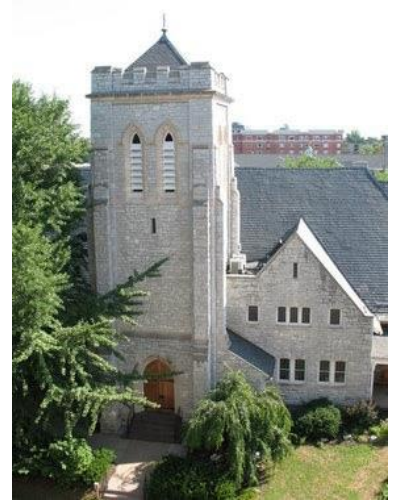




Welcome to Worship

January 7, 2024

9:00 am



Gathering Around the Word

Prelude "How Brightly Shines the Morning Star" Niels W. Gade

Invitation to Attentiveness John Porter

Introit No. 654 "In the Lord I'll be Ever Thankful"

***Call to Worship** John Porter

Leader: Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to me! O Lord, be my helper! You have turned my mourning into dancing;

People: you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,

Leader: so that my soul may praise you and not be silent.

People: O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

***Hymn No. 10** "Sing Glory to the Name of God"

***Call to Confession** Allison Maus

***Prayer of Confession** Allison Maus

God of glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, to reveal your love for all people.

Yet we turn aside cherishing old ways that disregard and deny the needs of our neighbors. We refuse to live united in love as one people and our division obscures your reconciling love before the world. We do not nurture the ways of peace. God of wisdom and mercy, forgive us. Inspire us to turn again and look upon the world in the light of Christ's love. May we share the grace you have given us by loving others as you have loved us. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon** Allison Maus

***Passing of the Peace**

Hearing the Word

Prayer for Inspiration Cheryl Price

First Scripture Reading Acts 19:1-7 Cheryl Price

Anthem "Epiphany" Mark Wilson

Children's Time Deannine Shipman

Song after Children's Time Hymn No. 378 v. 4 "We Wait the Peaceful Kingdom"

Second Scripture Reading Mark 1:4-11 John Porter

Sermon

John Porter

Responding to the Word

*Hymn No. 177

“I Will Come to You”

Announcements

Reed Dressler

Welcoming New Member

Call to Offering

Reed Dressler

Please place your written reflections in the offering plate.

Offertory Anthem

“In Thee Is Joy”

J.S. Bach BWV 615

Text by Cyriacus Schneegaß, Translated by Catherine Winkworth

Doxology No. 605

“Praise to God the Father”

*Prayer of Dedication

Cheryl Price

Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

Instructions

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Breaking of the Bread

Pouring of Cup

Singing During Communion Hymn No. 501

“Feed Us”

Prayer following communion

*Hymn No. 526

“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

*Charge & Benediction

John Porter & Allison Maus

Postlude

“Tuba Tune in D Major”

C.S. Lang Op. 15

For those who requested offering envelopes for 2024, they are now available for you to pick up on the table in the left rear of the sanctuary.

A new year

A new Director of Music Ministry

Welcome Heike Burghart Rice

We are glad you are with us!

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: Melissa Pike

Ushers: Joe Kockelmans, Heather Steel, Becky Thomas and Margaret VanFossan

Information Desk: Jamey Perry

Greeters this Morning:

Fraser Street: Liane Roe

Parking Lot: Mary D'Ambrosia

Coffee Hour:

Hosts: Diana Malcom

Assistants: Blair Malcom and Reed Miller

Sanctuary Flowers: The sanctuary flowers this Sunday are in honor of Don Gross' 94th birthday given by Clark, Meg, & Lauren Moose.

Family Fellowship Lunch

You are invited to join us on the 2nd Sunday of each month from 11:15 am-12:15 pm in the Social Hall for a Family Fellowship Lunch. The goal of these lunches is to create opportunities for families at all stages of life to gather, connect, and share a meal together.

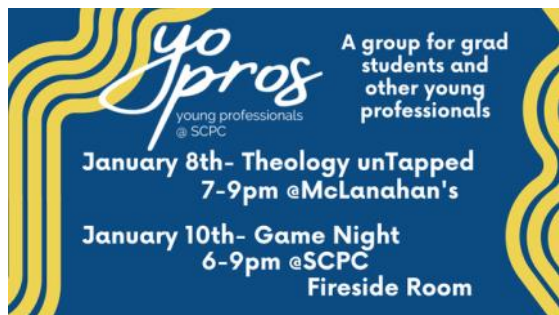
**January 14th | February 11th | March 10th |
April 14th**

Pizza and beverages will be provided. A jar will be available if you'd like to make a donation to help cover costs. (Feel free to contact us or bring your own food if you have dietary restrictions).

Please RSVP by the Thursday before each date by texting Danielle Rhubarb (315-408-8637).

Sunday Membership Opportunity—Next Sunday

Anyone interested in becoming a member of our church family is invited to Pastor John's office after the worship service next Sunday at 10:15 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).



Adult Education Today

Today, Heather Bruhn will lead a discussion on the “The Epiphany in Art” in Westminster Hall at 10:15 am. Heather will lead us through an exploration of how the Epiphany of Christ has been represented in art.

Connect meets in Room 10 at 10:15 am. This is an adult offering to deepen your relationship with others and with God by contemplating scripture, lyrics, writing, poetry, and other topics of interest through small group discussions.

Coffee Hour Help Needed!

If you are interested in serving at Coffee Hour this winter and spring a sign up genius has been opened. Please visit our website or go to

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0448a5af29aa8-summer3#/>

All you need is a smile and interest in serving in this role. It's that easy.

Our Juniper Village Block Party needs YOU in 2024!
Sign up to recruit a team for one date, or bring a snack, plan an activity, or choose or share music., or bring a snack, plan an activity, or choose or share music.
Gatherings are the first Sunday of each even-numbered month: Feb, Apr., June, Aug., Oct., Dec.

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Help us host! Out of the Cold at OUT OF THE COLD
Jan. 29—Feb. 4
learn more & sign up

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.



Sunday, January 7th

Communion Sunday

- 8:30 am Childcare Available—Rm 102
- **9:00 am Worship Service**
- 9:30 am Children, Worship & Song—Rm 11
- 10:00 am Coffee Hour—Social Hall
- 10:00 am Pathways—Rm 210
- 10:15 am Adult Education—Westminster Hall
- 10:15 am Connect—Rm 10
- 10:15 am Oasis—Fireside Rm
- 10:15 am YoPro Bible Study—Tower Rm
- 11:00 am Deacons' Meeting—Martin Rm

Monday, January 8th

- 5:00 pm Worship Committee Meeting—Martin Rm
- 6:00 pm Scout Troop Meeting—Westminster Hall
- 6:30 pm SJMT—Zoom
- 7:00 pm Men's Bible Study—Fireside Rm
- 7:00 pm Scout Den Meeting—Rm 10 & 11
- 7:00 pm Theology UnTapped—McLanahans
- 7:00 pm Virtual Centering Prayer—Zoom
- 7:00 pm Youth Advisory Committee Meeting—Zoom

Tuesday, January 9th

- 10:00 am Staff Meeting
- 12:00 pm Congregational Prayer Meeting—Zoom
- 4:00 pm LOGOS Geckos
- 4:30 pm Membership Meeting—Martin Rm
- 5:15 pm LOGOS Chrysalis
- 7:00 pm Personnel Committee Meeting—Martin Rm
- 7:30 pm Handbell Choir

Wednesday, January 10th

- 12:00 pm Wednesday in the Word—Zoom/Fireside Rm
- 6:00 pm FISH
- 6:00 pm PNC Meeting—Rm 10
- 7:00 pm Generosity Committee Meeting—Pastor John's Office
- 7:00 pm Spiritual Life Meeting—Zoom
- 8:00 pm Women's Bible Study—Martin Rm

Thursday, January 11th

- 6:00 pm Presbyterian Student Fellowship—Fireside Rm
- 7:00 pm Adult Education Committee—Zoom
- 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Practice
- 7:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting—Zoom

Friday, January 12th

- 11:30 am GIFT Book Club—Fireside Rm

Saturday, January 13th

Sunday, January 14th

- 8:30 am Childcare Available—Rm 102
- **9:00 am Worship Service**
- 9:30 am Children, Worship & Song—Rm 11
- 10:00 am Coffee Hour—Social Hall
- 10:00 am Pathways—Rm 210
- 10:15 am Adult Education—Westminster Hall
- 10:15 am Connect—Rm 10
- 10:15 am Oasis—Fireside Rm
- 10:15 am YoPro Bible Study—Tower Rm
- 10:15 am Invitation to Join—Pastor John's Office
- 11:15 am Family Fellowship Lunch—Social Hall
- 11:30 am Session Meeting—Westminster Hall
- 12:00 pm Explore Informational Meeting

Children in Worship

9:00 am Worship - Infant and Toddler Care (through age 3) are available in Room 102 throughout the morning.

Children of all ages are invited to come forward for the children's message. Following this time, children 3 years old through 2nd grade, are welcome to join **Children, Worship & Song** which meets in Room 11 on the lower level.

Unless parents make other arrangements, these children will be taken to their Pathways classrooms at the conclusion of worship.

Exploration Hour

PATHWAYS (Age 3 to grade 5) - From 10:00 am to 11:00 am, in room 210 on the upper level. This multi-age class is made to teach and accommodate all needs/ages. A pre-packaged snack will be served.

THE OASIS (grades 6-12) - From 10:15 am to 11:00 am, in the Fireside Room on the lower level. Oasis is a loving place where youth from grades 6-12 can have fun, feel accepted, and grow.

YoPro Bible Study—From 10:15 am to 11:15 am, in the Tower Room above the Sanctuary. We're a group of grad students and early career folks that are exploring the what's next season of life. We do some formal programming, but mostly we're a group of friends laughing, learning, and figuring out faith together.

Adult Education—From 10:15 am to 11:00 am, in Westminster Hall on the lower level. Adult Ed is a rotation of different offerings from our community.

Connect—From 10:15 am to 11:00 am, in Room 10 on the lower level. This is an adult offering to deepen your relationship with others and with God by contemplating scripture, lyrics, writing, poetry, and other topics of interest through small group discussions.