



Welcome to Worship

October 23, 2022 9:00 am

Gathering Around the Word

Prelude "Prelude" Donald Busarow

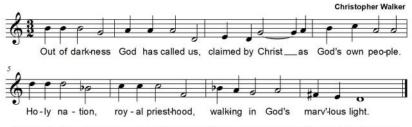
Opening Words John Porter

Introit

Out of Darkness

This refrain will be introduced on the piano, then by the choir/cantor.

Please join in singing on the repeats.



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*Call to Worship

Leader: My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the LORD;

People: my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.

Leader: Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself,

People: where she may lay her young, at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.

Leader: Happy are those who live in your house, ever singing your praise.

People: Let us respond to God's invitation and enter into the home of our fellowship in Christ with praise on our lips.

*Hymn No. 401

"Here in This Place"

*Call to Confession Allison Maus

*Prayer of Confession

God of Grace, we admit we elevate ourselves and things of the world above you. Forgive us for our arrogance and thoughtlessness that encourages dispute, perpetuates racist assumptions, sexist stereotypes, and classist attitudes, and abuses your creation. Transform our smug conceit into humble confidence of faith so that we might learn to live together in your ways. Amen

^{*}Assurance of Pardon

Hearing the Word

Prayer for Inspiration Don Hartzell

First Scripture Reading Psalm 84:1-7

Anthem "The Pharisee and the Publican" Heinrich Schutz

The Chancel Choir

Time for Children Deannine Shipman

See "Children in Worship"

Song After Children's Time "These Treasured Children"

Hymn No. 487 v. 2

Second Scripture Reading Luke 18:9-14

Sermon "A Place to Call Home" John Porter

Responding to the Word

*Hymn No. 402 "How Lovely, Lord"

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Offering

Offertory "Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices" Charles W. Ore

*Doxology Hymn No. 607 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

*Prayer of Dedication

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

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. 539 "We Will Go Out with Joy"

*Charge & Benediction

*Sharing of the Peace

Postlude "Improvisation"

All Saints Day—October 30th

As we look to give thanks for the lives of congregation members who died this past year, we acknowledge that much of our grieving and remembering of those lost has been done apart. On October 30th, we invite you to bring a picture or memento of loved ones lost recently or in the past with you to worship to set on our table of remembrance or to hold near you while you worship. We hope this will help us celebrate the faithful ones we have lost and remind us that this great company of witnesses is always with us.

Ushers this Morning:

Head Usher: Tracy Massaglia

Ushers: Jennifer Creighton, Mike Gordon, Joseph

Kockelmans, and Juli Mortimore

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: Janet and Paul Heasley

Parking Lot: Mary D'Ambrosia

Coffee Hour:

Host: Linda Morrow

Assisting: Kimberly Dawn Falk and Scott Banfield

Sanctuary Flowers: The Sanctuary flowers are presented in loving memory of her husband, David Thomas, by Becky Thomas.

Adult Offerings Today

October 23 ~ "Finding Our Way to Response, with Listening and Moral Imagination" with Cricket Hunter in Westminster Hall at 10:00 am. The world moves at a tremendous pace, and in that context, when we (inevitably) encounter personal hurt, community need, or large-scale, knotty problems, it's easy to freeze, or become frustrated, or just shut it all out. As part of a community, we can support other ways of being. Come hear a few examples of innovative community responses to challenges, and try out a practice that may help you connect with others and create spaces for our moral imaginations to take root.

"Connect" is an invitation to deepen your relationship with others and with God by contemplating scripture, lyrics, writing, poetry, and other topics. Come as you are to listen, share, grow, and be! This will take place in Room 10 at 10:15 am.

Candlelight Choir

Candlelight Choir rehearsals begin Sunday, October 30 at 7:00 PM in the Choir Room. This is a great chance for those of you who can't make the commitment to our regular choirs to get a great singing experience. We are open to all ages (including high school and college) and all ability levels. Rehearsals will continue Sunday evenings through December 4 with one final rehearsal on Saturday, December 10. The 95th Annual Christmas Candlelight Service will be Sunday, December 11, 4:00 PM. We will be preparing "What Sweeter Music" – a cantata of arrangements of Christmas tunes to be performed with orchestra. Contact Ned Wetherald, Director of Music Ministry, with any questions (nedscpc@gmail.com).

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.

Would you make a Christmas card or write an encouraging message to a person who is incarcerated in Centre County?



Centre Peace reports that these cards are the only mail some folks get all year. Sign your card with ONLY your first name (or only your middle name, if your first name is unusual). Small groups, committees, or individuals that would like to participate can pick up blank cards in the office, and find directions on our website.

Please don't be shy about your decorating! This is an all-ages opportunity, and the idea is to deliver a card that is a sliver of warm, imperfect, human connection. The only decorating caution is that each card will be scanned and printed to be delivered to individuals in a prison-approved process, so 3-D features won't work well. Drop-off boxes for completed cards can be found at both the Parking Lot entrance and the Post Office entrance.

Everyone is welcome to stop by a Card Corner in the Social Hall on October 30th, during Coffee Hour. You will find cards, stickers, markers, and pens, and friends. Stop in to write, decorate, or both on your way to your Exploration Hour destination, or make it your after-worship activity.

This Week at SCPC

Sunday, October 23rd Chrysalis Fall Retreat—Krislund

- 8:30 am Childcare Available—Room 101
- 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
- 4:30 pm YoPro Bonfire Harvest Party—The Davises's

Monday, October 24th

- 5:30 pm SJMT—Zoom
- 5:30 pm Worship Committee Meeting—Room 10
- 7:00 pm Educational Ministry Unit—Martin Room/Zoom
- 7:00 Men's Bible Study—Fireside Room
- 7:00 pm Scouts—Westminster Hall
- 7:00 pm Virtual Centering Prayer—Zoom

Tuesday, October 25th

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

Wednesday, October 26th

- 12:30 pm Wednesday in the Word—Zoom/Fireside Room
- 6:00 pm FISH
- 7:00 pm Racial Reconciliation—Zoom
- 7:00 pm Spiritual Life—Zoom
- 8:15 pm POLO Women's Bible Study—Zoom

Thursday, October 27th

Stay and Play Halloween Parade

- 8:30 am Stay and Play Staff Breakfast—Martin Room
- 8:45 am Stay and Play Parent Tea—Social Hall
- 6:00 pm Presbyterian Student Fellowship—Fireside Room
- 7:00 pm Chancel Choir
- 7:00 pm Men's Covenant Group—Martin Room

Friday, October 28th Stay and Play Closed

Saturday, October 29th

• Game Day Parking benefitting Hekima

Sunday, October 30th

All Saints Day

- 8:30 am Childcare Available—Room 101
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- 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 MU-SIC 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!

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.



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