



Silver Spring Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, October 4, 2026

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost, 9:00 am

Please silence your cell phone.

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

+WELCOME

Austin Shoop

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Per Capita

MUSIC FOR ADORATION

"Lord of the Dance"

arr. Raney

Tracy Wieseman - piano / Erica Ickes - organ

+*CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Andrew Jillson

L: Rejoice in the Lord! Whatever our past, whatever our achievements ...

P: We rejoice in the unsurpassed joy of knowing Jesus Christ our Lord.

L: Let us forget what lies behind and strain forward to what lies ahead!

P: Let us praise God who calls us heavenward in Christ Jesus!

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

ALL: Let us worship God!

+*HYMN #331

"God of the Ages"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Rev. Jillson

God of Grace and Mercy, we confess that we are quick to place confidence in our own flesh instead of you. We are easily puffed up with pride in our own achievements and worldly status, forgetting that our ultimate worth comes only from following Christ, placing our trust in him, and in him alone. Forgive us, we pray. Renew our faith to see clearly the power of your grace shaping our past, and the promise of your grace to shape our future. 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.

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. Jillson

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 #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

Rev. Jillson

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

Psalm 19:1-11

Rev. Jillson

SECOND READING

Philippians 3:3b-14

Rev. Dr. Don Wahlig

SERMON

“Pressing Ahead”

Rev. Dr. Wahlig

ANTHEM

“Come, Share the Lord”
Sanctuary Choir

Bryan Jeffry Leech,
arr. Roland Tabell

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: Voice *People:* *Leader:*

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

People: *Leader:*

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

People:

19 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 #450

"Be Thou My Vision"

*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

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Wagner

*Please rise in body and/or spirit

+Latecomers will be seated

The chancel flowers and window flowers are given by Heather McCarthy celebrating the 80th birthday of Bob Davenport and 5th birthday of Zoe McCarthy

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: Roy McLain and Terry Reed **Liturgist:** Andrew Jillson

Deacon Servers: Lois DeHart and Sarah Neville

Downtown Daily Bread October 9th: Susan and Ally Neville

WEEKLY SSPC ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OCTOBER 4, 2026

Sympathy

We extend our prayers and sympathy to Harriet Shoop for the death of her husband Jim Shoop. Viewing will be held on Monday, October 5, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. at the Scottish Rite Cathedral, 2701 N. Third Street, Harrisburg. At 12:00 p.m., Members of the Order of the Eastern Star and Masonic Lodge will gather to honor his memory and pay tribute to his life. The funeral service will follow immediately thereafter. Please keep Harriet and their family in your prayers.

Upcoming Christian Education opportunities:

- Adult Forum and Sunday School – none today due to Theology class.
- Men's Bible Study – Monday, October 12th
- Monday Afternoon Bible Study – October 5th
- Intergenerational Choir – Room 112 at 10:00 am
- Youth Church and Pre-K/K Youth Church – Room 112 at 10:00 am.
- Wednesday Afternoon Bible Study – 1-3 pm in the Parlor.

Reformed Foundations - Class #2 today at 10:10 am - Room 204

Join today for “What Makes us Reformed Christians, and How Did We Get this Way?” Rev. Dr. David Roquemore will shed light on the theological path leading from the early church to the Reformation. Why are we so influenced by Saint Augustine? Did the convictions of Reformation pioneers Martin Luther and John Calvin simply spring out of thin air? What led up the momentous changes they inaugurated in the church and beyond? Bring your coffee and we will find out together! See you there!

Circle Rebekah – Thursday, October 8th

Join us for Bible Study from 1:00-2:00 pm in room 204. Food and fellowship in the Parlor, from noon to 12:45 pm. Dessert prepared this month by Jenny Bell. This year's Presbyterian Women/Horizons Bible Study is "United Through Christ, Bound to Each Other" by Rhonda Mawhood Lee. The second lesson is "Connected in Christ," led by Kathy Henderson. Pickup a copy of the Bible study from the church office. To join remotely there is a Zoom link; and for those without computer access we have a phone dial-in number. For a copy of our schedule and the Zoom information, contact Emily Krebs, cell 717-805-5778 or bekrebs@verizon.net.

Voice Recital - October 10th

Our Intergenerational Choir Director, Mandy Bevenour, will be performing in her junior voice recital at Messiah University on Saturday, October 10, at 6:00 pm in the Recital Hall of the High Center. Director of Music, Tracy Wieseman, will be accompanying Mandy on the piano. If you cannot attend in person, you can watch the recital live online at no cost via the livestream link here: <https://www.messiah.edu/dept-music/concerts--recitals/>.

Dining Out Group – Thursday October 15th, 5:00 pm

Next meet on Thursday evening, Oct 15th at Theo's Bar & Grille at 5:00 pm. Contact Don & Chris for ride services. Use the sign-up sheet at church or call/text Don Winning 717-704-6962 so we may give the restaurant a final head count on Tuesday October 13th.

Fall Faire is October 24 8 am – 1 pm!

- Sign-up on the Volunteer Board in the Gathering Place, to help on day of event.
- Donations accepted Sundays BETWEEN SERVICES, 10 am - 10:45 am. If you need help during the week, please call the church office.
- PIES ARE NEEDED: please sign up on the board. Homemade is preferable.
- Donations needed: nice boutique-y items – lamps, embroidered pillows, Christmas items, toys, jewelry, new items for Silent auction, etc. We are not taking small appliances, linens, books (except for children's books), or glassware but if you have a nice set of bone china, tools, or decorative items to donate, we will take those. Please check with Rev. Lisa Chase (Lisa@silverspring.org).
- We need volunteers to set-up the week of October 19-23.
- We trucks/vans to take left over items to Community Aid afterwards.

CORE Youth: Today from 5-6 pm

CORE meets for our final study in the Counter Culture series: Lesson 4 — Love to Forgive.

BOO! CE is again holding the Annual Trunk-Or-Treat Spooktacular!

This event is scheduled for Sunday, October 25th, 4 pm to 6 pm. Decorated cars/vans will be located in the gym parking lot to hand out candy to children and dog and cat treats. Join us, decorate your car and yourself! CE provides all candy. We are gladly accepting donations of candy; look for the decorated basket in the Gathering Place!

eBay Sales Ministry Seeking New Donation Items

The eBay Sales Ministry at Silver Spring Presbyterian Church is growing. Mark Armbruster is managing the program and is seeking new donations. If you have something you'd like to donate, send a photo of the item(s) to Mark at csuf1mark@aim.com. He will review your submission and let you know if it is appropriate for sale. After approval, Mark will arrange a time for item drop off.

Earth Care Hint - What you can do to make your tires last longer:

- Check your tire pressure once a month. Low pressure wears tires out faster than anything else. Keeping them filled to the right pressure adds thousands of miles.
- Rotate your tires every 5,000-8,000 miles.
- Shop for how long a tire lasts, not just the price tag. A longer lasting tire often costs less per mile and makes less waste.

New Hope Ministries

Needs for September include: cereal, boxed helpers, and canned tuna. Items can be placed in the bin outside the Chapel. Thank you so much!

Prayers of healing and comfort: John Clegg, Roxanne Dagino, Ken Engle, Bob Gaffney, Carol Gebert, Margaret Glockner, Lisa Janson, Angie Katzenstein, Tony Kren, Gil and Joyce Longwell, Pat Miller, Eliza Myers, Betsy Neilson, Pat Pierce, Chris Sebring, Bill Spoon, Millie Swatt, Tanya Wagner, Chris Winning

Prayers for sympathy: Harriet Shoop and family; Family of Ruth Stoll; Jeanne Farinelli, David Kutz, Jim Kutz and all their family members for the passing of Ron Kutz

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

Memorial Services at SSPC:

Service for Ron Kutz on Saturday, October 17th at 11 am.

Service for Ruth Stoll on Saturday, October 31st at 1 pm.

ATTENDANCE

September 20	September 27
9 am Traditional – 110 YouTube – 79	9 am Traditional – 125 YouTube – 76
11 am Gathering – 45 YouTube – 28	11 am Gathering – 42 YouTube – 67
Sunday School – 56	Sunday School – 62

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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331 God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

(optional)

1 God of the a - ges, whose al-might - y
 2 Thy love di - vine hath led us in the
 3 From war's a - larms, from dead - ly pes - ti -
 4 Re - fresh thy peo - ple on their toil-some

hand leads forth in beau - ty all the star - ry band
 past. In this free land by thee our lot is cast.
 lence, be thy strong arm our ev - er sure de-fense.
 way. Lead us from night to nev - er-end-ing day.

of shin - ing worlds in splen - dor through the skies,
 Be thou our rul - er, guard - ian, guide, and stay:
 Thy true re - li - gion in our hearts in - crease.
 Fill all our lives with love and grace di - vine,

our grate - ful songs be - fore thy throne a - rise.
 thy word our law, thy paths our cho - sen way.
 Thy boun - teous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.
 and glo - ry, laud, and praise be ev - er thine.

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Be Thou My Vision

Capo 1: (D)

E^b

(G)

A^b

(D/F#)

E^b/G

(A7)

B^b7

(D)

E^b

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true Word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise;
 4 High King of Heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

(A)

B^b

(D)

E^b

(G)

A^b

(A)

B^b

naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

(G)

A^b

(D)

E^b

(F#m7)

Gm7

(G)

A^b

(A)

B^b

thou my best thought, by day or by night,
 thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tower;
 thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

(Bm)

Cm

(D/F#)

E^b/G

(G)

A^b

(D)

E^b

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 raise thou me heaven - ward, O Power of my power.
 High King of Heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.