Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

October 11, 2020

10:50 AM



Welcome back to Worship at Spring Branch Presbyterian Church! Please enter through the Breezeway Narthex doors and follow the instructions of the Greeters and Ushers. Should you need a restroom, the Narthex family bathroom is available. After the service begins, both Narthex bathrooms will be available.

* Those who are able please stand

Gathering in God's Name

PRELUDE

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 116)

Leader: We love the Lord because He hears our voice and our supplications.

- People: We shall call upon Him as long as we live!
- Leader: What shall we render to the Lord for all His benefits toward us?
- People: We shall lift up the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord. ALL: In the courts of the Lord' house, in the midst of God's people.
 - LL: In the courts of the Lord' house, in the midst of God's people, let us praise the Lord!

HYMN

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; There is no shadow of turning with thee. Thou changest not; thy compassions they fail not. As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning, new mercies I see. All I have needed thy hand hath provided. Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow: Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning, new mercies I see. All I have needed thy hand hath provided. Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Preparing for the Word

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

- Leader: Brothers and sisters, Jesus said, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. And you shall love your neighbor as yourself."
- People: We come before God this morning aware that we have fallen short of what God desires of us. We have not loved God with all our heart and soul and mind, nor have we loved our neighbors as we love ourselves. So let us come before God to confess where we have failed, and to seek God's forgiveness.

CONFESSION OF SIN (unison)

(from the Liturgy of the French Reformed Church)

O God, whose will it is that all your children should be one in Christ; we pray for the unity of your Church. Pardon all our pride and our lack of faith, of understanding and of charity, which are the causes of our divisions.

Deliver us from narrow-mindedness, from our bitterness, from our prejudices. Save us from considering as normal that which is a scandal to the world and an offence to your love. Teach us to recognize the gifts of grace among all those who call upon you and confess the faith of Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.

SILENT COFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hearing the Word

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Todd Miller

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Almighty God, you are the source of all light. By your power you separated light from darkness so that we may have the beauty of the light of day. Gracious Lord, illuminate this day and enlighten us as we seek to know you through your word. May we be led by your light, that our hearts may be opened to your word. Enable us to receive every word you speak to us today. Amen.

ANTHEM "Make Me A Channel of Your Peace"

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Exodus 32:1-14

HYMN OF REFLECTION "My Life Flows On"

My life flows on in endless song, above earth's lamentation. I hear the clear, though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.

Refrain:

No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging. Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing! All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from singing? Philippians 4:1-9

SERMON

"Mission Improbable, Part 2: Waging Peace" Rev. Dr. Kevin R. Boyd *"...and the God of peace will be with you." -Philippians 4:9*

Responding to the Word

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison)

(The Apostles' Creed)

I Believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

A TIME OF GIVING

Contributions may be placed in the wooden offering box in the Narthex on your way out, or you can give online at www.springbranchpres.org/give.

PASTORAL PRAYER 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.

Departing to Serve

HYMN

"I've Got Peace Like A River"

I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river, in my soul. I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river, in my soul.

I've got love like an ocean; I've got love like an ocean; I've got love like an ocean, in my soul. I've got love like an ocean; I've got love like an ocean; I've got love like an ocean, in my soul.

BENEDICTION

Thank you for joining us for Worship this morning! Please wait for the Ushers to dismiss you by row.



Announcements & Events:

The Flowers this morning are given by Marguerite Priest to the glory of God, and in gratitude to those who have served the Church and community.

You are invited to attend Pastor's Bible Study with Kevin! The group gathers at 11:00 AM on Zoom on Tuesday mornings. Watch for details on how to join this study. We hope to see you there!

The PW Day Circle will meet on Wednesday, October 14th at 9:30 AM via Zoom to discuss Lesson 2 of Into the Light. The Evening Bible Study will meet on Tuesday, October 20th at 7:00 PM via Zoom. Please contact Carol Davis at caroldavis@entouch.net to receive a Zoom invitation for both studies. Study books are available from Sarah Dikeman or the Office for \$10 each. The Lesson 2 video can be viewed at www.springbranchpres.org/adult-education/ presbyterian-women/into-the-light.

Join us for our next Drive-Thru Wednesday Night Supper this week at 6:00 PM. On the menu are Tremble's Takeout Tacos! Contact secretary@springbranchpres.org to place your dinner order.

Join us for a Drive-In Movie Night in the parking lot on Saturday, October 24th. More information and a movie title coming soon!

Articles for the November 2020 Edition of the PresPress are due Tuesday, October 20th. Articles can be submitted to <u>ethan@springbranchpres.org</u> or <u>secretary@springbranchpres.org</u>.

October 11— Sunday

9:15 am Explorers SS Class on Zoom10:50 am Worship

October 12 — Monday

5:00 pm Academy Board Meeting

October 13 — Tuesday

| 11:00 am | Pastor's Bible Study on Zoom |
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| 7:00 pm | Fellowship Meeting |
| 8:00 pm | Faith Development Meeting |

October 14 — Wednesday

| 9:30 am | PW Circle (Zoom) |
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| 6:00 pm | Drive-Thru WNS: Tacos! |

October 18 — Sunday

| 9:15 am | Explorers SS Class on Zoom |
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| 10:50 am | Worship |

October 19 — Monday

5:00 pm Faith Development Meeting

October 20—Tuesday PresPress Articles Due

| 11:00 am | Pastor's Bible Study on Zoom |
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| 7:00 pm | Horizon's Bible Study on Zoom |

October 24—Saturday

Drive-In Movie Night!

11:00 am Hot Meals



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Who's Who:

| Minister: | All Memb | pers of the Church |
|---------------------------|----------|--------------------|
| Pastor: | R | ev. Dr. Kevin Boyd |
| Administrator: | | Jorida Vakiari |
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| Administrative Assistant: | | Ethan Mitchell |
| Music Director: | | Gabriel Perez |
| Accompanist: | | Chip Colvin |
| AV Director: | | Ethan Mitchell |
| Academy Director: | | Renee Henry |

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Neal Dikeman Sarah Dikeman

Serving today in Worship:

Lituraist: Todd Miller Time For Young Disciples: Todd Miller Usher Captain: Donald McDaniel **PowerPoint:** Ethan Mitchell & Patty Blome Socially Distant Choir: Patty Blome, Kyle Eveler, Megan Hogg, Laurie Mitchell, Gabe Perez, Lin Sabala, Dick Slover

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