



Silver Spring Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, August 16, 2026

12th Sunday after Pentecost, 9:00 am

Please silence your cell phone.

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

+WELCOME

Austin Shoop

MUSIC FOR ADORATION

"Then Sings My Soul"

arr. Cook

+*CALL TO WORSHIP (From Psalm 67)

Charlie Dagino

L: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us; that God's way may be known upon the earth.

P: **We praise you, O God, let all the people praise you!**

L: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

P: **The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, has blessed us.**

L: Indeed, may God continue to bless us; let all the ends of the earth revere him. In the name of God, the Father, Jesus Christ, God's Son, and the Holy Spirit,

All: Let us worship God!

+*HYMN #385

"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Charlie Dagino

Holy God, we confess we have not been obedient to your will for us. We have sought justice for ourselves but neglected justice for others. We have insisted on our rights but have not lived rightly in our relationships. We have desired mercy for our sins, but we have not offered mercy to those who have sinned against us. By the power of your Holy Spirit, free us from the prison of our disobedience. Help us to love as you have loved us so that through our lives may testify to your abounding grace.

(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

Charlie Dagino

L: Friends, the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Receive the gift of forgiveness and share that gift with others, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and made new.

P: Thanks be to God! Hallelujah!

+*RESPONSE TO PARDON #435 “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”

There’s a wideness in God’s mercy, like the wideness of the sea;

There’s a kindness in His justice which is more than liberty.

There is welcome for the sinner, and more graces for the good;

There is mercy with the Savior; there is healing in His blood.

+* PASSING THE PEACE

Charlie Dagino

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

BAPTISM OF CORA JOY LOPEZ

Rev. Lisa Chase and Rev. Dr. Don Wahlig

*HYMN #488

[“I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry”](#)

FIRST READING

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

Charlie Dagino

SECOND READING

Matthew 15:10, 17-28

Rev. Chase

SERMON

“Jesus’s Salvation to ALL, Part 1:
The Canaanite Woman Gets It Right”

Rev. Chase

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Hymn of Promise”
Timothy Lupia, tenor

Words/music by Natalie Sleeth
arr. Tom Fettke

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Donald 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 #317

"In Christ There Is No East or West"

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Chase

*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

"Stand Up For Jesus!"

arr. Smith

**Please rise in body and/or spirit*

+Latecomers will be seated

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The chancel flowers are given by Diane and Thomas Lupia for their granddaughter Cora Joy Lopez's baptism.

The window flowers are given by John and Linda Greenleaf in celebration of their 55th wedding anniversary.

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: Mike and Nancy Gawlas **Liturgist:** Charlie Dagino

Deacon Servers: Eleanor Resser and Melanie Pepperman

Downtown Daily Bread August 21st: Bob and Emily Krebs

WEEKLY SSPC ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR AUGUST 16, 2026

Vacation Bible School Thank You

Many individuals put hours into 2026 VBS “Our God is An Awesome God!” Whether it was a gift of an hour or two to make paper mache planets, a few hours to help decorate the different areas, or countless hours shepherding children, or making and serving those amazing snacks (they were meals, really), SSPC VBS held 8/3-8/7 was another great week, and our Awesome God and Savior Jesus Christ was glorified!

Thank you to the following individuals who made VBS possible this year: Jackson and Meri Beck, Jenny Bell, Claudia Brown, Kyla Callahan, Kris Carpinello, Randall Chase, Morgan Crompton, Bonnie Davis, Alix and John Fider, Kate Hall, Brynn Hipp, Mary Jane Jones, Judy La Pointe, Morgan Lenk, BJ Lopez, Roy McLain, Brady Miller, Evie Miller, Max Miller, Susan Neville, Melanie Pepperman, Scott Pepperman (CE Chair), James Ringquist, Kate Ringquist, Austin Shoop, John Shoop, Laura Shoop, Jean and Jim Smith, Liam Taylor, Lilly Taylor, Nathan Wieseman, Barb Wiggin and Jayme Whittle.

Special thanks to all the SSPC youth who volunteered, Scott Pepperman, who cooked delicious meals, and Jim Smith who played Jesus!

Staff: Priscilla Biller, John Clegg, Ryan Edwards

Thank you all with deepest gratitude and love! Pastor Lisa Chase

Christian Education offers our sincere thanks to Pastor Lisa Chase. VBS 2026 was a huge success! We thank Pastor Lisa for her leadership, creativity, participation and efforts. We could not have done it without her! We are already looking forward to VBS 2027! Blessings.

From Christian Education: *Did You Know?!*

Christian Education offers 8 bible study classes each month for adults this summer! We offer classes on Sunday morning, Monday afternoon, and Tuesday nights. Come and join us to discuss and learn! Contact Scott Pepperman, (puppytrainer52@aol.com) or Heather McCarthy (hjd.gmb@gmail.com) for more information.

Worship on Sunday, August 23rd

- **11 AM Outdoor Service:** Bring your lawn chairs
- **Blessing of the Backpacks** - All students are encouraged to bring their backpacks on August 23rd. We will have a special recognition of students as they begin the new school year.

There is no Adult Forum and Sunday School today.

Youth Church, Pre-K/K Church and Intergenerational Choir are on summer recess.

Monday Bible Study – August 17th: Join us from 1 pm to 3 pm, every first and third Mondays of the month, in Room 204. We continue our in-depth study of the Gospel of John, by Pastor Skip Heitzig. Our next section we will cover is John 7:1-36.

Wednesday Bible Study will reconvene in the fall.

Men's Bible Study - MONDAY, August 24th

We meet in Room 204, 7 pm - 8:30 pm, AND online via Zoom. If you need the link, contact Scott! We switch back to Monday nights starting on August 24th. For the next session we will explore the topic of "2 Thessalonians 3:10, If anyone will not work, neither shall they eat." How should Christian men interpret this passage in a world with poverty and social safety nets? We start by discussing a question posed in our last session - "What does it mean to you to 'thrive' over the next year?" We discuss our questions and opinions from a man's point of view. Suggestions for courses of study are welcome - contact Scott Pepperman at puppytrainer52@aol.com. This class is for all SSPC congregation men and friends, ages 18 and above.

CORE Youth

Join us this evening from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM for another great night at CORE Youth Group! We'll be sharing some important upcoming events, getting up on our feet for an interactive lesson, spending time in prayer, and wrapping up with high-energy games. Whether you are a regular or coming for the first time, bring a friend and join in the fun. I hope to see everyone out there! — **Austin "Mr. Clean"**

Laundry Ministry Update - Loads of love!

Donation Update: We will be traveling to the Morris Laundromat in New Cumberland next time we go out to spread evangelism and hand out gift cards! We have donated 10 gift cards to New Hope Ministries to spread our gifts! Thank you, congregation!

Dining Out Group - August 26th

Join us for dinner at the Camp Hill Diner, 3608 Market Street (Carlisle Pike), on Wednesday, August 26th at 5:30 pm. Please sign up in the Gathering Place. Questions? Contact Jim Shoop at 717-761-7606. All are invited!

Wine Tasting Group - September 19th

Join us on Saturday September 19th at Jim Worden & Joyce Shirley's house at 2139 Arbor Court, Mechanicsburg. Please bring a dish to share and the cost of the wines will be split at the end of the evening among those who tried them. It will begin at 6:30 pm. Please respond to Jim at pontiac416@gmail.com or sign up in the Gathering Place.

Young Adults Christian Education Group, the Pathfinders!

CE and young leaders from SSPC started a new group for young adults over 18 called "Pathfinders!" For further information, contact Ty Headley. Currently, the group is studying from the Book of Matthew. Come and discuss, come and learn!

New Hope Ministries

Needs for **August** include: pancake mix, pancake syrup and canned vegetables. Items can be placed in the bin outside the Chapel. Thank you so much!

Many Voices, ONE Song Coming August 30th!

Worship for ALL people in the Presbytery of Carlisle on August 30th at Second Presbyterian Church, 528 Garland Dr, Carlisle. Come for worship at 4:00 pm. There will be outstanding preaching and music, and food and fellowship. You won't want to miss it! Check this website for more information: <https://carlislepby.org/manyvoices/>

Prayers of healing and comfort:

Carol Boyer, Roxanne Dagino, Carol Gebert, Margaret Glockner, Angie Katzenstein, Ron Kutz, Pat Miller, Eliza Myers, Betsy Neilson, Judy Perrine, Chris Sebring, Bill Spoon, Ruth Stoll, Millie Swatt, Tanya Wagner, Amy Wentz, Chris Winning

Prayers for sympathy: Sylvia Morelli and family

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

REALM at Silver Spring Church

Update Your REALM Profile Today!

At Silver Spring Presbyterian Church, we're all part of one family — and REALM helps us stay connected as that family grows and changes. Whether you're new to our congregation or you've been worshiping with us for years, REALM is our online tool for keeping in touch, sharing updates, and getting involved.

What is REALM?

REALM is our church's online directory and communication hub. Through REALM, you can:

- View the church directory and connect with fellow members
- Stay up to date on church events
- Register for events and small groups
- Give online securely/check your giving history

Why Update Your Profile?

A complete, up-to-date profile helps our whole church family stay connected. When your information and photo are current, it's easier for:

- Fellow members to recognize and greet you (especially newer folks!)
- Ministry leaders to reach you about groups, events, and volunteer opportunities
- Our pastoral staff to keep our records accurate for care and communication

It Only Takes a Few Minutes

- Log in to REALM (or contact Priscilla to create your account)
- Click on your name to visit your profile
- Update your contact information, family details, and any changes
- Upload a current photo — a simple, friendly headshot is perfect!
- Save your changes

Need Help?

If you have questions about logging in, updating your profile, or using any of REALM's features, please reach out to the church office. A little time spent updating your profile goes a long way in helping our church community stay warm, welcoming, and connected. Thank you for being part of the Silver Spring Presbyterian Church family!

ATTENDANCE

August 2	August 9
9 am Traditional – 92 YouTube – 69	9 am Traditional – 113 YouTube – 90
11 am Gathering – 46 YouTube – 20	11 am Gathering – 50 YouTube – 40
Christian Education – 23	Christian Education – 21

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

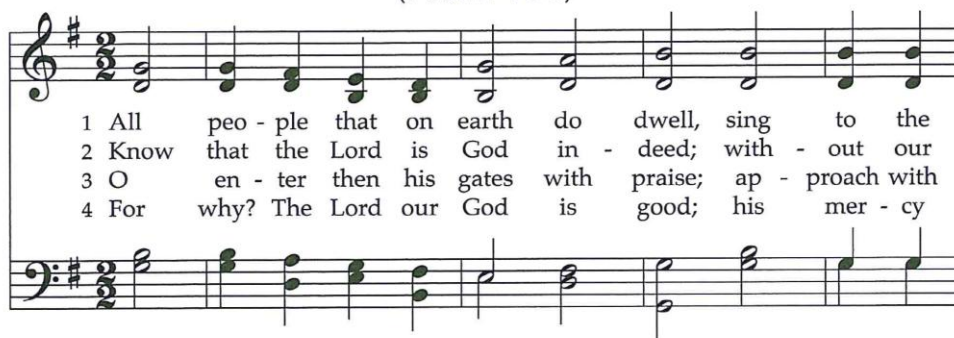
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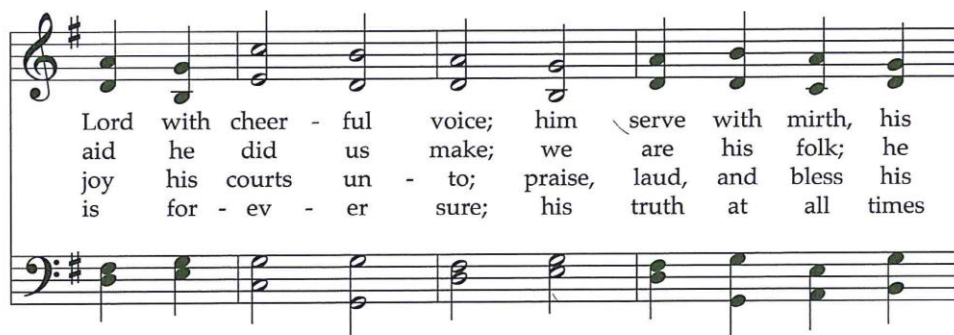
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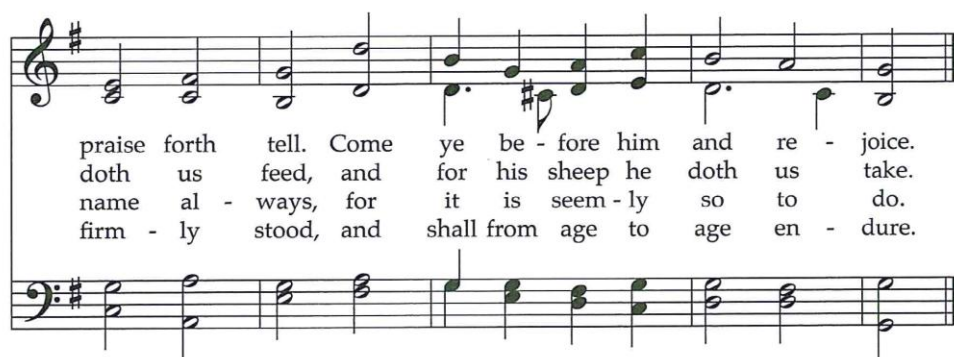
(Psalm 100)



1 All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, sing to the
 2 Know that the Lord is God in - deed; with - out our
 3 O en - ter then his gates with praise; ap - proach with
 4 For why? The Lord our God is good; his mer - cy



Lord with cheer - ful voice; him serve with mirth, his
 aid he did us make; we are his folk; he
 joy his courts un - to; praise, laud, and bless his
 is for - ev - er sure; his truth at all times



praise forth tell. Come ye be - fore him and re - joice.
 doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.
 name al - ways, for it is seem - ly so to do.
 firm - ly stood, and shall from age to age en - dure.

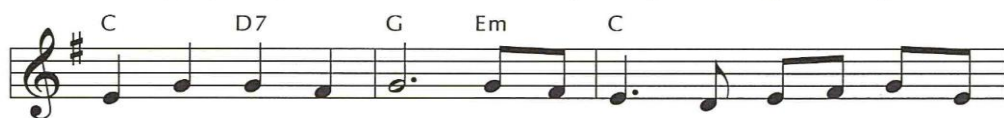
488 I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry



1 "I was there to hear your born - ing cry; I'll be there when
2 "When you heard the won - der of the Word, I was there to
3 "In the mid - dle a - ges of your life, not too old, no



you are old. I re - joiced the day you were bap - tized to
cheer you on. You were raised to praise the liv - ing Lord to
lon - ger young, I'll be there to guide you through the night, com -



see your life un - fold. I was there when you were but a
whom you now be - long. If you find some - one to share your
plete what I've be - gun. When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es



child with a faith to suit you well; in a blaze of
time and you join your hearts as one, I'll be there to
in and you shut your wea - ry eyes, I'll be there as



light you wan - dered off to find where de - mons dwell."
make your vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun."
I have al - ways been with just one more sur - prise."



4 "I was there to hear your born - ing cry; I'll be there when you are old.



I re - joiced the day you were bap - tized to see your life un - fold."

317 In Christ There Is No East or West

1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no
 2 In Christ shall true hearts ev - ery - where their high com -
 3 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what - e'er your
 4 In Christ now meet both east and west; in him meet

south or north, but one great fel - low -
 mu - nion find; his ser - vice is the
 race may be. All chil - dren of the
 south and north. All Christ - ly souls are

ship of love through - out the whole wide earth.
 gold - en cord close - bind - ing hu - man - kind.
 liv - ing God are sure - ly kin to me.
 one in him through - out the whole wide earth.