

You will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. **Acts 2:27**

You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore. **Psalm 16:11**

For you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls. **1 Peter 1:9**

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As Abba God has sent me, so I send you." **John 20:21**

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GATHERING OUR HEARTS

Introit (1x leader, 3x congregation)
Christ is risen, alleluia. Love is risen, alleluia.

Proclamation

In life and death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, whom alone we worship and serve.

Call to Prayer

Lift up your hearts
We lift them up to the Lord

Prayer

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Hymn 236 (v. 1-2)
"The Strife Is O'er"

ENCOUNTERING GRACE

Prayer for Wholeness

There is good in this.
It's like a rainbow. Travel until you get to the gold at the end.
There may be ups and downs, like this time of struggle.
We shall find hope in things we never expected.
We shall not lose faith. We shall strive for the best.
It may take months, it may take a year.
We shall not let ourselves stand on our own way
but shall step aside and allow faith to guide.
We need rain to make a rainbow.
It's ok to be like the rain sometimes, sad.
But remember to look for the sun, and the rainbow.
There is good in this.

+Kyrie eleison (2x)

O Lord, have mercy; O Lord, have mercy;
O Lord, have mercy, have mercy on us.
O Christ, have mercy...

Declaration of Grace & Gratitude

Response (3x)

Passing the Peace

Blessing the World

Malawi, Zambia

Hymn 322 (1x leader, 2x congregation)

"We Are One in Christ Jesus"

First Pew

Welcome and Parish Life

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HEARING THE WORD

Reading

Interlude

Lesson

John 20:19-28 (*The Message* translation)

Sermon

"What the Wounds Would Say"

Hymn 792

"There Is a Balm in Gilead"

SERVING THE WORLD

Prayer for Others

Offering Our Gifts

Offertory

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Acclamation

With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God
in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Response (2x)

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis deo.
Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia.

Charge and Benediction

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Postlude

Stop treating your pain like
it's something you imagined.
If you see the wound is real,
then you can heal it.

Leigh Bardugo

When a wound's that deep,
it's the healing that hurts.

Erin Stewart

Give it air & let the scar on
your soul reveal itself, be-
cause, like the body, it too
was made to heal itself.

Curtis Tyrone Jones

Out of the wound new joy
will start. **Sara Teasdale**

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Gusti & Christopher

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Sun 19 • Second Sunday of Easter

11:00 a.m. Service of Worship via Facebook Live!
12:30 p.m. More Light meeting via Zoom
3:00 p.m. Immigration & Refugee Support committee via Zoom

Tue 21

7:00 p.m. Teach the Preacher via Zoom

Sun 26 • Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14a, 22-32; Psalm 16; 1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31
9:30 a.m. Sunday Seminar via Zoom
11:00 a.m. Service of Worship via Facebook Live!

ALL GATHERINGS IN THE CHURCH BUILDING have been suspended through April 30. Please contact the church office if your Committee or Team is planning to meet electronically.

SUNDAY WORSHIP IN COMING WEEKS will be live streamed via the SPC Facebook group—just click on <https://www.facebook.com/groups/spcworks> and wait for the “live stream” box to appear—Sunday @ 11.

MORE LIGHT virtual meeting via Zoom. **Sunday, April 19, 12:30 p.m.** All are welcome to attend. Input needed for a special activity this spring in lieu of Pride.

TEACH THE PREACHER 7:00-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays via Zoom. (contact the office on how to join) Join Pastor Gusti for discussion of the readings for the following Sunday’s service.

SUNDAY SEMINAR conversations on “*Race, Privilege and Faith*” will resume on **April 26, 9:30 a.m.** via Zoom. We will begin with a light review session on material covered in Chapters 1-5 of Jennifer Harvey’s book: *Dear White Christians: For Those Still Longing for Racial Reconciliation*. (Please revisit those chapters before we gather!) We will also discuss whether Sunday morning is actually the best time for these conversations to take place. More details to follow.

IN SUPPORT OF THOSE LOSING THEIR INCOME

due to the novel coronavirus, the session encouraged those who are able to make a donation to the Pastor Discretionary Fund. You may write a check or give online and list “pastor discretionary” in the memo line.

ANY PARISHIONERS IN FINANCIAL DISTRESS as a result of the novel coronavirus are encouraged to reach out to Pastor Gusti at 518/390-3929 or gusti@shepherdstownpresbyterian.org

ENGAGED COMPASSION AT SPC DURING CORONAVIRUS. If you are a senior citizen, live alone with a chronic illness or others with underlying health issues, SPC has enlisted a number of younger members to help with grocery shopping, prescription pickup or to run other necessary errands. Contact Cari Simon, at 301-401-3004 or cfhosimon@gmail.com and she will match you with a volunteer. Please spread the word to our SPC family who don’t have access to email.

EASTER OFFERING OGHs (One Great Hour of Sharing) will be shared: 50% to humanitarian ministries of the PCUSA (hunger relief, disaster assistance, self-development of people projects), 25% to Jefferson County Community Ministries (JCCM), and 25% to Good Shepherd. Please convert fishbox coins to a check and mail to SPC memo: OGHs or give online at www.shepherdstownpresbyterian.org. Donations will be collected through the end of April.

Eastertide
Second Sunday

April 19, 2020
11:00 a.m.

What the Wounds Would Say

I want what you want—
which is resurrection
redemption—
the soul body whole
and a gardener to set you free
on Easter morning with lilies and tulips
and white linen dresses with baby pink sandals.

But not without my beauty marks.
Do not excise me with laser beam
to tombs whose stones seal tight, unbound.

Don’t banish me. Don’t run away,
for I belong,
set free with you.
I have been with you all these years.
Your faithful friend, your loving tomb.

I *am* you,
no longer.

Together in holy embrace.

We know one another as intimate friends
and simply cannot be worn apart.
I am who you show to a special, special few.
I am how you know who you trust.

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