They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat.

Revelation 7:16

This poor soul cried, and was heard by the LORD, and was saved from every trouble.

Psalm 34:6

Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed.

1 John 3:2a

Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. **Matthew 5:4** 

#### Preacher

Rev. Gusti Linnea Newquist

### **Technology Crew**

Eli Dillow Bill Howard Mike Murdock Pete Spreen

#### Assistants

Hazel Hitt Noble Welgan William Gibb

# Accompanist

Pat Dick

#### **Song Leaders**

Linda Kelso Bill Rule

#### THE FONT OF IDENTITY

#### +Introit (2x)

Precious Lord, take my hand; lead me on, help me stand; I am tired, I am weak, I am worn. Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light; take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near; when my life is almost gone, hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall; take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

#### **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 326** (v. 1, 2) "For All the Saints"

## **Prayer for Wholeness**

O God, who gave us birth,
you are ever more ready to hear than we are to pray.
You know our needs before we ask,
and our ignorance in asking.
Show us now your grace,
that as we face the mystery of death
we may see the light of eternity.
Amen.

#### Declaration of Grace & Gratitude

**Passing the Peace** 

**Blessing the World** Liberia, Sierra Leone

#### First Pew

Welcome and Parish Life

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THE WORD OF HOPE

Reading

Interlude

"Pass It On" Kurt Kaiser/arr. Fred Bock

Lesson

Revelation 7:9-17

Sermon

"A Cloud of COVID Witnesses"

**Hymn 326** (v. 3-4) "For All the Saints"

#### THE BREAD OF LIFE

**Memorial Moment** 

**Eucharistic Prayer** 

Communion Response Hymn 819 (v. 2-3) "Be Still, My Soul"

**Offering Our Gifts** 

## Offertory

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" Attributed to Martin Luther/arr. Fred Bock

#### Credo

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.

# **Charge and Benediction**

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**Sending Hymn 833** (v. 1, 3) "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go"

If we can't face death, we'll never overcome it. You have to look it straight in the eye. Then you can turn around and walk back out into the light.

Maya Lin

That is the ultimate power, to stare death in the face and be unafraid.

Orson Scott Card

You only live twice. Once when you are born and once when you look death in the face. Ian Fleming

In the night of death, hope sees a star, and listening love can hear the rustle of a wing.

**Robert Green Ingersoll** 

Flowers placed by the Price family fund

+Hymns

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### Sunday 1 • All Saints Sunday • Clocks Go Back One Hour

- 9:30 a.m. Coffee Talk with Pastor Gusti via Zoom
- 11:00 a.m. Service of Worship and Communion via Facebook Live!
- 12:30 p.m. More Light Rainbow Rally via Zoom
- 5:00 p.m. Community Dinner at Zion Episopal Church, Charles Town

## **Tuesday 3 • Election Day**

10:30 a.m. Administrative staff meeting via Zoom

### Wednesday 4

7:00 p.m. Taizé in song and silence followed by Election Reflections (see below)

### Thursday 5

10:00 a.m. Presbyterian Women via Zoom. Ch. 3 & 4 in the book So You Want To Talk About Race.

### Saturday 7

10:00 a.m. Deacon meeting via Zoom

## Sunday 8 • 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Joshua 24:1–3a, 14–25; Psalm 78:1–7; 1 Thessalonians 4:13–18 1; Matthew 25:1–13

9:30 a.m. Sunday Seminar via Zoom

11:00 a.m. Service of Worship via Facebook Live!

MORE LIGHT GROUP supporting LGBTQIA+ in faith, life, and love. Join the Rainbow Rally: Thanksgiving and beyond on Nov. 1, 12:30 p.m. E-mail morelightspc@gmail.com for the Zoom link. Agenda: Holiday planning, EPYA update, Sunday Tea Dance plus working on the More Light online calendar.

**COMMUNITY MEAL on Nov. 1**. Until further notice, meals will consist of "to-go" boxes for our friends in need. This month's specialty will be chili and cornbread with side salads, fruit, snacks and drinks. Donations should be at SPC by 3:15 that Sunday.

**ELECTION REFLECTIONS**, following the Taizé service. Pastor Gusti will lead a time of prayerful reflection in the aftermath of election season.

**SUNDAY SEMINARS** are exploring the book *So You Want To Talk About Race* by Ijeoma Oluo. **Sundays at** 

**9:30 a.m. via Zoom**. Next gathering will be **Sunday**, **November 8**, Chapters 13-15: Fighting Racial Oppression: Understanding Anger, the Model Minority Myth, Tone Policing.

#### ALL GATHERINGS IN THE CHURCH BUILD-

**ING** have been suspended until November 30. Please contact the church <u>office@shepherdstownpresbyterian.</u> <u>org</u> if your committee or team is planning to meet electronically so we can add it to notices and calendar.

PLEDGE FORMS have been mailed to the congregation. If you did not receive your form, contact the church office, office@shepherdstownpresbyterian.org. This year in addition to mailing your pledge, you have the option to send your pledge on-line. Contact the office on how to pledge on-line.

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All Saints Day
All Saints Sunday
November 1, 2020
11:00 a.m.

# In the Time of Plague

Death too wears a mask.

But consider, there may well be good
In our misfortune if we can find it. It is
Hidden in the darkness of our fear.

But discover it and see that it is hope
And more; it is the gift of opportunity.

We have the rare chance to prevail,
To pose a resolution for world renewal.

We can be better than we have ever been.

# N. Scott Momaday

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