



# Silver Spring Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, February 8, 2026

5th Sunday after Epiphany, 9:00 am

Please silence your cell phone.

## GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

+WELCOME

Rev. Lisa Chase

MINUTE FOR MISSION

"Feed My Starving Children"

Fred Shatto

MUSIC FOR ADORATION

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

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+\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Lucy Vaughan

L: The Lord calls his disciples to a higher righteousness,

P: **The Lord calls us to be bold in sharing the Good News.**

L: Jesus calls us to be the salt of the earth and light of the world,

P: **He shows us the way of justice and righteousness,**

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

**ALL: Let us worship God!**

+\*HYMN #459

"O Word of God Incarnate"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Lucy Vaughan

Merciful God, in Christ you call us to be salt and light, but we are overwhelmed by the brokenness and faithlessness of the world. Forgive us when we allow our sense of helplessness to keep us from the holy work of proclaiming the values of your Kingdom in word and deed. Remind us that we have more power than we know to proclaim your Good News and reassure us that the world is more ready than we assume to embrace it. Free us from fear and stir our hearts to greater faith and courage so that we might be Jesus' more faithful disciples. In his 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

Lucy Vaughan

L: Hear the good news! Though we are all sinners Christ Jesus died for us.  
Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone and a  
new life has begun. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

All: Hallelujah and amen! Thanks be to God!

+\*RESPONSE TO PARDON #59

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; God’s mercies never come to  
an end. They are new every morning, new every morning; great is your  
faithfulness, O Lord, great is your faithfulness!

+\* PASSING THE PEACE

Lucy Vaughan

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. Chase

FIRST READING

Micah 6:1-8

Lucy Vaughan

SECOND READING

Matthew 5:13-20

Rev. Dr. Don Wahlig

SERMON

“The Life of Discipleship,  
Part 2: The Light and the Law”

Rev. Dr. Wahlig

ANTHEM

“By Your Mercy”  
Sanctuary Choir

Courtney

# RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

Austin Shoop

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Austin Shoop

\*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 #719

["Come Labor On"](#)

\*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.**

Please remain seated here in the Meeting House at the conclusion of worship to make sure that we have a quorum for the Annual Congregational Meeting.  
Thank you.

*\*Please rise in body and/or spirit*

*+Latecomers will be seated*



The chancel flowers are given by Joel and Jan Dietrick  
dedicated to the glory of God.

The window flowers are given by Arlene Edmunds  
in honor of SSPC's pastors and staff.

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:** Lucy Vaughan

**Deacon Servers:** Christa Lenk and Sarah Neville

**Downtown Daily Bread February 13th:** John Swan and Jo Day

## **WEEKLY SSPC ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 8, 2026**

### **Annual Meeting**

The Session has called the Annual Meeting of the Congregation for today, February 8th at the conclusion of the 9:00 am worship service in the Meeting House.

### **Sympathy**

We extend our prayers and sympathy to Bob Sloane for the passing of his dear wife, Ada. Please keep Bob, their daughters, Lenor Hersey, Ada's sister, and other family members in your thoughts and prayers.

### **Blood Pressure Sunday**

Come to Room 201 this week to have your pressure checked between 10:00 - 10:45 am.

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

We will not meet this week due to the Congregational Meeting.

### **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 10:15-10:50 am, Room 108:**

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

### **The Intergenerational Choir**

We will practice today, February 8th. 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!

### **Circle Rebekah - Thursday, February 12th**

Join us Thursday, Feb 12 with Bible Study from 1:00 – 2:00 in Room 204, led by Claudia Brown. Topic: Finding our joy in Christ. Prior to the lesson, we have fellowship time. Bring your sack lunch to the Parlor between noon and 12:15. Tracy Bryan will provide a dessert at 12:30. Please join us in person OR join remotely via Zoom. For the Zoom link or a phone dial-in number, contact Emily Krebs, 717-805-5778 or bekrebs@verizon.net

### **Fellowship Valentine Reception - Sunday, February 15th**

Your fun-loving Fellowship Committee will be hosting a Valentine Reception featuring chocolates between the two worship services. Make sure to stop in the Gathering Place for a sweet treat with coffee and conversation.

### **Lunch Bunch Outing – Thursday February 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:30**

Please join us for an enjoyable lunch at Brothers Family Diner, 705 Gettysburg Pike in Mechanicsburg. A sign-up sheet is in the Gathering Place. All are welcome.

### **Monday Bible Study - February 9th**

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!

### **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.

### **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.

## **MEAL WITH A MISSION - FEBRUARY 25th**

The next Meal with a Mission is Wednesday, February 25th. We will begin with a simple supper at 5:30 in the Fellowship Hall, and then we will assemble School Activity Kits for Mission Central in Mechanicsburg. Needed items are listed below and collection bins are in the Gathering Place and gym hallway.

The list of needed items is:

- Scissors -Child-sized, round or pointed tips
- Paper – 8.5"x11" spiral or top bound notebook, Composition notebook, loose leaf paper inside 2-pocket folder
- Pencil Sharpener - Any size
- Ruler - Metal, wooden, or plastic (must include inches AND centimeters)
- Pencils - Any color, sharpened or not; mechanical pencils are OK
- Pens - New pens with blue or black ink only
- Eraser - Any color or size
- Coloring – crayons, markers, colored pencils
- Bag - Cloth or 2-gallon plastic

Please sign up on the sheet in the Gathering Place or online on Realm.

## **Feed My Starving Children**

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN (FMSC) is a Christian non-profit organization committed to feeding God's starving children. 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](mailto: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

## **New Hope Ministries**

The following items are needed this month: pasta noodles (anything EXCEPT spaghetti), pasta sauce, and dish detergent. Items can be placed in the bin outside the Chapel. Thank you very much!

**Cancellations:**

In case of inclement weather, check our website at [www.silverspring.org](http://www.silverspring.org) for updates on cancellations or schedule changes.

**Earth Care - Can black plastic be recycled?**

White and clear plastic is most valuable because it can be made into colors. Black plastic can only be recycled into black plastic which makes the value of a batch less. Optical sorting machines cannot detect black, so these need to be sorted by hand; thus the cost goes up.

**CORE Youth**

Due to the Super Bowl, there will be Core this Sunday afternoon from 3 PM - 5 PM. We will continue working on our Youth Sunday production. We will return to regular Core timing next Sunday. I'll see you at 3 PM! – Austin

**Prayers of healing and comfort:**

Kris Carpinello's parents, the Arbogasts, Gail Bumsted, Roxanne Dagino, Margaret Glockner, Betty Hawk, Ron Kutz, Judy La Pointe, Jan Maurer, Pat Miller, Betsy Neilson, Kathy Rutledge, Chris Sebring, Jonathan Service, Scott Vaughan

**Prayers for sympathy:** Bob Sloane and his family; Charlie Dagino for the death of his mother; Randall Chase and family

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

**Thank You**

I wish to thank my church members who joined American Legion Post 109 Mechanicsburg. Our membership now includes 12 veterans from Silver Spring Presbyterian Church. I can't describe my personal feelings for your commitment to our programs, some of which are children and youth, scouting, scholarships, sports, Toys for Tots, emergency fund, disasters, St. Jude's Children's Hospital, homeless vets, meals, wounded warrior, and the list goes on. You make a difference. Thanks again. In God we trust, Past Commander Chaplain Elizabeth Hall-Bentzel

I want to thank everyone for all your prayers, well-wishes and cards. I really appreciate them all.

Thank you, Christa Lenk

## ATTENDANCE

January 25	February 1
SNOW DAY	9 am Traditional – 120    YouTube - 92
	11 am Gathering – 43    YouTube - 37
	Sunday School - 44

## 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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# 459 O Word of God Incarnate




1 O Word of God in - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,  
 2 The church from you, dear Sav - ior, re - ceived this gift di - vine;  
 3 O make your church, dear Sav - ior, a lamp of pur - est gold



O Truth un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky:  
 and still that light is lift - ed on all the earth to shine.  
 to bear be - fore the na - tions your true light, as of old;



we praise you for the ra - diance that from the hal - lowed page,  
 It is the chart and com - pass that, all life's voy - age through,  
 O teach your wan - dering pil - grims by this our path to trace,



a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.  
 a - mid the rocks and quick - sands still guides, O Christ, to you.  
 till, clouds and storms thus end - ed, we see you face to face.

## Come, Labor On

Capo 1: (G) (C) (G) (Em) (C) (G) (C) (D) (G)  
 A<sup>b</sup> D<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup> Fm D<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup> D<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup>



- 1 Come, la-bor on. Who dares stand i - dle on the har - vest plain  
 2 Come, la-bor on. Claim the high call - ing an - gels can - not share;  
 3 Come, la-bor on. Cast off all gloom - y doubt and faith - less fear!  
 4 Come, la-bor on. No time for rest, till glows the west - ern sky,

(Em) (B7) (Em) (B) (Em) (C) (D)  
 Fm C7 Fm C Fm D<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup>



while all a - round us waves the gold - en grain? And to each  
 to young and old the gos - pel glad - ness bear. Re - deem the  
 No arm so weak but may do ser - vice here. Though fee - ble  
 till the long shad - ows o'er our path - way lie, and a glad

(G) (Em) (C) (G) (Am) (D7) (G)  
 A<sup>b</sup> Fm D<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup>m E<sup>b</sup>7 A<sup>b</sup>



ser - vant does the Mas - ter say, "Go work to - day."  
 time; its hours too swift - ly fly. The night draws nigh.  
 a - gents, may we all ful - fill God's righ - teous will.  
 sound comes with the set - ting sun, "Well done, well done!"