

PRAYER REQUESTS: Please use the blue prayer request cards in the pews for your prayer requests. Place them in the offering plate so Pastor can include them in the Pastoral Prayer.

LAY READER for today is Linda Schaller.

CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY this week is Mikayla Charpentier.

THE FLOWERS this week are given by Keith Karkut in memory of his father, Charles Karkut.

DEACON of the month is Kylee Vogel.

GREETERS for today are

### Church Elders

Sharon Laverdure Rick Sanker Ellie Buff  
Sandra Rydell Judy Schreck Jim Hall  
Phil Lawrence Debbie Prince Lisa Swanson

### Church Staff

Nicole Vogel  
Jen Carmella  
Linda Schaller  
Sami Carmella  
Keith Karkut

Pastor  
Secretary  
Music Director  
Nursery Attendant  
Technology/Sexton

### THIS WEEK AT E.S.P.C.

Today ~ Adult Ed. Class, 9:00 a.m.  
~ Worship, 10:00 a.m.  
~ Fellowship Hour, following worship  
~ Property & Finance Committee meeting, 11:00 a.m.  
Monday ~ Martin Luther King Jr. Day – Office Closed

### New Office Hours

Starting immediately, the church office will be open from 7:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.  
Monday through Thursday. There will be no regular office hours on Fridays.

# THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania

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**January 15, 2023**  
**Service for the Lord's Day**  
**All Services are Live-Streamed**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Cornerstone" Arr. Mark Hayes

**GATHERING**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Trust in the Lord with all your heart

**P: And lean not on your own understanding.**

L: In all your ways submit to him

**P: And he will make Your paths straight.**

**All: We submit ourselves to you as you have gathered us in worship, O God. Please help us to develop our trust in You. Let Your will be our will.**

\*HYMN NO. 187

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Gracious God, sufficient and sovereign, yet, compassionate and kind; You tell us the truth while the world lies to us; You give us light and hope, while all around us cast darkness and despair. When we mess up our lives – You give us a new one. When we lose our way – You find us and guide us home. When we are cast out – You call us by name and take us in. It’s no wonder we praise You. It’s no wonder we love You. Amen**

CHILDREN’S SERMON

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Loving God, You are the author of all life. You created the heavens through the words of Your mouth. You also are constantly creating new life. However, we don’t accept the new life You give us. We choose to often hold onto and go back to the ways of our past. Help us to see that in You, we are made more than conquerors of all that seeks to destroy us. Forgive us for failing to live into the ways You are calling us to be in this new season, because it is easier to keep doing things the same way rather than making the changes You are asking us to make. Help us as we seek to be open to Your ways and not our own ways. Amen.**

**☞ Moment for Silent Reflection ☞**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*GLORIA PATRI

(Pg. 581 in red hymnal)

**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. Amen.**

\*THE PEACE

**L: The peace of Christ be with you!  
P: And also with you!**

HYMN NO. 436

“God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us”

**THE WORD**

OLD TESTAMENT

*Judges 6:1-2, 7-16 (Pg. 222)*

NEW TESTAMENT

*John 14:1-14 (Pg. 108)*

EPISTLE

*Philippians 3:1-14 (Pg. 198)*

**L: Word of God for the people of God  
P: Thanks be to God**

SERMON

“Stuck”

Pastor Nicki

HYMN NO. 611

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

APOSTLES’ CREED

(Pg. 35 in red hymnal)

**SENDING**

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

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.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.**

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

HYMN NO. (on insert)

“Onward Christian Soldiers”

POSTLUDE

“The Snow Lay on the Ground”

ARR. MARY MCDONALD

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