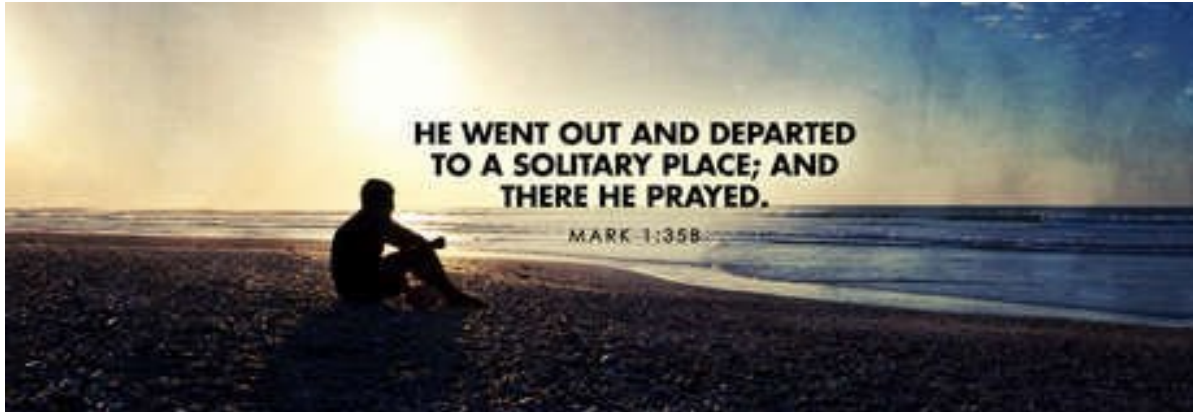


Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

February 7, 2021

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 147)

Leader: The Lord heals the broken-hearted,

People: and binds up their wounds.

Leader: The Lord determines the number of the stars;

People: The Lord gives to all of them their names.

ALL: Great is our Lord, and abundant in power. Together let us praise our magnificent God!

HYMN

"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

(In lieu of Congregational singing, our Socially Distant Choir has pre-recorded our Hymns for this morning. You are invited to ponder the text as the images as shown on the screens.)

Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near;
Join me in glad adoration!

Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been
Granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again;
Gladly for aye we adore him.

Preparing for the Word

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Leader: The Lord is able to heal us, to cast out that which is wrong in our lives.

People: **So, let us come in true confession as we seek the Lord.**

CONFESSION OF SIN *(unison)*

Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although we have found peace in Christ, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land, pollute the seas, and destroy families in the name of politics. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set friend against friend, neighbor against neighbor, and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, intellect and reason, and have turned them into tools for oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us. Heal us, forgive us, and set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON *(2 Corinthians 5:17)*

Leader: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Friends, believe the gospel.

ALL: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hearing the Word

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Patty Blome

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION *(unison)*

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit, illumine the sacred page, we pray, that our minds may be open to receive your Word, our hearts taught to love it, and our wills strengthened to obey it; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANTHEM

"Jesus, Lover of My Soul"

Jesus, Lover of my soul, Let me to Thy bosom fly,
While the nearer waters roll, While the tempest still is high:
Hide me, O my Savior, hide, Till the storm of life is past;
Safe into the haven guide, O receive my soul at last!

Thou, O Christ, art all I want; more than all in Thee I find:
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, Heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is Thy name; I am all unrighteous;
False and full of sin I am, Thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with Thee is found, Grace to cover all my sin;
Let the healing streams abound; Make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the Fountain art, Freely let me take of Thee;
Spring Thou up within my heart, Rise to all eternity!

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 40:21-31

HYMN OF REFLECTION

"Here is Bread, Here is Wine"

Here is bread, here is wine: Christ is with us: He is with us.
Break the bread; taste the wine: Christ is with us here.

Refrain:

In this bread there is healing; in this cup there's life forever.
In this moment, by the Spirit, Christ is with us here.

Here is grace, here is peace: Christ is with us: He is with us.
Know this grace; find his peace: Feast on Jesus here.

Here we are, joined in one: Christ is with us: He is with us.
We'll proclaim till he comes Jesus Crucified.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 1:29-39

SERMON

"Call Time Out!"

Rev. Dr. Kevin R. Boyd

"...he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed." -Mark 1:35

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

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Invitation

Sharing of Prayer Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

The Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Breaking of the Bread

Serving of the Elements

Prayer After Receiving

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.

Departing to Serve

HYMN

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

Precious Lord, take my hand; lead me on, help me stand;
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light;
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near;
When my life is almost gone,
Hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall;
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

CLOSING PRAYER

Leader: God of all hope, we call on you today. We pray for those who are living in fear: Fear of illness, fear for loved ones, fear of other's reactions to them. May your Spirit give us a sense of calmness and peace.

People: **We pray for your church in this time of uncertainty. For those people who are worried about attending worship. For those needing to make decisions in order to care for others. For those who will feel more isolated by not being able to attend. Grant us your wisdom.**

Leader: Holy God, we remember that you have promised that nothing will separate us from your love – demonstrated to us in Jesus Christ.

People: **May our hearts, minds, and eyes be upon you today and all week until you gather us together again.**

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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

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Spring Branch Presbyterian is participating in the annual Souper Bowl of Caring campaign this morning! You are invited to drop off your canned food item or cash/check donation in the Narthex before or after Worship.



We are also offering an online option this year for you to share with your family and friends! The link to give donations online is: [https://](https://forms.tacklehunger.org/collections/view/1470855)

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All donations that are received will benefit the Fair Haven Food Pantry.



tacklehunger.org

In 1990, Souper Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group:

"Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those without a bowl of soup to eat."

Since then, more than \$160 million has been generated for local charities across the country through Souper Bowl of Caring. It has become a powerful movement that transforms the time around the Big Game into the nation's largest celebration of giving and caring for those in need.

Announcements & Events

You are invited to attend Pastor's Bible Study with Kevin. The group gathers at 11:00am on Zoom on Tuesday mornings. Watch your email for instructions to join. We hope to see you there!

The PW Day Circle will meet on Wednesday, February 10th at 9:30 AM via Zoom to discuss Lesson 6 of *Into the Light*. **The Evening Bible Study** will meet on Tuesday, February 16th at 7:00 PM via Zoom. Please contact Carol Davis at caroldavis@entouch.net to receive a Zoom invitation for both studies. The Lesson 6 video can be viewed at www.springbranchpres.org/adult-education/presbyterian-women/into-the-light.

We will have a Drive-Thru Dinner and Imposition of Ashes on February 17th at 6:00 PM. The line will be arranged in such a way that you can receive ashes, dinner, or both! Pastor Kevin will lead a video Ash Wednesday Devotional that will be released on the morning of February 17th.

Please don't forget to turn in your Pledge Card. You can find one in the Narthex or the Church Office. Pledge Cards that are mailed or emailed should be addressed to Jorida in the Church Office.

Articles for the March 2021 Edition of the PresPress are due on Saturday, February 20th. Please send submissions to ethan@springbranchpres.org or secretary@springbranchpres.org.

Would you like to beautify the Sanctuary on Sunday mornings while honoring a loved one or commemorating a special occasion? **The 2021 Flowers Sign-Up Calendar is located in the Narthex!** The cost per arrangement is \$65.00. Checks should be written to SBPC and mailed to the Church Office or placed in the Offering Box on Sunday mornings.

The 2021 Offering Envelope Books are now available in the Narthex. Please sign your name by the number that corresponds to your book number. If you already have a book of offering envelopes, you can continue to use it since it doesn't correspond to specific dates. Thank you for your continued commitment!

February 7 — Sunday *Souper Bowl of Caring*

9:30 am Explorers SS Class (FH)
9:30 am Saints Under Construction (CR)
10:50 am Worship

February 8 — Monday

5:00 pm Academy Board Meeting

February 9 — Tuesday

11:00 am Pastor's Bible Study

February 10 — Wednesday

9:30 am PW Circle (Zoom)

February 11 — Thursday

February 12 — Friday

February 13 — Saturday

February 14 — Sunday

9:30 am Explorers SS Class (FH)
9:30 am Saints Under Construction (CR)
10:50 am Worship

February 15 — Monday

February 16 — Tuesday

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

February 17 — Ash Wednesday

6:00 pm Drive-Thru Ashes
6:00 pm Drive-Thru WNS:
Red Beans & Rice!

February 18 — Thursday

February 19 — Friday

February 20 — Saturday *PresPress Articles Due*





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