



Silver Spring Presbyterian Church

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October 25, 2020
Reformation Sunday

WELCOME

Rev. Jane Anabe

MUSIC FOR ADORATION

“Shall We Gather at the River”

Lowry

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Amy Meadows

L: Jesus gives us the Great Commandment:

ALL: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your strength and all your mind. And you shall love your neighbor as yourself.

L: On these two commandments hang all the law and all the prophets.

P: Drawn by love, we come, to offer our whole selves in Christ’s service.

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

P: Let us worship God!

PRAISE SONG

“Open Up the Heavens”

Verse 1

We've waited for this day, we're gathered in Your name,
Calling out to You
Your glory like a fire, awakening desire
Will burn our hearts with truth
You're the reason we're here
You're the reason we're singing

Chorus

Open up the heavens, we want to see You
open up the floodgates, the mighty river
Flowing from Your heart and filling
Every part of our praise

Verse 2

Your presence in this place, Your glory on our face,
We're looking to the sky
Descending like a cloud, You're standing with us
now, Lord, unveil our eyes

Chorus

Open up the heavens, we want to see You
open up the floodgates, the mighty river
Flowing from Your heart and filling
Every part of our praise

Bridge

Show us, show us Your glory, show us
Show us Your power
show us, show us Your glory, Lord
Show us, show us Your glory, show us
Show us Your power
Show us, show us Your glory, Lord

We want to see You, we want to see You

Chorus

Open up the heavens, we want to see You
open up the floodgates, the mighty river
Flowing from Your heart and filling
Every part of our praise
(2 times)

Show us, show us Your glory, show us
Show us Your power
Show us, show us Your glory, Lord

Ending

Show us, show us Your glory, show us
Show us Your power
Show us, show us Your glory, Lord

Gracious God, Jesus commands us to love you with our whole being, and our neighbor as ourselves. These words dwell in our hearts and rest on our lips. And, yet, we are slow to act upon them. When we encounter neighbors in need we are quick to pass judgment, even though love demands empathy. We see your children suffering, but we are too busy or too tired to respond, even though love demands compassion. We see unjust systems that strip others of dignity and well-being, but we give in to the myth that we are powerless to effect change, even though love demands action. Forgive us, we pray, for whenever we do not treat our neighbors as we ourselves would hope to be treated, we do not love you fully. Forgive us, Lord. Transform our hearts, restore our souls, and renew our minds, so that we might be faithful to your commandments.
(Continue in silent confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON *(From Martin Luther’s commentary on Galatians 1:4)*

Amy Meadows

L: How may we obtain remission of our sins? Paul answers:
 “The man who is named Jesus Christ and the Son of God gave himself for our sins.”
 P: **Our sins cannot be put away by our own effort.**
 L: Christ has canceled our sins, for he is the mediator for sin, the giver of grace and life.
 ALL: **Hallelujah - Thanks be to God!**

+*RESPONSE TO PARDON, #62 “Love the Lord Your God” (sing 2x)

62 Love the Lord Your God

Capo 4: (C) (G) (F) (C)
 E B A E

Love the Lord your God with all your heart.

(C) (G) (F) (C)
 E B A E

Love the Lord your God with all your soul.

(F) (Dm7) (Em7) (Am7) (Dm7) (G) (C)
 A F#m7 G#m7 C#m7 F#m7 B E

Love the Lord your God with all your mind.

(F) (Dm7) (Em7) (Am7) (F) (G) (C)
 A F#m7 G#m7 C#m7 A B E

Love the Lord your God with all that you are.

PASSING THE PEACE

Amy Meadows

L: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

P: **And also with you.**

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Rev. Anabe

FIRST READING

Psalm 1

Amy Meadows

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 22:34-46

Rev. Don Wahlig

SERMON

“What Love Demands”

Rev. Wahlig

OFFERING OF OUR 2021 PLEDGE COMMITMENTS

PRAISE SONG

“My Chains Are Gone (Amazing Grace)”

Verse 1

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now I am found
Was blind but now I see

Verse 2

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

Chorus

My chains are gone, I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love amazing grace

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Verse 3

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures

Verse 4

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Wahlig

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

HYMN #137

“He Came Down”

(see words on the next page)

BENEDICTION

Rev. 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.**

POSTLUDE

To view this worship online, go to www.youtube.com and search for Silver Spring Presbyterian Church.

We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.
Soli Deo Gloria

He Came Down

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He came down that we may have love; he
came down that we may have love; he came down that we may
have love; hal - le - lu - jah for - ev - er - more.

Leader: Why did he come?

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It features a treble and bass clef staff. The melody is primarily in the treble clef, with a bass line providing harmonic support. There are several triplet markings (indicated by a '3' over a bracket) in both staves. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with some words aligned with specific notes or rests.

Additional stanzas:

...that we may have light
...that we may have peace
...that we may have joy

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Donald B. Wahlig	Senior Pastor/Head of Staff
Rev. Jane K. Anabe	Associate Pastor
Bryan Corbin	Director of Youth Ministry
Kyle Weary	Director of Music
Tracy Wieseman	Children's Choir Director
Erica Ickes	Organist
Barbara Shoun	Parish Nurse
Kristen McGaffin	Preschool Director
Diane G. Rabold	Business Manager
Priscilla Biller	Office Manager
John Clegg	Custodial Supervisor
Becky Montney	Part-time Custodian



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Seeking to be a grace-filled family of faith sharing Christ's love with all.

Weekly Announcements

Season of Connection and Commitment 2020

This year has been like no other year and certainly each of us has experienced a disruption of our lives at some level. As a congregation we have had a similar disruption, yet we have remained faithful to God and God's mission here at Silver Spring Church. We have learned new ways to connect to each other and to the community. The IT committee sprang into action to learn the technology needed to provide weekly worship services online, and now live-streamed so that no matter how far apart we are physically we can be together in worship. The mission committee organized our efforts so that we could continue to address the needs of our community despite the disruption. We have remained faithful.

The Season of Connection and Commitment is the time of year when we consider how we will continue to grow in faith through our giving to God's mission at Silver Spring Church. We hope that you will start or continue on the road to Tithing (contributing 10% of your income) by increasing your pledge by 1% of your income. For many, making a pledge and contributing is a spiritual practice. We will dedicate our pledges today. If you are unable to attend, you can still dedicate your pledge during the live-stream or when you have a chance view the service. Afterwards, you can send or bring your pledge to the church office. **Please join us October 25th!**

Worship Schedule Update

Move to Indoor Worship beginning November 1

The congregation will move to an indoor blended worship service at 11:00 am in the Meeting House beginning Sunday November 1, 2020. Masks and distancing in family groups based on the green tape markings placed on the floor and pews are required. Music for the service will be provided by the worship band/ singers in the balcony. We request that congregants do not sing in order to keep all safe and healthy. The service will be live-streamed to the chapel for overflow seating and will also be available live online and as a recording on our YouTube channel for those who wish to sing at home!

Children's Choir The Children's Choir has started back up via Zoom Sunday mornings from 9:00 - 9:20 am. Children's Choir is open to all children and Youth ages 4 to 13. Older youth are welcome if they would like to participate! There is an option for parents to attend the 9-9:20 am Zoom or I will be having in person, socially distant practices at 10:40 am outside if the 11 am service is on for the day. We will meet in front of the Meeting House. Please contact Tracy Wieseman if you have a child or children who would like to be involved.

Sympathy

We extend our thoughts and prayers to the Corbin family upon the death of Dave Corbin. Please keep Cindy, Bryan and Sam and their extended family in your thoughts and prayers. A service for Dave is scheduled for Saturday, October 24 with visitation from 9-10:30 am in the Fellowship Hall, and the service at 11:00 am in the Meeting House. There is no luncheon following, other than a private gathering of family. Masks are required and social distancing will be followed.

We also wish to extend our sympathy and prayers to Carol Bogar and her family upon the passing of her mother. Please keep Carol in your thoughts and prayers.

Healthy Exercise - Mondays at the church at 11 am - Join Barbara Shoun, Parish Nurse, as we walk on the paved areas around our campus. We will walk as the weather permits and enjoy the changing colors of our trees.

Zoom Halloween Hoopla event – Sunday, Nov. 1 from 6:30-8:30 pm Get ready for some serious fun for the whole family, hosted by your Fellowship Committee. Lots of fun activities will be planned, and of course an action costume contest where you can act out your character - strut your stuff, do a jig or jump off the couch as superman. Pets can dress up too and join the fun. No reservation or sign-up required.

Thanksgiving Baskets The Deacons have decided not to do the Thanksgiving boxes this year. Due to COVID-19, we felt it would be better to offer gift certificates to individuals or families. This will help them purchase a turkey

or other items they may need for their Thanksgiving dinner. If you know a church member, a family or a neighbor who needs help for food please contact Diana Gray. This information will be kept confidential, so feel free to call or email Diana Gray (717-440-3549 or email Gray6363@gmail.com).

A Health Ministry Presentation - November 9, 7 pm The Health Ministry team is happy to announce a presentation titled "A Plant Based Lifestyle." This topic will be held on Zoom on Nov. 9 at 7 pm. The speaker is Lois DeHart who currently serves as a SSPC deacon. Lois has years of experience with this topic. She and her husband follow this lifestyle and will explain the many health and environmental benefits.

Congregational Check-Ins

During this time of extended difficulty, we know that some will want to join us for in-person worship and other events while others may not be ready or able to do so. This may leave some feeling disconnected, especially as winter approaches. We want to be able to connect with each other and are resuming our practice of checking in on one another. When the pandemic began, perhaps you received occasional phone calls from an Elder or Deacon of SSPC. Now, we are asking anyone who is interested in making phone calls to check-in on other members to please sign-up to do so. If you are interested in taking a few (or several) people and contacting them once a month to check-in, please email Rev. Anabe for the sign-up sheet.

Christmas Eve Family Service

This year's Christmas Eve service designed for families will be online. We will meet in-person outside the Meeting House (with masks and distance) to pre-record scenes, readings, and songs at 3:00 p.m. on November 1, 8, and 15. Anyone who would like to participate in this year's service is encouraged to come on any or all of those dates. Costumes will be provided, or you can bring your own! Don't feel comfortable recording in person? You can record on your own and send it in! Please email Jane if you have questions or would like more information about what is needed for recording on your own. We hope to see many of you at the recording sessions. All ages are encouraged to participate!

Quilt for this year's Fall Faire We are offering this quilt to our church family and friends. Please visit the Chapel to see the quilt and review the bidding sheet. The bidding begins at \$500.00.

New Hope Ministries Food Drive – Nov. 7, 1-3 pm Some of the confirmands and mentors will be staging a drive-thru food collection for New Hope Ministries. All non-perishable food items are acceptable, but of special need are ketchup, mustard, mayo, syrup, pasta sauce, granola bars, juice, sugar, flour, and canned meats such as tuna, chicken, salmon. Any confirmand who would like to help, please call Claudia Brown at 717-737-2014.

Fall Work Day - Saturday, Nov. 14, 8 am to Noon: The Buildings & Grounds Committee invites you to pitch in for Fall Work Day if you are able. This is a great opportunity for all (members and friends) to safely get together as we prepare our church property for the winter season. We would really appreciate YOUR support on this day. Many hands make for a shorter work day. Thank you.

Stephen Ministry During this time of isolation and social distancing, our Stephen Ministry is still on call. We are available to speak with anyone who is struggling and needs to hear a Christ-centered voice on the other end of the telephone. Please call the church office if you have such a need.

Please keep the following members of our church family in your prayers:

Prayers of healing: Walt Pomeroy, Don and Jean Basehore, Nancy Lackey, BJ Lopez

Prayers of sympathy: Cindy, Bryan and Sam Corbin; Susan, Sarah and Ally Neville; Carol Bogar

Prayers for our military members: Justin Ledvina, Josiah Scandle, Wyatt La Pointe, Brandon Johnson

Thank You:

To the very caring members of SSPC, Don and I are so grateful for your prayers, calls, cards of sympathy and continuing recovery. It's been a difficult road Don has been on, with the loss of his brother and lingering health problems. Our church family has buoyed our spirits. and we ask that you keep it up! Virtual hugs to all. Jill Gonser