

SHALLOWFORD ^{II} PRESBYTERIAN

Inviting all people to a faithful way of life in Christ and in community

Service for the Lord's Day

January 19, 2025 | 11:00 a.m. | Second Sunday after Epiphany

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Opening Voluntary

Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele ("Adorn Yourself, Oh Dear Soul"), BWV 654 Jinhee Kim, organ

J.S. Bach

GATHERING WORDS & GREETING

*CALL TO WORSHIP God's steadfast love extends to the heavens, and God's faithfulness to the clouds. Christ turns water into wine, and sorrow into joy. The Spirit is the fountain of water and life, who binds us together in the body of Christ.

***Нумп** No. 263 All Hail The Power of Jesus' Name

*Call to Confession

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION You are a God of grace and good gifts. Forgive us when we do not recognize your grace: when we do not stop to notice your Spirit calling and challenging us. Forgive us when we do not live as people of grace: when we are quick to judgment and slow to compassion. Forgive us when we do not believe the depth of your grace: when we doubt whether we are good enough to be loved. Forgive us, God of Grace. Wash us in your mercy and move us to new life. Silence for personal prayers of confession

CORONATION

Rev. Rob Schoonover

Rev. Anna George Traynham



- *Assurance of Pardon In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!
- ***PASSING OF THE PEACE** The Peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you!**
- *SUNG RESPONSE HYMN NO. 582 Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me GLORY TO GOD (Vasile) Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.
 - World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Following the children's moment, children are welcome to remain in worship. Ages 2 and under are welcome in the Nursery.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Rev. Anna George Traynham

SERMON *The Miracle of Hospitality*

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn** No. 292 As the Wind Song

WAIRUA TAPU

*Affirmation of Faith

Affirmation of Faith adapted from the writings of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. We believe that injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly.

Kathy Corbett

Psalm 36:5-10

John 2:1-11

^{*} Those who are able, please stand.

We refuse to believe that we are unable to influence the events which surround us. We refuse to believe that we are so bound to racism and war, that peace, brotherhood, and sisterhood are not possible. We believe that we need to discover a way to live together in peace, a way which rejects revenge, aggression and retaliation. The foundation of this way is love. We believe that unarmed truth and unconditional love will have the final word in reality. We believe that what self-centered people have torn down, other-centered people can build up. By the goodness of God at work within people, we believe that brokenness can be healed. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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.

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Take My Hand, Precious Lord Chancel Choir

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn. Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light.

Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near, when my life is almost gone. Hear my cry, Lord, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall.

Be my strength when I am weak. Light my pathway, guide my feet. And when I'm falling on sinking sand, Lord, lift me up, carry me home, take my hand.

When the darkness appears and the night draws near, and the day is past and gone, At the river, Lord, I stand, guide my feet, take my hand. Precious Lord, make me your own, lead me home.

*Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Ray Corbett

arr. Joel Raney

WE ARE SENT TO SERVE

***Hymn** No. 761 Called as Partners in Christ's Service

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

St. Anne

+ ** **

You are welcome to remain seated for the closing voluntary or exit to the Atrium for fellowship.

This Week @ Shallowford January 19 - 26, 2025

Sunday, January 19

11:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary) No Children or Youth Activities

Monday, January 20

Church Office Closed - MLK Holiday

Tuesday, January 21

10:00 a.m.	Mothers & Others Circle
	(Member's Home)
10:00 a.m.	Alzheimer's Caregiver
	Support Group (Zoom)

Wednesday, January 22

1:00 p.m.	SCML Contemplative
	Practice (Zoom)
5:15 p.m.	BLAST (children)
6:30 p.m.	NAMI Connection (Youth
	Center + Zoom)

Thursday, January 23

7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast
10:30 a.m.	Fitness, Fun & Fellowship
	(Heritage Hall)
7:15 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
-	(Choir Room)

Friday, January 24 Church Office Closed

Saturday, January 25 Church Office Closed 9:30 a.m. Flower Guild

Sunday, January 26

8:30 a.m.	Early Worship (Chapel)
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School (all ages)
9:30 a.m.	Confirmation Class
	(Youth Center)
11:00 a.m.	Worship (Sanctuary)
4:00 p.m.	3rd - 5th Graders Small
	Group (Great Hall)
4:00 p.m.	The Nest
	(Heritage Hall)
4:30 p.m.	Chapel Choir
	(Choir Room)
6:00 p.m.	Youth Small Groups

Welcome to Shallowford! During your visit we hope you feel the presence of the Spirit and the love of Christ as we worship God together. Please complete a **Connection Card**, found in the pew rack, and place it in the offering plate if you are visiting or wish to submit prayer concerns and life updates.

We give our sincere thanks to the newly-ordained **Rev. Rob Schoonover** for his participation in this morning's worship service.

About the Offertory - On April 4th, 1968, Dr. King was preparing for a rally to support striking garbage workers in Memphis. He and his entourage were staying at the Lorraine Motel. Shortly before he was assassinated, Dr. King leaned over the balcony and asked his musicians to play "Take My Hand, Precious Lord" at the rally. Five days later, Mahalia Jackson sang the hymn at Dr. King's funeral.

BEECHER

Healey Willan

Weekly announcements are a great way to stay involved at Shallowford! To receive weekly communication, email **info@shallowford.org**, visit **shallowford.org**, or call the church office **(404-321-1844)**.

Churchwide

2025 Officer Nominations - Due by February 16, 2025

Nominations for member recommendations to serve on the session (to be an elder) or on the Representative Nominating Committee are OPEN. Please complete a form at shallowford.org, or by calling the church office.

Faith & Grief Workshop — Tuesdays, Starting January 21 (7-8:30pm)

Explore grief through this 8-week workshop designed to provide comfort and foster healing. The group will meet in person, Tuesdays, January 21 through March 11, in the Conference Room. Cost is \$99; scholarships available upon request. Members Carolyn Shaffer and Lindsey Thames will lead us in healing. Visit <u>shallowford.org</u> for details.

Visitor Class — Sunday, January 26 (9:30am)

Potential new members are invited to learn more about the church's mission and vision during this "Discovering Shallowford" in Conference Room B. RSVP by emailing <u>info@shallowford.org</u>.

Shally Eats Newk's — Sunday, February 2 (12:30pm)

Meet your SPC neighbors at Newk's Eatery (4280 LaVista Road) and enjoy food and fun times spent together. Bring a friend & pay your own way. No reservation required, just show up. Thank you to Shallowford's Programs Committee for hosting this intergenerational event! *Contact: Landon Dillard*

Adults

Mindful Living Book Conversation — Tomorrow, January 20 (12pm)

Whether you've read the book or not, join Robby Carroll and Kay Stewart with the Shallowford Center for Mindful Living on Zoom to discuss "Rest is Resistance" written by Tricia Hersey. Visit <u>shallowfordmindfulliving.org</u> to register. *Contact: Kay Stewart (<u>kstewart@shallowford.org</u>)*

Silent Retreat — Saturday, January 25 (9:30am to 2pm)

Join Kay Stewart for a free in-person silent retreat to engage deeply with life as a new year unfolds. Details available at <u>shallowfordmindfulliving.org</u>.

The Nest Small Group — Sunday, January 26 (4pm)

This group, consisting of parents with young children, will meet for dinner and discussion on Bruce Reyes-Chow's book, "Everything Good About God is True: Choosing Faith." <u>RSVP via Realm</u>. Childcare is provided. *Contact: Katie Kilch* (*kilch.katie@gmail.com*)

Shallowford Women's Game Night — Wednesday, January 29 (6-8pm)

Join women of all ages for an evening of fun, fellowship, and games in Angela Maki's home. Snacks and drinks will be provided, all you have to do is show up! Contact Rev. Landon Dillard for event details.

Lay Liturgist Sign Up — Throughout the year, congregation members are invited to lead worship alongside our pastors. Visit <u>shallowford.org/sign-up</u> for details. *Contact: Bradley Kibler Bond*

Mission

Christmas Mission Giving — \$10,000 Gifted

In Advent, friends and families of the church contributed roughly \$10,000 in alternative gifts directly benefiting Shallowford's mission partners. Thank you for your continued support!

Souper Bowl of Caring Food Drive — Sundays, February 2 & 9

Let's come together to help "tackle" hunger in our community by bringing the following items to worship: *<u>pasta sauce & boxed noodles</u>(children & youth); *<u>instant grits & dried milk</u> (adults); and *<u>jars of peanut butter & jelly</u> (Shallowford School). The group that collects the most items will be awarded a popsicle party.

The **cradle cross** at the baptismal font celebrates the birth of Rory Lewis who was born January 6th. Parents are Ian & Samantha Lewis; older brothers are Brody & Owen. Proud grandmother is Ann Lewis.

Childcare is available in the nursery. **Worship clipboards** for children are available in the Atrium.

Worship Staff

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How to Give

You are welcome to make a gift using your cell phone. Text the word **"Shallowford365"** to **73256** followed by the amount you wish to give. You may also give through the Realm Connect App or by visiting the website at **shallowford.org/give.**





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This 18th-century text celebrating the sovereignty of Christ has been through several expansions and contractions before reaching its present form. It is set here to the oldest American hymn tune in continuous use since first published in 1793, which was written for it.

GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

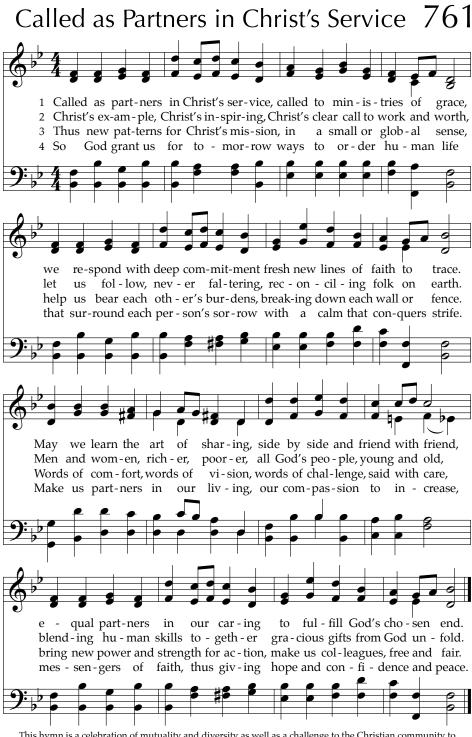


Reversing the usual order, this hymn began with the music rather than the words. The composer (from Singapore) sent this tune to the author (in New Zealand) to see what text it might inspire from her. She also suggested the tune name, a Maori phrase meaning "Holy Spirit."

GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



JUSTICE AND RECONCILIATION



This hymn is a celebration of mutuality and diversity as well as a challenge to the Christian community to live out a ministry of reconciliation and inclusion. This 20th-century text is set to a 19th-century tune named for the noted pastor and preacher Henry Ward Beecher.