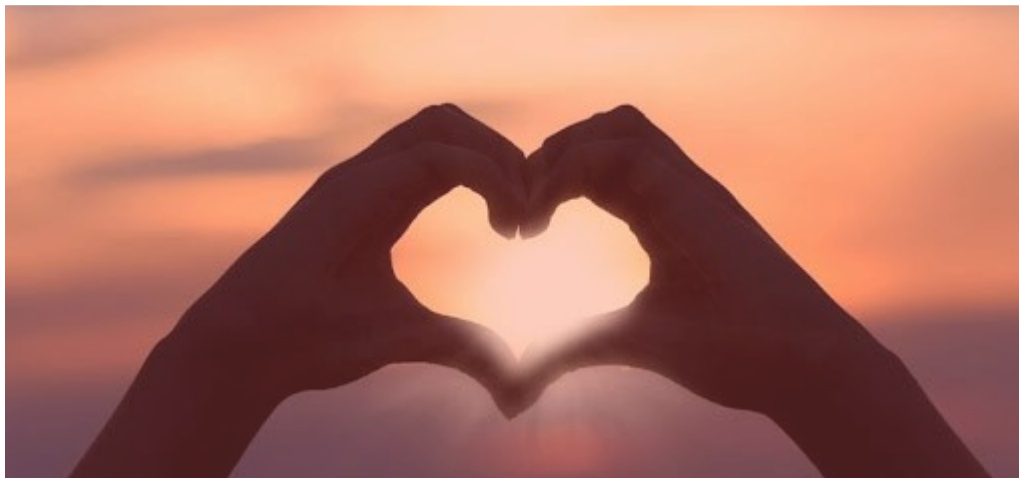


Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 16, 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.

* Those who are able please stand

Gathering in God's Name

PRELUDE

WELCOME

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *(Based on Psalm 116)*

Leader: Come! Lift your voices to the Lord, who always hears us.

People: Listen Lord. Hear our voices sing your praises.

Leader: Call on the Lord, who bends low to hear us.

People: Listen Lord. We lift our voices to you in praise.

All: Call on the name of the Lord, all you people. For the Lord saved us, raised us and has turned our lives around. Let his name be praised in this congregation.

HYMN

"Blessed Assurance"

(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.)

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain:

This is my story; this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story; this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels descending, bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest,
Watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

Preparing for the Word

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Leader: We are deceiving ourselves if we think that we can live apart from God's protection and influence. Since we have all been wandering children, let us confess our sins to our gracious God:

CONFESSION OF SIN (*unison*)

Mighty God, in whom we know the power of redemption, you stand among us in the shadows of our time. As we move through every sorrow and trial of this life, uphold us with knowledge of the final morning when, in the glorious presence of Christ Jesus, we will share in his resurrection, redeemed and restored to the fullness of life and forever freed to be your people. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The Lord is faithful to hear and forgive. Walk now in the confidence that God hears and forgives, loves and restores. Walk as one forgiven and tell others of the love of God.

People: Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen!

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hearing the Word

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Pastor Kevin

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*unison*)

Lord, as we listen to your word, reach out once again in your love to us, so we would touch others. Open us to being filled with your gifts, so we could be a blessing to the world. Pierce our darkness with hope, so we might bring healing to the broken. May the Holy Spirit raise us to new life. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANTHEM

"I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"

Rebecca Castillo

I want Jesus to walk with me;
I want Jesus to walk with me;
All along my pilgrim journey,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my trials, Lord, walk with me;
In my trials, Lord, walk with me;
When my heart is almost breaking,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;
When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;
When my head is bowed in sorrow,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

HYMN OF REFLECTION

"Hope of the World"

Hope of the world, thou Christ of great compassion:
Speak to our fearful hearts by conflict rent;
Save us, thy people, from consuming passion,
Who by our own false hopes and aims are spent.

Hope of the world, God's gift from highest heaven,
Bringing to hungry souls the bread of life:
Still let thy Spirit unto us be given
To heal earth's wounds and end our bitter strife.

Hope of the world, who by thy cross didst save us
From death and deep despair, from sin and guilt:
We render back the love thy mercy gave us;
Take thou our lives and use them as thou wilt.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 17:6-19

Red Pew Bible NT 111

SERMON

"The Heart of the Christian"

Rev. Dr. Kevin R. Boyd

"They are not of the world, even as I am not of it." -John 17:16

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.

SHARING OF PRAYER CONCERNS

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

"Make Us One"

Make us one, Lord, make us one; Holy Spirit, make us one.
Let your love flow so the world will know we are one in you.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

"This Joy"

This Joy that I have the world didn't give to me
This Joy that I have the world didn't give to me
This Joy that I have the world didn't give to me
The world didn't give it to me, and the world can't take it away

This Love that I have the world didn't give to me
This Love that I have the world didn't give to me
This Love that I have the world didn't give to me
The world didn't give it to me, and the world can't take it away

This Peace that I have the world didn't give to me
This Peace that I have the world didn't give to me
This Peace that I have the world didn't give to me
The world didn't give it to me, and the world can't take it away

POSTLUDE

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

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Calendar of Events

May 16 — Sunday

9:30 am Explorers (FH)
9:30 am Saints Under Construction (CR)
9:30 am Virtual Sunday School (Zoom)
10:50 am Worship

May 17 — Monday

5:30 pm Faith Development Meeting
6:00 pm Yoga (GP 1)
7:00 pm Horizon's Bible Study on Zoom
7:00 pm Property Meeting (Zoom)
7:30 pm Boy Scouts (Scout Hut & GP)

May 18 — Tuesday

10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
11:00 am Pastor's Bible Study (Zoom)

May 20 — Thursday

PresPress Articles Due

10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
6:00 pm Yoga (GP 1)

May 22 — Saturday

11:00 am Hot Meals

May 23 — Pentecost Sunday

9:30 am Explorers (FH)
9:30 am Saints Under Construction (CR)
9:30 am Virtual Sunday School (Zoom)
10:50 am Worship
12:00 pm Outdoor Pentecost Picnic

May 24 — Monday

6:00 pm Yoga (GP 1)
7:30 pm Boy Scouts (Scout Hut & GP)

May 25 — Tuesday

10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
11:00 am Pastor's Bible Study (Zoom)
7:00 pm Session (Zoom)

May 26 — Wednesday

9:30 am Happy Hands (GP)

May 27 — Thursday

10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
6:00 pm Yoga (GP 1)

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 Evening PW Bible Study will meet on Monday, May 17th at 7:00 PM via Zoom to discuss Lesson 9 of *Into the Light*. Please contact Carol Davis at caroldavis@entouch.net to receive a Zoom invitation. The Lesson 9 video can be viewed at www.springbranchpres.org/adult-education/presbyterian-women/into-the-light.



Join us after **Pentecost Worship** on May 23 for a picnic lunch.

We will be socially distancing.

You may bring a blanket or lawn chairs. Some will be provided.

Sandwiches, salads, chips, desserts

& drinks will be provided.

You may bring some lawn games if you wish.

If the weather does not cooperate, we will be in the fellowship hall.



The Happy Hands group will meet Wednesday, May 26, 9:30am, in the Gathering Place. Come join the group for stuffing, stitching, and fellowship. Our pillows, blankets, baby hats, etc. are being delivered to area hospitals. The hospitals are so thankful for our faithful provision of these items. For our meeting, we will follow the health and safety protocols that are in place at that time. Hope to see you there.

VBS 2021 Save the Date—The Faith Development ministry team of Spring Branch Presbyterian Church, in conversation with the Academy, is working hard to discern the best way to proceed with VBS 2021 in light of the ever-changing COVID landscape. The theme for the week will be selected from PC(USA)'s *Grace and Gratitude* curriculum. The dates for this year's VBS are Tuesday, July 13th through Friday, July 16th. Each day will begin at 9:00 for the children and end at 11:00. At this time with the metrics and predictions in consideration, VBS will include the Academy students and the children and youth of Spring Branch. Faith Development will continue to reassess as the summer progresses. If you are willing and available to volunteer for VBS 2021, please email Denise Wilborn (dwilborn55@gmail.com) or Miguel Carlin (miguel@springbranchpres.org).



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Usher Captain: Donald McDaniel

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