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# Spring Branch Presbyterian Church

## Who's Who:

Minister: All Members of the Church  
Pastor: Rev. Dr. Kevin Boyd  
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Administration Leader: Web Trevathan  
Congregation Leader: Kay Craig  
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Mission Leader: Steve Blair  
Worship Leader: Megan Hogg  
Treasurer: Neal Dikeman

## The Session

Clerk: Elizabeth Powell

Moderator: Rev. Dr. Kevin Boyd

## Class of 2022

Steve Blair  
Ethan Mitchell  
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Denise Wilborn

## Class of 2023

Silvia Argyriou  
Megan Hogg  
Elizabeth Powell  
Lu Taylor

## Class of 2024

Charles Fairchild  
Glenn Lanan  
Donald McDaniel  
Jennifer Miller

## Academy Board

Anne Johnson  
Denise Wilborn

Neal Dikeman  
Sarah Dikeman

Laurie Mitchell  
Jani Shepard

## Serving today in Worship:

**Liturgist:** Jan Fitts

**Time For Young Disciples:** Jan Fitts

**Usher Captain:** Donald McDaniel

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October 10, 2021

*\*Those who are able please stand*

Gathering in God's Name

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (*Psalm 32*)

Leader: Blessed are those whose transgression is forgiven and whose sin is covered.

**People: They are happy, for the Lord declares them "not guilty" and there is no deception in their hearts.**

Leader: Let us worship and rejoice in the One who is our hiding place.

**People: Our God is our refuge in times of trouble.**

**ALL: The Lord is with us! Let us worship God!**

**\*HYMN** "God of Grace and God of Glory" GTG, No. 307

Preparing for the Word

**INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

Leader: None among us is perfect. Christ alone is perfect and able to save us.

**People: We trust in this Christ as we pray together:**

**CONFESSION OF SIN** (*unison*)

**Lord of life, we know that we fall far short of your ideal for our lives. So often we miss opportunities to make a difference in our world for your sake. We call ourselves Christians, but live as though we are not. We are sinners in your sight. Though you see all, we act as if you are not there. God of grace, cleanse us from our illusion of innocence and give us the grace to draw near to you. Place your love in our hearts, that we might love you and others with pure hearts. In Jesus' name. Amen.**

**SILENT CONFESSION**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: We have drawn near to God's throne of grace. God has given us mercy.

**People: In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Glory to God. Amen.**

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

*Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.*

# Calendar of Events

[www.springbranchpres.org/church-calendar](http://www.springbranchpres.org/church-calendar)

**October 10 — Sunday**

9:30 am Sunday School

10:50 am Worship

**October 11 — Monday**

5:30 pm Academy Board Meeting

6:00 pm Basketball (GP)

6:00 pm Yoga (CR)

7:00 pm Horizon's Bible Study on Zoom

7:30 pm Boy Scouts (GP & Scout Hut)

**October 12 — Tuesday**

10:00 am Flexercise (GP)

11:00 am Pastors Bible Study (CR)

5:15 pm Special Olympics\* (Field)

**October 13 — Wednesday**

9:30 am PW Circle (CR)

6:00 pm Drive-Thru WNS:  
Tarragon Chicken!

**October 14 — Thursday**

9:00 am Jessie's Bites\* (Kitchen)

10:00 am Flexercise (GP)

6:00 pm Yoga (CR)

6:00 pm Fairbees Square Dance\* (GP)

**October 15 — Friday**

9:00 am Jessie's Bites\* (Kitchen)

**October 16 — Saturday**

7:45 am Soccer Shots\* (Field)

1:30 pm Special Olympics\* (Field)

6:00 pm CENTI Church\* (GP)

\*Outside SBPC Reservations & Events

(CR) Conference Room

(FH) Fellowship Hall

(GP) Gathering Place

(L) Library

(P) Parlor

**October 17 — Sunday**

9:30 am Sunday School

10:50 am Worship

12:30 pm Men's Retreat (FH)

**October 18 — Monday**

10:00 am The Gathering Place (FH)

6:00 pm Basketball (GP)

6:00 pm Yoga (CR)

7:30 pm Boy Scouts (GP & Scout Hut)

**October 19 — Tuesday**

10:00 am Flexercise (GP)

11:00 am Pastors Bible Study (CR)

5:15 pm Special Olympics\* (Field)

**October 20 — Wednesday**

**PresPress Articles Due**

9:30 am PW Zip Trip:  
Memorial Park Arboretum

**October 21 — Thursday**

9:00 am Jessie's Bites\* (Kitchen)

10:30 am NACBA Conference\* (GP)

6:00 pm Yoga (CR)

6:00 pm Fairbees Square Dance\* (GP)

**October 22 — Friday**

9:00 am Jessie's Bites\* (Kitchen)

**October 23 — Saturday**

10:00 am TXPWA Support Group\* (GP)

11:00 am Hot Meals

1:30 pm Special Olympics\* (Field)

6:00 pm CENTI Church\* (GP)



# Announcements & Events:

The **PW Day Circle** will meet on Wednesday, October 13th, at 9:30 AM in the Conference Room to discuss Lesson 2 of *What My Grandmother's Taught Me*. Please contact Carol Davis if you'd like to attend via Zoom. The **Evening Bible Study** will meet on Monday, October 11th, at 7:00 PM via Zoom. Please contact Sarah Powell at [mrspowelltobe@yahoo.com](mailto:mrspowelltobe@yahoo.com) to receive a Zoom invitation. The Lesson 2 video is available at the following link: [www.springbranchpres.org/adult-education/presbyterian-women/what-my-grandmothers-taught-me](http://www.springbranchpres.org/adult-education/presbyterian-women/what-my-grandmothers-taught-me).

**You are invited to attend Pastor's Bible Study with Kevin.** The group gathers at 11:00am on Tuesday mornings. The Bible Study will continue to be offered both in-person and virtually. You may either join in-person at 11:00 AM in the Conference Room, or by Zoom using the instructions that appear in the Friday emails and monthly edition of the PresPress. We hope to see you there!

**Join us for a Drive-Thru Wednesday Night Supper this Wednesday at 6:00 PM!** On the menu is Tarragon Chicken. Please contact [secretary@springbranchpres.org](mailto:secretary@springbranchpres.org) to place your dinner order. We hope to see you there!

**Spring Branch Presbyterian is excited to announce the date of our 2021 Men's Retreat!** The retreat will be held on Sunday, October 17, 2021 from 12:30-5:00 PM. Lunch will be provided and we encourage you to invite a friend!! To sign up to attend and for more information, please contact Donald McDaniel.

**The Gathering Place is meeting on Monday, October 18th at 10:00 AM!** If you are interested in helping out, please contact Jacquie Ballesteros at 713-305-1114 or [jballesteros1103@gmail.com](mailto:jballesteros1103@gmail.com) or Sarah Dikeman at 713-468-3973 or [swdmmd@dikeman.net](mailto:swdmmd@dikeman.net).

**Happy Hands will meet for the last time this year on Wednesday, October 27, at 9:30 AM.** November and December are holiday months for us. Join us as we finish the year stuffing and sewing pillows for hospitalized patients. We hope to see you there!

**Would you like to beautify the sanctuary on Sunday mornings while honoring a loved one or commemorating a special occasion?** The 2021 Flower Sign-Up Calendar is located in the Narthex. If you are currently worshiping from home but would still like to sponsor flowers for a Worship Service, you may sign up digitally by using this form: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e084cabac2ba1fa7-2021>, or by emailing [jorida.vakiari@springbranchpres.org](mailto:jorida.vakiari@springbranchpres.org). The cost per arrangement is \$65.00. Special arrangements vary and should be requested EARLY! Checks should be written to SBPC and mailed to the Church Office (Attn: Jorida) or placed in the offering plate.

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MOMENT FOR MISSION**

**Hearing the Word**

**TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES**

Jan Fitts

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION** (*unison*)

**Holy and gracious God, you are full of wonders that no mere human can comprehend. We seek to understand you and your ways so that we might live according to your desires. Illumine our hearts and minds. Give us the gift of understanding, that we might hear your voice. Through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

**ANTHEM**

*"O Word of God Incarnate"*  
Rebecca Castillo & Kyle Eveler

O Word of God incarnate, O Wisdom from on high,  
O truth unchanged, unchanging, O Light of our dark sky:  
We praise you for the radiance that from the hallowed page,  
A lantern to our footsteps, shines on from age to age.

The church from you, dear Savior, received this gift divine;  
And still that light is lifted on all the earth to shine.  
It is the chart and compass that, all life's voyage through,  
Amid the rocks and quicksands still guides, O Christ, to you.

O make your church, dear Savior, a lamp of purest gold  
To bear before the nations your true light, as of old;  
O teach your wandering pilgrims by this our path to trace,  
Till, clouds and storms thus ended, we see you face to face.

**FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Red Pew Bible OT 853

**\*HYMN**

*"Since Our Great High Priest, Christ Jesus"*

GTG, No. 262

**SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Hebrews 4:12-16

Red Pew Bible NT 220

**SERMON**

***"True Christianity, Part 6: The Right Priest"***  
Rev. Dr. Kevin R. Boyd

## 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

## PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

## OFFERTORY

## \*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.*

## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*unison*)

**This money, this food, is yours, O Lord. Yes, we earned it, saved it, shopped for it, bought it, and brought it here. But it is yours. We ask your blessings upon our hands which have returned these gifts to you, as well as your blessings upon the work that will flow out of this money and this food. Because of Jesus we give and we pray. Amen.**

## 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

*"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"*

GTG, No. 306

## \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

## \*POSTLUDE

# What's coming up

**Sunday, October 17th**

*"True Christianity, Part 7: The Right Order"*

Isaiah 53:4-12

Mark 10:35-45

### *Welcome Visitors*

You are joyfully welcomed as you worship with us today. In the worship bulletin, you will see an asterisk (\*) which invites you to stand as you are able throughout today's service. If you have any questions about Spring Branch Presbyterian Church's ministries and programs, you are invited to speak with Pastor Boyd, an elder, an usher, or any other member of our church family. Also, the ushers have additional information for you as you leave today. We hope you will come back and that you consider Spring Branch as your church home.

### *Worship 10:50 am*

**Worship:** Spring Branch Presbyterian Church welcomes families of all ages and sizes. For families with young children, relax! God put the wiggle in all children (and adults), we understand. You are invited to sit closer to the front so your children can hear, see, and experience worship with those around them. Remember, children and youth learn through what they observe. Participate and engage yourselves fully.

### *Sunday Morning Offerings at 9:30 am, Various Locations*

**Saints Under Construction:** This class uses the Presbyterian Church (USA) curriculum, *The Present Word*, which seeks to help participants understand the Bible in relation to present-day life experiences. Weekly attendance ranges from six to eight participants who are encouraged to join class discussions and activities to benefit from a common Christian experience and knowledge. Saints Under Construction meets in the Education Building in the Library. Patti Nanney leads the class.

**The Explorers:** This class meets in the Conference Room in the Education Building. The class studies the Bible, book-by-book, using different translations which help the lively and thought-provoking discussions. Linda Crawford leads the class.

**Other Faith Development Opportunities:** Watch the monthly PresPress, weekly church-wide emails, and the worship bulletin for other opportunities throughout the year. It may be a short-term Special Topic or book discussions on Sunday mornings, a week night book study, or retreat.

*SBPC now offers the option to give a gift to the church using your laptop or any mobile device. Please see the "Giving" card in your pew for details and information on how to support the missions and ministries of SBPC from anywhere at anytime, or visit [www.springbranchpres.org/give](http://www.springbranchpres.org/give).*