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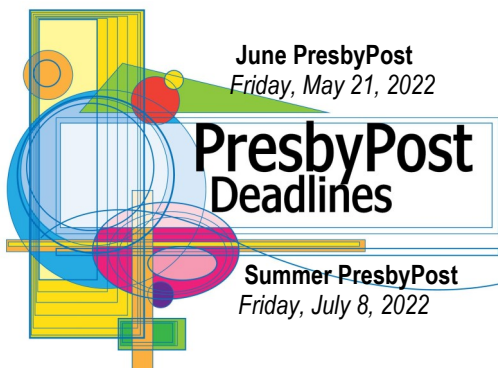
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday
May 1

College Graduate Recognition

In 10:15 AM Worship Service

Sunday
May 1

Tree Dedication Ceremony

After Worship on front lawn

A beautiful new maple tree on the Tower lawn is going to be dedicated to the memory of Hobie Kistler, son of Mary Jane and Tom Kistler, whose life was lost in a car accident in April of 2021. Hobie was an active and much loved member of the congregation as he grew up among us and as he began his career in the Navy. On Sunday, May 1, the dedication service will be held following morning worship.

Sunday
May 1

College Study Space begins

In Fireside Room - through May 4

Saturday
May 14

Wandering Women Hike

Around Lake Perez

Meet at 8:30 AM in church lot to carpool OR meet us at Stone Valley Boat and Cabin Rental Parking Lot at 9:00 AM. We'll hike the 3-mile trail around Lake Perez. We are expecting to be back in State College by noon. This is a lightly trafficked, generally level trail. You may want to bring a snack to enjoy, and definitely your water bottle.

Dress for the weather, consider sunscreen and or bug/tick spray. Diana Malcom is coordinating this month's hike. If you have questions, contact her at 814-574-8712.

We usually walk in light rain, but will cancel if the weather is stormy. Look for any cancellation information due to weather conditions on SCPC Facebook and via email.

Sunday
May 15

Church Picnic

At Spring Creek Park, 12:00 PM

Come join in for the Spring Church Picnic. Hamburgers, veggie burgers, and hot dogs will be provided along with drinks. Please bring a side dish and share a yummy dessert, a healthy salad, or your favorite baked bean recipe. We'll gather at the pavilion near the parking area at the end of Spring Lea Drive, off Houserville Road.

Sunday
May 22

High School Graduate Recognition

During 10:15 worship service.

Submit names by May 17!



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Sunday, May 1, 10:15 AM - 3rd Sunday of Easter
 "A Great Meal" (Luke 24:13-35)
 Dean Lindsey, preaching

Sunday, May 8, 10:15 AM - 4th Sunday of Easter
 "Doubting Thomas" (John 20:19-29)
 Paul Mortimore, preaching

Sunday, May 15, 10:15 AM - 5th Sunday of Easter
 "Won't You Be My Neighbor?" (Luke 10:25-37)
 Dean Lindsey, preaching

Sunday, May 22, 10:15 AM - 6th Sunday of Easter
 Allison Maus, preaching

Sunday, May 29, 10:15 AM - 7th Sunday of Easter
 "Don't Just Stand There Looking Up" Acts 1:1-11
 Dean Lindsey, preaching



The Season of Easter - A Week of Sundays

For seven weeks, a week of Sundays, we acclaim the resurrection of Christ by the power of God. The period of seven weeks of jubilation can be traced back to its Jewish roots of the fifty days celebrated from the day after Passover to Shavuot (Feast of Weeks, Exodus 23:16). For Jews, the Feast of Weeks closed the season of harvest, which had been initiated by the Feast of Unleavened Bread. In a similar manner, early Christians observed a fifty-day period of celebration from Easter to the Day of Pentecost. To underscore the uninterrupted rejoicing of these fifty days, fasting and kneeling in prayer were forbidden at least as early as the end of the second century. On the *pentecoste* ("fiftieth") day, not only was the fifty-day period concluded, but a festival with its own proper content was celebrated. The Jews observed a feast of covenant renewal and eventually commemorated the giving of the Law. Christians celebrated the gift of the Spirit as preparing the way for the day of the Lord. What Moses and the Law did for the Jewish community, the Holy Spirit now does for the community of Christ.

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12:00 pm
Spring Creek Park



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

Violet McLane, March 23, 2022,
Debbie Potter, April 6, 2022, in Cherry Washington.

Congratulations of the congregation on the birth of:
Grayer Lynn McCormick April 15, 2022 to **Amber (Smeal) McCormick and Jonathan McCormick** in Virginia Beach, Virginia. Grandparents are **Tonya and Tim Smeal**.

Texting Program is LIVE!

We've had a great response to our request for permission to participate in our new texting program at SCPC. We went live during Holy Week. We plan to use this communication tool for occasional informational messages and anytime there is a need to get a message out to you quickly.



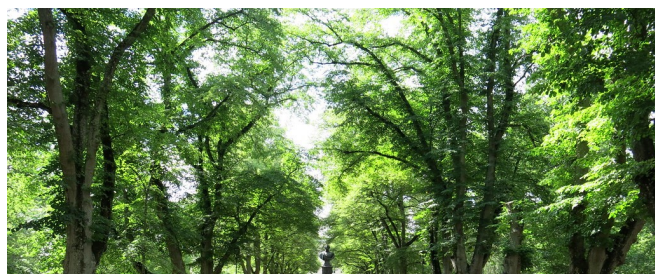
The unique phone number you will receive text messages from is: **(883) 234-1326**. It would be good to put this number in your contacts indicating "SCPC Texting" or something you will recognize as it coming from the church. Rest assured the program we are using (Thryve) does not sell your phone number or use it for any other purpose other than our communication with you.

If you haven't yet indicated you would like to participate in this program, just let us know and we'll add you to the list so you don't miss out!

Love Our Krislund Trees!

The destructive Spongy Moths are expected to have a big year this year, and we need to help protect the young forest at Krislund, used by many groups and loved by many individuals in this congregation. The necessary spraying will be coordinated with adjacent landowners to be most effective. The church has committed to \$16,000 of the \$21,000 cost, and donations to help meet that goal are welcome.

If you would like to donate to keep the leaves on the trees, you can write a check to State College Presbyterian Church or use our online donations, choosing the "other" category. Either way, please mark your contribution Krislund—trees, adding an in-honor designation if you would like to honor a tree lover, or someone who loves Krislund.



Wandering Women in May

For our May Wander, we will be heading around Lake Perez on Saturday, May 14th. Meet at 8:30 AM in church lot to carpool OR meet us at Stone Valley Boat and Cabin Rental Parking Lot at 9:00 AM.

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Session Highlights

Highlights from the April 2 Session meeting

- Confirmed the hiring of Cricket Hunter as part-time mission support staff person.
- Invited Paul Mortimore to fill the pulpit on May 8 (both pastors gone)
- Agreed to host Out of the Cold June 27 through July 10 in the Social Hall
- Discussed continuing moving forward as a congregation after Pastor Dean leaves
- New communion table: a lighter weight, more movable communion table is being refurbished, a legacy use from the First Presbyterian Church of Bellefonte.

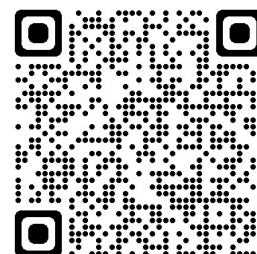


PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE

OUT OF CHAOS, HOPE

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance enables congregations and mission partners of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A) to witness to the healing love of Christ through caring for communities adversely affected by crisis and catastrophic event. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is the emergency and refugee program of the Presbyterian Church U.S.A.

PDA responds to occurrences such as a hurricane, tornado, storm, flood, tidal wave, fire explosion, contamination, civil strife, war, or other natural or human-caused event that produces human suffering or creates human needs that survivors cannot alleviate without assistance here and all over the world.



SCPC to Host OOTC June 27 - July 10

State College Presbyterian Church will host our Out Of The Cold neighbors overnight from June 27 - July 10 in the Social Hall.

SCPC volunteers will greet guests each evening, provide dinners (and perhaps some grab-and-go breakfasts), and will assist with daily early morning cleanup. On our opening and closing days, we will need help unloading and loading the truck, and setting up the Social Hall for their stay. OOTC staff will provide overnight supervision, so we will not need to provide overnight volunteers this time.

Please consider how you might like to help. We promise there will be plenty of training for all of the volunteer roles! The Social Justice and Mission Team will host the first night as a committee, and we would love to know if you as an individual, your small group or committee are interested in welcoming and assisting this community of neighbors, too. You can let Cricket Hunter know of your interest by emailing her at missionatscpc@gmail.com. A Sign Up Genius page will be made available as we get closer to the date. Be on the lookout for more information in upcoming SCPC weekly newsletters and the PresbyPost.

Adult Education in May

May 1, 2022

“Why Black and White Women Mobilized For Foreign Missions - Delving Into History”

Westminster Hall, 9:00 AM

Description: From the heroic stories of Gladys Aylward to the narrative exposés of Pearl Buck, the missionary ventures of Western women in eastern lands during the 19th and early 20th centuries have prompted both appreciation and critique. Come see Kerby Goff challenge the traditional narrative by including Black women and illustrating the similarities and differences in their reasons for organizing for missions. While both argued for women's essential place in the religious and educational role of foreign missions, Black women also argued for missions as a means of racial solidarity and uplift.

May 8, 2022

“My Mother's Favorite Hymns”

Location: Westminster Hall, 9:00 AM

Description: When I was preparing to play the organ in church for the first time, I remember my mother standing next to me to make sure that I played the hymns fluently, steadily, and at the proper tempo. Over the 55 years since then, my mother frequently suggests that I play the “old” hymn favorites - which I obediently try to do. Join me - Ned Wetherald - to sing some of my mother's favorite hymns and take requests from the mothers in the room.

May 15 and 22, 2022

“Reflections on the Psalms” with Daniel Falk

Westminster Hall, 9:00 AM

Description: The book of Psalms has been one of the most beloved parts of Scripture for Christians throughout history. Christians have found in these poems comfort in times of distress, a source of profound meditation on God, creation and the human condition, and even prophetic visions of Jesus. But the Psalms are disturbing and difficult as well as beautiful, and Christians have struggled to know what to do with the violent and ugly bits which are rarely read in the church. In the first parts of a three-part class, Daniel will reflect on C.S. Lewis's Reflections on the Psalms, bringing us closer to grappling with difficulties in the Psalms. This three part series concludes on June 12.



Spotlight On Thanks

On behalf of the congregation, we want to thank the singers in our Chancel Choir for their generous sharing of time and talent throughout the program year. They not only rehearse every Thursday evening but arrive early on Sunday mornings to prepare to lead worship. Thank you!

Adam Baldoni
Emily-Margaret Ceres
Connie Curilla
Don Hartzell
Bill Lukens
Tracey Massaglia
Meg Meloy
Paul Mortimore
Cheryl Price
Mary Beth Rosson
Linda Steffee
Michael West
Jim Wheeler

Hayden Carpenter
Katrina Cole
Richard Farrand
Anne Layng
Shelby Luther
Jack McKinley
Julianne Mortimore
Karen Neff
Ginny Rainey
Heather Steel
Lynne Verity
Ann Wheeler

We also want to thank our handbell ringers. They rehearse every Tuesday and ring in worship about once a month. Thank you!

Debbie Anderson
Elizabeth Bartlett*
Erin Blumsack
Carrie Koch
Sharon Manno
Kelly Nguyen
Tonya Smeal
Jane Steff
Steve Van Hook
Nancy Willis*

Haley Barham*
Katie Blume
Adam Cameron
Shelby Luther
Allison Maus
Gail Ritchey*
Lori Smith
Jenny Van Hook
Jennifer Tothoro
James Wittrig

* = substitutes

Easter Meditation

*From the Early Easter Service
at Windswept Farm
led by the Youth Sunday School Class
Written by Lily Stone*

You don't need to have a clue to know God is at work.

When Mary Magdalene went to the tomb of Jesus, and his body wasn't there, she was distraught. But there was something that told her there was more going on. There were angels at work, asking Mary why she was looking for the living among the dead.

When walking the road to Emmaus two followers grieved for their lost teacher. But there was a stranger on that road. A familiar stranger who made their hearts burn within them with his words as they traveled and broke bread once again in fellowship.

As Peter and John's nets were coming up empty, there was a figure on the beach. A person who shouted out to them from the shore to try casting their nets on the other side of the boat. When faced with a miracle, Peter and John jumped out of the boat (now full of fish) to the friend they thought they had lost forever. They were tired, confused, and yet still full of hope because their Lord had returned from death.

You don't need to see fire to feel its warmth. The world is confusing, but you don't need to be certain of anything to continue having hope. You can be confused and uncertain and afraid, but still know in your heart that God is at work. You can rejoice anyway, because today he is risen.

He is risen indeed.



May 2	Joan Hartman Susan Sanders Tom Vincent	Ted Taylor
May 3	Jack Erickson Judy Ray	May 17 Allison D'Ambrosia Becky Thomas
May 4	John McQueary Sr.	May 18 Mary Hartzell Julia Lucas Jamey Perry Samantha Shoffner
May 5	Dick Wolf Amy Gordon Heather Bruhn Eunice Cho	May 19 Olivia Barner Bitsey Robertson Margaret VanFossan
May 6	Ryan Gilmore Liz Holtzinger Stephen Wheeler	May 21 Clay Kleinman Lydia Malcom
May 8	Kelly Clark Fred Cullin Grace Tothero	May 23 Henrietta Baylor Melanie Bernier
May 9	Sharon Ambrose Ned Book Clay Gordon HJ Matsueda	May 24 Wanda Duncan Tom Kistler Ian McLaren
May 10	Izzy Allerheiligen Ray Allerheiligen Sarah Allerheiligen Jonathan Falk Don Hartzell	May 25 John Cheslock Jarret Cicero Roger Christman Linda McClimans
May 11	Katie Nurmi Kayt Williamson	May 26 Martie Musso
May 12	Linda Finley Amy Warner	May 27 Howie Smith
May 14	Kimberly Desorcie	May 28 Barbara Haring Kristen Miller Margie Miller
May 16	Meggan McGuire Abby Shipman Tonya Smeal	May 29 Barbara Gross Ashley Clauer
		May 30 Jamie Bauman
		May 31 Tammy Colwell



Scan here for the
Krislund website

www.krislund.org

**Krislund
Summer 2022 Camp Brochure
is available now!
Register early!**



Notice date and time change for May!

God abounds in love and mercy and welcomes us into the fellowship of the church, for in Christ, we have friends in faith who help us to grow in love and service. Here at State College Presbyterian Church, we would love to have you be a part of our ministry and to join us as a member of Christ's body.

If you are feeling led to become a member of the congregation of State College Presbyterian Church is invited to meet with the Pastor and a few elders from the Session following the worship services on **Sunday, May 15 at 9:30 AM** in the Martin Room. If you are ready to make a commitment, you will be received into membership at that time. You will then be recognized during worship the following Sunday (or the next Sunday you will be in attendance).

We meet in the Martin Room (on the main level of the church).

Have Lunch with the Pastor!

Come and join Pastor Dean for lunch and conversations at Wegmans on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 11:45 am. These luncheons were suspended during the pandemic, but we are glad to be able to get back together again. No reservation necessary. Just show up, get some food, and join the group.

The date for May is Wednesday, May 18.



Lunch With the Pastor



2022 Summer Camps

Stay and Play Preschool: 3yrs to pre-kindergarten

WHAT COMES NEXT?	CHEMISTRY
July 11-15 9:00-12:00	August 8-12 9:00-12:00
<p>In this summer camp your child will explore:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Experimenting with different solutions to watch the reactions ✓ Creating and building with different materials to make predictions on height and strength ✓ Life cycles ✓ And so much more! 	<p>In this summer camp your child will explore:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ What is the best kind of slime? ✓ What happens to our favorite candy in different solutions? ✓ Creating invisible ink with lemons! Can you make an egg square? ✓ And much more!

Join Miss Valerie and Miss Leanne for two weeks of STEAM fun!




Registration available on Stay and Play Website or hard copy at program

<https://www.scpresby.org/forms.html>



Sanctuary Flowers Sign-Up

Anyone wanting to supply flowers on a Sunday for 2022 can sign up on the flower chart. It is located in the hallway between the sanctuary and the church office. You can also call/e-mail the church office (814-238-2422 or officescpc@gmail.com) to reserve your date.

Ongoing Weekly Events								
Sunday 8:45 Coffee Hour 9:00 Sunday School 9:00 Adult Education 10:15 Worship 11:30 YoPro Bible Study		1 11:15 Tree Dedication 11:30 Deacons 12:00 College Study Space opens	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Stay and Play Parent Teacher Conferences						
		College Study Space - Fireside Room - 8:00 AM - 9:00 PM						
Monday 7:00 Scouts 7:00 Virtual Centering Prayer		8	9 6:00 Stay & Play Advisory Team 7:00 Men's Bible Study	10	11 7:00 Racial Reconciliation	12 5:30 Membership Ministry Unit 7:00 Adult Education Committee 7:00 Men's Covenant Group	13 11:30 GIFT	14 9:00 Wandering Women
Tuesday 10:00 Staff Meeting 12:00 Congregational Prayer Meeting			S & P Parent Teacher Conferences					
Wednesday 12:30 Wednesday in the Word 4:00 FISH Homework Time 6:00 FISH 8:00 POLO Women's Bible Study		15 9:30 Invitation to Join 12:00 Church Picnic Spring Creek 7:00 Session	16	17 8:00 Building and Property 9:00 SMART Work Day	18 11:45 Lunch with the Pastor Wegmans	19	20 PresbyPost Deadline	21 11:00 Nicholas Cole Eagle Scout Court of Honor
Thursday 6:00 Presbyterian Student Fellowship 7:00 Chancel Choir		22	23 4:00 Sustainability Circle 7:00 Men's Bible Study	24	25 7:00 Racial Reconciliation	26 7:00 Men's Covenant Group	27	28 YoPro Camping Trip
		29 Communion	3	 Memorial Day ★ ★ Building Closed		31		
								



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Their responsibilities are divided into three ministry units: Service, Caregiving, Mission
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Juli Mortimore	Marcus Wheeler	Marti Sawyer
Vivian Noll		Katie Stone
Owen Perry (youth)		
Jillian Rounsville (youth)		