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# $Sunday \ Worship \ Service \ | \ \mathbf{24} \ April \ \mathbf{2022} \ | \ \mathbf{2^{nd}} \ Sunday \ of \ Easter$

"THE WORD BECAME FLESH AND BLOOD AND MOVED INTO THE NEIGHBORHOOD (John 1:14)."

 $Meditation \mid \mathrm{ALL}$ 

**PRELUDE** | JACOB PADUANO

 $Call \ to \ Worship \ | \ Pastor \ Lundy$ 

**INVOCATION** | PASTOR LUNDY

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS & CELEBRATIONS | ELDER WANDA SIZEMORE- MCRAE

**OPENING HYMN | SHFPC MUSIC MINISTRY** 

VIRTUAL PASSING OF PEACE | LEAD BY FAN COMMITTEE

LIVING OUR MISSION | START OF MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS AND FOSTER CARE MONTH

PRAYER OF CONFESSION | PASTOR LUNDY

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION | ALL

ASSURANCE OF PARDON | PASTOR LUNDY

Scripture Reading  $|\,\rm JOHN\ 21:1-19$ 

HYMN OF PREPARATION | SHFPC MUSIC MINISTRY SERMON | PASTOR LUNDY: "Catching Fish and Feeding Sheep" Affirmation of Faith | Elder Bessie Allen

**PASTORAL PRAYER** | PASTOR LUNDY

OFFERING OF GIFTS TO GOD | ALL AND MUSICAL SELECTION | SHFPC MUSIC MINISTRY

COMMUNION

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION | PASTOR LUNDY

# **MEDITATION BEFORE SERVICE**

Silent mediation is the first order of worship. Take this opportunity to reflect upon God, the events of your week, and the persons who are touching your life. If you wish, share your prayer concerns there will be an opportunity to share your concern during our Joys and Concerns/Pastoral Prayer.

# **CALL TO WORSHIP**

We have traveled from the horror of Good Friday to the joy and celebration of Easter We will give thanks to you forever, O God The Lord has turned our sorrow and sadness into dancing and joy We will give thanks to you forever, O God We come now to worship the one who transforms fear into resurrection love We will give thanks to you forever, O God. Amen.

# **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Resurrected One, you have proven that nothing can defeat the power of your love **And yet we continue to nurture our doubts.** 

Time and again, you demonstrate your ability to transform despair in our human story into miraculous hope in your divine narrative

# And yet we make ourselves at home in the pit of desolation.

Over and over, you patiently plant your seeds of joy, and yet we continue to scoff at the puny seedlings that sprout

# As if we've never before witnessed the tenacity of your regenerative Spirit.

God, call us again to follow you. Show us again the miracle of your abundance.

# Lead us again from the depths of our fear into the Easter light of your never-failing love. Amen. *Silent Confession*

# **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Hear this song of praise that God's people have been singing for thousands of years: "O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me. O Lord, you brought up my soul from Sheol, restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit." God heals all wounds, rescues all sinners, and forgives all debts. Join the song of praise! **Thanks be to God!** 

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Any dates for the Church Calendar should be given to Wanda Sizemore-McRae ASAP.

- **Operation Warm Heart** is still seeking donations of personal care items, socks, and/or bus cards for displaced individuals. Please contact Elder Bessie for more information.
- 2022 Per Capita is \$45 per member. This and all donations can be submitted during worship; to SHFP Church, P. O. Box 442, Roselle, NJ 07203; or with *Zelle* using shfpchurch64@gmail.com.
- **Pastor's Survey** regarding her visitation and communications was sent in the mail and via email last week. Please check your mail- and email-box for the survey and return it before March 22, 2022. If you cannot locate the survey, contact Elder Pam.
- What's the 313? The Ancestors Speak Video Blog Co-hosted by Pastor Lundy and James Amemasor on Sundays at 3p.m. It is a conversation about the Ancestors Speak Research Project on Zoom: Meeting ID 814 0595 3491 and Dial-in Number (929) 205-6099.
- On Monday evenings, **Prayer Service is 6:30pm** and **Bible Study is 7pm** on Zoom. The study book is *Lord Change Me* by Evelyn Christenson.
- Do you want to **serve on a committee** or ministry? Please see a session member today.
- If you wish to be a *Liturgist*, please see Elder Wanda after service.

# **REMINDERS:**

- Pastor's office hours are by appointment in the *Snyder Academy*. Contact her at **201-970-3337** or **wandamlundy@gmail.com**.
- During worship service, kindly turn off or put phones on vibration.
- Our church is a COVID-19 conscious setting, so **please wear a facemask** over your nose and mouth.
- Anyone requesting a **pastoral visit or at-home communion** should contact one of the Ruling Elders, Deacons, or Pastor.
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# MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH



#### FUN FACTS

# **Did You Know?** The first President of Princeton University was a Minister at the First Presbyterian Church of Elizabethtown.

"**Jonathan Dickinson** was the leader of the little group that, in his words, 'first concocted the plan and foundation of the College.'

...With the help of three fellow pastors (Ebenezer Pemberton, Aaron Burr Sr., and John Pierson) and three laymen from New York City (William Smith, Peter Van Brugh Livingston, and William Peartree Smith), he secured a royal charter for the College of New Jersey dated October 22, 1746. The first trustees announced Dickinson's appointment as president in April 1747 (https://pr.princeton.edu/pub/presidents/dickinson/index.html)."

In late May 1747, classes started with about 10 students in Dickinson's parsonage, which is now known as the *Snyder Academy*.

P.S. If you know the history for our blended, three congregations, please **share it with us!** 

# MARK YOUR CALENDAR

(May Birthdays) 22<sup>nd</sup> Shirkaya Sizemore 23<sup>rd</sup> Tiara Powell 24<sup>th</sup> Winston Tidd 25<sup>th</sup> James Johnson 12<sup>th</sup> Linda Swaggerty 20<sup>th</sup> Niki Allen 26<sup>th</sup> Kierrah Nelson 28<sup>th</sup> William Robinson 30<sup>th</sup> Wanda Sizemore-McRae

> (May Anniversaries) **No Anniversaries**

#### THIS WEEK'S WORD

<sup>1</sup> Afterward Jesus appeared again to his disciples, by the Sea of Galilee. It happened this way: <sup>2</sup> Simon Peter, Thomas (also known as Didymus), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two other disciples were together.<sup>3</sup> "I'm going out to fish," Simon Peter told them, and they said, "We'll go with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. 4Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. 5He called out to them, "Friends, haven't you any fish?" "No," they answered. 6He said, "Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some." When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish.

<sup>7</sup> Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" As soon as Simon Peter heard him say, "It is the Lord," he wrapped his outer garment around him (for he had taken it off) and jumped into the water. 8The other disciples followed in the boat, towing the net full of fish, for they were not far from shore, about a hundred vards. When they landed, they saw a fire of burning coals there with fish on it, and some bread. 10Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you have just caught." 11So Simon Peter climbed back into the boat and dragged the net ashore. It was full of large fish, 153, but even with so many the net was not torn. 12Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. <sup>13</sup>Jesus came, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. <sup>14</sup>This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead.

<sup>15</sup>When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" "Yes, Lord," he said, "you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my lambs." 16Again Jesus said, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He answered, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Take care of my sheep." <sup>17</sup>The third time he said to him, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, "Do you love me?" He said, "Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my sheep. <sup>18</sup>Very truly I tell you, when you were younger you dressed yourself and went where you wanted; but when you are old you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go." <sup>19</sup>Jesus said this to indicate the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God. Then he said to him, "Follow me (John 21:1-19)!"

#### WHAT'S COOKING FOR BREAKFAST?



# Spinach, Tomato and Turkey Sausage Egg Casserole

{Yield: Sixteen (2-oz.) portions or One (9"x13") baking dish}

1 cup lean turkey sausage (8 oz.) 2 cups packed fresh chopped spinach

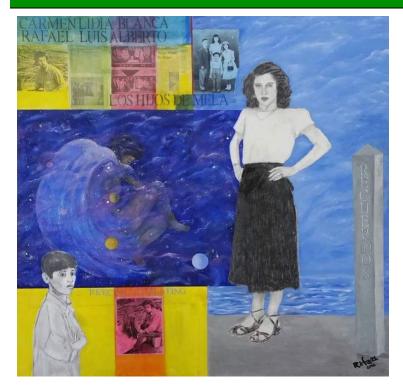
2 tsp. olive oil 1/2 tsp. lemon juice 1 cup diced onion 1 tsp. dry basil 1 cup diced green peppers 1/2 tsp. salt 1 tsp. minced garlic 1/4 cup grated parmesan cheese 1 cup diced tomatoes 3 cups Egg Beaters 1/4 tsp. ground black pepper Non-stick Cooking spray

#### Instructions:

- 1. Preheat oven to 350°F. Lightly spray a 9x13-inch baking dish with cooking spray.
- 2. In a sauté pan over medium heat, brown the turkey sausage. Set aside.
- 3. In another sauté pan over medium-high heat, cook onion and peppers until translucent, about 4 minutes.
- 4. Add garlic, tomatoes, basil, lemon juice, salt and pepper and cook an addition 2 minutes until all liquid is absorbed. Add spinach and cook until just wilted.
- 5. Transfer the vegetable mix to the baking dish, spreading it evenly over the bottom of the dish.
- 6. Spread the turkey sausage and parmesan cheese over the vegetable mixture. Pour the Egg Beaters evenly over the vegetable mix.
- 7. Bake for 25-30 minutes until a knife inserted in the center comes out clean.

This recipe is courtesy of our *Fitness Activities and Nutrition* Committee. Learn more about FAN and be healthier at **www.shfpchurch.org/fan-resources**.

#### **PHOTO OF THE WEEK**



**Elder Rafael Rodriguez** painted this expressive painting during the Summer of 2016. He was such a talented and generous servant of GOD. Elder Rafael left a great legacy love, faith and creativity on our historic campus.

#### LITERARY CORNER

#### WORD OF THE WEEK

#### **Christian Fellowship**

"Oh, what sweet communion In God's only Son; Loving Christian fellowship-Hearts united as one; Joined together in Christ, Free from the state of sin, Adoring the King of kings-Our very closest Friend. One common purpose, And one single goal-To glorify our Saviour Till heavens gates unfold.

Lord, thank You for Christian Fellowship Uniting our hearts in love; We pray You'd keep us ever close, Till we reach our home above."

## **Fellowship**



"A friendly feeling that exists between people who have a shared interest or are doing something as a group (https://dictionary.cambridge.org/us)"

PSST! Do You Write Poetry or Short Stories? Submit it to shfpchurch64@gmail.com.

# GETTING TO KNOW YOU



Our community is rich with interesting and talented people. In an effort to tighten our family bond, we will feature a member, friend, and/or supporter of our church.

Who will be our first volunteer?

#### Tell us . . .

- Where were you born and raised?
- When is your birthday?
- Who makes up your family?
- What is/was your career or main job?
- What is your favorite color, dessert, and/or vacation spot?
- Who is/was your hero or role model?
- How did you arrive in our church community?
- What is your unique skill or talent?

#### ... what you want us to know!

Please send a letter or email to Elder Pamela Robinson Smith at:

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TRESPASSES

**KINGDOM** LIKENED BROTHER SEVENTY. SORRY ACCOUNT **HEARTS** ACAINST PATIENCE TORMENTORS. THOUSAND FORGEVE PRISON HUNDRED HEAVEN THROAT JESUS PAYNENT PETER