

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 Carole Emery.

CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY this week is Jeff Gibbons, Keli Butera and Ed West.

THE FLOWERS this week are given by Sharon and Rich Laverdure in honor of their Church family.

DEACON of the month is Kylee Vogel.

GREETER today is Amanda Denny.

### 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  
~ “Town Hall” meeting after worship  
~ Youth Gathering, here from 2:00-4:00 p.m.

### 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 22, 2023

### Service for the Lord's Day

### All Services are Live-Streamed

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

### GATHERING

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

**P: His love endures forever**

L: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore, we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

**P: His love endures forever.**

**ALL: Let us worship God.**

\*HYMN NO. 815

“Give to the Winds Thy Fears”

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**God of the Impossible, there’s nothing too hard for You to do. Nothing too complex for You to understand. No place we go that You’re not there. No sin too heinous that You’ll not forgive. And no time when You cease to love Your own. You amaze us with Your power and creativity; You overwhelm us with Your grace and love. Thank You for inviting us to come as we are, not as we aren’t; upheld by Your compassion and grace. Amen.**

CHILDREN’S SERMON

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Gracious God, we come before You today scared. Scared for our health, scared for our jobs, scared for our loved ones. Help us Lord, not to dwell in our fears, but rather to turn to You, trusting that You are indeed the God who rescues. You sent your Son, not simply to send us to heaven, but to help us live as new creations, not living in fear, but free to love and serve as You love and serve us. Help us Lord, in this time, not to be greedy, not to hoard and simply think of ourselves. But help us to reflect the life and love of Your Son Jesus Christ, that those who do not know You will see something different in us. 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. 848

“Trust in God”

**THE WORD**

OLD TESTAMENT

*2 Samuel 12:14-23 (Pg. 285)*

NEW TESTAMENT

*John 16:5-13(Pg. 110)*

EPISTLE

*2 Timothy 1:3-9 (Pg. 211)*

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

SERMON

“History Repeats Itself”

Pastor Nicki

HYMN NO. 782

“Hear My Prayer, O God”

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. 686

“God of Our Life”

POSTLUDE

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