

## A WORSHIP SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

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January 11, 2026

10:00 a.m.

### WE GATHER IN CHRIST'S NAME

CHIMES (As one body, let us now pause in silence to focus on worship)

PRELUDE "There's a Song in the Air" Wilbur Held

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

INTROIT "Praise God for This Holy Ground" John L. Bell

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

**Leader:** We gather in the presence of the One who said, "I am the light of the world."

**People:** We come to walk in that light and to be shaped by it.

**Leader:** Jesus says to his disciples, "You are the light of the world."

**People:** Not a light of our own making, but light received and shared.

**Leader:** The light of Christ shines in the darkness,

**People:** And the darkness cannot overcome it.

**Leader:** We are called to let that light shine before others,

**People:** So that our lives may point beyond ourselves to God.

**Leader:** Come, let us worship the Giver of light,

**People:** And offer ourselves as vessels of Christ's love for the world. Amen.

\*HYMN "In the Bleak Midwinter" No. 144

CALL TO RENEWAL Heather Reylek

And so we live our lives imperfectly, for we are flawed. But we are also loved by the God in whose Image we were created. Let us remake ourselves toward that Image as we make our confession before God and each other.

PRAYER OF RENEWAL (IN UNISON) Heather Reylek

**God of Light, in Jesus Christ you have shined into the darkness of the world and into the shadows of our own hearts.**

**We confess that we sometimes hide the light you give us, and at other times forget that the light is not our own.**

**Renew us by the light of Christ. Heal what is broken within us. Illuminate our path with truth and grace. Send us out as humble bearers of your love—not as the source of light, but as faithful reflections of Christ for the healing of the world.**

**We pray this as one people, one body, one light, in the name of Jesus Christ, the Light of the world. Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER AND MEDITATION

### GOOD NEWS OF FORGIVENESS

Heather Reylek

God's abundance extends to God's forgiveness. Receive that plenteous gift of grace. Be blessed by God's pardon and be changed by God's favor. **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen!**

### \*GLORIA PATRI

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen and amen.*

### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ, be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us greet each other saying; 'May the peace of Christ be with you.'

OFFERTORY "Pastorale" Mieczyslaw

\*DOXOLOGY *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.*

### WE LISTEN FOR CHRIST'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 5: 14-16

RESPONSE May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart,  
be pleasing in your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer. (Ps. 19:14)  
**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "Lightworkers" Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

ANTHEM "The Snow Lay on the Ground" Anglo-Irish text; Italian folk melody; arr. Leo Sowerby

### WE RESPOND TO CHRIST'S WORD

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

### WE GO FORTH TO SERVE IN CHRIST'S NAME

\*HYMN "Love Has Come" No. 110

\*BENEDICTION Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

CHORAL BENEDICTION "Go to the World!" Sylvia G. Dunstan/Ralph Vaughan Williams

POSTLUDE "Brightest and Best" Robert Edward Smith

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\*Please stand if able

**SERVING TODAY**

**Ushers** – Lynn Thomson & Debbie Speeches

**Liturgist** – Heather Reylek

**Coffee Hour** – Katherine Roberts & Rosie Wissemann

**PRAYER LIST**

Please pray for: Those affected by natural disasters and ongoing wars; Peter C. Jackson; Blanca Campbell and Jim Nina; Jill Tuttle Albiani; Jackie Tuttle; Barry and Benetta Taylor; Rev. John Moore; Jim Preston; Kathy Zarchin; Teri Brennan; Carol Taplin; Barbara Preston; Albert Cyr; For the peace and comfort for the family and friends of Andrew Ogar, Paul Surerus, and Linda Bonaccorso  
*We will gladly list names of any individuals in need of prayer. You may share names by turning in a note from the pew or by emailing the church office prior to Thursday a.m.*

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<p><b>Session Team - Church Elders</b>  Class of 2025: Laurie Fanelli  Class of 2026: Heather Reylek/ Laura Nelsen/ Pamela Jackson  Class of 2027: Marty Kappauf / Gary Kagawa / Ellen Gove</p> <p><b>Deacons Team</b>  Class of 2025: Marianne Baird/ Alison Binder/  Sharon Donno/ Lynn Thomson  Class of 2026: Roswitha Wissemann/  Brenda Bergman  Class of 2027: Dana Hallman / Katherine Roberts / Colleen Smith</p> <p><b>Congregational Nominating Team</b>  Class of 2025: Heather Reylek / Lynn Thomson /  Cindy Griffin / Lynne Weikart</p>	<p><b><u>This Week</u></b></p> <p>Jan. 11<sup>th</sup>     Annual Jack Monaghan     3:00                      Messiah Sing</p> <p>Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>     Nutrition Program     7:00-1:00</p> <p>Jan. 13<sup>th</sup>     Food Pantry     4:00-6:00</p> <p>Jan. 14<sup>th</sup>     Meals on Wheels     7:00-11:00</p> <p>Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>     Bible Study     10:00</p> <p>Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>     Nutrition Program     7:00-1:00                      Food Pantry     10:00-1:00</p>
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# Shelter Island Presbyterian Church

January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Baptism of the Lord



**Shelter Island Presbyterian Church Mission Statement:**

“We envision the Shelter Island Presbyterian Church as a spiritual heart of our small island community -- a congregation that keeps its doors open to all and offers service and support to friends, neighbors, and visitors from beyond our shores. We will encourage the spiritual growth of our church's people in Jesus Christ through worship, service to others, stewardship, study and fellowship with one another. We will work to increase our spiritual engagement with youth, young families and our growing senior population. Inspired by God's Word, we look forward to our future with faith and confidence in God's purpose for us. AS WE BELIEVE, SO WE DO.”

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