



**Siloam Hope First
Presbyterian Church**



Founded as the First NJ Christian Congregation in 1664

Happy Mother's Day!



WELCOME. LOVE. SERVICE. COMMUNITY.

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Sunday Worship Service | 8 May 2022 | 4th Sunday of Easter

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



MEDITATION | 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 | MOTHER'S DAY

PRAYER OF CONFESSION | PASTOR LUNDY

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION | ALL

ASSURANCE OF PARDON | PASTOR LUNDY

SCRIPTURE READING | ACTS 9:36-43

HYMN OF PREPARATION | SHFPC MUSIC MINISTRY

SERMON | PASTOR LUNDY: *“Tabitha, the Female Disciple”*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | ELDER BESSIE ALLEN

PASTORAL PRAYER | PASTOR LUNDY

OFFERING OF GIFTS TO GOD | ALL

AND **MUSICAL SELECTION** | SHFPC MUSIC MINISTRY

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

Awake! Rise up!

There is much to be done in the Lord's Name today.

Get ready to worship and to serve God.

**We are ready to hear God's word for us and
to respond in action and love.**

Open your hearts to God's will this day.

Praise be to God who walks with us and guides us. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of life, you turn mourning into dancing

The dark night of weeping into the bright morning of gladness.

Your light has shined upon us, claiming us as witnesses to your saving power.

Yet we keep silent and hide your light.

Forgive our meager witness to the glad news of your light breaking into our world, in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus

Empower us by your Spirit to proclaim this Gospel to all. Amen. *Silent Confession*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the Good News: God's forgiveness is an endless fountain of love, washing us in the waters of eternal life. In the name of Christ, you are forgiven. In the name of Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God. Amen.

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 Amemason 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.

SANKOFA SAYS

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MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

May is

Mental Health Awareness Month

1 in 4 people will suffer from some form of mental illness in any given year

Break the Silence
Break the Stigma

Not all pain is physical and not all wounds are visible

Out of the Ashes / FB

FUN FACTS

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

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*.

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

- (May Anniversaries)
- No Anniversaries**

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

³⁶ In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (in Greek her name is Dorcas); she was always doing good and helping the poor. ³⁷ About that time she became sick and died, and her body was washed and placed in an upstairs room. ³⁸ Lydda was near Joppa; so when the disciples heard that Peter was in Lydda, they sent two men to him and urged him, "Please come at once!"

³⁹ Peter went with them, and when he arrived, he was taken upstairs to the room. All the widows stood around him, crying and showing him the robes and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was still with them.

⁴⁰ Peter sent them all out of the room; then he got down on his knees and prayed. Turning toward the dead woman, he said, "Tabitha, get up." She opened her eyes and seeing Peter she sat up. ⁴¹ He took her by the hand and helped her to her feet. Then he called for the believers, especially the widows, and presented her to them alive. ⁴² This became known all over Joppa, and many people believed in the Lord. ⁴³ Peter stayed in Joppa for some time with a tanner named Simon (Acts 9:36-43).



Heart Healthy Cornbread

{Makes 10 servings}

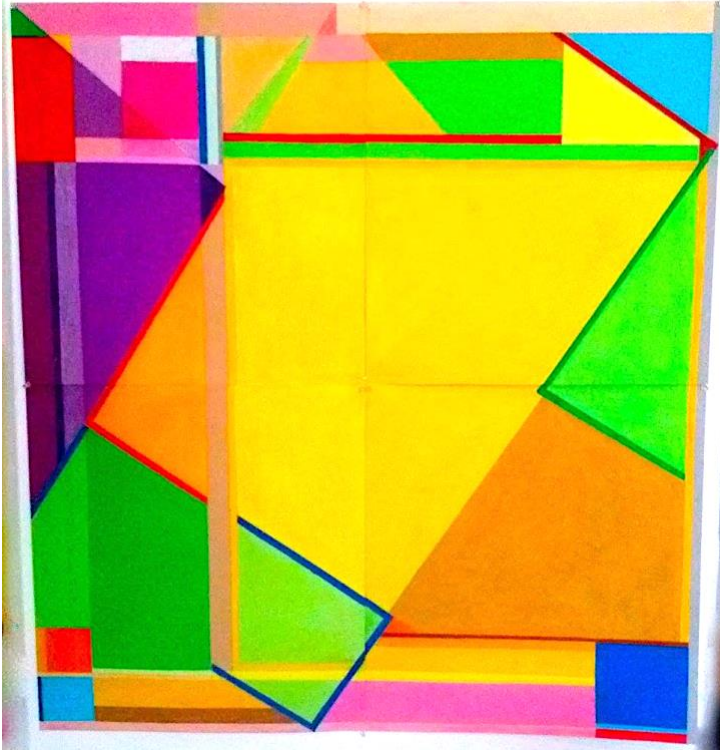
- 1 c. unbleached flour
- 1 c. medium-grind cornmeal
- 1/4 c. sugar
- 3 teaspoons No-Sodium baking powder
- 1 egg lightly beaten
- 1/4 c. sunflower or canola oil
- 1 1/3 c. 1% low-fat milk

Instructions:

1. Preheat oven to 425° degrees F.
2. Mix the dry ingredients in a large bowl.
3. Blend in the beaten egg, milk and oil.
4. Pour into a baking dish sprayed lightly with oil. Bake for 20 minutes.
5. Serve alongside your favorite warm meal!

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 created this Architectonic Series Work on Paper during May of 2015.

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

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.”

WORD OF THE WEEK

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.



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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 42 Broad Street
 Attn: **Elder Pam**
 Elizabeth, NJ 07201

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