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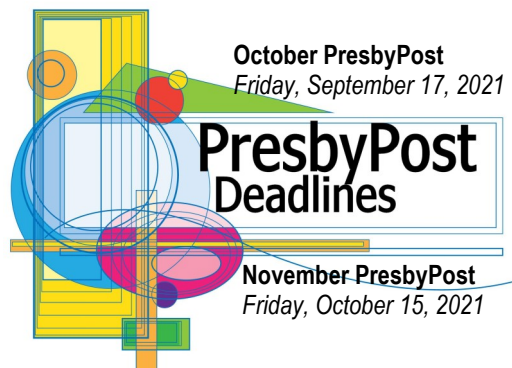
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# SCPC Come Together MONTH

**A month of Sundays**  
(September 12, 19, 26, and October 3)  
**for ALL AGES to COME TOGETHER to**  
worship, study, play, eat, and enjoy the  
fellowship we've been missing!

**Sunday, September 12**

**Tailgate Together**

Put together a team and enter the corn  
hole tournament, enjoy tailgate goodies,  
hear some tailgate music, grab an ice  
cream from the ice cream truck.

**Sunday, September 19**

**Creating Together**

Make a craft, draw with chalk on the  
sidewalk, enjoy a snack from the bakery  
truck.

**Sunday, September 26**

**Serving Together**

Assemble a Mission Bucket (see details  
on Page 6), write a note to a shut-in,  
enjoy coffee and snacks.

**Sunday, October 3**

**Feasting Together**

After World Communion worship, learn  
to juggle, or try your hands at drum-  
ming in a drum circle. Enjoy some food  
together.

All of the above are subject to change due to weather,  
medical conditions, or availability.



**Sunday, September 5** - One Service at 10:00 AM  
 "Test Day" Genesis 22:1-14

## SCPC Come Together MONTH

**Sunday, September 12** - One Service at 10:00 AM  
 The Great Ends of the Church - "Who's in Charge Here?"  
 First Principle: Jesus Christ Is Head of the Church  
 Rev. Dean Lindsey, preaching (Colossians 1:15-28)

**Sunday, September 19** - One Service at 10:00 AM  
 The Great Ends of the Church  
 "How are we supposed to do that?"  
 First Principle, cont.: Christ calls and equips the church.  
 Rev. Dean Lindsey, preaching (Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-16)

**Sunday, September 26** - One Service at 10:00 AM  
 The Great Ends of the Church  
 The Proclamation of the Gospel  
 Rev. Dean Lindsey, preaching (Romans 10:5-15)

**Sunday, October 3** - One Service at 10:00 AM - World Communion  
 The Great Ends of the Church  
 The Maintenance of Divine Worship  
 Rev. Dean Lindsey, preaching (1 Corinthians 11:17-34)

## Presbyterian Student Fellowship

Students are back! As we welcome them back, our PSF weekly meetings are gearing up. If you are or know a college student (PSU or otherwise), make sure to check out our weekly gatherings every Thursday 6:00-8:00 PM. We share stories, practice creativity, talk about faith, and eat together. It's one of the best parts of the week and we would love for you to join us. If you're not a college student and would like to be involved, we are looking for people willing to provide meals. We are so grateful for the support of this congregation and the way SCPC has prioritized its mission to college students! Questions? Contact Allison ([allisonscpc@gmail.com](mailto:allisonscpc@gmail.com)).



## Nursery/Toddler Care

As of August 29, our Nursery/Toddler Room will be open again for the Sunday worship service at 10:00 AM.

The caregivers are all vaccinated and will be wearing masks.

Children who are able to wear a mask should.

This room will be open to taking anyone up to pre-K age.

## Creative Movement & Music and Children and Worship

Starting on September 12 and going through October 3, we will continue to have one service at 10:00 AM. Creative Movement & Music and Children and Worship programs will begin following the children's message during this 10:00 AM worship service.

**Creative Movement & Music** (CMM) is for ages 3 - K aged children and meets in Westminster Hall. **Children and Worship** (C&W) is for 1st - 3rd Graders this year and meets downstairs in Room 11.

Parents should PICK UP their children following worship BEFORE going to coffee hour.

On October 10th, these programs will move back to the 9:00 worship hour.

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

**Ryan and Stephanie Gilmore** baby, July 22, 2021  
**Alice Meloy, Meg Meloy's** mother, August 15, 2021 in Doylestown, PA  
**Don Hartzell's** cousin **Steve**, farming accident in Slippery Rock  
**Joanne Chuckran**, August 23, 2021

Congratulations of the congregation on the birth of:

**Beatrice Margaret Meneau** born on August 10 to **Caroline (Lindsey) and Mitch Meneau** in Chicago. **Dean and Peggy Lindsey** are proud first-time grandparents

## What is YoPro??

If you look at the church calendar you might see this strange new word has appeared. YoPro is short for Young Professionals and is the new name for our Theology unTapped group, composed of graduate students and other young professionals. We meet weekly for Bible Study, and are still gathering for pub nights once a month. We hope our new name will be more encompassing of who we are and how we gather.

YoPro events in September:

**Theology unTapped-** September 6, 7:00-9:00 PM at Federal Taphouse

**Movie Night-** September 24, 7:00 at SCPC



## FISH Kickoff and Ice Cream

FISH Kickoff Meeting and Ice Cream will be held Sept 15, 7:00 PM.

High Schoolers and Parents, please join us as we look forward to the year ahead.



## Return to Hekima Place!

Preliminary planning is underway for a service trip to Hekima Place, Kiserian, Kenya; tentative trip dates are July 15 – 27, 2022. Hekima Place is a home for orphaned and vulnerable girls which strives to prepare them for the future through educational and leadership opportunities. A maximum of 14 folks will spend time with the girls reading, tutoring, playing, helping with general repairs and improvements around the school, and other projects to be determined. A general information meeting will be held on September 7 at 7:00 PM in the Martin Room for anyone interested in learning more about this opportunity. Mitch Kirsch and Cheryl Price will lead the group. Questions? Interested but can't attend the meeting? Email one of us ([mitchkirsch57@gmail.com](mailto:mitchkirsch57@gmail.com) or [clprice73@gmail.com](mailto:clprice73@gmail.com)) so we can answer your questions or add you to our list of interested people.

## Wandering Women Hike Sept. 11

This month the group will meet at 9:00 AM on Saturday, September 11 for a hike around the Rhoneymeade Arboretum and Sculpture garden. The trail encompasses a 150 acre working farm and includes the wooded Labyrinth Loop. Rhoneymeade is located at 177 Rimmey Road, outside of Centre Hall. Travel east on Rt. 45 from Boalsburg and in about 4 miles, Rimmey Road is a sharp left turn. Drive up the road and turn left at the barn. Parking is available next to the studio on the left. To conserve parking spaces at Rhoneymeade, those living on the west end of town should consider meeting at the **State College Friends School** parking lot at 8:45 to carpool to the site. (The church parking lot will be used for a Game Day parking fundraising event.) As always, we will hike in light rain but not if there is the chance of a thunderstorm. Bring/wear sunscreen, tick repellant, a water bottle, and wear sturdy, comfortable shoes. Questions? Contact Cheryl Price ([clprice73@gmail.com](mailto:clprice73@gmail.com)).

All women are invited to participate in these walks, scheduled for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month through November. Leadership for the group's walks will be shared; anyone who wants to lead a walk can sign up for a day (on your own or with another), choose the hike and lead the reflection/prayer time. Cheryl Price and Diana Malcom will be the point people/communicators this year. If you'd rather not lead a hike, you are welcome to just come and enjoy. Generally, hikes will be 2 – 3 hours. Join us for fun, fellowship, and fitness!

## LOGOS Returns In-Person!

Coordinators have been working together making plans for LOGOS Geckos and Chrysalis to safely return in-person. It has been over a year since LOGOS was in-person, so we are looking forward to having the fun and laughter of God's children for our mid-week ministry together again in the church. If you would like to become involved with LOGOS or would like to know more information about registering your family, contact Keri Rounselle ([rouns626@yahoo.com](mailto:rouns626@yahoo.com)) or Deannine Shipman ([deanninescpc@gmail.com](mailto:deanninescpc@gmail.com)).

- Drop Off/Temperature Screening beginning at 4:15 PM
- Program run time: 4:30 - 7:00 PM (Geckos), 5:15 - 8:00 PM (Chrysalis)
- All 4 Parts of LOGOS included!
- All participants and volunteers masked
- Social Distancing of 6 feet during dinner
- Forms available online and in church office
- Parent & Child/Youth meeting September 14 @ 6:30 PM in the sanctuary
- First Program Night: September 21 (Crazy Neckties Theme)





# September BIRTHDAYS

September 1	Betsy Taylor
	Mary Ann Sesler
September 2	Betty Macdonald
September 3	Paul Meister
	Marcia Bruce
	George Wheeler
September 4	Creigh Snyder
September 5	Kathy Harford
September 8	Christine Bundy
	Anders Sonstebj
September 9	Phil Spangler
	Thom Stallings
	George Johnstone
September 10	Jerry Sawyer
	Chad Stafford
September 11	Amber Smeal
September 12	John DiNunzio
September 13	Barbara McKeehen
September 14	Ron Coder
	Roger Garthwaite
	Judi Glaze
	Alanna Leicht
	Allen Behrer
	Tami Schuster
September 15	Mary Eagleton
	Jane Linsky
September 18	Bernie Steager
	Kimberly-Dawn Falk
September 19	Ted Amick
September 20	Jim Wheeler
	Miguel Cruden
September 21	Grayson Evans
September 22	Stephanie Shoffner
	David Guthrie
	Kristen Frank-Dixon
September 23	Louise Page
	Anne McQueary
	Troy Alesi
September 24	Jendy Cicero
September 25	Dot Colton
	Maya Ikenberry
	Steve Snyder
September 26	Liam Scholton
	Skylar Gordon
September 27	Bizz Maser
September 28	Craig Colwell
	Sarah Wylie
September 30	Clara Wheeler
	Timothy Graham

## Bursting into the New School Year

Stay and Play is excited as always to be opening the program for a new school year! We are welcoming four new teachers on our staff this year, one of which is SCPC member Elizabeth Richardson. We also welcome Lauren Ferrer Pistone, Tricia Swisher, and Katie Tanner. I encourage you to view all of the Stay and Play teachers on our website under the "S&P Staff" page. They are wonderful people and passionate about serving our Early Childhood population with such care and intention. What a joy to be opening with 66 children to begin the year (that's almost double from last year) and openings for more (so if you know anyone with children 1-4 years old, please give them my name and phone/email). With all our COVID protocols/practices in place and well-practiced and updated from last year, we are very ready for the new year. There will be singing, dancing, baking, building, drawing, writing, painting, exploration, science experiments, math calculations, measuring, growing, and yes some crying. But there will be so much more laughter and smiles! We will work on sharing, building resilience, perseverance, self-control, self-reliance, team work, respect, acceptance of others and situations, taking responsibility, fairness, caring and what it means to be part of a community and so much more! All while playing our hearts out. I titled this "Bursting into the new school year" because we are all bursting with excitement to be back together to play and grow. Thank you as always for being supportive of our program and for keeping us all in your prayers throughout the school year!

Blessings, Laura Steager, Director

## 2nd Sunday Membership Opportunity

*Sunday, September 12, immediately after worship*

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 the **Second Sunday of each month**. 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).

## Window Sills Refinished

A big THANK YOU to Scott Sesler, Ken Manno, Bob Johnson, and Don Hartzell for refinishing 82 window sills in the Sanctuary and in the office/education building over the last three months! The window sills were in poor shape (they were either 80 and 107 years old) and now look like new!



# Welcome, New Members



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**George Polycranos and Sally Jacobus** join by Reaffirmation of Faith. They have lived in the State College area for about 12 years, are both retired, and have been attending here at SCPC since 2019. They like SCPC's concern for the community, the work and the support the church gives beyond our walls. They hope to become active in church activities and programs. George and Sally live in Port Matilda and have two grown children, Jordan and Jonathan who live in Maryland.



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**Mike Rothenberger and Danielle Rhubart** join by Letter of Transfer from Fairmont Presbyterian Church in Kettering, OH and connected with us through our online services. Danielle received her PhD here at Penn State a few years ago and they moved back to State College for her to join the Penn State faculty as Assistant Professor of Biobehavioral Health. She is an ordained elder. Mike, a Penn State graduate originally from Lancaster, PA, works remotely for the Air Force Research Lab. They were looking for a space for 2 ½ year old daughter, Rachel, to grow up and learn about the church.



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**Jackson Spurling** joins us as an Affiliate member. He is a new PhD candidate in the Materials Science and Engineering department at Penn State. He is a native of Knoxville, TN where he grew up and went to college. He was raised in the Presbyterian Church in LaFollette, TN. He watched our online services and is interested in our programs for grad students and young adults.



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**Kinga Toth** joins by Reaffirmation of Faith. She is originally from New York State and moved to State College about five years ago with her husband, Joe Phillips, who was a PhD student here at Penn State. Joe joined the church in 2018. Kinga attended services and participated in the church community along with him. Her background is in political science and she is now pursuing her master's degree in public policy. She is currently working at Penn State and is starting a new job as recruiting associate in HR. She is happy to be joining SCPC in an official capacity.





## Service Project - September 19

In September, the congregation will be participating in an important effort to help folks who are in the early stages of recovery from a natural disaster, and there have been several significant ones in the news recently, including floods in Tennessee and the earthquake in Haiti. In these and similar situations, Church World Services and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance are always quick to respond, offering immediate and ongoing support.

Due to the generosity of churches such as our own Church World services is able to rush ready-made Emergency Cleanup Buckets right to those who need them most. Several years ago, following Hurricane Harvey, our church made a large collection of these buckets, and we'd like to do so again this year.

Prior to September 19, we will be inviting members of the congregation to bring materials for the buckets to church and to join with other members in assembling the kits. To get an idea of what this involves, you may want to follow this link to the Church World Service web site: <https://cwskits.org/assemble-kits/emergency-cleanup-buckets/>

Stay tuned for further details and instructions as we prepare to join in this service project on Sunday, September 19.



## Handbells Anyone?

The SCPC Handbell Choir will begin rehearsals on September 21 and we have an opening for a ringer. The Handbell Choir is for adults of high school age, college age, and older. We rehearse on Tuesdays at 7:30 PM. Basic music reading would be very helpful. If you are interested, please contact Ned Wetherald, Director of Music Ministry (nedscpc@gmail.com or (814)238-2422).



## Covid Precautions

We continue to exercise pandemic precautions during worship services with participants remaining masked during the service. We ask worshippers to leave adequate space between themselves and neighbors and never to come to worship if they have any symptoms of illness. Windows in the sanctuary remain open during the service with the attic fan providing strong circulation of outside air.

The Session carefully considers and approves any major changes to our worship life subject to the guidance of our Medical Advisory Team. Members of the team are Anne Layng (chair), Rob Huffard, Tim Williamson, Jen Tothoro, and Kristin Frank Dixon. Earlier in the summer, as the pandemic seemed to be loosening its grip, the team advised us to continue with mask wearing, and we are now thankful for that wise counsel since cases in the area have subsequently increased.



Still, the virus is out there, and we had one recent incident where someone tested positive the day after they attended a Sunday morning worship. This person had been vaccinated, had a "very mild" case, and recovered quickly. The Medical Advisory Team, as always, was able to guide us in responding, providing information quickly to the congregation. Those who were seated near the member were informed, and, to our knowledge, no one else was infected.

At all times, we do our best to reduce the risk of community spread even as we pray for the health of our congregation and the community around us. Questions or comments about our procedures may be directed to our medical team or a member of the church staff. If you have any questions or concerns about your own health, please consult your physician or a health care professional.



## Join Chancel Choir

Chancel Choir is always looking for new members. We invite adults of high school age, college age, and older to join us as we lead worship here at SCPC. Rehearsals are Thursdays at 7:00 PM. We have a great time learning lots of music. Uniform and music provided! Just drop in on a Thursday rehearsal or contact Ned Wetherald, Director of Music Ministry (nedscpc@gmail.com or (814)238-2422).

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> 12:30 Wednesday in the Word 5:30 Youth Visioning Team 8:00 POLO Bible Study Z	<b>2</b> 6:00 Presbyterian Student Fellowship 7:00 Chancel Choir	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> PSU @ Wisconsin 12:00  3:00 Geist/Latina Wedding
<b>5</b> 10:00 Worship 11:30 YoPro Bible Study	<b>6</b>  LABOR DAY Building Closed	<b>7</b> 12:00 Congregational Prayer Z 7:00 Hekima Service Trip Meeting	<b>8</b> 12:30 Wednesday in the Word 7:00 Racial Reconciliation Team Z 8:00 POLO Bible Study Z	<b>9</b> 6:00 Presbyterian Student Fellowship 7:00 Chancel Choir 7:00 Adult Education Committee 7:00 Men's Covenant Group	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Ball State @ PSU 3:30  9:00 Wandering Women
<b>12</b> 10:00 Worship Come Together Activities 11:00 Invitation to Join 11:30 YoPro Bible Study 7:00 Session	<b>13</b> 6:00 Stay & Play Advisory Team 7:00 Men's Bible Study	<b>14</b> 12:00 Congregational Prayer Z 6:30 LOGOS Kick Off Event	<b>15</b> 12:30 Wednesday in the Word 7:00 FISH Kickoff Meeting 8:00 POLO Bible Study Z	<b>16</b> 6:00 Presbyterian Student Fellowship 7:00 Chancel Choir 7:00 Youth Visioning Team	<b>17</b>  PresbyPost Deadline	<b>18</b> Auburn @ PSU 7:30
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