

A WORSHIP SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

March 1, 2026

10:00 a.m.

WE GATHER IN CHRIST'S NAME

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

CHIMES

PRELUDE

Prelude on "Bread of Life"

Gordon Young

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

INTROIT

"Praise God for This Holy Ground"

John Bell

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.

People: We remember, O God, that our lives are brief and fragile.

Leader: Our days are like mist — here for a moment, then gone.

People: Teach us to live wisely in the time we are given.

Leader: We make our plans and speak of tomorrow.

People: Yet we do not know what tomorrow will bring.

Leader: All our breath is borrowed from You.

People: And to You our breath shall return.

Leader: Today we stand in holy honesty.

People: Mortal, dependent, and deeply loved.

Leader: Let us worship the One who formed us from dust.

People: And who receives us again in mercy and grace.

*HYMN

"Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty"

No. 1

CALL TO RENEWAL

Lydia Brigham

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)

Lydia Brigham

Eternal God, You formed us from the dust of the earth and breathed into us the breath of life.

We confess that we often live as though we were permanent —as though tomorrow were

guaranteed, as though our plans were certain, as though our lives belonged to us alone.

Forgive our arrogance. Forgive our forgetfulness. Forgive the ways we waste the gift of breath.

Teach us to number our days so that we may live with wisdom. Teach us to walk humbly, to love generously, to forgive quickly, and to act justly while we have time.

When we are tempted to delay compassion, remind us that life is short. When we cling to resentment, remind us that we are dust. When we boast about tomorrow, remind us that our breath rests in You.

Renew in us a living awareness of what matters most. May the truth of our mortality awaken in us a deeper love —for You, for one another, and for the fragile world You have entrusted to us.

For we are dust, and to dust we shall return —and in life and in death, we belong to You. In the name of Christ, we pray, Amen.

SILENT PRAYER AND MEDITATION

GOOD NEWS OF FORGIVENESS

Lydia Brigham

As far as the east is from the west, so have our sins been separated from us. They have been thrown into the sea of forgetfulness, and there, they are remembered no more.

Our thanks be to God!

*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

"Intermezzo"

Flor Peeters

*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

Genesis 3:19; James 4:13-17

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

"Memento Mori"

Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

ANTHEM

"Shall We Gather by the River?"

Robert Lowry

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.

SACRAMENT OF THE HOLY COMMUNION

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE IN CHRIST'S NAME

*HYMN

"My Life Flows On"

No. 821

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

CHORAL BENEDICTION

"For the Bread Which You Have Broken"

Earle Copes

POSTLUDE

Postlude on "Wedlock"

Gordon Young

*Please stand if able

SERVING TODAY

Liturgist – Lydia Brigham

Coffee Hour – Ellen Gove

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; Barbara Preston; Albert Cyr; Sharon Gibbs; For the peace and comfort for the family and friends of Carol Hallman Taplin, 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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Shelter Island Presbyterian Church

March 1, 2026

Second Sunday in Lent



<p>Session Team - Church Elders 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>Deacons Team 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>Congregational Nominating Team Class of 2025: Heather Reylek / Lynn Thomson / Cindy Griffin / Lynne Weikart</p>	<p><u>This Week</u></p> <p>Mar. 1st Annual Congregation Meeting 11:00</p> <p>Mar. 2nd Nutrition Program 7:00-1:00</p> <p>Mar. 3rd Food Pantry 4:00-6:00</p> <p>Mar. 4th Meals on Wheels 7:00-11:00</p> <p>Mar. 5th Bible Study 10:00</p> <p>Mar. 6th Nutrition Program 7:00-1:00 Food Pantry 10:00-1:00</p>
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“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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