



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

November 16, 2025 | 11:00 a.m. | Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

OPENING VOLUNTARY

II. Adagio from *Organ Sonata No. 1, Op. 65*
Jinhee Kim, organ

Felix Mendelssohn

INTROIT

Sing to the Lord

arr. Rose and Bone

Trinity and Westminster Choirs

Paula Rosser, accompanist Ginny Fairchild, violin

*Sing to the Lord! For God has triumphed gloriously.
Our God is the hope of all the world, so we sing our thanks and praise.*

GATHERING WORDS & GREETING

Rev. Joseph Jumper

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The day will come

when the things of old shall pass away.

The day will come

when new life shall spring forth.

The day will come

when God's love will reign over us forever and ever.

Let us worship God!

*HYMN No. 463

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Bradley Kibler Bond

Welcome to Shallowford

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God,
You call us to feed the hungry, clothe the poor,
and care for the downtrodden;
yet too often we seek to raise ourselves up instead.
You call us to heal the sick, mend relationships,
and reach out to the lonely;
yet too often we would rather remain in our positions of comfort.
Change our hearts, O God,
to be open to the Spirit moving in our lives.
Put in us clean hearts, so that we may do your will
according to your word.
Forgive us, O God, we pray.

Silence for personal prayers.

*SUNG RESPONSE

"Amen" from *Community Mass*

Richard Proulx



*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 ages 3-Kindergarten
are invited to Cherub Time (3rd floor, Education Building).*

Ages 2 and under are welcome in the Nursery.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Erin Thornton

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 7:1-7

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Anxiously Waiting

Rev. Joseph Jumper

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN No. 821

My Life Flows On

HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Rev. Anna George Traynham

The Apostles Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.
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

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

Harold Friedell

Chancel Choir

*Draw us in the Spirit's tether, for when humbly, in thy name,
Two or three are met together, thou are in the midst of them:
Alleluia! Touch we now thy garment's hem.*

*As the brethren used to gather in the name of Christ to sup,
Then with thanks to God the Father, break the bread and bless the cup,
Alleluia! So knit thou our friendship up.*

*All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of thee,
That by caring, helping, giving, we may true disciples be.
Alleluia! We will serve thee faithfully.*

***DOXOLOGY**

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.*

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

WE ARE SENT TO SERVE

***HYMN** No. 373

O Day of Peace

JERUSALEM

***CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

I. Allegro moderato e serio from
Organ Sonata No. 1, Op. 65

Felix Mendelssohn

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

**This Week @ Shallowford
November 16 - 23, 2025**

Sunday, November 16

12:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry Lunch
& Gathering (Youth Center)
4:30 p.m. Chapel Choir (Choir Room)
6:00 p.m. Youth Small Groups (offsite)
6:00 p.m. Parents of Teenagers Group
(Youth Center)

Monday, November 17

11:00 a.m. Joy Chorale (Choir Room)
7:00 p.m. Young Adult Gathering
(offsite)

Tuesday, November 18

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

Wednesday, November 19

1:00 p.m. SCML Contemplative
Practice (Zoom)
5:15 p.m. BLAST (children)

Wednesday, November 19 (cont.)

6:30 p.m. NAMI Connection
(Youth Center + Zoom)
7:00 p.m. Stated Session Meeting
(Heritage Hall)

Thursday, November 20

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

Friday, November 21 - Church Office Closed

Saturday, November 22 - Church Office Closed

9:30 a.m. Flower Guild

Sunday, November 23

8:30 a.m. Early Worship (Chapel)
9:30 a.m. Sunday School (adults)
11:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
No children or youth activities

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

Entering Advent Worship — Wednesday, December 3 (11am & 7:30pm)

Come and be renewed through a special mid-week service, “Be the Light,” offered as a gift from Shallowford Women to the entire church community. A luncheon (\$16) will follow the 11:00am service in Heritage Hall. RSVP by calling the church office or visiting shallowford.org. *Contact: Pastor Landon*

Magalie Celebrates 10th Work Anniversary

This month, we celebrate Magalie Nemorin’s 10th anniversary as Shallowford’s Finance Coordinator! We give thanks for her commitment, diligence, and the many ways she supports the life and mission of our church. The next time you see her, be sure to share your appreciation and a little extra love.

2026 Operating Budget

Shallowford continues to receive pledges for the 2026 Annual Budget—thank you for your faithful support! The Stewardship Committee is following up with phone calls this week. If you haven’t made your pledge and would like to do so, please visit shallowford.org/give or contact the church office.

Children & Youth

Young Adult Gathering — Monday, November 17 (6:30-8:30pm)

Join our young adults for our Annual Soup Potluck Party followed by discussion led by Kellie Cleveland. The group will meet offsite. *Contact: Pastor Bradley*

2026 Confirmation Class — Sunday, January 11 (9:30am)

All 8th (or 9th) graders are invited to join us for this 8-week class as we explore what it means to be a child of God, a child of the church, and a believer in Jesus Christ. We’ll come together for the first time on Sunday, 1/11.

Contact: Pastor Joseph

Care & Support

Prayer Shawl Ministry Lunch & Gathering — Today (12pm)

Calling all novice and experienced crocheters, knitters, and stitchers! Join us in the Youth Center for complimentary lunch and meaningful fellowship. We will build connections and prayerfully create shawls together.

Faith & Grief Workshop — Starts Tuesday, January 13 (7pm)

All are welcome to explore their grief through small group discussions and spiritual practices designed to provide comfort and foster healing. Shallowford members Carolyn Shaffer and Lindsey Thames will serve as our Faith & Grief facilitators. The group will meet for seven sessions in the spring, on Tuesdays at the church. Learn more at shallowford.org.

Mission

Caitlin’s Kids WishLists — Today

Celebrate SPC’s 15th year of sharing holiday joy with students at Indian Creek Elementary, a 100% refugee school in DeKalb County! Pick up a student wish-list after worship in the atrium and return wrapped gifts to the church office by Nov. 30. *Contact: Pamela Blass (pblass@comcast.net)*

NETWorks Cooperative Ministry — Due December 5

Support NETWorks’ Good Neighbor Christmas Gift Shop, an annual initiative that offers parents and guardians in the Northlake–Embry Hills–Tucker community the opportunity to provide Christmas gifts for their families at a discounted cost while preserving their pride and dignity. Donate toys, shop the Amazon Wish List, or volunteer at NETWorkcoop.org/christmas.

Welcome to Shallowford! During your visit we hope you feel the presence of the Spirit and the love of Christ as we worship God. 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.

The **flowers in worship** are given by Charky Neil & Brenda Hill to the glory of God and in appreciation to the flower guild for their ministry. Charky & her sister, Mary Virginia Shores, would also like to express their gratitude to Thornwell for the many years of wonderful care they provided.

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

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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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1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,
 2 "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dis - mayed,
 3 "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,
 4 "When through fi - ery tri - als thy path - way shall lie,
 5 "The soul that on Je - sus hath leaned for re - pose,

is laid for your faith in God's ex - cel - lent Word!
 for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
 the riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow;
 my grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;
 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;

What more can be said than to you God hath said,
 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
 for I will be near thee, thy trou - bles to bless,
 the flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign
 that soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,

to you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
 up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.
 thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.
 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

It seems odd now to think of singing this text to ADESTE FIDELES, but mainline churches did so well into the 20th century because of a cultural bias against shape note music. The vigor of the present tune seems especially right for the final line's reference to Hebrews 13:5.

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My Life Flows On

How Can I Keep from Singing?

1 My life flows on in end-less song, a-bove earth's lam-en - ta - tion.
 2 Through all the tu - mult and the strife, I hear that mu - sic ring - ing.
 3 What though my joys and com-forts die? I know my Sav - ior liv - eth.
 4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun-tain ev - er spring-ing!

I hear the clear, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion.
 It finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing?
 What though the dark-ness gath-er round? Songs in the night he giv - eth.
 All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing-ing?

Refrain

No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling-ing.

Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?

In the *New York Observer* of August 7, 1868, this text was titled "Always Rejoicing," and was attributed to "Pauline T." This may well be where the Baptist pastor and musician to whom it is usually credited encountered the words that he later published with his tune.

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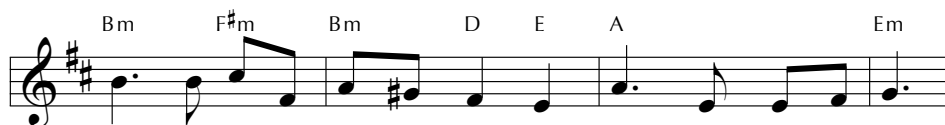
O Day of Peace



1 O day of peace that dim-ly shines through all our
 2 Then shall the wolf dwell with the lamb, nor shall the



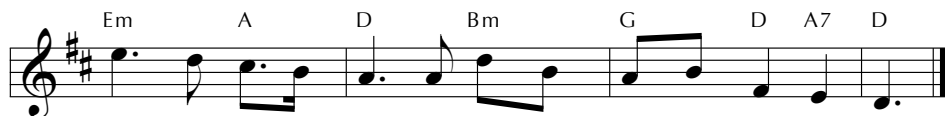
hopes and prayers and dreams, guide us to jus-tice, truth, and
 fierce de-vour the small; as beasts and cat-tle calm-ly



love, de-liv-ered from our self-ish schemes. May swords of hate
 graze, a lit-tle child shall lead them all. Then en-e-mies



fall from our hands, our hearts from en-vy find re-lease, till by God's
 shall learn to love, all crea-tures find their true ac-cord; the hope of



grace our war-ring world shall see Christ's prom-ised reign of peace.
 peace shall be ful-filled, for all the earth shall know the Lord.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This text on peace was created to offer non-nationalistic words for a popular British tune. The first stanza depicts *pax*, a mode of peace focused on ending conflict, and the second (based on Isaiah 11:6-9) describes *shalom*, the condition of living in harmony and mutual good will.