

New Members of State College Presbyterian Church

Heike and Sarah Gen Burghart Rice join us by Letter of Transfer from Redeemer Lutheran Church in Hinsdale, IL.

Heike grew up in a large family in the Midwest, where family, music, and church were her biggest passions from a young age. She attended college in Grand Rapids, MI, and graduate school at the University of Cincinnati. She grew up in Baptist churches but has been a part of several different traditions over the years.



Sarah Gen studied music composition at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, NY, and is an Assistant Professor of Music at Penn State's School of Music. She grew up in the Lutheran Church, but has also spent time in Baptist, United Methodist, and Brethren churches over time—mostly where Heike was directing music. Heike and Sarah Gen are moms to Hugo (entering high school), Osanna (entering middle school), and Benedikt (entering Kindergarten) who are already active in the children and youth programs here at SCPC.

Heike loves spending time with family and friends and all things related to yarn, knitting, and crocheting, and Sarah Gen is happy when she can find time to read. We are so happy to welcome Heike, Sarah Gen, and their children into our church family!

Ashlee Hoffman joins by Letter of Transfer from Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church in Columbia, MD.

Ashlee was born and raised in Johnstown, PA, but most recently relocated to State College with her husband, Pastor Scott Hoffman. She was an elementary teacher for 20 years and a Literacy Coach for elementary teachers for the past 2 years. She is currently an Adjunct Instructor for the College of Education at Penn State, supervising student teachers in the field education placements. The family is enjoying getting to know their new hometown and their SCPC family.



Natalee Hoffman joins by Confession of Faith.

Natalee is the youngest daughter of Scott and Ashlee Hoffman and is beginning her sophomore year at State College High School.

She is an avid reader who loves spending time with close friends, playing multiple sports, and going to camp. Natalee is enjoying being a part of FISH and will be volunteering with LOGOS this year.



Dan and Gail Miller join us by Reaffirmation of Faith.

Dan was born and grew up in Lewistown, PA where he attended the United Methodist Church in Burnham. He attended Penn State to study electrical engineering and retired in 2013 from General Electric Inspection Technologies in Lewistown. Dan has had several serious health conditions which are all presently under control—during his illnesses and surgeries, he felt the power of God’s healing.

Gail was born and raised in Lancaster County and grew up in the Church of the Brethren. She received her BS and Master's Degrees in Nursing and spent most of her nursing career at Mt. Nittany Health, retiring in 2017.

Gail and Dan were college sweethearts, married in 1976, and have resided in State College ever since. They have two adult children, Steven and Kathryn (who was married here at SCPC), and a 7-year-old grandson whom they adore. They came to SCPC when looking for a new church home and felt very welcomed right from the start. Gail jumped right in and is an active member of the Tuesday Congregational Prayer group. Dan enjoys listening to music and working with electronics and Gail enjoys, traveling, baking, entertaining, sewing, and drawing.

