



# Spring Branch Presbyterian Church

## Who's Who:

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## Ministry Teams:

Administration Leader: Web Trevathan  
 Congregation Leader: Kay Craig  
 Faith Development: Denise Wilborn  
 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  
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 Denise Wilborn

## Class of 2023

Silvia Argyriou  
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 Elizabeth Powell  
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## Class of 2024

Charles Fairchild  
 Glenn Lanan  
 Donald McDaniel  
 Jennifer Miller

## Academy Board

Anne Johnson  
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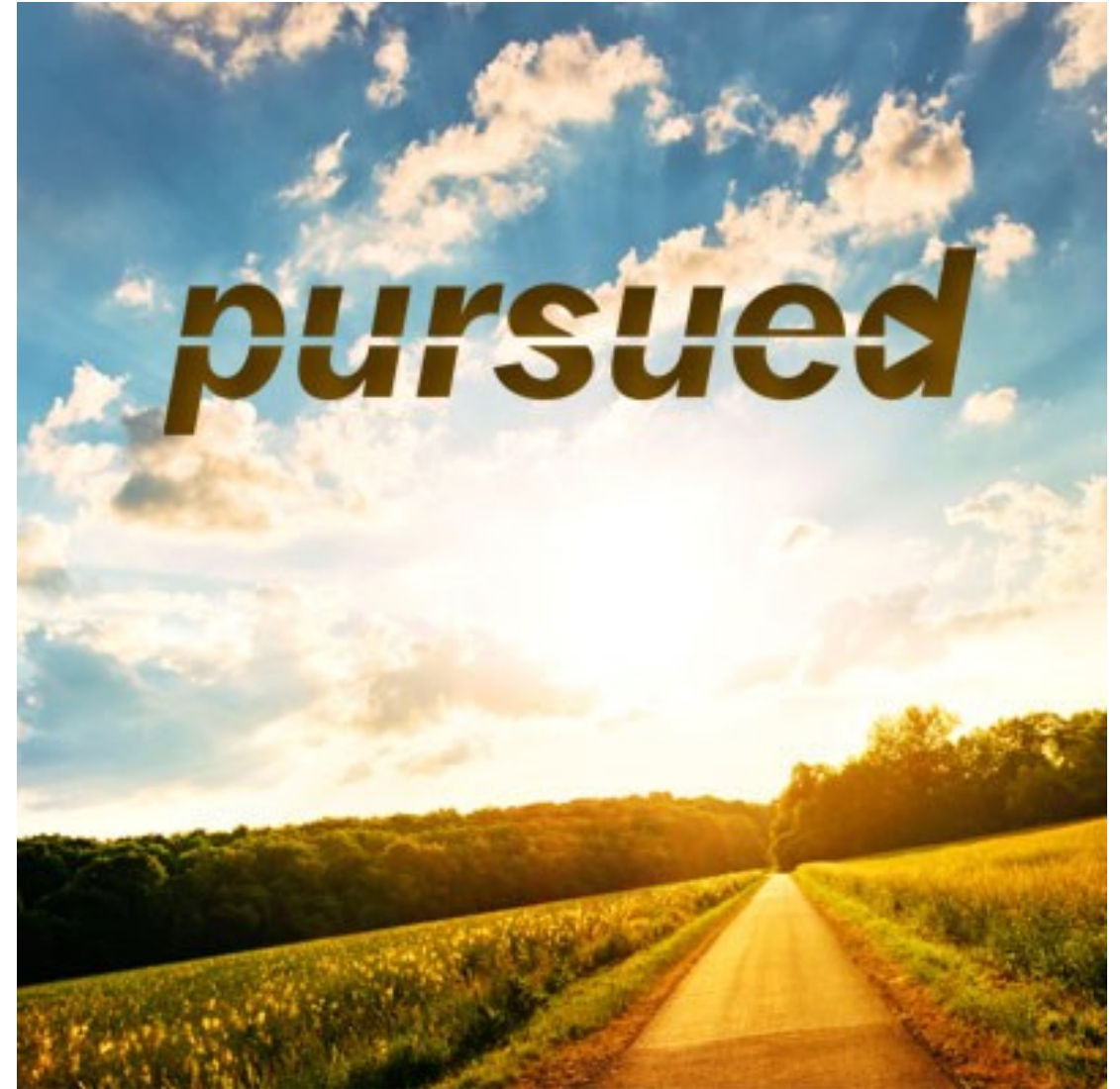
Neal Dikeman  
 Sarah Dikeman

Laurie Mitchell  
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## Serving today in Worship:

**Liturgist:** Elizabeth Powell  
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October 31, 2021

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10:50 AM

*\*Those who are able please stand*

Gathering in God's Name

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** *(Based on Psalm 146)*

Leader: Praise the Lord!

**People: Praise the Lord, O my soul!**

Leader: I will sing praise to the Lord while I live.

**People: I will sing praise to my God while I have my being.**

**ALL: The Lord will reign forever. Praise the Lord!**

**\*HYMN**

*"For All the Saints" (v. 1, 3, 5)*

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Preparing for the Word

**INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

Leader: As we prepare to hear of the mystery of God's love, revealed in the Word, let us call to mind our sins.

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

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

**Almighty God, you are rich in mercy to all who call upon you. Hear us as we come to you humbly confessing our faults. We have claimed you as our Lord and King, but our actions show that our hearts are far from you. We say that we have committed our lives to your service, but have not stood fast when being your follower costs us a price. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father. Renew our commitment to you, that our actions might match what we say, that our lives might praise you in faithfulness. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**SILENT CONFESSION**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: We are enabled to be kind to one another, to be tenderhearted, to forgive one another, and to be forgiven, because Jesus feeds us with his life. A life given to save us from sin. Hear, then, the good news: those who are in Christ are a new creation; the old has passed away, behold the new has come.

**People: Thanks be to God! Amen!**

# Calendar of Events

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

**October 31 — Sunday**

**Reformation Sunday**

9:30 am Sunday School

10:50 am Worship

3:00 pm Boy Scouts PCL Meeting (GP 2)

**November 1 — Monday**

**All Saints Day**

6:00 pm Basketball (GP)

6:00 pm Yoga (CR)

7:00 pm Worship Team Meeting

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

**November 2 — Tuesday**

9:15 am Congregational Care Meeting

10:00 am Flexercise (GP)

11:00 am Pastors Bible Study (CR)

**November 3 — Wednesday**

9:30 am PW Moderator (CR)

10:15 am PW Board Meeting (CR)

6:00 pm WNS: Red Beans & Rice!

**November 4 — Thursday**

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

10:00 am Flexercise (GP)

4:45 pm Special Olympics\* (Field)

6:00 pm Yoga (CR)

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

**November 5 — Friday**

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

**November 6 — Saturday**

2:00 pm Arc of SB/M Meeting\* (GP)

6:00 pm CENTI Church\* (GP)

**November 7 — Sunday**

**Daylight Savings Time Ends**

9:30 am Sunday School

10:50 am Worship

**November 8 — Monday**

5:30 pm Academy Board Meeting

6:00 pm Basketball (GP)

6:00 pm Yoga (CR)

7:00 pm BSA Informational Mtg (FH)

7:00 pm Horizon's Bible Study on Zoom

**November 9 — Tuesday**

10:00 am Flexercise (GP)

11:00 am Pastors Bible Study (CR)

7:00 pm Mission Team Meeting (P)

**November 10 — Wednesday**

9:30 am PW Circle (Jan Fitts' House)

6:00 pm WNS: Hamburgers!

**November 11 — Thursday**

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

10:00 am Flexercise (GP)

5:45 pm Special Olympics\* (Field)

6:00 pm Yoga (CR)

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

**November 12 — Friday**

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

**November 13 — Saturday**

8:00 am Presbyterian Men (CR)

1:30 pm Special Olympics\* (GP)

6:00 pm CENTI Church\* (GP)

\*Outside SBPC Reservations & Events  
(CR) Conference Room  
(FH) Fellowship Hall  
(GP) Gathering Place  
(L) Library  
(P) Parlor



## Announcements & Events:

**The Flowers** for this morning are given by Marguerite Priest, to the glory of God, and are in honor of those born in October and November.

**You are invited to attend The Kinkaid School's fall choir concert** at Grace Presbyterian Church (10221 Ella Lee Ln, 77042). The concert is today, Sunday, October 31st at 3:30 PM. Our very own Chip Colvin is one of the choral directors at Kinkaid!

**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!

**Wednesday Night Supper is back in-person for November and December!** The Fellowship committee is happy to announce that we are planning to have in-person dinners in the Fellowship Hall on November 3, 10, 17, December 1, 8, and 15. We will be serving from 6-6:30. Taking reservations during the Pandemic has helped us to reduce food waste in the kitchen and improved our meal planning. We plan to continue the reservation process but will also take walk-ins as long as we have extra food to serve. If you would like to continue to take your meal home, please park and have someone come inside to the line to get your dinners to-go. **Join us for Wednesday Night Supper this Wednesday, November 3rd, at 6:00 PM.** Jan Fitts is making Red Beans & Rice with Sausage, salad, fruit, cornbread, and dessert! Please contact [secretary@springbranchpres.org](mailto:secretary@springbranchpres.org) to place your dinner order. We hope to see you there!

**Daylight Savings Time Ends** next Sunday, November 7th. Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour on Saturday night!

**The PW Day Circle** will meet on Wednesday, November 10th, at 9:30 AM at Jan Fitts' house to discuss Lesson 3 of *What My Grandmother's Taught Me*. Please contact Carol Davis if you'd like to attend the Day Circle via Zoom. **The Evening Bible Study** will meet on Monday, November 8th, at 7:00 PM via Zoom. Please contact Sarah Powell at [mrspowelltobe@yahoo.com](mailto:mrspowelltobe@yahoo.com) to receive a Zoom invitation for the evening study. The Lesson 3 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).

**On November 28th, we will be packing and wrapping Seafarers' Boxes at 9:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall.** Our goal is to collect over 100 boxes to pack. In lieu of bringing donations, consider filling a box (or several) on your own. Please bring any fully wrapped boxes to the church by Sunday, November 21st. If you would like to help deliver, please let Laurie know. A list of requested items from the Port of Houston is available at the following link: [www.springbranchpres.org/seafarers-boxes](http://www.springbranchpres.org/seafarers-boxes).

### \*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.*

### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ALL SAINTS CELEBRATION

#### Hearing the Word

### TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Patti Nanney

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION *(unison)*

**Holy God, as we appear before you, we are in need of instruction, of encouragement, of healing, of enlightenment, of commitment. So fulfil your will in our hearts this day as we hear your word. Amen.**

### ANTHEM

#### *"O Perfect Love"*

O perfect love, all human thought transcending,  
Lowly we kneel in prayer before Thy throne,  
That theirs may be the love which knows no ending,  
Whom Thou forevermore dost join in one.

O perfect life, be Thou their full assurance  
Of tender charity and steadfast faith,  
Of patient hope, and quiet, brave endurance,  
With childlike trust that fears nor pain nor death.

Grant them the joy which brightens earthly sorrow,  
Grant them the peace which calms all earthly strife,  
And to life's day the glorious unknown morrow  
That dawns upon eternal love and life.

### FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 12:28-34

Red Pew Bible NT 49

### \*HYMN

*"For All the Faithful Women"* (v. 1, 2)

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### SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ruth 1:1-18

Red Pew Bible OT 241

### SERMON

#### ***"True Christianity, Part 9: The Right Chase"***

*"...You people shall be my people, and your God My God."* -Ruth 1:16  
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.*

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

**May these gifts, O Lord, be a reflection of you, a rainbow of your promise, a warmth from your flame, good cheer from the storehouse of your joy. Thanks God, for your faithfulness, even when the waters get high. Help us to be faithful. In the name of him, who said, "be of good cheer, for I have overcome the world." 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

*"God Be with You Till We Meet Again"* (v. 1-3)

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### \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

### \*POSTLUDE



### *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*

**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 though-provoking discussions. Linda Crawford leads the class.