



First Sunday of Advent

Sunday, November 28, 2021

9:00 am and 11:15 am

Gathering Around the Word

- Prelude** “Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning” Arranged by Childs
- Opening Words** Dean Lindsey
- Lighting of the Advent Candle** Jamie , Navy, and Lincoln Bauman
Responsive Litany—Projected

Jesus, the Light of the World George D. Elderkin

(Sing twice)

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- *Hymn No. 362** “Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers”
- Call to Confession** Deannine Shipman/Dean Lindsey
- *Prayer of Confession**
Merciful God, always with us, always coming. We don’t always know how to prepare for your Advent. We forget how to hope in miracles; we ignore the promise of your kingdom; we are distracted by the busyness of this season. Forgive our foolishness and grant us wisdom in our waiting. Amen.
- *Assurance of Pardon**
- (11:15 am) Sharing of the Peace

Hearing the Word

- Anthem** “Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning” Arranged by Thomas
(9:00 am) The Chancel Choir (11:15 am) *Chancel Choir Ensemble
*The Ensemble singers led worship at 9:00 also, please excuse them after the anthem.

[Where you see an asterisk (*), please stand if you are able]

(9:00 am) Time for Children

Deannine Shipman

Parents and Guardians please take note that during the children's message, children may be photographed or video recorded due to our live stream. The video/images may be used without compensation by the church for promotional purposes in digital or print media. If you do not wish for your child to be in the live stream, the front pew/row of chairs are not in the live shot. (Children leave for special programs)

(9:00 am) Hymn No. 487 Song After Children's Time "These Treasured Children" verse 2

Scripture Lesson:

Matthew 25: 1-13

Sermon

"The Ten Bridesmaids"

Allison Maus

Responding to the Word

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Offering

***Doxology**

***Prayer of Dedication**

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

Breaking of the Bread

Pouring of the Cup

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Prayer following Communion

(9:00 am) Congregation remains seated to be served by Elders. Please partake of the gluten free wafer when you are served and hold the cup so that we may partake together.

(11:15 am) All are invited to come forward when directed by an usher to partake of communion elements. Those who wish may remain seated to be served by an Elder.

***Hymn No. 92**

"While We Are Waiting, Come"

***Benediction**

***(9:00 am) Sharing of the Peace**

Postlude

"Rejoice, Rejoice Believers!"

Arranged by Rowland-Raybold

Coffee Hour Volunteer Request

As our church in-person attendance expands and more of our community is comfortable participating in the coffee hour, either in the social hall or in adult education classes, there's a need for more volunteers to support the serving of drinks and snacks. Yes, there's some early preparation and cleanup afterwards. However, there is also a sense of offering hospitality and getting to know and enjoy the company of others while actively supporting our church. In fact, it's fun!! The host is experienced and will direct and instruct the assistants. If you're interested in being one of these volunteers, you may sign up on the Signup Genius on the church website. Please consider such an activity a few times each year, or more if so inclined. It can't happen without the efforts of many. And, know that the responsibilities are limited in the time involved and the benefits are both for the community and for the individual volunteer.

Ushers this Morning:

(9:00 am) Head Usher: Carrie Miller

Ushers: Juli Mortimore, Miguel Cruden, Vivian Noll

(11:15 am) Head Usher: Heather Steel

Ushers: Clay Kleinman, Linda McClimans, Betty MacDonald

Greeters this Morning:

(9:00 am) Fraser Street—Connie and John DiNunzio

(11:15 am) Fraser Street—Nikki Blake

(9:00 am) & (11:15 am) Parking Lot—Rick Bryant

Coffee Hour this Morning:

Host: Jamey and Owen Perry

Here's What's Happening at SCPC

Christmas Poinsettia Orders

We will be decorating the Sanctuary with poinsettias this year for Christmas. Each poinsettia plant will be \$12.00 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 December 5, 2021.

Angel Tree

The Angel Tree, located on the Bridge, has many angels to choose from! Please join the community of givers who are fulfilling Christmas wishes and spreading the joy of the season. Gifts need to be delivered to the church office by December 13th.

Advent Organ Recital Series

Advent Organ Recital Series will take place on Wednesdays, December 1, 8, and 15 at 12:15 pm. The short recitals (about 30 minutes) will be followed by a simple soup lunch for fellowship. This year's recitalists are: December 1 - Ned Wetherald, State College Presbyterian Church; December 8 - Heike Burghart Rice, University Baptist and Brethren Church; December 15 - Claude Fabinyi, First Evangelical Lutheran Church, Altoona.

Advent Devotionals

Subscribe to our daily email devotionals this Advent. This year we invite you to reflect on the theme of "Light in the Darkness," and welcome contributions on the theme. For more info or to subscribe please reach out to allisonscpc@gmail.com.

Adult Education

This morning at 10:15 am, Ned Wetherald will teach on "The Great O Antiphons". Ned will have us listening, studying and singing! Join us in Westminster Hall.

Next Sunday, Heather Bruhn will be teaching on Images of the Annunciation and Christ's Incarnation. Come join a discussion of a very common motif in the Medieval and Renaissance eras: the Annunciation and Incarnation.

Wednesday in the Word

Wednesday in the Word will be meeting December 1, 8 and 15 for Advent and will be studying While We Wait: Living the Questions of Advent by Mary Lou Redding. We welcome newcomers. Folks are invited to bring a Bible and join us for this study and time of fellowship. We meet in the Fireside Room or via Zoom Wednesdays. During Advent, we will attend the Advent Organ Recitals and lunches at 12:15 and then start the study as close to 1:00 as we can. Questions? Contact Connie Curilla.

Christmas Dinner

We are excited to be serving Christmas Dinner again this year! We will be doing pick-up and delivery. Pickup times will be between 1:00pm - 3:45 pm on Christmas Day with delivery times at either 1:00 pm or 3:00 pm. The deadline to sign up is December 18th! You can either sign up via our website (scpresby.org) or using the QR Code.



Flower Chart for 2022

Anyone wanting to supply flowers for 2022 Sunday worship services, the new flower chart is now posted in the hallway between the sanctuary and the church office. Or, call or email the church office at 814-238-2422 or officescpc@gmail.com.

Candlelight Service

The candlelight choir is back this year with the Christmas Candlelight Service will then be held on Sunday, December 12th at 4:00 pm. There will be childcare for children through kindergarten.

This Week at SCPC

Sunday, November 28

1st Sunday of Advent—Communion

- 9:00 am & 11:15 am In-person Worship Service
- 9:00 am Service Live Stream on YouTube & Available to view
- 9:00 am & 11:15 am Service Infant and Toddler Childcare—Room 101
- During 9:00 am Service Creative Movement & Music—No Children & Worship this morning
- 10:00 am Coffee Hour
- 10:15 am Sunday School (Age 3—5th Grade—Room 210)
- 10:15 am Adult Ed—Westminster Hall
- 12:00 pm YoPro Bible Study—Fireside Room
- 7:00 pm Candlelight Choir Rehearsal—Sanctuary

Monday, November 29

- 11:00 am Communion at Foxdale—Dining Room
- 7:00 pm Boy Scouts—Westminster Hall

Tuesday, November 30

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

Wednesday, December 1

- 12:15 pm Advent Organ Recitals followed by Soup Fellowship Lunch
- 12:30 pm Stay and Play Staff Meeting— Westminster Hall
- 12:30 pm Wednesday in the Word—Zoom/Fireside Room
- 4:00 pm FISH Homework Time—Fireside Room
- 6:00 pm FISH
- 7:00 pm Racial Reconciliation—Zoom
- 8:00 pm POLO Women's Bible Study—Zoom

Thursday, December 2

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

Friday, December 3

Saturday, December 4

Sunday, December 5

- 9:00 am and 11:15 am In-Person Worship Service
- 9:00 am Service Live Stream on YouTube & Available to view
- 9:00 am & 11:15 am Service Infant and Toddler Child care—Room 101
- During 9:00 am Service Creative Movement and Music and Children & Worship
- 10:00 am Coffee Hour
- 10:15 am Sunday School
- 10:15 am Adult Ed—Westminster Hall
- 12:00 pm YoPro Bible Study—Fireside Room
- 1:00 pm Deacon's Meeting—Zoom
- 7:00 pm Candlelight Choir Rehearsals—Sanctuary

Children's Plans for November 28th

We WILL HAVE CHILDCARE in Room 201 all morning.

We WILL ALSO HAVE Creative Movement and Music for ages 3 - K in Westminster Hall during the first service.

We will NOT be having Children & Worship (Grades 1-3) due to the holiday, and those children are invited to stay in worship with their parents/guardians.

At 10:15am, our Sunday School Class for children ages 3 - 5th Grade will be up in Room 210 with Ms. Deannine, with crafts and a holiday movie.

SafeChurch Training 2021

Anyone who volunteers with children and youth needs to attend a SafeChurch Training session. Due to the pandemic, we have not offered this training in quite awhile.

We are now offering TWO training sessions to be done on ZOOM.

If you sign up, you will need to get a training booklet from the church office, or ask that one be mailed to you. We can do electronic copies, but you would have to print it before the training.

The dates for the trainings are:

Dec 2nd, 7pm and Dec. 6th, 7pm, leadership will be Laura Steager and Deannine Shipman

Here is the link to the Sign Up Genius, and the zoom link is provided there.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0448a5af29aa8-safechurch5>

This link is also on our website to make it easier for you!



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