

# Welcome to Worship

August 6, 2023 10:00 am

# **Gathering Around the Word**

"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"

Deannine Shipman

arr. By Charles Ore

Introit

**Prelude** 

Words of Welcome



\*Call to Worship Deannine Shipman

Leader: In this place, in this time of worship, we feel the presence of God.

People: In our words, in our song, we sing the beauty of God. Leader: In each person, in each soul, we see the face of God.

People: Let us worship God's life giving presence.

\*Hymn No. 49 "The God of Abraham Praise"

\*Call to Confession Allison Maus

\*Prayer of Confession

Allison Maus

God of compassion, by your grace we have grown to know love more deeply, and yet, we still have so much to learn. We are aching with emptiness as we live overwhelmed by the hunger and hurt we see in the world. We confess this fear keeps us from sharing with others, believing there is not enough to go around. Forgive our stinginess. Take our meager offerings, to bless and share, so that we may experience your abundant grace in communion with others. Amen

\*Assurance of Pardon

\*Passing of the Peace

**Hearing the Word** 

Prayer for Inspiration Liane Roe

First Scripture Reading Isaiah 55:1-5 Liane Roe

**Anthem** "It is Well with My Soul" arr. By Tim Doran

Children's Time Deannine Shipman

Song After Children's Time Hymn No. 487, verse 2 "These Treasured Children"

Second Scripture Reading Matthew 14:13-21 Rev. Mary Morrow

Sermon Rev. Mary Morrow

# Responding to the Word

\*Hymn No. 366 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

\*Affirmation of Faith—A Brief Statement of Faith Page 37, Paragraphs 3 &5

Allison Maus

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.

In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**Announcements** Allison Maus

Call to Offering

Offertory Anthem "Come Down, O Love Divine" Alfred V. Fedak

\*Doxology Hymn No. 609 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

\*Prayer of Dedication Liane Roe

Sharing of Joys and Concerns Reed Dressler

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Reed Dressler

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. 821 "My Life Flows On"

\*Charge & Benediction Allison Maus

**Postlude** "Grand Chœr in G Major" Théodore Salomé

## **Welcome Visitors & Guests**

We are so glad you have joined us today. If you have questions about our church, our programs or activities offered here, 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:** Jamey Perry

**Greeters this Morning:** 

Fraser Street: Ann and Jim Wheeler

Parking Lot: Maggie Foster

Coffee Hour: Host: Jamey Perry

**Sanctuary Flowers:** The sanctuary flowers are in memory of my father John Steffee given by Linda Steffee.



# Sunday Membership Opportunity—Next Sunday!

Anyone interested in becoming a member of our church family is invited to the Martin Room after the worship service next Sunday at 11:15 am. You'll meet the pastor, several elders from our Session, and be received into membership if you wish. Questions? Contact Martha Trout at (marthascpc@gmail.com).

# Pop Up Choir—Next Sunday

Calling all singers to join the Pop Up Choir on Sunday, August 13!

We will meet in the choir room at 9 AM and pull together a simple anthem, then lead worship at 10 AM.

Our visiting director, Eric Brinser, will lead us, and our guest organist, Heike Burghart Rice, will accompany.

Come make music with us!

#### 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.

Today the book will be "Making Way for Ducklings" by Robert McCloskey. Led by Becky Thomas and Patt Campolongo.

Classes will be held on the following dates: August 6, 13, and 20



# **Wandering Women Evening Hike**

All women of the church are invited to join the Wandering Women walk on Friday, August 18th from 5:30 to 7 pm. They will be trying something new – a short evening walk with the option of chatting over a drink afterward. We will explore the nature trails of the Boal Estate in Boalsburg, home of the Boal Mansion and the Boal Barn Playhouse. Our walk will be a loop of less than 2 miles, mostly over flat ground with mulched paths. We will meet at Blue Spring Park in Boalsburg. Reach out to Liane Roe with any questions.

# 2023 Budget Updates thru 7/31/2023:

Giving: Expenses:

Budgeted Giving: \$775,000 Spending to Date: \$567,312

Target Giving: \$875,000

Received to Date: \$526,220

Actual % to Target: 60.1%

Difference to Targeted (31 weeks): 0.5%

Note: What is reported is only "giving" income and

does not reflect total income

#### Sunday, August 6th

- 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
- 1:45 pm Juniper Block Party—Juniper Village

#### Monday, August 7th

- 7:00 pm Theology UnTapped
- 7:00 pm Virtual Centering Prayer—Zoom

#### Tuesday, August 8th

- 10:00 am Staff Meeting
- 12:00 pm Congregational Prayer Meeting—Zoom
- 2:00 pm Personnel Ministry Unit—Martin Rm

# Wednesday, August 9th

- 12:00 pm Wednesday in the Word—Zoom & Fireside Rm
- 6:00 pm CAYAM—Martin Rm
- 6:00 pm Pastor Nominating Committee—Rm 10
- 8:15 pm POLO Women's Bible Study—Zoom

# Thursday, August 10th

- 7:00 pm Adult Education Committee—Zoom
- 7:00 pm Men's Covenant Group—Martin Rm

#### Friday, August 11th

• 1:00 pm Visitation Deacons' Meeting—Martin Rm

## Saturday, August 12th

#### Sunday, August 13th

- 9:30 am Childcare Available—Rm 102
- 10:00 am Worship Service
- Summer Time Pathways (PreK-3 rd Grade) Rm
   10
- 11:00 am Coffee Hour—Social Hall
- 11:00 am Faith Formation Fair—Social Hall
- 11:15 am Invitation to Join—Martin Rm

Hearing Assist Devices are available on the back table in the Sanctuary





## 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/6obo448a5af29aa8-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:

- Breakfast Cereal
- Ground Coffee
- Bar Soap

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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