

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.

Weekly Congregational Prayer Meeting—Tuesdays at Noon

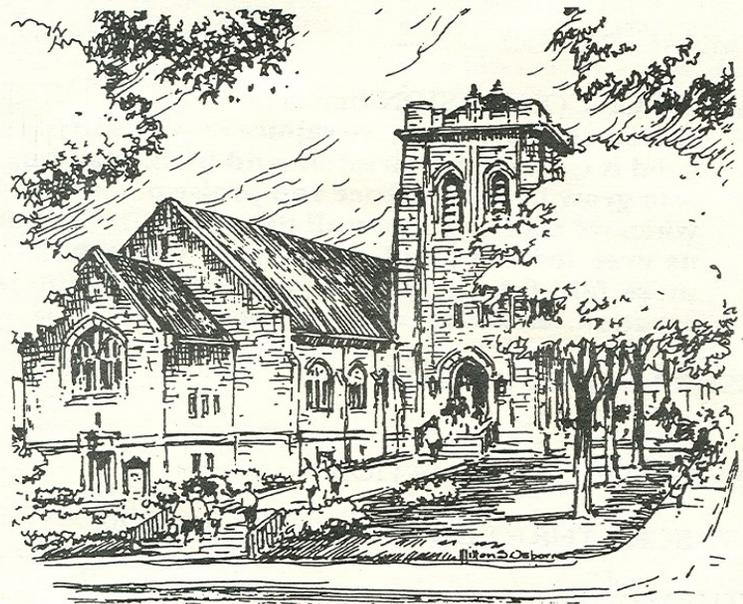
The Spiritual Life Team is continuing to offer weekly congregational prayer meetings via Zoom. This short gathering is a time for checking in, sharing congregational joys and concerns, as well as being in prayer together. Contact Allison Maus for more information.

Wednesday in the Word

Wednesday in the Word continues with their study of "A Deeper Look at the Sermon on the Mount -- Living out the Way of Jesus" by John Stott with Dale and Sandy Larsen. 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.

Lenten Devotionals

Our theme for Lent this year is "A Faith That Asks Questions." Join us as we reflect and ask ALL the questions together through our Lenten devotionals. Why is it important to our faith to ask questions? How can someone be born again? Who is my neighbor? Which political party would Jesus join? What does it mean to forgive when I don't feel like it? How am I being called to bring more of my gifts? What becomes possible when I can't resort to my usual way of doing things? How can I learn from others so I might grow to see my faith differently? What makes my faith come alive? How do I remove the plank from my eye? What am I waiting for? We won't find all the answers, but we hope journeying with our questions will draw us closer to each other and our hope in Christ. Share a question, reflect on why that question informs or challenges your faith, and offer a prayer or piece of scripture. Submit your reflections to Mary Jane Kistler (mkistler1983@gmail.com) or Allison Maus (allisonscpc@gmail.com).



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February 7, 2021

FEBRUARY 7, 2021
5TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

PRELUDE "Prelude on 'Deep River'" by Adolphus Hailstork

CALL TO WORSHIP Perry Family
 In worshipping God, we give thanks for our many gifts:
 Life and health, healing and hope;
 Friends who have helped us,
 Loved ones who have forgiven us;
 All the ways we experience God's love and mercy.

In worshipping God, we ask for strength
 So that we can understand and grow in faith,
 So that we can face the challenges of each day,
 So that we can follow Jesus as he leads us,
 Serving God and those around us.

HYMN NO. 624 "I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art"
 Cantor: Don Hartzell

- 1) I greet thee, who my sure Redeemer art, my only trust and Savior of my heart, who pain didst undergo for my poor sake; I pray thee from our hearts all cares to take.
- 2) Thou art the King of mercy and of grace, reigning omnipotent in every place: so come, O King, and our whole being sway; shine on us with the light of thy pure day.
- 3) Thou art the life, by which alone we live, and all our substance and our strength receive; sustain us by thy faith and by thy power, and give us strength in every trying hour.
- 4) Thou hast the true and perfect gentleness; no harshness hast thou and no bitterness. O grant to us the grace we find in thee, that we may dwell in perfect unity.
- 5) Our hope is in no other save in thee; our faith is built upon thy promise free; Lord, give us peace and make us calm and sure, that in thy strength we evermore endure.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, February 7

**Worship Service,
YouTube**

- 9:00 am Coffee Hour—Zoom
- 11:00 am Adult Ed—Zoom
- 11:00 am Senior High Sunday School—Zoom
- 12:30 pm Deacons—Zoom

Monday, February 8

- 7:00 pm Centering Prayer—Zoom
- 7:30 pm Scouts, Westminster Hall and Social Hall
- 8:00 pm POLO Bible Study—Zoom

Tuesday, February 9

- 9:15 am Staff Meeting—Zoom
- 12:00 pm Congregational Prayer Meeting—Zoom
- 5:30 pm LOGOS Geckos Worship Skills—Zoom

- 6:30 pm Chrysalis—Zoom
- 7:00 pm Spiritual Life—Zoom

Wednesday, February 10

- 12:30 pm Wednesday in the Word—Zoom
- 6:30 pm FISH
- 7:00 pm Racial Reconciliation—Zoom
- 7:00 pm Finance Meeting—Zoom

Thursday, February 11

- 6:00 pm Presbyterian Student Fellowship—Zoom
- 7:00 pm Men's Covenant Group—Zoom
- 7:00 pm Adult Ed Committee—Zoom

Friday, February 12
PresbyPost Deadline

Saturday, February 13

Sunday Morning Worship

Indoor Worship has been suspended for now. You may watch the Sunday service on the State College Presbyterian Church YouTube channel or on our website www.scpresby.org.

Coffee Hour is Coming (It will be virtual for now)

Would you like to have some nice conversations with other folks from the church? Then please join us on Sundays at 9:00 am, beginning on February 7. Our moderators will come up with a few topics each week, and participants will be split up into table groups of five or six to share their thoughts before being called back to the larger group. A link to join the Zoom Coffee Hour will be available in the weekly email or webpage (www.presby.org).

Composers of the Prelude and Postlude:

Adolphus Hailstork (b. 1941) is an American composer and educator. He grew up in Albany, New York, where he studied violin, piano, organ, and voice. He holds degrees from Howard University, Manhattan School of Music, and Michigan State University, and studied at the American Institute at Fontainebleau with Nadia Boulanger. His awards include a Fulbright fellowship in 1987, Hailstork is professor emeritus of music and eminent scholar at Old Dominion University in Norfolk Virginia. His composition “Fanfare on ‘Amazing Grace’” was performed as part of the prelude music at the recent inauguration of President Biden.

Carl W. Haywood (b. 1949) is a native of Portsmouth, Virginia. He holds degrees from Norfolk State University, Southern Methodist University, and the University of Southern California. He is currently Director of Choral Activities at Norfolk State University. Haywood served as organist/choir director at Grace Episcopal Church, Norfolk and has served on the Liturgical Commission for the Diocese of Southern Virginia and the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music for the Episcopal Church of America. At the Kennedy Center, he served as a National Conductor and National Chair for the 105 Voices of History, the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Choir.

Adult Education

February 7, 2021
Location—YouTube

“Songs of Justice—Popular Music and the Civil Rights Movement”

Music has long been a tool for healing and for liberation. In a time where the need for global healing is so great, let’s join Karen Neff as she walks us through music’s role as liberator in the Civil Rights movement.

UNISON PRAYER

Dean Lindsey

Faithful God, you have appointed us your witnesses, to be a light that shines in the world. Let us not hide the bright hope you have given us through selfish desires. Rather, help us learn to share your love in acts of grace, seeking to serve you as followers of our Servant Lord, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

CHILDREN’S TIME

Deannine Shipman

ANTHEM

“A Prayer for Healing”

Words and Music by Joseph M. Martin

Lyrics:

For the healing of the world, Lord, we lift a fragile prayer.
Kneeling, pleading, Lord, we yearn, speak Your peace to our despair.

In the shadows of this time, shine on us Your Light divine.
Help us trust Your grand design. Lord of life, Lord of grace,
Lord of all, we pray to You.

For the healing of this wrong, Lord, we whisper in the night.
We are listening for Your song. Sing until the morning light.
In the silence help us hear words of hope and promise clear.
Teach us not to live in fear. Lord of life, Lord of grace, Lord
of all, we pray to You.

For the healing of the heart, Lord, we seek Your touch
of grace.
Let Your work of mercy start; help us find our hiding place.
Humbly Lord, we lift our cry, wounded sparrows seeking
sky.
Teach us once again to fly. Lord of life, Lord of grace, Lord
of all, we pray to You. Amen.

Singers: Adam Baldoni, Hayden Carpenter,
Emily Margaret Ceres, Katrina Cole, Connie Curilla,
Laura Essinger-Hileman, Diane Felmliee, Don Hartzell,
Bill Lukens, Shelby Luther, Jack McKinley, Karen Neff,
Katie Nurmi, Cheryl Price, Lynne Verity, Michael West,
Ned Wetherald, Ann Wheeler, Jim Wheeler

SCRIPTURE READING: Mark 1:29-39

29 As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John.
³⁰Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. ³¹He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

32 That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. ³³And the whole city was gathered around the door. ³⁴And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

35 In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. ³⁶And Simon and his companions hunted for him. ³⁷When they found him, they said to him, 'Everyone is searching for you.' ³⁸He answered, 'Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do.' ³⁹And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

SERMON "Saved to Serve" Dean Lindsey

INVITATION TO FELLOWSHIP Allison Maus
(Invitation to participate in virtual Coffee Hours)

CALL TO OFFERING Michael Ozaki

DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SHARING OF 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. 700 "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

- 1) I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, any time! I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
- 2) I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere, Lord, any time! I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
- 3) I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, any time! I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
- 4) I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, any time! I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

BENEDICTION

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

POSTLUDE "Improvisation on "We Shall Overcome"
By Carl W. Haywood

In honor of African American History Month, we will be focusing on organ music by African American composers each Sunday in February. To kick off our observation, we welcome Dr. Anthony Leach as our guest organist today. Tony is known to us as the director of Essence of Joy, but he also has a long and illustrious career as a church musician in churches in Pennsylvania and the District of Columbia. We are pleased to welcome Dr. Leach.