



First Sunday of Advent

November 27, 2022

9:00 am

Gathering Around the Word

- Prelude** "Savior of the Nations, Come" Johann Sebastian Bach
- Opening Words** Reed Dressler
- Introit**

Watch and Wait

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- Advent Candle Lighting** Meg Meloy
- *Hymn No. 378** "We Wait the Peaceful Kingdom"
- Prayer of Preparation** Meg Meloy

Hearing the Word

- First Scripture Reading** Romans 13:11-14 Meg Meloy

- Anthem** "Keep Your Lamps" The Chancel Choir Andre Thomas

- Time for Children** Deannine Shipman
See "Children in Worship"

- Song After Children's Time** "Away in a Manager" Hymn No. 114, v. 3

- Second Scripture Reading** Matthew 24:36-44 John Porter

- Sermon** "Not Just a Season: Persistent Mindfulness" John Porter

Responding to the Word

- *Hymn No.97** "Watchman, Tell Us of the Night"

***Affirmation of Faith (Colossians 1:15-20)**
Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God,
the firstborn of all creation;
in him all things in heaven and on earth were created,
things visible and invisible.
All things have been created through him and for him.
He himself is before all things,
and in him all things hold together.
He is head of the body, the church;
he is the beginning,
the firstborn of the dead,
so that he might come to have first place in everything.
For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,
and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things,
whether on earth or in heaven,
by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.

Welcome and Announcements		Allison Maus
Call to Offering		Allison Maus
Offertory	“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”	Arranged by David Cherwien
*Doxology Hymn No. 609	“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”	
*Prayer of Dedication		Allison Maus
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. 756	“O God of Every Nation”	
*Charge & Benediction		John Porter
*Sharing of the Peace		Allison Maus
Postlude	“Watchman, Tell Us of the Night”	Hayes/Wagner

Pastor Visioning Team Update

The Pastor Visioning Team welcomes your input on how we proceed in our search for a new Senior Pastor. The included survey represents an initial step in that pastor visioning process. We will also be hosting multiple listening sessions to gather more in-depth feedback. Please complete the survey online via the QR Code or our website, www.scpresy.org. Paper copies of the survey are also available in the back of the sanctuary. The deadline to complete this survey is December 4th.



Ushers this Morning:

Head Usher: Mike Gordon

Ushers: Miguel Cruden, Kimberly Dawn Falk, Reed Miller and Marti Sawyer

Information Desk: John Marsden

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

Greeters this Morning:

Fraser Street: Rick Bryant and Carolyn Bryant

Parking Lot: Brady and Melanie Wasson

Coffee Hour:

Host: Ken and Sharon Manno

Assisting: Margaret VanFossan

Adult Offerings Today

November 27 ~ "Small Island, Big Song - Part 2" Film in Westminster Hall at 10:15 am.

Continuing from the previous week, we will watch and discuss the second half of the film "Small Island, Big Song" about the cultural connections across the islands of the Pacific and Indian Oceans.

"Connect" is an invitation to deepen your relationship with others and with God by contemplating scripture, lyrics, writing, poetry, and other topics. Come to Room 10, as you are to listen, share, grow, and be!

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.

Christmas Poinsettia Orders—Due November 29th

We will be decorating the Sanctuary with poinsettias this year for Christmas. Each poinsettia plant will be \$9.50 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 29, 2022.

Christmas Dinner

Planning for Christmas dinner is moving along. The Sign-up Genius for volunteer opportunities and food donations is available. There are volunteer options make centerpieces or setup on December 23rd, along with all kinds of in-person jobs on Christmas Day and many options to donate food. You can view the sign up genius via the QR code below or on our church website, www.scpresby.org. Keep your eyes open next week for the sign ups for Christmas Dinner to begin.



Our **Angel Tree** is up now!

Head to the bridge to choose your recipients!

Gifts are due 12/12

December 3, 9:00am-9:00pm
for **5th-12th graders and their adults**

TRUE 2 YOU YOUTH SUMMIT

Pastor John will offer a seminar at the summit: *Empathetic Listening-Connecting with Others.*

more info: centrelgbtqa.squarespace.com/events-calendar
register: www.eventbrite.com/e/true-2-you-youth-summit-2022-tickets-428147108527

If the registration is a barrier, please reach out to Cricket for a SJMT scholarship.

Food Bank Needs

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

- Canned Tuna
- Maseca (Instant Corn Masa Flour)
- Body Wash

For your convenience, items can be dropped here at SCPC at the parking lot, or rear of the sanctuary entrance.

Sunday, November 27th

- 9:00 am **Worship Service**
- Creative Movement & Music and Children and Worship—After the Children's Message
- 10:00 am Coffee Hour
- 10:00 am Exploration Hour for All Ages
- 10:15 am Adult Opportunities
- 10:30 am YoPro Bible Study—Tower Room
- 4:00 pm Pastoral Visioning Team—Room 10
- 7:00 pm Candlelight Choir Rehearsal

Monday, November 28th

- 7:00 pm Men's Bible Study—Fireside Room
- 7:00 pm Scouts—Westminster Hall
- 7:00 pm Virtual Centering Prayer—Zoom
- 7:30 pm Congregational Fellowship Committee—Martin Room

Tuesday, November 29th

Poinsettia Orders Due

- 10:00 am Staff Meeting
- 12:00 pm Congregational Prayer Meeting—Zoom
- 4:00 pm LOGOS Geckos
- 5:00 pm LOGOS Chrysalis
- 7:15 pm Christmas Dinner Planning Meeting—Martin Room
- 7:30 pm Handbell Choir

Wednesday, November 30th

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

Thursday, December 1st

- 6:00 pm PSF—Fireside Room
- 7:00 pm Chancel Choir
- 7:00 pm Men's Covenant Group—Martin Room

Friday, December 2nd

- 4:00 pm Trumpet Recital

Saturday, December 3rd

- 9:00 am CLSN Youth Summit at Delta School
- 7:00 pm Theology UnTapped—Big Springs

Sunday, December 4th

Baptism—Communion—Minute for Mission

- 8:30 am Childcare Available—Room 101
- 9:00 am **Worship Service**
- Creative Movement & Music and Children & Worship—After the Children's Message
- 10:00 am Coffee Hour
- 10:00 am Exploration Hour for All Ages
- 10:15 am Adult Opportunities
- 10:30 am YoPro Bible Study—Tower Room
- 11:30 am Session—Social Hall
- 4:00 pm Pastoral Visioning Team—Room 10
- 6:00 pm Orchestra Rehearsal
- 7:00 pm Candlelight Choir Rehearsal

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!

College-Age and Young Adult Ministry
wants to send a note of love
and encouragement to your student!



Parents of College Students!

We need your student's mailing address so we can send them some Christmas cheer!
Send Pastor Allison an email with your student's information and CAYAM will send them some festive well-wishes.

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.

