



Welcome to Worship

August 20, 2023

10:00 am



Gathering Around the Word

Prelude

Words of Welcome

Deannine Shipman

Introit Hymn No. 613

“O Lord, Our Lord”

*Call to Worship

Deannine Shipman

Leader: All who dwell in love, praise God’s holy name. There are no longer outsiders and insiders.

People: All are welcome and cared for in God’s embrace.

Leader: We gladly respond to God’s love

People: Faithfully we lift our praise

*Hymn No. 330

“Our Help is in the Name of God”

*Call to Confession

John Porter

*Prayer of Confession

John Porter

Merciful God, forgive our small thoughts of you. We minimize you and center ourselves, dismissing people who deserve compassion. We lose patience with people who ask for our help and support. May we find forgiveness in your mercy. Remind us again of the deep love you show us and others that we might all be nourished by the blessings you offer at your table. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

John Porter

*Passing of the Peace

John Porter

Hearing the Word

Prayer for Inspiration

Susan Sanders

First Scripture Reading

Isaiah 56:1,6-8

Susan Sanders

Anthem

“Do You Ever Wonder Like I Do?” by Joel Blunk

Zack Maser

Children’s Time

Deannine Shipman

Song After Children’s Time Hymn No. 487, verse 2 “These Treasured Children”

Second Scripture Reading

Matthew 15:10-28

Allison Maus

Sermon

Allison Maus

Responding to the Word

*Hymn No. 754

“Help Us Accept Each Other”

*Affirmation of Faith— A Brief Statement of Faith Page 37 , Paragraphs 1&2

Allison Maus

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

Announcements

Reed Dressler

Call to Offering

Reed Dressler

Offertory Anthem

“Come Down, O Love Divine”

Alfred V. Fedak

*Doxology Hymn No. 609

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

*Prayer of Dedication

Susan Sanders

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

John Porter

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

John Porter

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Hymn No. 765

“May the God of Hope Go with Us”

*Charge & Benediction

Allison Maus & John Porter

Postlude

Welcome Visitors & Guests

We are so glad you have joined us today. If you have questions about our church stop by the Information Desk outside the Church Office.

Ushers this Morning:

Head Usher: Heather Steel

Ushers: Carly Erickson, Kimberly Dawn Falk, Reed Miller, and Marcus Wheeler

Information Desk: Bizz Maser

Greeters this Morning:

Fraser Street: Scott and Mary Ann Sesler

Parking Lot: Paul and Juli Mortimore

Coffee Hour:

Host: Jamey Perry

Assistants: Nikki Blake

Wednesday in the Word

Wednesday in the Word will be starting a new study the 30th of August. We will study the book of Romans following the study guide Romans: Encountering the Gospel's Power by John R.W. Stott. For information to order the book, contact Connie Curilla.

We welcome newcomers. Folks are invited to bring a Bible and join us for this study and time of fellowship. We meet in the Fireside Room or via Zoom Wednesdays at 12:30 for lunch then 12:45 to 1:45 PM for the study and 1:45 to 2:00 for sharing and prayer. Questions? Contact Connie Curilla.

SUMMERTIME PATHWAYS

This Summer for children ages 4 - Grade 3, we are offering our Summer Time Pathways class held just after the children's message during worship.

We love stories and crafts that go with a book, so that's the plan for each Sunday. This takes place downstairs in Room 10.

Today the book will be "Kindness is my Superpower" taught by Heather McQueary.

Faith Formation Fair

~ Children, Youth, & College Age programs

~ LOGOS, FISH Oasis, Pathways, SCOUTS, Stay & Play, and College Age

~ August 13th & 20th during coffee hour



HERE TO MAKE FRIENDS

COLLEGE STUDENTS!

Join us every Thursday 6-8pm, starting August 24th. You'll find fun, friends, and a free meal.

Find us here at the church on the lower level.



August 27th @3pm
Westminster Hall
Enjoy a great movie with even better discussion!

This month's movie: appropriate for all ages!

WATCH PARTY

THE PRINCE OF EGYPT



PRESBYTERIAN STUDENT FELLOWSHIP INVITES YOU:

FREE ICE CREAM

All are welcome **August 31st, 7-8:30pm** to share ice cream, welcome students, and spread joy downtown on the front lawn.

STUDENTS ARE WELCOME TO JOIN FOR A FREE MEAL STARTING AT 6PM IN THE FIRESIDE ROOM



Sunday, August 20th

- 9:30 am Childcare Available—Rm 102
- **10:00 am Worship Service**
- Summertime Pathways (Pre K—3rd Grade) - Rm 10
- 11:00 am Coffee Hour—Social Hall
- 11:00 am Faith Formation Fair—Social Hall
- 11:30 am Session Meeting—Martin Room

Monday, August 21st

- 6:00 pm Stay and Play Advisory Team Meeting—Zoom
- 7:00 pm Education Ministry Unit—Zoom
- 7:00 pm Scout Troop Meeting—Westminster Hall
- 7:00 pm Virtual Centering Prayer—Zoom

Tuesday, August 22nd

Stay and Play In-Service

- 10:00 am Staff Meeting
- 12:00 pm Congregational Prayer Meeting—Zoom
- 7:00 pm Youth Ministry Advisory Committee—Zoom

Wednesday, August 23rd

Stay and Play In-Service

- 9:00 am Stay and Play CPR—Social Hall
- 12:00 pm Wednesday in the Word—Zoom & Fireside Rm
- 5:00 pm Children, Worship & Song—Room 11
- 6:00 pm PNC Meeting—Room 10
- 7:00 pm Stewardship Committee Meeting—Zoom
- 8:15 pm POLO Women's Bible Study—Zoom

Thursday, August 24th

Stay and Play In-Service

- 6:00 pm Presbyterian Student Fellowship—Fireside Rm
- 7:00 pm Men's Covenant Group—Martin Rm

Friday, August 25th

- 6:00 pm New Member Event—Social Hall

Saturday, August 26th

- 9:00 am Youth Ministry Leader Meeting

Sunday, August 27th

Communion Sunday

- 9:30 am Childcare Available—Rm 102
- **10:00 am Worship Service**
- 11:00 am Coffee Hour—Social Hall
- 11:15 am YoPro Bible Study—Fireside Rm
- 3:00 pm Watch Party—Westminster Hall

Coffee Hour Volunteers Needed

Get Social with it!! The coffee hour team would love you join in on serving Sunday mornings. We're a fun, social group serving in this important church ministry. **ON THE JOB TRAINING PROVIDED!** It's fun and easy. Just sign-up in a volunteer slot, <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0448a5af29aa8-summer3#/>. If you have any questions, please email Jamey Perry, jrp5@psu.edu, or Jerry Sawyer as jvs3@psu.edu.



Food Bank Needs

For those of you excited about helping the State College Food Bank, here are three of their needs:

- Condiments
- Ready to Serve Soup
- Tomato Products

For your convenience, items can be dropped here at SCPC at the parking lot, or rear of the sanctuary entrance.

For more information about the church and our programs please visit our website at scpresby.org

If you are an online attender we hope you will "sign the pew pad" virtually on Sunday mornings by texting "check in" during the welcome and announcement time so we know you're watching! The phone number is:

833-234-1326.

To give via our Online Giving site, scan the QR Code.



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