



Silver Spring Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, January 25, 2026

3rd Sunday after Epiphany, 9:00 am

Please silence your cell phone.

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

+WELCOME

Austin Shoop

MUSIC FOR ADORATION

"Thy Word"

arr. Holstein

+*CALL TO WORSHIP

Don Winning

L: The Lord is our light and salvation.

P: Whom shall we fear?

L: The Lord calls us, "Come! I will make you fishers of people."

P: Freed from fear, we are bold to follow him.

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

ALL: Let us worship God!

+*HYMN #401

"Here in This Place"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Don Winning

Faithful God, through Christ you call us to follow you with our whole lives, sharing your good news wherever we are, and with all that you place in our path. We hear Jesus calling us, but we are slow to follow. We are reluctant to abandon the life we envision for ourselves, and so we fail to live the life that Jesus wants for us. Give us renewed faith and greater courage to boldly undertake the work of making your Kingdom tangible here and now. Make us more faithful agents of your justice, peace and wholeness, so that we might draw others to follow you as well. In Jesus' 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

Don Winning

L: The proof of God’s amazing love is this: though we are all sinners,

P: Christ died for us, Christ was raised for us, Christ reigns in power for us, and Christ prays for us.

L: The old life is gone;

P: Our new life in Christ has begun!

L: Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

P: Alleluia, Amen!

+*RESPONSE TO PARDON #581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

+* PASSING THE PEACE

Don Winning

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

Isaiah 58:1-10

Don Winning

SECOND READING

Matthew 4:12-23

Rev. Dr. Don Wahlig

SERMON

“The Life of Discipleship,
Part 1: The Call”

Rev. Dr. Wahlig

ANTHEM

“Old Time Religion”
Sanctuary Choir

arr. Carter

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Wahlig

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 #170

["You Walk Along Our Shoreline"](#)

*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. Broughton

**Please rise in body and/or spirit*

+Latecomers will be seated



The chancel flowers are given by Jean Basehore and family
in memory of Don Basehore.

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: Denny and Jenny Bell **Liturgist:** Don Winning

Deacon Servers: Susan Evans and Deb Pfaff

Downtown Daily Bread January 30th: Bob and Emily Krebs

WEEKLY SSPC ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JANUARY 25, 2026

Annual Meeting

The Session has called the Annual Meeting of the Congregation for Sunday, February 8th at the conclusion of the 9:00 am worship service in the Meeting House for the purpose of receiving the 2025 Annual Report and the 2026 budget and voting on the Pastors' Terms of Call and the at-large members of the Nominating Committee. Those who are on the live stream for the 9:00 worship service can simply remain on the live stream at the conclusion of worship until the meeting starts. Voting on the live stream will take place in the chat field.

Sympathy

For Lynne Jackson, a memorial service is scheduled for January 31, 2026 at SSPC - 9:00 am Visitation and Service at 11:00.

For Nancy Thomas, a memorial service is planned for April 25, 2026.

Adult Forum and Sunday School this week, room 204 10 am:

We will continue the Rob Bell series. The lesson this week is called "Sunday". This class is for all adults. Come, learn, and discuss.

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/Kindergarten Sunday School, Room 108:

We will begin in Room 112 and then move across the hall. This class is for children below 1st grade.

NEW CLASS: Sunday February 1st at 10:00 in Room 204

What makes us Presbyterian? Why are we this way? Join Rev. Dr. Wahlig for a fast-moving 45-minute class on the historic principles that are the foundation of what we Presbyterians believe and how we govern ourselves. This is not a class on the Book of Order, but rather a review of the 8 principles that are the underpinning of the BOO. We will begin by watching a 10-minute video followed by a discussion of the big questions of faith and the church as we Presbyterians understand them. This class is ideal for both prospective new members and current members alike. Whether you are new to Presbyterianism, or you were raised Presbyterian, you will enjoy this interactive, fast-paced class. For those wishing to become members, there will be an opportunity to do that at the end of the class.

The Intergenerational Choir

We will practice on Sunday, January 25th. We are preparing for a special Valentine's Day weekend presentation. All Sunday School children are invited to sing, along with parents and grandparents. Come and join us as we praise the Lord with song!

Monday Bible Study - January 26th

All are invited, come and join this unique study. We meet 1 pm to 3 pm, every other week. We will begin an in-depth study of the Gospels. Come learn and discuss.

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!

Communion help needed

Through the monthly service of Communion we are reminded that we are one in body in Christ, united with believers across time and space. With this in mind, please volunteer to prepare Communion or serve Communion in 2026. There is a sign up sheet in the Gathering Place. If you have never done this and need help, indicate this when you sign up. Thank you, Kathryn Ressler and Teena Russell

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. The group is currently studying from the Book of Acts.

SSPC Handbell Choir

Interested in ringing—or learning how to play—the handbells? Contact Tracy Wieseman at tracy@silverspring.org for more information.

Wine-Tasting Group

On Saturday February 21st at 6:00 pm Ken Harm will be hosting the next wine tasting evening at his house at 105 Federal Drive, Mechanicsburg 17050. If you'd like to sample different wines and have an enjoyable evening with fellow Silver Springers and friends, please consider joining us. We ask that you bring an hors d'oeuvre to share. At the end of the evening the cost of the wines is shared among the group - usually around \$10-\$12 per person. If you are interested, please rsvp before February 14 to Jenny Bell at belljen000@gmail.com.

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. Locally, 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. Early volunteer registration begins on February 9th. If you're interested, please send an email to Fred Shatto at 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

Cancellations:

In case of inclement weather, check our website at www.silverspring.org for updates on cancellations or schedule changes.

New Hope Ministries

New Hope Ministries can use the following items this month: peanut butter, tuna, and paper towels. Items can be placed in the bin outside the Chapel. Thank you very much!

Earth Care

Have you considered switching to rechargeable batteries?

- Save money over time - can be used multiple times without replacing
- More Eco-friendly - they don't end up in landfills
- Convenient for devices that are used often (remotes, cameras, game controllers)

Used batteries rechargeable/or not can be placed in the bucket in Gathering Place. Used rechargeable batteries should NOT be placed in your home recycle bin.

CORE Youth

There will be Core this week from 6PM-8PM. We will continue to work on Youth Sunday service. Please be advised that Core will be canceled in case the weather is as horrendous as forecasts predict. I will communicate to youth and parents far in advance if Core has been canceled. For those going to Zeteo this week. On Friday January 30th, please meet by 5:00PM sharp by the preschool entrance. If you haven't already sent Austin the Zeteo liability form and Core youth permission slip, please do so ASAP! If you can't do this electronically, please bring hard copies with you before we leave.

Prayers of healing and comfort: Kris Carpinello's parents, the Arbogasts, Gail Bumsted, Roxanne Dagino, Margaret Glockner, Betty Hawk, Ron Kutz, Judy La Pointe, Christa Lenk, Jan Maurer, Pat Miller, Rich Morelli, Betsy Neilson, Kathy Rutledge, Chris Sebring, Ada Sloane, Scott Vaughan.

Prayers for sympathy: Charlie Dagino for the death of his mother; Randall Chase and family; Families of Lynne Jackson and Nancy Thomas

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

ATTENDANCE

January 11	January 18
9 am Traditional – 107 YouTube - 105	9 am Traditional – 100 YouTube - 123
11 am Gathering – 54 YouTube - 29	11 am Gathering – 44 YouTube - 22
Sunday School - 32	Sunday School - 42

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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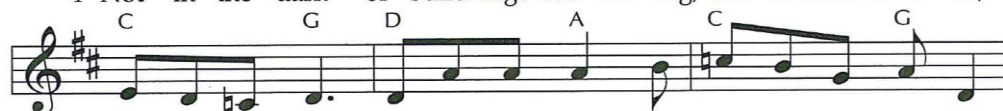
Here in This Place

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Gather Us In



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing; now is the dark-ness
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys-tery. We are the old who
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa-ter; here we will take the
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con-fin-ing, not in some heav-en,



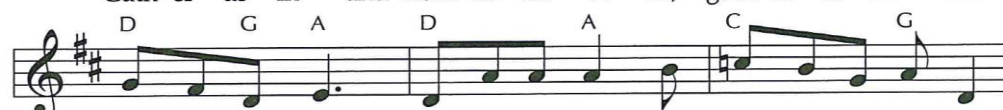
van-ished a-way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
 yearn for your face. We have been sung through-out all of his-tory,
 bread of new birth. Here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,
 light years a-way: here in this place the new light is shin-ing;



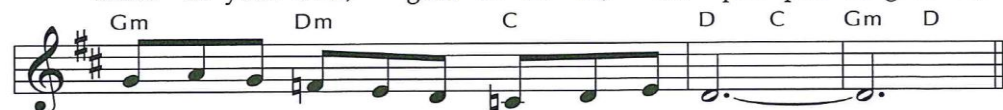
brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu-man race.
 call us a-new to be salt for the earth.
 now is the king-dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for-sak-en; gath-er us in, the
 Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty; gath-er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine of com-pas-sion; give us to eat the
 Gath-er us in and hold us for-ev-er; gath-er us in and

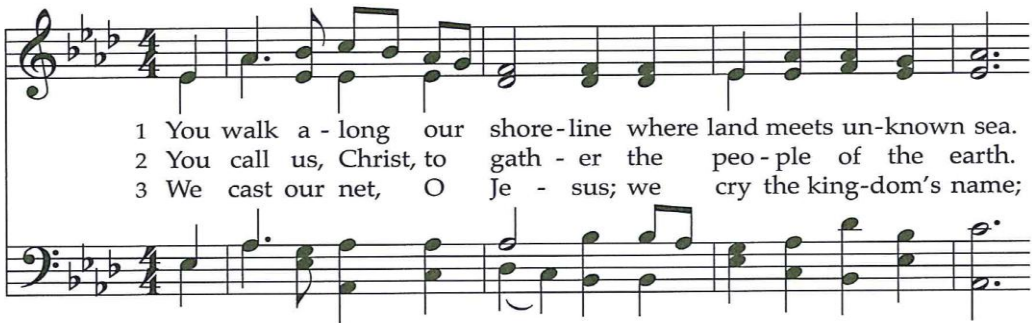


blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a-wak-en;
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low-ly;
 bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash-ion
 make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo-ples to-geth-er,

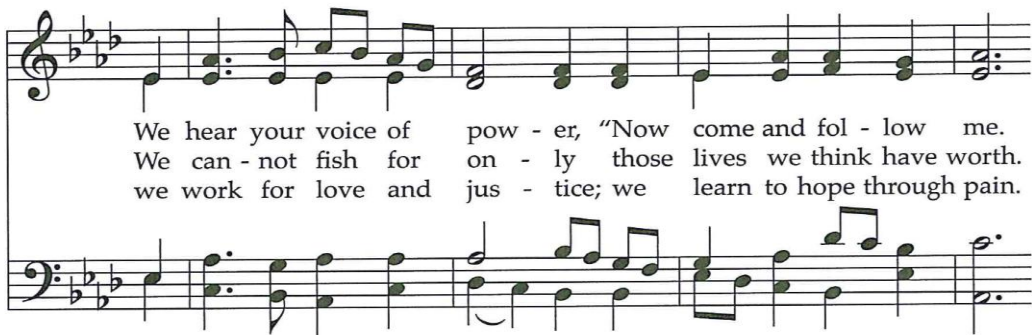


we shall a-rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour-age to en-ter the song.
 lives that are ho-ly and hearts that are true.
 fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

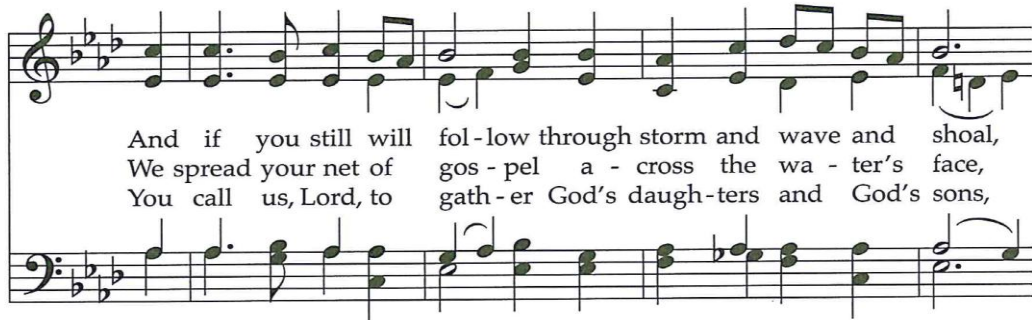
You Walk along Our Shoreline 170



1 You walk a - long our shore-line where land meets un-known sea.
2 You call us, Christ, to gath - er the peo - ple of the earth.
3 We cast our net, O Je - sus; we cry the king-dom's name;



We hear your voice of pow - er, "Now come and fol - low me.
We can - not fish for on - ly those lives we think have worth.
we work for love and jus - tice; we learn to hope through pain.



And if you still will fol-low through storm and wave and shoal,
We spread your net of gos - pel a - cross the wa - ter's face,
You call us, Lord, to gath - er God's daugh-ters and God's sons,



then I will make you fish - ers but of the hu - man soul."
our boat a com - mon shel - ter for all found by your grace.
to let your judg - ment heal us so that all may be one.