

## HOLY COMMUNION TODAY

Today we will be celebrating the Lord's Supper (Communion). The Bread (our unleavened cracker is gluten-free) represents the Body of Jesus... and the wine (in our case, grape juice) represents the blood of Christ, both "given for us" (Luke 22:19,20) to atone for our sins. Indeed, the Apostle Paul tells us that "whenever we eat the bread and drink the cup, we proclaim the Lord's death" (1 Corinthians 11:26).

Since the acts of eating the bread and drinking the cup are, in themselves, a profession of faith and trust in Christ's atoning work on our behalf, it only makes sense that communicants should be only those who are already trusting in Jesus Christ for salvation. The Apostle Paul warns those who would approach the Lord's Table with an unexamined heart: "For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment upon himself." (1 Corinthians 11:29).

For this reason, we ask that only those professing faith in Jesus Christ and united by membership in a Gospel-believing church partake of the sacrament today. If you or your children have never been received into church membership by profession of faith in Jesus and feel that you are ready to make such a profession of faith, please contact the SPEP Office and we would love to facilitate such step with you.

Above all, we hope that you will experience the loving presence of Jesus here, with us, today!

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Today's Worship Team	
Andrew Broadwater - <i>vocals, piano</i>	Jim Cooke - <i>electric bass</i>
Louis Fogarty - <i>vocals</i>	Mitch Harris - <i>electric guitar</i>
Alana Amballa - <i>vocals</i>	Jeffrey Furniss - <i>drums</i>
Kevin Cox - <i>soprano saxophone</i>	Andrew Schwarz - <i>audio</i>
Jeff Schmansky - <i>vocals, acoustic guitar</i>	John Shore - <i>audio</i>
	Bianca Fogarty - <i>projection</i>
	Rachel Carmon - <i>video</i>

Deacons' Fund April Activity		2022-23 Fiscal Year YTD General Fund (thru 4/28)	
Begin. Bal.	47,198	Budget YTD	1,567,945
Contribution	1,733	Giving YTD	1,460,395
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Ending Bal.	40,541*	Mth Budget	141,547
		Mth Giving	133,189

\*ONLY the Deacon Fund.

### IF YOU HAVE A FINANCIAL, PRAYER, OR SOME OTHER NEED:

1. Call the Church Office - 410-544-5013  
Mon - Thurs. 8:30-4:00pm | Friday 8:30-1:00pm
2. **CRISIS PRAYER CHAIN:** (prayer support for any crisis)  
Call the Church Office and push # 7 after hours until 8:30pm.

**LAY COUNSELING MINISTRY:** laycounseling@spepchurch.org

### WOMEN'S ADVOCATE:

Contact in confidence at womensadvocates@spepchurch.org  
Phone after Church Office hours: 410-544-5013 ext 5  
For more information go online to: [spepchurch.org/womens-advocates](http://spepchurch.org/womens-advocates)

**DEACON ON DUTY:** Jeff Kraker

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410-544-5013 | [info@spepchurch.org](mailto:info@spepchurch.org) | [www.spepchurch.org](http://www.spepchurch.org)  
9:30am Worship Service followed by Discipleship hour  
CCLI # 56194 | Scripture Text is from ESV

**Office Hours:** Mon. - Thurs. 8:30-4:00pm | Friday 8:30 - 1:00pm



## Good Morning and Welcome to our Worship Service!

If you'd like assistance finding your way around our facility or navigating our ministries, please stop by the Welcome Table. If there is some other way that we can serve you, please contact the Church Office during the week.

To share a prayer request, communicate with us, or simply to let us know that you are here, please complete the "In-Touch Card" found in the back of each pew, or access our Digital Resources by using your "smart device" to scan the Quick-Response (QR) Code to the right.



Scan to access our online Sunday Resources

If you have young children, we offer a Nursery during Worship for Newborns through age 4, located down the ramp, on the right. We also offer Children's Chapel during the "Sermon". Kids (5-9 yrs.) will be invited to gather at the center rear door after the Scripture Reading, and will be returned to the Sanctuary in time for the closing song. A "Family Room" is available during the service in Worship Center Room B (next to the Sanctuary).

Following our service today, please join us for coffee and refreshments in the Fellowship Hall! We also have a host of classes for all ages, Pre-K through Adults, beginning at 11:15am.

The list of Adult, Youth, and Children's Classes is below.

### Discipleship Classes Available 11:15 - 12:15:

**Reformation and Renaissance Church History:** Mike Stephan  
Worship Center A

**The Four Gospels: History or Mythology?:**  
Kevin Cox - Worship Center B

**Women's Study - The Sermon on the Mount:**  
Rita Kesner and Mary Mueller - Parlor

**Introduction to SPEP:** Dan Smith - Room 4

**Growth Group:** Stefan Hubrich and Doug Cress - Room 5

**Middle School:** Ministry Center Room 3

**High School:** Ministry Center Basement

**Sunday School:** We offer classes for children ages 2-5th grade, from 11:15-12:15 and Nursery during the SS hour. Please check-in at the Children's Ministry Office in the Education Center for assistance.



**Order of Worship**  
**Severna Park EP Church (PCA)**  
 May 5, 2024

**Gathering God's People**

**Gathering Song**

*House of the Lord*

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**Welcome**

Dan Smith

**Call to Worship:** Psalm 36:5-9

Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens,  
 your faithfulness to the skies.  
 Your righteousness is like the highest mountains,  
 your justice like the great deep...  
 How priceless is your unfailing love, O God!  
 We take refuge in the shadow of your wings.  
 We feast on the abundance of your house;  
 you give us drink from your river of delights.  
 For with you is the fountain of life...

**Prayer of Invocation**

**Song of Praise**

*O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus* - Hymn #211  
 Samuel T. Francis | "Ebenezer" by Thomas J. Williams

**Prayer of Confession**

Mike Stephan

**Gracious Lord, we come to you with thankful hearts, in need of your grace. Though you have redeemed us through your only begotten Son and have adopted us into your spiritual family, we confess that we continue to dishonor You in our thoughts, words and deeds. We grow impatient, doubting your love and faithfulness. Depending on our own strength, we fall short of your glory and stumble in disobedience. Glorifying in our own righteousness, we live as if Jesus' righteousness is not enough. Turning our faces from You, we desire the things of this world to satisfy us. We are surrounded by troubles without number. Our sins are always before us, and our hearts fail within us. We pray now, Lord, for Your forgiveness, for we are poor and needy. We thank you for your loving-kindness, and plead for your Spirit to fill us and live through us as we seek to honor You. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Rock and our Redeemer. Amen.**

**Silent Confession and Thanksgiving**

**Good News:** John 5:24

Jesus said "Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears My word and believes Him who sent me has eternal life. They do not come into judgment, but have passed from death to life."

**Song of Response**

*Mighty to Save*  
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**Dedicating Ourselves to God**

**Prayer of Dedication**

**Offertory**

*Take My Life (Holiness)*

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**Scripture Reading**

Matthew 5:1-6

Stephen Olsavsky

(Children ages 5-9 dismissed for Children's Chapel)

**Message**

"Hungering and Thirsting for Righteousness"

Dan Smith

**Enjoying God's Fellowship**

**Invitation to the Lord's Supper**

Mike Stephan

**Communion Song**

*You Are My King (Amazing Love)*  
 © 1996 worshiptogether.com songs | Billy Foote

**Communion Prayer**

**Sending Song**

*Doxology*

Old Hundredth | Text by Thomas Ken | Music Genevan Psalter 1551: attributed to Louis Bourgeois  
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**Benediction**

**Connecting to Our Church Family**

*The Prayer Team is available by the choir loft for those who would like prayer after the service.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**The Women to Women** Committee invites women age 13 and up to put some Spring in your step by joining us for an afternoon of fun and fellowship on May 18 from 1:00 – 4:00pm out on the church lawn. Bring a chair, have some fun, meet new friends, enjoy some yummy snacks and the warmer weather. Please RSVP by May 15 by emailing womensministry@spepchurch.org or see us at the sign-up table in the Foyer.

**Congregational Meeting:** Sunday evening, June 2, at 6:00pm in the Sanctuary. The purpose for this meeting will be to present the Church Budget for the 2024-25 Fiscal Year (June 1-May 31). If you have younger children, WC-B will be available as a "Family Room". Parents may be with their children in this room and be part of any votes that are taken in the Congregational Meeting.

**Olympion Adventure Week Registration is Open:** July 8-12, from 8:45 am to 12:15 pm. All children aged 4-years-old (by July 1) to completed 5th grade are welcome to attend, and childcare will be provided for volunteers' children under 4-years-old. To learn more, register your child(ren), or sign up to volunteer, visit the link under the Events tab on our website.

**SPEP Food Pantry Donations are needed:** Toiletries like soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes. *Canned* fruit, meat, and whole or sliced potatoes. *Boxed items* like cereal, oatmeal, crackers, thin spaghetti, and tea as well as packets of rice. Baby Food/ formula and diapers, *condiments* like mustard, mayonnaise, ketchup and salad dressing, please no green beans, and no family sized items. Donations can be placed on the cart in the Education Center at any time or brought to the Ministry Center, Monday - Thursday, 8:30-3:30pm, or Friday 8:30-1:00pm.

**Missionary News:** Michael Goodlin, an SPEP Missionary at Lehigh University with Reformed University Fellowship, will speak during the Sunday School hour on Sunday, May 12 in the Sanctuary on the Why/What/How of RUF and have Questions and Answers for High School students and parents on how to prepare the next steps after High School.



Scan to access our Online Intouch Card

**In-touch Card/ Prayer Request** – Please use the in-touch card to let us know that you were with us this week. You can also submit your prayer requests, or update your information. The requests will be sent to the office each Monday to a list of SPEP Prayer Team Members. You can access the in-touch card by using this QR code or online under Resources/Sunday Morning Resources.