

A WORSHIP SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

January 4, 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 "He Whom Shepherd Men Came Praising" setting by Paul Manz

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

INTROIT "He Came Down" melody, arr. John L. Bell

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Peace be with you
We gather in this holy place:
Looking for strength to endure,
Longing for peace to well up within,
Waiting to be filled with joy,
We gather together, in holy anticipation,

**And also with you.
Hoping a song touches our hearts,
Willing a prayer to reach heaven,
Listening for a word that comforts,
Desiring an outpouring of God's Spirit.
And God meets us here.**

***HYMN** "What Child is This" No. 145

CALL TO RENEWAL

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)

Gracious God, You are always doing a new thing among us, and within us. We confess that we cling to what is familiar and resist the stretching of Your Spirit.

Forgive us when comfort hardens into fear and habit replaces trust.

Soften our hearts and renew our faith.

Make us new wineskins, able to receive the living grace you are pouring now.

Pour into us the new wine of mercy, hope, and love, and lead us faithfully into this new season, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER AND MEDITATION

GOOD NEWS OF FORGIVENESS

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 "Still, Still, Still" setting by Paul Manz

***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 Luke 5:36-39

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 "New Wine, New Wineskins" Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

ANTHEM "That Boy-Child of Mary" trad. Malawi melody, arr. Tom Colvin

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** "Go Tell it on the Mountain" No. 136

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

CHORAL BENEDICTION "Love Has Come" Fr. Melody, text: Ken Bible

POSTLUDE "From Heaven Above to Earth I Come" Alec Wyton

*Please stand if able

SERVING TODAY

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; Albert Cyr; 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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Shelter Island Presbyterian Church

January 4th, 2026

Second Sunday of Christmas/Communion Sunday



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

<u>This Week</u>		
Jan. 5 th	Nutrition Program	7:00-1:00
Jan. 6 th	Food Pantry	4:00-6:00
Jan. 7 th	Meals on Wheels	7:00-11:00
Jan. 8 th	Bible Study	10:00
Jan. 9 th	Nutrition Program	7:00-1:00
	Food Pantry	10:00-1:00
Jan. 11 th	Annual Jack Monaghan Messiah Sing	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 spiritOual 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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