

A WORSHIP SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

November 23, 2025

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 "We Gather Together" (Netherlands) Beatrice Hatton Fisk

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

INTROIT "Bless the Lord, O My Soul" arr. Richard D. Wetzel

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, people of God, let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

People: We come seeking peace, strength, and the power of God's Spirit within us.

Leader: In a world filled with fear and worry, God gives us a holy superpower.

People: The power of gratitude — to transform our hearts and renew our minds.

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good!

People: God's steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Whatever we do, in word or deed, we will do everything in the name of Christ.

People: With grateful hearts and courageous faith, we will worship the God of all blessings.

Leader: Come, let us lift our voices and open our hearts to God.

All: Let us worship God with thanksgiving!

***HYMN** "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending" No. 716

CALL TO RENEWAL (Liturgist Only) Marianne Baird

The attitude of Christ is humility, compassion, and thanksgiving. Let us come before God, who renews and restores.

PRAYER OF RENEWAL (In Unison) Marianne Baird

Holy God, You call us to clothe ourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Yet we confess that too often we choose frustration instead of gratitude, complaint instead of thankfulness, and fear instead of faith.

Renew us, O God. Transform our hearts with the power of gratitude.

Teach us to give thanks not only when life is easy, but in every moment — trusting Your goodness and Your presence.

Forgive us when we forget our blessings. Forgive us when we allow worry to steal our peace.

Forgive us when we fail to see the needs of others.

Fill us with the peace of Christ. Bind us together in love.

Make us a community that shines with joy, a people strengthened by thanksgiving, and superheroes of compassion in a world that longs for hope.

By Your Spirit, renew us, reshape us, and restore us. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

SILENT MEDITATION

GOOD NEWS OF FORGIVENESS

Marianne Baird

Hear the good news:

The same Christ who gave thanks in every circumstance now gives us grace in every need. In Him, we are forgiven, renewed, and made whole!

Thanks be to God! 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 with the peace of Christ.

OFFERTORY "Pastorale" Domenico Zipoli

***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 Colossians 3:15-17

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 "Gratitude is my Superpower" Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

ANTHEM "Give Thanks to the Lord" Brenda/Ken Barker

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** "For the Life That You Have Given" No. 717

***BENEDICTION** Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

CHORAL BENEDICTION "Thank You, Lord" Negro Spiritual, arr. Hezekiah Brinson, Jr.

POSTLUDE "Now Thank We All Our God" Georg Friedrich Kaufmann

* Please stand, if able

SERVING TODAY

Ushers – Lynn Kay Winters & Debbie Speeches **Liturgist** – Marianne Baird

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; Andrew Ogar; Barbara Preston; Bob and Leah White; For the peace and comfort for the family and friends of 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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November 23rd, 2025

Christ the King/Reign of Christ



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Class of 2025: Laurie Fanelli
Class of 2026: Heather Reylek/ Laura Nelsen/ Pamela Jackson
Class of 2027: Marty Kappauf/ Gary Kagawa / Ellen Gove

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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

Congregational Nominating Team

Class of 2025: Heather Reylek / Lynn Thomson /
Cindy Griffin / Lynne Weikart

This Week

Nov. 24 th	Nutrition Program	7:00-1:00
Nov. 25 th	Food Pantry	4:00-6:00
Nov. 26 th	Meals on Wheels	7:00-11:00
Nov. 27 th	No Bible Study	
Nov. 28 th	Nutrition Program	7:00-1:00
	Food Pantry	10:00-1:00
Nov. 30 th	Bas Baroque Concert	3:00

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.”