

Supporting SCPC

Thank you to everyone who has been able to continue contributing to our church during this challenging time; SCPC is blessed and fortunate to have such a caring and supportive church family. For those who are able, please remember you can make your offering in any of the following ways:

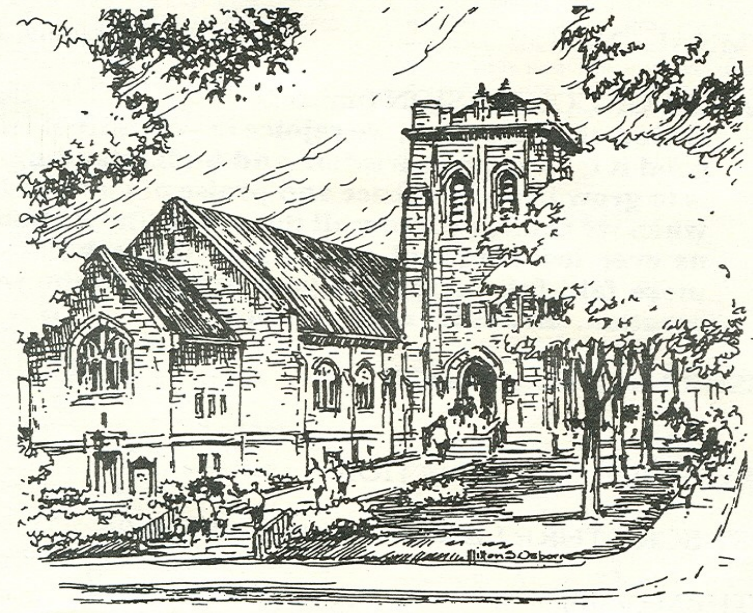
- By check mailed to the church
- By direct bank e-check/bill pay (you set this up through your own bank)
- Through our online giving option: QR code below with your smart phone, or on our website at scpresby.org (click the "GIVE NOW" button).
- Through our ACH/direct debit option: again, visit our website for instructions or contact Michelle at finadmescpc@gmail.com for the form and more information. ACH processing occurs at no fee to SCPC.

Processing will occur on the 1st and 15th of each month; you may choose either (or both) days and one-time, monthly, or quarterly processing.

Please contact [Michelle](#) with any questions.



**We are the Church together ~
thank you for your continued support!**



The State College Presbyterian Church

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August 23, 2020

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21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PRELUDE "Aria" -Emma Lou Diemer

CALL TO WORSHIP Lauren and Evan Spadt

Leader: Let us worship the eternal God, the source of love and life, who creates us.

People: Let us worship Jesus Christ, the risen one, who lives among us.

HYMN NO. 766 "The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound"

- 1) The church of Christ cannot be bound by walls of wood or stone. Where charity and love are found, there can the church be known.
- 2) True faith will open up the door and step into the street. True service will seek out the poor and ask to wash their feet.
- 3) True love will not sit idly by when justice is denied. True mercy hears the homeless cry and welcomes them inside.
- 4) If what we have we freely share to meet our neighbor's need, then we extend the Spirit's care through every selfless deed.
- 5) The church of Christ cannot be bound by walls of wood or stone. Where charity and love are found, there can the church be known.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Dean Lindsey
from "A Brief Statement of Faith"

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:

ble...the word of God. September or October would be a good time to join in with us - we are always open for new men and we are open to new ideas for our next study. Currently we are meeting by Zoom but hope to get back together soon. We meet at 7:00 pm on the 2nd and 4th Monday's of the month. Questions or interested in joining? Contact Bob Igo or Allison Maus.

Weekly Prayer Meeting—Via Zoom—Tuesdays at Noon

The Spiritual Life Team is continuing to offer weekly congregational prayer meetings via zoom. This short gathering is a time for checking in, sharing congregational joys and concerns, as well as being in prayer together.

Centering Prayer—Via Zoom—Mondays at 7:00 pm

The regular weekly Centering Prayer group offering is meeting via Zoom. It will continue to be offered on Mondays from 7:00-8:00 pm. If you would like to be added to the email invitation list and receive an access code, please contact Mary Boutselis or Mary Jane Kistler.

Wednesday in the Word—Via Zoom—Wednesdays at 12:30

Wednesday in the Word will continue the Kay Arthur study, "Living Victoriously in Difficult Times". We welcome newcomers. Folks are invited to bring a Bible and join us for this study and time of fellowship. We meet via Zoom 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 either Connie Curilla or Linda Edvar.

Congratulations to Bob and Ellen Malcom as they celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on August 28th.

Prayers of blessing and 'God speed' to Elliott and Juliet Kakraba as they relocate to a new home in Texas to be near their children. They have been active members of our congregation for seventeen years and will be much missed here! Their new address is 8247 Ranchview Drive, Apt 2089, Irving, TX 75063

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, August 23

9:00 am **Worship Service**—
Tower Lawn

11:00 am High School Sunday
School—Zoom

Monday, August 24

12:00 pm Racial Reconcilia—
tion-Zoom

7:00 pm Centering Prayer—
Zoom

8:00 pm POLO Bible Study—
Zoom

Tuesday, August 25

9:00 am Staff Meeting—Zoom

12:00 pm Spiritual Life Prayer
Meeting—Zoom

Wednesday, August 26

12:30 pm Wednesday in the
Word—Zoom

Thursday, August 27

9:00 am Staff Meeting—Zoom

7:00 pm Chancel Choir -
Zoom

7:00 pm Men's Covenant
Group—Zoom

Friday, August 28

Saturday, August 29

Outdoor Worship Services

We are holding a weekly Sunday worship service at 9:00 am, outside the Tower Entrance to the church on the corner of Fraser and Beaver (weather permitting). As always, our focus will be on the goodness of God whom we seek to praise as we gather. We will continue to offer remote worship via YouTube, and the outdoor service will include similar elements to the pre-recorded service. Bring a lawn chair, social distance, and wear your mask.

Meals on Wheels

Are you a person who is homebound and having difficulty preparing meals during the COVID crisis? Or do you have a parent or friend who could use assistance? State College Area Meals on Wheels is ready to help. Please call us at 814-237-8135 or visit www.scmow.org to find out more.

Men's Bible Study

The Men's Bible Study small group will be wrapping up their current Bible Study this fall and will be looking to start a new one. The group is open to all men who wish to study the Bi-

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.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Deannine Shipman

ANTHEM

Arranged by Ned Wetherald

"I Believe This Is Jesus"

I believe this is Jesus, come and see, come and see.
I believe this is Jesus, come and see, come and see.

The light of God shines in his face. He offers all his
pardoning grace.

I believe this is Jesus, come and see, come and see.
I believe this is Jesus, come and see, come and see.

God's grace to you, God's grace to me. Invited into
God's embrace.

I believe this is Jesus, come and see, come and see.
I believe this is Jesus, come and see, come and see.

PRAYER FOR INSPIRATION

Allison Maus

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 16:13-20

13 Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea
Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that
the Son of Man is?' 14And they said, 'Some say John the
Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or
one of the prophets.' 15He said to them, 'But who do you

say that I am?' ¹⁶Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' ¹⁷And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. ¹⁸And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. ¹⁹I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' ²⁰Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

SERMON "How Do We Know Who Christ Is?" Allison Maus

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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. 321 "The Church's One Foundation"

- 1) The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord. She is his new creation by water and the word. From heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride. With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
- 2) Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth, her charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth. One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.
- 3) Though with a scornful wonder this world sees her oppressed, by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed, yet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up: "How long?" And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.
- 4) Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war, she waits the consummation of peace forevermore: till with the vi-

sion glorious her longing eyes are blest, and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

- 5) Yet she on earth has union with God, the Three in One, and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won: O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we, like them, the meek and lowly, may live eternally.

BENEDICTION

PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

POSTLUDE

"Epilogue"

-Norman Gilbert

Let us all be in prayer for our church, our community, and our world, seeking out God's healing and strength as we move through these days, and please keep in touch with the church and with your neighbors!

Please reach out if there is anything we can do for you. We are checking voicemail (814-238-2422) and emails (officescpc@gmail.com) daily. If you have access to a computer, please check the website (www.scpresby.org) and our Facebook page for spiritual offerings and for church information.