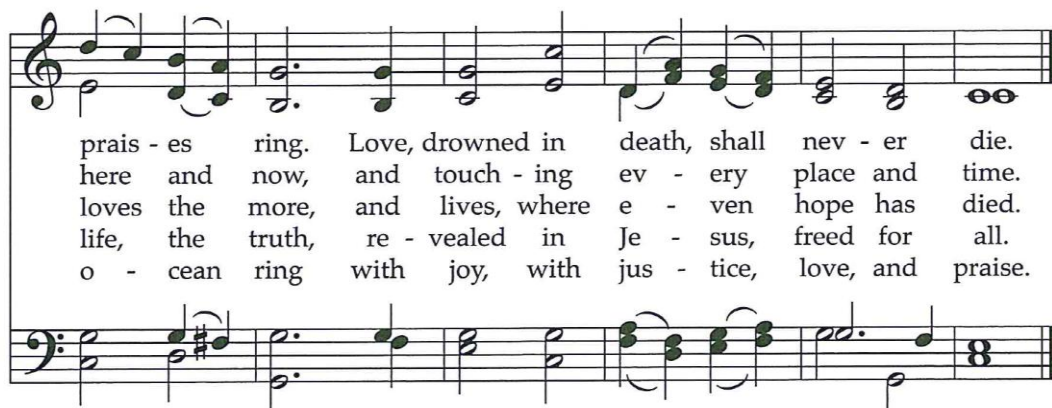
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1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands
 2 Christ is a - live! No lon - ger bound to dis - tant
 3 In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war where col - or,
 4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the
 5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to



emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
 years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,
 scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet
 Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the
 this and ev - ery age, till earth and sky and



prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.
 here and now, and touch - ing ev - ery place and time.
 loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.
 life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.
 o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

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For All the Saints



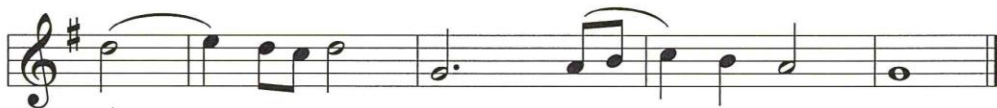
1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest, who
 2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might;
 3 O blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine!
 4 And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long,
 5 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through



thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
 thou, Lord, their cap - tain in the well - fought fight;
 We fee - bly strug - gle; they in glo - ry shine; yet
 steals on the ear the dis - tant tri - umph song, and
 gates of pearl streams in the count - less host,



name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.
 thou, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.
 all are one in thee, for all are thine.
 hearts are brave a - gain, and arms are strong.
 sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,



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

3 O blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine!

We fee - bly strug - gle; they in glo - ry shine; yet

all are one in thee, for all are thine.

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