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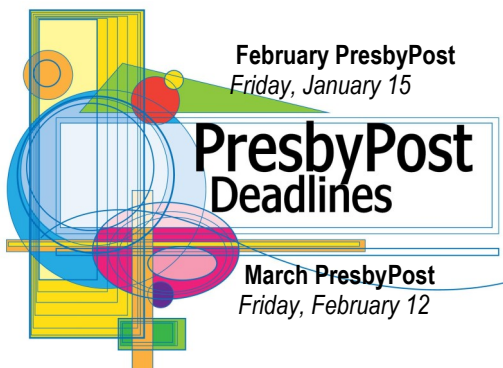
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February PresbyPost
Friday, January 15

**PresbyPost
Deadlines**

March PresbyPost
Friday, February 12

Congregational Meeting

State College
Presbyterian Church

Congregational Meeting
Sunday, January 24, 2021

11:00 AM via **zoom**

*Including Ordination
and Installation of Officers*

Strengthening Ministry Connections in a New Year

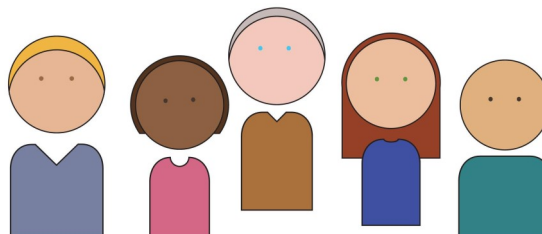
In 2018, our congregation made a big step forward in our ministry to college students and young adults by bringing Allison Maus to our church. Allison had just graduated from Princeton Seminary and had completed all of the necessary steps towards ordination. We felt so blessed that God had led us to a person uniquely qualified for the work of campus ministry who could also add greatly to our congregational worship and our Spiritual Life programs. We were able to enter into a three year covenant with Allison which will conclude at the end of the current academic year.

We are all grateful for Allison's ministry among us, and that is why the Session has been discussing ways that we can continue this fruitful relationship by creating an Associate Pastor position that Allison would fill.

As these conversations have progressed through the Summer and Fall, several important doors have opened. First of all, we were approved to receive help under a special program of the Board of Pensions for newly ordained persons in new ministry positions. This will greatly reduce the amount we must pay for Allison's health and pension benefits. Still, we will have to increase her compensation to meet Presbytery's minimums for an ordained person. Here again, we have wonderful news. A group of church members has already committed additional support to make up the difference between Allison's current salary and what Presbytery requires.

That is why the Session now feels comfortable in recommending to the congregation the formation of an Associate Pastor Nominating Committee to call Allison as an Associate Pastor for Campus, Young Adult, and Spiritual Life ministry for the designated term of three years, beginning in May of 2021. This recommendation will be brought forward at the annual congregational meeting on January 24.

There are great challenges for our ministries right now, and for campus ministry in particular. The pandemic has made radical changes to the lives of students and how our church can relate to them. However, the pandemic will not continue forever, and now we have a great opportunity to prepare, with God's help, for what happens next! Please continue to pray for our common work and plan on joining the meeting on Sunday, January 24.



**Ordination and
Installation of
Officers will be
included in the
Congregational
Meeting
on Zoom.**



Sympathy of the congregation to family and friends on the death of:

Daniel Falk's mother (Irene- November 23) and his father (David - December 6) - in Canada

Jack Ferguson, Marti Sawyer's brother, November 8

Jack Winter, November 27

Jo Keiser, December 1

Celia Church, December 19

James Smith, December 27

Janet Atwood, December 28

Congratulations of the congregation on the marriage of:
David Falk and Jason Dauer, December 5

LOGOS: Ready for More Fun in 2021!

LOGOS will be back in the action on January 12th, continuing to meet virtually during our spring semester. We start the month with a new and exciting Bible Time zoom. Our taste buds are getting excited for more tasty meals from Mike and Amy Gordon and we won't have to wait long because Tuesday, January 19th, we have our first curbside meal pick-up followed by Family Time zooms for Pajama Night. We will end January in style with a Worship Skills zoom featuring Ned and Karen on the 26th, a fun time you don't want to miss. If you are not currently registered for LOGOS, registration is free this year and can be completed online at scpresby.org. If you have questions, please feel free to contact our director, Keri Rounsville (rouns626@yahoo.com/814-574-5156).

Special Services Still Available

If you have not viewed our special Christmas services yet, they are still available on the State College Presbyterian YouTube Channel. Just go to YouTube.com and search for "State College Presbyterian." You don't want to miss the beautiful music of the Christmas Candlelight Service, or the charm of the children and youth in their Christmas Eve musical, or the candlelight of the Christmas Eve service.

Thank You SCPC Musicians

One of the things we musicians have missed this year is time together with other musicians to rehearse, socialize, and share our music. Fortunately, our SCPC musicians have been anxious to continue to lead worship with their musical offerings. It's not easy to learn your part from a computer by yourself. Some think it is even worse to see themselves in a video. Despite all that we have a wonderful group of talented and committed musicians who have been working especially hard during this holiday season to provide music for SCPC Worship services, including the 93rd annual Christmas Candlelight Service. Your musical offerings have been incredibly generous and we are all grateful for your efforts. A hearty Christmas thank you to all of you from Ned, SCPC Staff, and the congregation. You have blessed us this Christmas!

Christmas Day Dinner Thank You

It is with grateful hearts that we thank these folks for their gifts of service so that many could enjoy our Christmas dinner in this pandemic year: Cheryl Price, Bill Lukens, Roger Garthwaite, Sharon Ambrose, Clark Moose, Diana Malcom, John Marsden and son, Allison Maus and others who met and worked so that this tradition continued in a new and different way. Thank you so much!

Christmas Eve Musical Thank You

I am overwhelmed by the enthusiastic support I got from the families of children and youth who participated in the Christmas Eve Musical this year. None of us had any idea of what to expect, but families were anxious to try something new. Many times their instructions were less than complete but, with energy and creativity, the families came up with great art work, videos, readings, and solos. Thank you all for contributing to a great Christmas Eve service. It was one of my favorite parts of Christmas 2020! Thank you.

Ned Wetherald, Director of Music Ministry

Adult Education in January

Title: Darrell's Five Steps to Innovating for God and Your Neighbor

Date: January 17, 2021

Location: Virtual

Description: From the very first verse of the Bible, God was creating new things and new life. One of our obligations as Christians is to transform the world to make loving our neighbor easier. SCPC's own Darrell Velegol will discuss five key steps anyone can use to innovate in ways that can grow your faith, involvement in the community, and perhaps even your finances.

Title: An Architectural History of American Churches

Date: January 31, 2021

Location: Virtual

Description: Ever wonder how churches came to look as they do? Well, you're in luck! Dr. Craig Zabel, a professor of Art History at Penn State and a renowned authority on religious architecture, will teach you all about the architecture of American churches from the colonial era to the present.

January Services and Sermons


Sunday, January 3, 2021 2nd Sunday of Christmas
Return by Another Road (Matthew 2:1-12)
Dean Lindsey, preaching

Sunday, January 10, 2021 Baptism of the Lord
Michael Ozaki, preaching

Sunday, January 17, 2021 2nd Sunday after Epiphany
A Man Named Nathan (John 1:43-51)
Dean Lindsey, preaching

Sunday, January 24, 2021 3rd Sunday after Epiphany
Allison Maus, preaching

Sunday, January 31, 2021 4th Sunday after Epiphany
Have You Come to Destroy Us? (Mark 1:14-20)
Dean Lindsey, preaching

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Building Closed 	2
3 Worship (YouTube) 12:30 Deacons Z	4 7:00 Centering Prayer Z 8:00 POLO Bible Study Z	5 12:00 Congregational Prayer Meeting Z 6:30 Chrysalis Z	6 12:30 Wednesday in the Word Z 6:30 FISH Z	7	8	9
10 Worship (YouTube) 7:00 Session Z	11 6:00 Stay & Play Advisory Team 7:00 Centering Prayer Z 8:00 POLO Bible Study Z	12 12:00 Congregational Prayer Meeting Z 6:30 LOGOS Z 6:30 Chrysalis Z	13 12:30 Wednesday in the Word Z 6:30 FISH Z	14 7:00 Adult Education Z	15 PresbyPost Deadline	16
17 Worship (YouTube) 7:00 Special Session Z	18 7:00 Centering Prayer Z 8:00 POLO Bible Study Z	19 8:00 Building & Property 12:00 Congregational Prayer Meeting Z 5:30 LOGOS Curbside Meal 6:00 S & P Training 6:30 Chrysalis 7:00 Spiritual Life Z	20 12:30 Wednesday in the Word Z 6:30 FISH Z	21 6:00 Presbyterian Student Fellowship	22	23
24 Worship (YouTube) 11:00 Congregational Meeting Z including Ordination & Installation of Officers Z	25 5:00 Worship Ministry Z 7:00 Education Ministry Z 7:00 Centering Prayer Z 8:00 POLO Bible Study Z	26 12:00 Congregational Prayer Meeting Z 6:30 LOGOS Z 6:30 Chrysalis Z	27 12:30 Wednesday in the Word Z 6:30 FISH Z	28 6:00 Presbyterian Student Fellowship	29	30
31 Worship (YouTube)						



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