

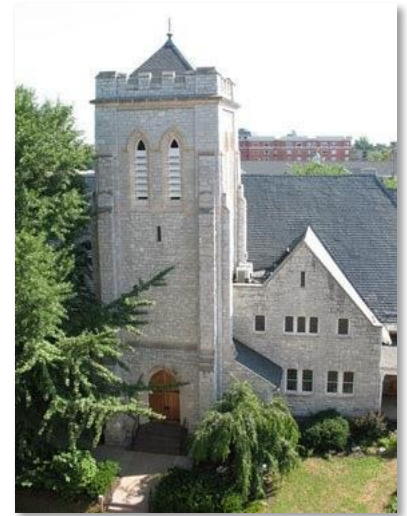


Welcome to Worship

July 16, 2023

10:00 am

Gathering Around the Word



Deannine Shipman

Prelude

Words of Welcome

Introit

This Is the Day
Ned Wetherald, 2022

This is the day, this is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made.
Let us re-joyce, let us re-joyce, let us re-joyce and be glad in it!

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***Call to Worship**

Leader: Though we once were doomed to self-destruction

People: Now Through Christ we no longer live condemned lives

Leader: The Spirit life in Christ holds authority over us

People: Self-serving, self-destructive sin no longer has any claim on our lives.

Leader: Embracing our freedom in Christ, let us worship God our redeemer.

Deannine Shipman

***Hymn No. 443**

“There is a Redeemer”

***Call to Confession**

Reed Dressler

***Prayer of Confession**

Reed Dressler

God, you want our lives and fellowship to reflect the joy and the love with which you created all things. But our lives and our fellowship fall short. The seed of promise which you have sown has been parched by fear, choked by jealousy, and swept across the hardened surface of our lives. We truly long for life and fellowship that will satisfy us. Yet we act in ways that isolate and harm both others and ourselves. Forgive us. Teach us to trust in your persistent and enduring power to redeem and transform us. That we might represent the sure and certain hope your living word proclaims. In the name of Jesus Christ, the word made flesh, we pray. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

Reed Dressler

***Passing of the Peace**

Hearing the Word

Prayer for Inspiration

Cyril Kumachang

First Scripture Reading

Isaiah 55:10-13

Cyril Kumachang

Commissioning of Hekima Mission Team

Call to Discipleship

John Porter

Questions to the Members of the Hekima Mission Team

John Porter

Questions to the Congregation
Commissioning Prayer

Allison Maus
Allison Maus

Anthem

Sonata in G Minor—Oboe Solo
JS Bach

Tabitha Hanson

Children's Time

Deannine Shipman

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

Second Scripture Reading

Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

John Porter

Sermon

"The Implanted Word"

John Porter

Responding to the Word

*Hymn No. 434

"Restore in Us O God"

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

John Porter

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

Minute for Mission—Hekima

Call to Offering

Allison Maus

Offertory Anthem

*Doxology Hymn No. 609

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

*Prayer of Dedication

Cyril Kumachang

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. 663

"Awake My Soul, and with the Sun"

*Charge & Benediction

John Porter and Allison Maus

Postlude

Ushers this Morning:

Head Usher: Juli Mortimore

Ushers: Sharon Ambrose, Scott Banfield, Katie Nurmi, and Katie Stone

Greeters this Morning:

Fraser Street: Scott and Mary Ann Sesler

Parking Lot: Dale and Barbara Cox

Information Desk: Jason Stimmel

SUMMERTIME PATHWAYS

SUMMERTIME PATHWAYS follows the Children's Message. This broadly graded class is for Ages 4 - completed 3rd graders.

We meet downstairs ON THE LOWER LEVEL of the building in Room 10. You can pick up your child on the way to Coffee Hour!

Today's story will be led by Katie and Lily Stone and Wesley Astare.

(Any 4th/5th Graders or youth who would like to assist this summer should talk to Deannine Shipman ahead of time!)

Flowers for Sunday Service

For anyone wanting to supply flowers for 2023 Sunday worship services, we still have many openings for the rest of the year. The flower chart is posted in the hallway between the sanctuary and the church office. Or you may call or email the church office at 814-238-2422 or officescpc@gmail.com.



Church Picnic 2023—TODAY

The entire congregation and friends are invited to the annual SCPC church picnic at Tudek Park today immediately following the service until 2:00 pm. The Deacons will be grilling hamburgers, hot dogs and veggie burgers, and will also provide beverages. **The remainder of the picnic is pot-luck - last names A-M are encouraged to bring a side dish and last names N-Z are encouraged to bring a dessert.** There will also be games for all ages. Please join your SCPC family for fellowship and fun.

Parking Vouchers for Today!

Today, those who park in the Beaver Avenue parking garage while attending the Sunday worship service can stop by the information desk to pick up a voucher for up to 3 hours of free parking (can only be used Sunday morning in the Beaver Avenue garage). Someone is at the desk for 15 minutes before and after the worship service.

2023 Budget Updates thru 6/30/2023:

Giving:	Expenses:
Budgeted Giving: \$775,000	Spending to Date: \$496,573
Target Giving: \$875,000	
Received to Date: \$474,203	
Actual % to Target: 54.2%	
Difference to Targeted (24 weeks): 4.2%	
Note: What is reported is only "giving" income and does not reflect total income	

Summer Youth Offering!

The second summer gathering will be this Tuesday July 18th from 6:30-8pm. All Chrysalis, FISH, Oasis, and any other youth just finishing grades 6-12 are welcome to join us for a walk around the Penn State Arboretum followed by ice cream at the Berkey Creamery and to just catch up with each other. Please bring money for ice cream and dress for the weather.

Also mark your calendars - Chrysalis will be hosting a pool party on August 1st! All youth just finishing grades 6-8 are welcome and we're also inviting the upcoming 6th graders who are interested in trying Chrysalis for the fall. If you have any questions, contact Laura EH or Reed Dressler. See you then!

HEKIMA PLACE

Make sure your suitcase gift items are in donation boxes TODAY

school	health	fun
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> wooden pencils (not mechanical) erasers pens pencil sharpeners (that catch shavings) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> toothbrushes toothpaste chewable children's vitamins 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> bubbles jump ropes inflatable balls (collapsed, please!) chalk jacks

...or make a donation to support the work of Hekima Place
Simply add HEKIMA as the memo on your check or your "other" online donation from our website.

Sunday, July 16th

Arts Festival

Hekima Commissioning and Minute for Mission

- 9:30 am Childcare Available—Rm 102
- **10:00 am Worship Service**
- Summertime Pathways (PreK-4th Grade) - Rm 10
- 11:30 am Church Picnic—Tudek Park

Monday, July 17th

- 5:30 pm SJMT—Zoom
- 7:00 pm Education Ministry Unit—Zoom
- 7:00 pm Virtual Centering Prayer—Zoom

Tuesday, July 18th

Hekima Trip

- 8:00 am Building & Property Meeting—Social Hal
- 9:00 am SMART Work Day
- 10:00 am Staff Meeting
- 12:00 pm Congregational Prayer Meeting—Zoom
- 1:00 pm Presbytery Visioning Committee Meeting—Fireside Rm
- 2:00 pm Personnel Ministry Unit—Martin Rm
- 4:30 pm Membership Meeting—Martin Rm
- 5:30 pm YoPro Movie Night—Fireside Rm
- 6:30 pm Summer Chrysalis and FISH Gathering

Wednesday, July 19th

Hekima Trip

- 12:00 pm Wednesday in the Word—Zoom & Fireside Rm
- 4:00 pm Pastor Nominating Committee—Rm 10
- 7:00 pm Spiritual Life—Martin Rm

Thursday, July 20th

Hekima Trip

- 7:00 pm Adult Education Meeting—Zoom
- 7:00 pm Stewardship Meeting—Zoom

Friday, July 21st

Hekima Trip

Saturday, July 22nd

Hekima Trip

YoPro Lake Day and Camping Trip

Sunday, July 23rd

YoPro Lake Day and Camping Trip

Hekima Trip

- 9:30 am Childcare Available—Rm 102
- **10:00 am Worship Service**
- 11:00 am Coffee Hour—Social Hall



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/60b0448a5af29aa8-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:

- Tea Bags
- Snack Items
- Liquid Hand 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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