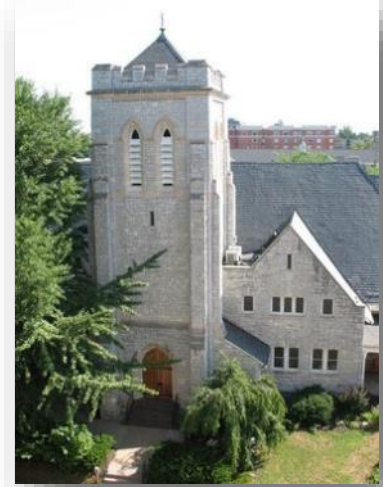




## Welcome to Worship

November 12, 2023

9:00 am



### Gathering Around the Word

#### Prelude

“O God Our Help in Ages Past”  
Handbell Choir, Organ and Trumpet

arr. Paul McKlveen

#### Words of Welcome

Reed Dressler

#### Introit Hymn No. 654

“In the Lord I’ll Be Ever Thankful”

#### \*Call to Worship

Reed Dressler

Leader: Come, let’s give thanks to God,

**People: Let’s sing songs and make music together.**

Leader: We remember all the wonderful things God has done.

**People: And look forward to God’s faithfulness in the future.**

#### \*Hymn No. 349

“Sleepers, Wake! A Voice Astounds Us”

#### \*Call to Confession

Allison Maus

#### \*Prayer of Confession

Allison Maus

**Lord, we see your promise in each rainbow, and in every sunrise, but we have not kept our promises to you. Your steadfast love has never departed from us, but we grow weary of loving others and neglect your call to serve and protect the most vulnerable among us. Forgive us. Call us into closer communion with you. Help us to be, and to do, better. We pray humbly before you, Amen.**

#### \*Assurance of Pardon

Allison Maus

#### \*Passing of the Peace

### Hearing the Word

#### Prayer for Inspiration

Amy Sten

#### First Scripture Reading

Joshua 24:15-25

Amy Sten

#### Anthem

“Many and Great”

Sung by LOGOS 3rd, 4th & 5th Graders & Chrysalis

#### Children’s Time

John Porter

**Song After Children’s Time Hymn No. 487, verse 2 “These Treasured Children”**

#### Announcements

Minute for Mission—Angel Tree

Second Scripture Reading

Philippians 1:6-11

John Porter

Sermon

John Porter

**Responding to the Word**

\*Hymn No. 5

“God the Sculptor of the Mountains”

Time of Offering & Collection of Estimates of Giving

John Porter

Offertory Anthem

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”  
Handbells and Tuba

arr. Cathy Moklebust

\*Prayer of Dedication

John Porter

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Allison Maus

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. 377

“I want to Walk as a Child of the Light”

\*Charge & Benediction

John Porter & Allison Maus

Choral Response to Benediction

“Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning”

arr. Andre Thomas

Postlude



**2023 Budget Updates thru 10/31/2023:**

Giving:	Expenses:
Budgeted Giving: \$775,000	Spending to Date: \$744,994
Target Giving: \$875,000	
<b>Received to Date: \$681,207</b>	
Actual % to Target: 77.9%	
Difference to Targeted (43 weeks): -6.8%	
Note: What is reported is only “giving” income and does not reflect total income	

For more information about the church and our programs please visit our website at [scpresby.org](http://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.



**Ushers this Morning:****Head Usher:** Kimberly-Dawn Falk**Ushers:** Miguel Cruden, Curt Dell, Katie Stone & Margaret Van Fossan**Information Desk:** Dick Bundy**Greeters this Morning:****Fraser Street:** Judy Killam and Jane Butler**Parking Lot:** Maggie Foster**Coffee Hour:****Host:** Jerry Sawyer—**Assistant:** Marti Sawyer**Sanctuary Flowers:** The sanctuary flowers are given in memory of Eva S. Rice on the occasion of her 100th Birthday given by her daughter Donna and Mac Heebner and family.**Family Fellowship Lunch—TODAY**

Join us for a family style lunch today from 11:15-12:15pm in the Social Hall. Families of all shapes and sizes are invited to join. The goal of these lunches is to create opportunities for families at all stages of life to gather, connect, and share a meal together. Pizza and beverages will be provided. A jar will be available if you'd like make a donation to help cover costs. (Feel free to contact us or bring your own food if you have dietary restrictions). Even if you didn't RSVP, families are welcome to join for lunch!

**Christmas Poinsettia Orders**

We will be decorating the Sanctuary with poinsettias this year for Christmas. Each poinsettia plant will be \$10.00 and you may designate who it will be in honor or memory of. Order forms are in the back of the Sanctuary and are due by **November 19, 2023**. Any questions, please call the church office at (814) 238-2422.

**Sunday Membership****Opportunity—This Sunday!**

Anyone interested in becoming a member of our church family is invited to the Martin Room after the worship service today 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).

**Congregational Meeting Called For November 19 for Election of Officers**

A brief Congregational Meeting will be held immediately following worship next Sunday for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year.

**Elders: Class of 2026**

Heather Bruhn  
Bizz Maser  
John Marsden  
Tod McPherson  
Paul Mortimore  
Danielle Rhubart  
Scott Sesler

**Deacons: Class of 2026**

Nancy Dreschel  
Kiwon Jung  
Bruce Grinder  
Liane Roe  
Jon Schwantes  
Mary Ann Sesler  
Leslie Stafford

**Youth Deacon for Class of 2024 –**

Jillian Rounsville

**Visitation Deacons:**

**Class of 2026**  
Nikki Blake  
Molly Buchanan  
Mary Jane Kistler  
Bill Lukens  
Carolyn Tothero

**Internal Audit 2024:**

Brent Ambrose  
Rod Kirsch  
Steve Van Hook  
Margaret VanFossan

**Nominating Committee**

**2024 Members at Large**  
Katherine Allen  
Rick Bryant  
Abby Jones  
Blair Malcom  
Cam Richardson

**Adult Education—Today at 10:15 am**

Please join Daniel Falk as he shares on "Prayers Around the Ancient World". This session, we will look at a variety of prayers from around the ancient world—not only Christian but also Jewish, Greek, Egyptian, and Mesopotamian. This discussion will take place in Westminster Hall today after service.

**Connect** - Room 10 is another 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.

**Flowers for 2024 Sunday Worship**

For anyone wanting to supply flowers for 2024 Sunday worship services, the flower chart is posted in the hallway between the sanctuary and the church office. You may sign up on the chart or call the church office at 814-238-2422.

**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.

## Sunday, November 12th

### Generosity Celebration Sunday

- 8:30 am Childcare Available—Rm 102
- **9:00 am Worship Service**
- Children, Worship, & Song during worship—Rm 11
- 10:00 am Coffee Hour—Social Hall
- 10:00 am Pathways—Rm 210
- 10:15 am Oasis—Fireside Rm
- 10:15 am Adult Ed—Westminster Hall
- 10:15 am Connect—Rm 10
- 10:15 am YoPro Bible Study—Tower Rm
- 10:15 am Invitation to Join—Martin Rm
- 11:15 am Family Fellowship Lunch—Social Hall
- 4:00 pm Youth Ministry Advisory Committee—Zoom
- 5:00 pm CLSN Thanksgiving Dinner
- 7:00 pm Candlelight Choir Rehearsal

## Monday, November 13th

- 7:00 pm Scout Troop Meeting—Westminster Hall
- 7:00 pm Men's Bible Study—Fireside Rm
- 7:00 pm Scouts Den Meeting—Rm 10 & 11
- 7:00 pm Virtual Centering Prayer—Zoom

## Tuesday, November 14th

- 9:30 am Presbytery Meeting—Philipsburg
- 10:00 am Staff Meeting
- 12:00 pm Congregational Prayer Meeting—Zoom
- 4:00 pm LOGOS Geckos
- 4:30 pm Membership Committee Meeting—Martin Rm
- 5:15 pm LOGOS Chrysalis
- 7:00 pm Personnel Ministry Unit—Martin Rm
- 7:30 pm Handbell Choir

## Wednesday, November 15th

### PresbyPost Deadline

- 12:00 pm Wednesday in the Word—Zoom & Fireside Rm
- 6:00 pm College Student Bake Off—Abba Java
- 6:00 pm FISH—Fireside Rm
- 6:00 pm PNC Meeting—Rm 10
- 8:00 pm Women's Fellowship—Federal Taphouse

## Thursday, November 16th

- 6:00 pm Presbyterian Student Fellowship—Fireside Rm
- 7:00 pm Chancel Choir
- 7:00 pm Finance Meeting—Zoom
- 7:00 pm Men's Covenant Group—Martin Rm

## Friday, November 17th

## Saturday, November 18th

Game Day Parking benefiting Stay and Play

## Sunday, November 19th

### Congregational Meeting

- 8:30 am Childcare Available—Rm 102
- **9:00 am Worship Service**
- Children, Worship, & Song during worship—Rm 11
- 10:00 am Coffee Hour—Social Hall
- 10:00 am to noon Directory Photo Session—Tower Entrance and Social Hall
- 10:00 am Pathways—Rm 210
- 10:15 am Oasis—Fireside Rm
- 10:15 am Adult Ed—Westminster Hall
- 10:15 am Connect—Rm 10
- 10:15 am YoPro Bible Study—Tower Rm
- 11:30 am Session Meeting—Martin Rm
- 7:00 pm Candlelight Choir Rehearsal

## 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.

**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.

**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.