

SHORE HARVEST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Glorifying God by equipping all people to
know Him better, *love* Him more, and *worship* Him always

WELCOME

TO SHORE HARVEST

*We hope that you will be blessed
by worshipping the Lord with us!*

Shore Harvest Church wants to bring the Word of God alive in your life. We seek this goal through preaching that explains and applies God's word and a full spectrum of Christ-centered, Bible-based ministries for the whole family. To learn more about us and our ministries you can ask a pastor, elder or visit shoreharvest.org. We hope you will worship the risen Jesus with us again soon!

Nursery: Family worship is welcomed. Our nursery is equipped with a closed-circuit television feed from the sanctuary, and is available to parents during the worship service. The nursery is lovingly staffed as needed during Sunday School. (Room 127—down the hall, behind the women's restroom.)

A Comfort Room for parents and young children is available at the right-rear of the sanctuary.

Attendance Register can be found on the end of each pew. We would appreciate a record of your attendance. Thank you.

*To him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus
throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.*

Ephesians 3:21 (ESV)

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PREPARATION PRAISE

Sing with us as we prepare for worship by praising God and learning new songs.

“Only A Holy God”

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven?
Who else could make every king bow down?
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles?
Only a Holy God

What other beauty demands such praises?
What other splendour outshines the sun?
What other majesty rules with justice?
Only a Holy God

Come and behold Him
The One and the Only
Cry out, sing holy
Forever a Holy God

What other glory consumes like fire?
What other power can raise the dead?
What other name remains undefeated?
Only a Holy God

“Benediction,” Hymnal #438

May the peace of God our Heav’nly Father,
and the grace of Christ the risen Son.
And the fellowship of God the Spirit
Keep our hearts and minds within His love.

Chorus:

And to Him be praise of His glorious reign,
From the depths of earth to the heights of heav’n;
We declare the name of the Lamb once slain,
Christ eternal, the King of kings!

Come and behold Him
The One and the Only
Cry out, sing holy
Forever a Holy God
Come and worship the Holy God

Who else could rescue me from my falling?
Who else would offer His only Son?
Who else invites me to call Him Father?
Only a Holy God
Only my Holy God

Come and behold Him
The One and the Only
Cry out, sing holy
Forever a Holy God
Come and worship the Holy God (2x)

Come and worship the Holy God

Words and Music: Michael Farren, Rich Thompson, Dustin Smith, Jonny Robinson
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May this peace which passes understanding,
And this grace which makes us what we are,
And this fellowship of His communion
make us one in spirit and in heart. **Chorus**

Words and Music: Keith Getty, Stuart Townend; Ruth Coleman. CCLI #228706

THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD, April 21, 2024

Welcome and Announcements

Transition to Worship

Worship is the exaltation of God. Prepare yourself to worship. This prayer, made silently, may help.

Created to love, made to adore—You have formed me for worship. Yet in my fallenness it is often not You toward whom I turn. Help me this morning, please. Take my attention of the things of this world, off myself, off my money or job or possessions or pride. Let me worship and adore You this morning—in purity and with passion. And so let me walk away a changed person. Amen.

† Call to Worship

Please read responsively.

*“Be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms.”
Ephesians 5:18b-19a*

Psalm 15 (ESV)

Please read responsively

**People: O LORD, who shall sojourn in your tent?
Who shall dwell on your holy hill?**

Minister: He who walks blamelessly and does what is right
and speaks truth in his heart;
Who does not slander with his tongue
and does no evil to his neighbor,
nor takes up a reproach against his friend;
In whose eyes a vile person is despised,
but who honors those who fear the LORD;
Who swears to his own hurt and does not change;
Who does not put out his money at interest
and does not take a bribe against the innocent.

People: He who does these things shall never be moved.

† Invocation

In this prayer we invoke God's presence, asking Him to keep His covenant promise to be among His gathered people.

†Please stand if you are able.

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“O Worship the King”

O worship the King, all glorious above,
And gratefully sing His wonderful love;
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space!
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

Thy bountiful care what tongues can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail;
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end;
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

Hymnal #135

† Hymn

Sing joyously the praises of God.

A song is not a “hymn” because it is played in a particular style, or on a certain instrument, nor is it found only in a book. A “hymn” is any song of praise.

Songs are not selected for our liking, but for God’s. Yet they are an expression of our admiration. Thus, we seek to sing a variety of musical styles so that every worshipper might find a fitting expression of their love for God.

Words: Robert Grant; Music: Johann Michael Haydn in William Gardner’s Sacred Melodies; Keith Christopher. CCLI# 228706

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Old Testament Reading

*"ALL Scripture is
breathed out by God and
profitable." (2 Tim 3:16)*

Zechariah 8:14a, 16-19 (ESV)

¹⁴ For thus says the Lord of hosts, ¹⁶ "These are the things that you shall do: Speak the truth to one another; render in your gates judgments that are true and make for peace; ¹⁷ do not devise evil in your hearts against one another, and love no false oath, for all these things I hate, declares the LORD." ¹⁸ And the word of the LORD of hosts came to me, saying, ¹⁹ "Thus says the LORD of hosts: The fast of the fourth month and the fast of the fifth and the fast of the seventh and the fast of the tenth shall be to the house of Judah seasons of joy and gladness and cheerful feasts. Therefore love truth and peace."

New Testament Reading

*"Devote yourself to the
public reading of
Scripture, to preaching,
to teaching." (1 Tim 4:13)*

John 4:23-24 (ESV)

²³ "But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. ²⁴ God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth."

Isaiah 40:7b-8

People: Surely the people are grass.
Minister: The grass withers, the flower fades,
People: but the word of our God will stand forever.

[†]Please stand if you are able.

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All: Dearest Jesus, you are the truth—the embodiment of reality, the incarnation of certainty, the one who “is the same yesterday, today, and forever.” And so there are no new truths, only truths new to me. Therefore, let me be content to learn the eternal realities I do not know, but keep me from pursuing spiritual things never known by anyone. Give me the humility to accept that on my own I may not know the difference and the grace to subject every belief I hold to the microscope of your word as interpreted and applied by the elders You ordain, the undershepherds You appointed for my spiritual well-being. Lord Jesus, my pride struggles with this because I may have to—*will* have to—admit being wrong. Help me accept this. Remind me that I am merely human and not God. Jesus, You alone are both. So I ask for Your help. You understand my human weakness. And You have the divine power I need. Keep me from being “led away by diverse and strange teaching,” for the sake of Your glory. Amen.

Confession of Sin and Weakness

Having heard God speak, it is appropriate to respond to Him, admitting we do not, and cannot, keep His word.

2 Corinthians 12:9a (ESV)

But [the Lord] said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.”

Assurance of Grace

Having confessed our sin and weakness, hear now the hope of forgiveness and grace found in God’s Word.

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† Hymn

*Sing joyously the praises
of God.*

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Hymnal #86

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 forever wilt be.

Chorus:

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!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. *Chorus*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside! *Chorus*

Words: Thomas O. Chisholm;
Music: William M. Runyan.
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Congregational Prayer

*God directs us to bring to
Him the concerns of our
lives. If you have need of
prayer, please let one of
the elders know.*

Specific prayer requests are found near the end of this bulletin. We encourage you to pray for those needs throughout the week.

†Please stand if you are able.

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“How Firm a Foundation”

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
What more can He say than to you He hath said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

“Fear not! I am with thee; O be not dismayed,
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I’ll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

“When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
My grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply;
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

“The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I’ll never, no never, no never forsake!”

Hymnal #364

Offering

*As gifts show affection
for a loved one, so an
offering shows affection
for God.*

Offertory Prayer

† Song of Preparation

*“Hymns” are praises. We
are also commanded to
employ “spiritual
songs” (Col 3:16) to
teach and admonish one
another in faith and
living. This song is a
prayer that we hear God
speak His word into our
lives. “The preaching of
the word of God is the
word of God.” (Second
Helvetic Confession)*

Words: John Rippon’s Selection of
Hymns; Music: Joseph Funk’s
Genuine Church Music; Dave
Williamson. CCLI# 228706

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Sermon Text Hebrews 13:8-15 (ESV)

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Sermon
Listening places importance on the words of another. Thus, listening to God's word preached exalts Him and is an act of worship.

"Our Confession Holds Fast"

Hold Fast Our Confession, #28

† Hymn of Response
Use this hymn to reflect upon the sermon's message and to thank God for His word.

"The Solid Rock"

Hymn #381

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Chorus:

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness seems to hide His face,
I rest on His unchanging grace;
In ev'ry high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil. **Chorus**

His oath His covenant, His blood,
Support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay. **Chorus**

When he shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh, may I then in him be found;
Dressed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne. **Chorus**

Words: Edward Mote;
Music: William B. Bradbury;
Robert Sterling. CCLI# 228706

†Please stand if you are able.

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

† **Benediction**

A closing "good word" from God. Like a hug after a father's rebuke, it reminds us that even if His word convicted us, it is only because He loves us as His children.

† **Doxology**

We close with the sung acknowledgement that God deserves our praise and the praise of every creature, everywhere.

RESPONDING TO GOD

**The Gospel
As Found in
John 3:16**

“For God so loved the world...” God’s love is so remarkable because He loves us not for who we are, but in spite of who we are. Difficult words --- lies, selfishness, and more; we are guilty of all of these and so much more. No matter what we’ve done, God still loves us.

As sinners who have broken God’s commandments, we deserve His anger rather than his love. But God loves us so much that instead of turning His back on us, He turns His face toward us, by seeing us, His children, through His Son; whom He sent as our Saviour over two thousand years ago. His love provided this gift that only He could give.

“...that He gave his only Son...” The gift given, is God’s Son—Jesus Christ. Because we have sinned, we deserve to die and be separated from God forever. But God gave His Son to take our punishment, to serve our deserved penalty. Jesus Christ is God’s own son. He is perfect. Christ is our substitute. On a cross two thousand years ago, He died for our sins. As God, Jesus came back to life, proving He had conquered sin and death once and for all.

“...that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.” Jesus did not mean “whoever goes to church, is baptized, helps the poor, or tries to live a good life.” Whoever is not the wealthy, the good neighbor, the downtrodden, the officer at church, the volunteer at the Food Pantry, or the struggling single parent—“Whoever” is every single person who believes in faith that Jesus is the Son of God and puts their trust in Him. Amazingly, that faith to believe comes also as a gift, by God’s grace. (Eph 2:8-10). Given to, not earned by, the recipients of that Grace.

Following Up

To learn more about this gospel, or anything in this service, or to receive special prayer or help, you can contact Pastor Shaw (410-620-8056, scott.shaw@shoreharvest.org) or any other elder (names on back; contact info in directory).

*Please stand if you are able.

LISTENING TO GOD

I. What Does Not Change (8-9)


Sermon Notes
“Our Confession Holds
Fast”
Hebrews 13:8-15 (ESV)

II. What Changed Everything (10-12)

III. Change! Stability Requires It (13-14)

IV. Remain! Knowledge Demands It (15)

LIFE TOGETHER AT SHORE HARVEST

Worship	<p>THE ELDER PRAYING TODAY is Conrad Judy.</p> <p>THE SCRIPTURE READERS TODAY are Conrad and Kathy Judy.</p> <p>GUITARIST TODAY is Matthew Bair.</p> <p>PREPARATION PRAISE TODAY was led by Rebecca Shaw.</p> <p>PLEASE RECORD YOUR ATTENDANCE on the registers found at the end of each pew.</p> <p>THE LORD'S SUPPER will be served next Sunday, May 5. Please prepare your heart to receive the sacrament.</p> <p>THE DEACON'S FUND is a special collection on communion Sundays for requests for financial assistance from within the Shore Harvest community. A collection plate will be at the rear of sanctuary following the worship service next Sunday, May 5.</p> <p>HEAVEN will be a new sermon series running May 19—June 30. Don't miss it!</p> <p>HAVE A SONG SUGGESTION? We would love to sing some of your favorites this summer. Please let us know what you want to sing. Tell a Praise Team member or email lee.goon@shoreharvest.org. <small>(Now read this really fast, like a radio legal disclaimer: All song submissions will be evaluated for doctrinal content compatibility with our praise team's abilities and general singability.)</small></p>
Ministry	<p>SUNDAY SCHOOL is most Sundays, 9:00-9:40 am. All are encouraged to attend.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Children (through 6th grade) are learning the Old Testament with Mrs. Shaw (RM 129).• Teens and Adults are studying <i>Isaiah the Evangelist</i> with Pastor Shaw (Poehlman Hall). <p> DIP YOUR TOE IN! Men's Bible Study is beginning a new, short study of <i>The Abolition of Man</i> (by C. S. Lewis), May 6, 20, & June 3. Check us out without a big commitment. Easton Panera, 6:15 pm. See Pastor Shaw for more.</p>

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CHURCH-WIDE POTLUCK LUNCHEON Sunday, May 5, after the worship service. A sign up is on the table in the lobby if you can bring a main dish, side or dessert. All are welcome to join us for lunch whether you can bring a food item or not.

CHOICES PREGNANCY CENTER Annual Walk for Life, Saturday, June 1, 2024. More details will follow. Questions? see Sharon Ward at church, call 443-988-9477, or email sward307@hotmail.com. Please consider supporting this important ministry.

KEN GOON, LORI HUTCHISON, WANDA MIXON, TOM AND JULIE POEHLMAN— ongoing health concerns.

BETTE WEBB asks for us to pray for God to remove the cancer.

CHURCH LEADER: Elder, Conrad Judy.

PRAYER REQUEST CARDS, in the pew racks, can be put in the offering plate.

Fellowship

Prayer

Over and Above: Phase 2!



Shore Harvest has opened Phase Two of our "Over & Above" campaign to raise funds to continue repairing our roof. Our goal this time is \$2,000 to purchase the materials to seal the areas that are leaking. Please consider giving to this project. Should you do so, please mark on your check the notes section of the online giving portal that your gift is for the "Over & Above: Phase 2" fund. Thank you.

We praise God and thank all of you for helping us achieve our goal so quickly. The blessing Moses enjoyed has been ours as well: "The people bring much more than enough for doing the work that the LORD has commanded us to do." Exodus 36:5

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WORSHIP

Every Sunday, 10:00 am

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Most Sundays, 9:00 am in Poehlman Fellowship Hall

(Between Labor Day and Memorial Day)

BIBLE STUDIES

Men's Bible Study meets (most) 1st and 3rd Mondays, 6:30 pm, Location in Announcements.

Women's Bible Study meets (most) 1st and 3rd Mondays, 6:30 pm in Poehlman Fellowship Hall

Or, (most) Thursdays of that same week, 10:00 am in Poehlman Fellowship Hall

ELDERS

Matt Bair, Ken Goon, Conrad Judy

Rev. Scott Shaw, Pastor; Rev. Tom Poehlman, Assistant Pastor

Elders meet in Session the fourth Monday of the month, 6:00 pm, at the church.

DEACONS

Charles Eggleston, Wyatt Kessler, John Mixon, Brad Sears

Deacons' meetings will be announced in the bulletin.

STAFF

Lee Goon, Church Secretary

The best time to catch us in the office is Thursday mornings.

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Obedient to the Great Commission of Jesus Christ"

