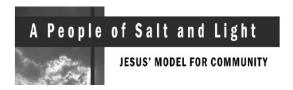
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The Presbyterian Church at Shrewsbury 352 Sycamore Avenue Shrewsbury, NJ 07702

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October 8, 2017 10:30 am

Order of Worship

The service begins with the Prelude.

* Please stand in body or spirit

Welcome

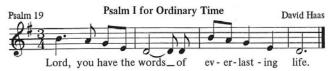
Prelude

Sarabande from Suite in G minor

G.F. Handel

Introit

Lord, You Have the Words



(refrain) Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul; the Lord's rule is to be trusted, the simple find wisdom.

The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding forever; the decrees of the Lord are true, all of them just.

The precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart, the command of the Lord is clear, giving light to the eye.

They are worth more than gold, than the finest gold, sweeter than honey, than honey from the comb.

* Call to Worship

Elder Don Barnes

Leader: The heavens shout out the glory of God!

The universe declares God's work!

People: We hear no voice or speech.

Yet the word is heard in all the earth!

All: The word of the Lord reaches to the end of the world!

Thanks and praise be to our God!

* Hymn #450

Be Thou My Vision

Call to Confession

Our God calls us to be faithful witnesses. We struggle with this because so often we are caught up in our doubts and our despair about this world. We pray to turn again to find ourselves living in God's household of freedom and peace, of reconciliation and witness. In hope of seeing the world through God's eyes, loving the world through God's heart of compassion, we offer this prayer in one voice:

Prayer of Confession (unison)

We keep slamming into walls, our merciful God, when we are left to our own devices. Throughout our faith history, you have offered words of healing and hope to people who dwelled in darkness. In the brilliant light of your love, people found that they could grow and flourish.

But now, Lord, we find that this world dominates our lives. We are troubled, angry, and fearful. We want to see your presence in the world, but we spend far too much time looking for the "big picture" rather than seeing the countless ways in which your love and healing power is shown. Forgive us when we grow impatient with you and with the course of things in our lives. Heal our wounds and put us back on pathways of peace and service. Enable us to speak your words of hope in this darkened world. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Silent, Personal Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Hear the words of hope! Though the days seem to darken

quickly, the brilliant light of God's love and presence will

always be a guide and comfort to us.

All: This is the Good News of Jesus Christ, which we

embrace with our whole selves. Amen!

Prayer for Illumination

Epistle Lesson Philippians 3: 4b - 14 (NT, page 198)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks Be to God!

Noisy Offering (Cents-ability offering for the hungry)

Children's Message

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal page 35

* Passing of the Peace

* Hymn #223 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Gospel Lesson Matthew 5: 1 - 12 (NT, page 4)

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: Thanks Be to God!

Sermon "Now, Isn't That Special" Dr. Robinson

Offering

Offertory Sing Forth God's Glory Hal Hopson

Sing forth God's glory; God is Lord, the Lord of all. All the earth now join the singing; God is Lord, the Lord of all. Tell God's wonders to all people; God is Lord, the Lord of all. To God we sing our praise.

- * Doxology
- * Prayer of Dedication
- * Hymn #394 Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation
- * Benediction

Postlude Allegro from Suite in G minor G.F. Handel

Please remain seated in silence for the Postlude as this is part of Worship. If you must leave, please do so quietly.

Announcements

<u>Worship Leadership this morning</u> Elder Don Barnes. Next week, Elder Joel Davies.

<u>Ushering this morning</u> Peter Gibbons, Jack Mackay, Ed Tognola, Mary Jane O'Hare. Next week, Tom Pedersen, Audrey Semple, Judy Whary, Joe Delgado.

Candle Lighter Brielle Castellano. Next week, Kaylei Castellano.

<u>The Chancel Flowers</u> this morning are dedicated to the Glory of God and given in loving memory of her father, H. Ernest Thompson, by Mary Jane O'Hare.

Nursery is open today for infants to 3 years old during the 10:30 am worship service. We are located in the Church House, upstairs in Christian Education. Please see a Deacon for assistance.

<u>Coffee Fellowship</u> is being hosted today by the Deacons. Next week Deacons.

Youth Choir meets every Sunday, upstairs in CE, from 12:00 - 12:30 pm. Children in K-8th grade, our invited to come celebrate God's love through singing, playing instruments and experimenting with other forms of musical play. Those children who wish to participate can sing for worship services several times a year and in our annual Christmas Pageant. Contact Miss Pat, Youth Choir Director, for more information.

<u>Confirmation Class</u> Confirmation Class for 7th graders & up, **begins today.** Join Rev. Tom and Mrs. Adler for an exciting confirmation journey studying our Reformed Faith. Contact Mrs. Adler to register or for more information.

Senior High Youth Group Senior High's are meeting next Sunday, Oct. 15th, for their first event/meeting to kick off the year. Join us for lunch at 12 pm and then the CROP Walk at 1 pm. Contact Senior High Leader Libby Andia for more information.

Red Bank Crop Walk Sunday October 15th, Registration 1:00pm, Walk 2:00pm - Red Bank Regional High School. Please consider participating in the Red Bank Crop Walk. The walk is about 6 miles winding through Fair Haven, Red Bank and Little Silver. It is a very enjoyable afternoon! There is still time to pick up a sponsor form or to sponsor a church walker. Linda Zucaro will have sponsor forms to give out during coffee hour today.

<u>Manna Box</u> Mission Belles along with Church and Society are continuing to collect food items for St. Anthony's Church in Red Bank. All donations are appreciated. Look for the "Manna" box in the Church House lobby and thanks for your support.

<u>Mission Bible Study</u> Have you signed up for this adventure? We are starting two groups in October with more options to come. The two groups you can sign up for are **Monday 10:00 am -12:00 pm at Judy Whary's** and **Wednesday 7:00 pm- 9:00 pm at Nancy and Rich Vodhanel's.** This is an opportunity to get together for fellowship as we learn something new. Please contact the church office at 732-747-3557 or at pcas@verizon.net to register.

<u>Calendar Collection</u> Jean Kelly is collecting 2018 calendars to send to our soldiers overseas. You can give your extras to Jean or bring them to the church office.



Calendar of Events

Sun Oct 8	All day	⊕ Cents-ability □
	8:30am - 9:30am	⊕ Deacons Mtg (O) - 352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA 🗷
	9:15am - 10:15am	⊕ Adult Forum (TR) - 352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA 🗈
	10:30am - 11:30am	⊕ Worship/SS (S) - 370 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA □
	12:00pm - 12:30pm	⊕ Youth Choir (SS)
	12:00pm - 1:30pm	⊕ Confirmation Class (SS) - 352 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ, USA
	3:00pm - 4:00pm	⊕ AA (TR) - 352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA □
	5:00pm - 7:00pm	⊕ AA (TR) - 352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA ゼ 🗈
Mon Oct 9	All day	⊕ Office Closed Holiday
	All day	⊕ Columbus Day (regional holiday)
	7:30pm - 8:30pm	⊕ OA (TR) - 352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA 🖾
	8:00pm - 9:30pm	⊕ P&A (SS) - 352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA 🗈
Tue Oct 10	9:00am - 10:00am	⊕ Bible Study@ Panera (OS) □
	5:00pm - 6:00pm	⊕ Weight Watchers (FH) - 352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA 🗈
	7:30pm - 8:30pm	⊕ Dorcas (OS)
Wed Oct 11	9:30am - 10:30am	⊕ Mission Belles (TR) - 352 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ, USA □
	8:30pm - 10:00pm	⊕ AA (TR) - 352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA 🖻
Thu Oct 12	12:00pm - 2:30pm	⊕ Homesteaders (FH) - 352 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ, USA ⋈
	7:00pm - 8:30pm	⊕ Chancel Choir (S) - 370 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA 🗈
	7:30pm - 9:00pm	⊕ Boy Scouts (FH) - 352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA 🖾
	8:30pm - 9:30pm	⊕ Bell Choir (SR) - 370 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA 🗈
Sat Oct 14	11:30am – 2:00pm	⊕ Mosaic (FH) - 352 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ, USA ゼ
	5:00pm - 6:00pm	⊕ LB Dance Rec (FH) - 352 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ, USA
	8:30pm - 10:00pm	⊕ AA (FH) - 352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA 🖻
Sun Oct 15	9:15am – 10:15am	⊕ Adult Forum (TR) - 352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA □
	10:30am - 11:30am	⊕ Worship/SS (S) - 370 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA 🗈
	12:00pm - 12:30pm	⊕ Youth Choir (SS)
	12:00pm - 1:00pm	⊕ Senior High Lunch (SS)
	3:00pm - 4:00pm	⊕ AA (TR) - 352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA 🖾
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(FH) Fellowship Hall, (B) Basement, (SS) Sunday School, (A) Alpha, (O) Omega, (S) Sanctuary, (TR) Terrace Rm., (OS) Off Site, (SR) Social Rm., (K) Kitchen



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