

A WORSHIP SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

August 31, 20259:00 a.m.

CHIMESWE GATHER IN CHRIST’S NAME

PRELUDE“Poco Allegretto”Cesar Franck

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTSRev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

INTROIT“Be Still and Know that I Am God”John L. Bell

\*CALL TO WORSHIP  
Leader: Ask, and it will be given to you.  
People: We come, trusting in God’s generosity.  
Leader: Seek, and you will find.  
People: We come, searching for God’s way of love.  
Leader: Knock, and the door will be opened.  
People: We come, ready to step into God’s mercy.  
Leader: God gives good gifts to all who ask.  
People: So we will live the Golden Rule—treating others as we long to be treated.  
Leader: Come, people of God, let us go for the gold of God’s promise and love!  
All: We come to worship the One who is generous and just, and who calls us to live in love.

\*HYMN“Fairest Lord Jesus”No. 630

CALL TO RENEWAL (Liturgist Only) Lydia Brigham  
And so we live our lives imperfectly, for we are flawed. But we are also loved by the God in whose Image we were created. Let us remake ourselves toward that Image as we make our confession before God and each other.

PRAYER OF RENEWAL (In Unison) Lydia Brigham  
Generous God, You promise to give good gifts, yet we often doubt Your goodness.  
You open doors of mercy, yet we close doors on our neighbors.  
You call us to treat others as we would be treated, yet we fall short in kindness and compassion.  
Forgive us, Lord. Renew our trust in Your promise.  
Teach us to go for the gold of Your love—asking boldly, seeking faithfully, knocking persistently, and living by the rule of mercy and grace. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

SILENT MEDITATION

GOOD NEWS OF FORGIVENESS Lydia Brigham  
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“Priere”Cesar Franck

\*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 Matthew 7:7-12  
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“Going for the Gold”Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

ANTHEM“Somebody’s Knockin’ at Your Door”African-American Spiritual  
arr. Joy F. Patterson

WE RESPOND TO CHRIST’S WORD

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“Seek Ye First”No. 175

\*BENEDICTIONRev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

CHORAL BENEDICTION “God Be With You Till We Meet Again” J.E. Rankin/  
William C. Tomer

POSTLUDE“Quasiallegro”Cesar Franck  
\* Please stand, if able

# Shelter Island Presbyterian Church

August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

## SERVING TODAY

**Liturgist** – Lydia Brigham

**Usher** – Lynn Thomson

**Coffee Hour** – Colleen Smith & Brenda Bergman

## 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; Andrew Ogar; 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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### **Session Team - Church Elders**

Class of 2025: Laurie Fanelli

Class of 2026: Heather Reylek/ Laura Nelsen/ Pamela Jackson

Class of 2027: Marty Kappauf / Gary Kagawa / Ellen Gove

### **Deacons Team**

Class of 2025: Marianne Baird/ Alison Binder/

Sharon Donno/ Lynn Thomson

Class of 2026: Roswitha Wissemann/

Brenda Bergman

Class of 2027: Dana Hallman / Katherine Roberts / Colleen Smith

### **Congregational Nominating Team**

Class of 2025: Heather Reylek / Lynn Thomson /

Cindy Griffin / Lynne Weikart

### **This Week**

Aug. 31 <sup>st</sup>	Friends of Music	6:00
Sept. 1 <sup>st</sup>	Nutrition Program	7:00-1:00
Sept. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Food Pantry	4:00-6:00
Sept. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Meals on Wheels	7:00-11:00
Sept. 4 <sup>th</sup>	Bible Study	10:00
Sept. 5 <sup>th</sup>	Nutrition Program	7:00-1:00
	Food Pantry	10:00-1:00

**\*\*Sunday Services will be begin at 10:00AM starting September 7<sup>th</sup>**



### **Shelter Island Presbyterian Church Mission Statement:**

“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 spiritOual 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.”

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