A WORSHIP SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

July 13, 2025 9:00 a.m.

WE GATHER IN CHRIST'S NAME

CHIMES

PRELUDE "Air in F Major" George F. Handel

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

INTROIT

"He Came Down"

Cameroon Song, Iona Community

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, all who are weary of superficial faith, and hungry for something real.

We come seeking not the glitter of fool's gold, but the lasting treasure of God's truth.

Lay down your performance. Let go of your need to appear righteous.

We come not with counterfeit lives, but with hearts open to be made new.

Here, in the presence of the Living God, all that is false falls away.

Let us worship in spirit and in truth—not with a faith that pretends, but with a love that transforms.

*HYMN "When God Restored Our Common Life"

CALL TO RENEWAL (Liturgist Only)

No. 74

Holy God you allow us to boldly proclaim your name, yet we are stubborn and rebellious and heedless of your call. Let us remake ourselves toward that Image of Divine Love as we make our confession before God and each other.

PRAYER OF RENEWAL (In Unison)

God of Truth, You know how easily we are fooled—by showy words, shallow religion, and the glitter of appearances. We confess that too often we settle for a fool's gold faith: faith that looks shiny but lacks substance; a religion that performs but doesn't transform. Forgive us for the counterfeit ways we've tried to follow you: when we say "Lord, Lord" but do not live your love, when we wear the name of Christ but resist his cross. Burn away the false and hollow in us. Refine our hearts like gold tested by fire. Give us real love, real humility, real power from your Spirit. In Jesus' name—the real Savior who offers real grace—Amen.

SILENT MEDITATION

GOOD NEWS OF FORGIVENESS

As far as the east is from the west, so have our sins been separated from us. They have been thrown into the sea of forgetfulness, and there, they are remembered no more.

Our thanks be to God!

*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 with the peace of Christ.

OFFERTORY

"Thou Shalt Bring Them In"

G. F. Handel

*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

Exodus 32:1-8; Matthew 7:15-20; 2 Timothy 3:1-5

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

"Fool's Gold Faith?"

Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

ANTHEM

"A Joyful Alleluia"

Gordon Young

WE RESPOND TO CHRIST'S WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

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.

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE IN CHRIST'S NAME

*HYMN "Hear the Good News of Salvation"

No. 441

*BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION

"The Lord Now Sends Us Forth"

Jose Aguiar/Pedro Infante

Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

POSTLUDE

"Allegro Maestoso"

G.F. Handel

^{*} Please stand, if able

SERVING TODAY

Coffee Hour – John Kimmelmann

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for: Those affected by natural disasters and ongoing wars; Peter C. Jackson;
Blanca Campbell and Jim Nina; Jill Tuttle Albiani; Barry and Benetta Taylor; Rev. John Moore;
Maria Wippick; Jim Preston; Kathy Zarchin; Teri Brennan; Carol Taplin; 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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This Week		
July 14 th	Nutrition Program	7:00-1:00
July 15 th	Food Pantry	4:00-6:00
July 16 th	Meals on Wheels	7:00-11:00
July 17 th	Bible Study Living Lands Workshop	10:00 5:30
July 18 th	Nutrition Program Food Pantry	7:00-1:00 10:00-1:00
July 20 th	Friends of Music Conce	rt 6:00
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Shelter Island Presbyterian Church July 13, 2025 Fifth Sunday after Pentecost



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"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 spiritual 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."