



Welcome to Worship

January 29, 2023

9:00 am

Gathering Around the Word

Prelude

“Prelude for Organ”

Fanny Mendelssohn Hensel

Opening Words

Allison Maus

Introit

*The refrain will be played on the piano, then sung by the choir or cantor, then sung by the congregation.
The refrain will be repeated as indicated by the cantor.*

Arise, Shine! Marty Haugen

A-
rise, shine! your light has come: the light that shat-
ters the
dark-ness, and the glo - ry of God is ris-en up - on you!

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***Call to Worship** (Inspired by Psalm 36:5-9 The Message)

Deannine Shipman

Leader: God’s love is as limitless as outer space. God’s loyalty is as solid as bedrock.

People: God’s purpose touches all, and nothing escapes God’s scrutiny.

Leader: Yet in God’s largeness nothing gets lost;

People: No person, no creature, not even the tiniest microbe, slips through the cracks.

Leader: How wonderful is your love, O God!

People: We eagerly run for shelter under your wings, to fill ourselves at the banquet you spread.

Leader: You fill our cup with water that quenches our most powerful thirst.

People: You are a steady beacon and you open our eyes giving us light.

***Hymn No. 731**

“Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith Is Firm”

***Call to Confession**

Allison Maus

***Prayer of Confession**

Allison Maus

Gracious God, your wisdom knows no bounds, and your peace excels all understanding. You confound the world’s wisdom, giving your kingdom to those we push to the margins. Give us a thirst for justice, and commitment in striving for peace, and humility in giving up our earthly status over others. As we journey closer to your vision of your divine community, may your Holy Spirit wrap us in your abundant grace. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

Allison Maus

Hearing the Word

Prayer for Inspiration

Carolyn Bryant

First Scripture Reading

Micah 6:1-8

Carolyn Bryant

Anthem

“Give Me a BE-attitude”
First and Second Grade LOGOS

Naomi King Walker

Time for Children		Deannine Shipman
See “Children in Worship”		
Song After Children’s Time	“These Treasured Children” Hymn No. 487, verse 2	
Second Scripture Reading	Matthew 5:1-12	John Porter
Sermon	“The Blessed Community”	John Porter

Responding to the Word

*Hymn No. 372 “O for a World”

Affirmation of Faith - Apostle’s Creed

I Believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;
and in Jesus Christ, God’s Only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty,
from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Welcome and Announcements		Reed Dressler
Call to Offering		Reed Dressler
Offertory	“Offertory” The Chancel Choir	John Ness Beck
*Doxology Hymn No. 609	“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”	
*Prayer of Dedication		Carolyn Bryant
Sharing of Joys and Concerns		Allison Maus
Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer		Allison Maus
	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. 70	“What Does the Lord Require of You?” (sing in canon as directed)	
*Charge & Benediction		John Porter
*Sharing of the Peace		Allison Maus
Postlude	“Improvistation”	

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: Linda McClimans

Ushers: Joe Kockelmans, Tracy Massaglia, Heather Steel, and Marcus Wheeler

Information Desk: John Graham

Sanctuary Flowers: The sanctuary flowers are given in loving memory of her daughter, Emily Thomas Glaser by her mother, Becky Thomas and sisters, Sarah and Rachel.

Greeters this Morning:

Fraser Street: Jane Butler

Parking Lot: Chip and Jeanne Clark

Communion Table Flowers: The sunflowers on the Communion Table are in honor of Ukraine and her people.

Annual Congregational Meeting - TODAY

Plan to stay after worship today for the Annual Meeting of the Congregation ~ in the sanctuary.

Printed Annual Reports are available on the back table as well as one you can read online on our website.

Adult Offerings for Next Sunday

February 5 ~ "The Underground Railroad Museum" led by Candace Dannaker

The Borough of Bellefonte played a major role in the Underground Railroad, which was a network of people who assisted enslaved African Americans escape slavery. The "railroad" was active in the 19th century and Bellefonte's location was strategic to helping people who were attempting journeys to the Northeast, the Midwest and to Canada. Join Candace Dannaker in an exploration of this history. Ms. Dannaker is the former mayor of Bellefonte and current resident of the Samuel Harris House, which was a stop on the Railroad. Come to Westminster Hall on February 5th at 10:15 am to learn more.

"Connect" Room 10

This ongoing weekly small group discussion led by Bizz and Zack Maser, and Jamie Bauman Connect is an invitation to deepen your relationship with others and with God by contemplating scripture, lyrics, writing, poetry, and other topics of interest through small group discussions.



The last Sunday of every month at 6pm in the Fireside Room. Mark your calendars

January 29
The Hate U Give

Feb 26
Soul

March 26
Annihilation

Enjoy a great movie with even better discussion!

A "Let's Get to Know Each Other" Potluck Brunch TODAY after the Congregational Meeting

The Congregational Fellowship Committee (CFC) will host a church-wide potluck brunch today following the Congregational Meeting in the Social Hall. Everyone is invited.

Krislund Plastic Lid Collection



This winter, turn your plastic lids into durable benches for Krislund!

Please make sure your plastic lids are clean and dry!

Collection bins are stationed at the Fraser St. and parking lot entrances

SCPC's Krislund volunteers are taking the winter months to turn our plastic lids and caps into benches for the camp. These Thursday volunteers usually do maintenance and projects around the camp, but winter is not a great time for that, so they are helping all of us by collecting clean plastic lids, and sorting them to send to a company that will turn them into durable plastic picnic tables.

Collect your plastic lids at home, and drop them into the collection boxes at all three main entrances. Most of the plastic caps and lids that regularly collect in your kitchen are among those that are accepted, but lids from takeout beverage cups are not accepted (keep carrying your water bottles and reusable mugs!). Do make sure you include only 100% plastic lids, with no metal or cardboard, please.

Sunday, January 29th

- 8:30 am Childcare Available—Room 101
- **9:00 am Worship Service**
- Creative Movement & Music and Children and Worship—After the Children's Message
- 10:00 am Exploration Hour for All Ages
- 10:00 am Annual Congregational Meeting—Sanctuary
- 11:30 am Congregational Fellowship Pot Luck Brunch—Social Hall
- 6:00 pm Watch Party—Fireside Room

Monday, January 30th

- 6:30 pm Cub Scouts—Room 10
- 7:00 pm Scouts—Westminster Hall
- 7:00 pm Virtual Centering Prayer—Zoom

Tuesday, January 31st

- 10:00 am Staff Meeting
- 12:00 pm Congregational Prayer Meeting—Zoom
- 4:00 pm LOGOS Geckos
- 5:00 pm LOGOS Chrysalis
- 7:30 pm Handbell Choir

Wednesday, February 1st

- 12:00 pm Wednesday in the Word—Room 10
- 6:00 pm FISH
- 8:15 pm POLO Women's Bible Study—Zoom

Thursday, February 2nd

- 6:00 pm Presbyterian Student Fellowship—Fireside Room
- 7:00 pm Chancel Choir

Friday, February 3rd

Saturday, February 4th

Sunday, February 5th

Communion Sunday

- 8:30 am Childcare Available—Room 101
- **9:00 am Worship Service**
- Creative Movement & Music and Children and Worship—After the Children's Message
- 10:00 Coffee Fellowship
- 10:00 am Exploration Hour for All Ages
- 10:15 am Adult Opportunities
- 10:30 am YoPro Body Study—Tower Room
- 11:00 am Deacons Meeting—Martin Room

Children in Worship

9:00 am Worship - Children of all ages are invited to come forward for the children's message. Following this time, children 3 years old by September 1, 2022, through grade 3, are welcome to leave for special programs.

Creative Movement and Music (Ages 3-K) meets in Westminster Hall.

Children and Worship (Grades 1,2, & 3) meets in Room 11. Unless parents make other arrangements, these children will be taken to their Pathways classrooms at the conclusion of these programs. Infant and Toddler Care (through age 3) are available in Room 101 throughout the morning.

Exploration Hour

PATHWAYS (Preschool and Elementary) meet in separate age groups, and begin around 10:00 am 3's,4's, and K meet in Room 103, main level - we provide a light snack to our pre schoolers.

1st- 5th Grade meet upstairs in Room 210

Once a month we will combine all children for a special MUSIC experience with our own Ned Wetherald.

THE OASIS (grades 6-12) meet in the Fireside Room at 10:15 am each Sunday, with both Middle School and High School ages together until the group grows too large!

Food Bank Needs

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

- Canned Fruit
- Tea Bags
- Toothpaste and Toothbrushes

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.

