



Spring Branch Presbyterian Church

Who's Who:

Minister: All Members of the Church
 Pastor: Rev. Dr. Kevin Boyd
 Administrator: Jorida Vakiari
 Ministries Coordinator: C. Miguel Carlin
 Administrative Assistant: Ethan Mitchell
 Music Director: Gabriel Perez
 Accompanist: Chip Colvin
 AV Director: Ethan Mitchell
 AV Technician: Ben Dethloff
 Academy Director: Renee Henry

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
 Ethan Mitchell
 Web Trevathan
 Denise Wilborn

Class of 2023

Silvia Argyriou
 Megan Hogg
 Elizabeth Powell
 Lu Taylor

Class of 2024

Charles Fairchild
 Glenn Lanam
 Donald McDaniel
 Jennifer Miller

Academy Board

Anne Johnson
 Denise Wilborn

Neal Dikeman
 Sarah Dikeman

Laurie Mitchell
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Serving today in Worship:

Liturgist: Neal Dikeman
Time For Young Disciples: Pastor Kevin
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Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

December 24, 2021

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6:00 PM

**Those who are able please stand*

Gathering in God's Name

PRELUDE

WELCOME

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *(Based on Isaiah 9:1, 6b; Psalm 96:11-13)*

Leader: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness - on them, light has shined.

People: Let the heavens be glad and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it. Let the paddocks and fields exult, and everything in them.

Leader: Let all the trees in the bush sing for joy before the Lord; for he is coming, he is coming to judge the earth.

People: He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with his truth.

ALL: And he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Prince of Peace.

***HYMN** *"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"* GTG, No. 128

THE LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE The Boyd Family

Preparing for the Word

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Leader: God, creator of all life, you made us in your image, and sent your Son to share our flesh. Tonight, as we celebrate the glad time of his birth, we pray that your love may be born anew in us.

People: Help us to respond to the greatness of your love as we offer ourselves in prayer.

CONFESSION OF SIN *(unison)*

We celebrate the coming of the Light of the world; we have prayed for that light to enter our lives and our world. Yet we confess that there have been times when we have obscured the light for others through insensitivity and prejudice, through the use of careless and hurtful words or selfish and destructive actions. Gracious God, your angels broke into the midnight of a sleeping world to sing the news that Christ was born in Bethlehem. Break into the midnight of our dark world and stir hearts to hear again the message of your love. Come Lord Jesus, be light for our darkness and empower us with your Spirit to be faithful bearers of your light into all the shadowy and clouded areas of people's lives.

Calendar of Events

www.springbranchpres.org/church-calendar

December 26 — Sunday

9:30 am Sunday School
10:50 am Worship

December 27 — Monday

Academy Closed

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

December 28 — Tuesday

10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
6:30 pm Santa Iglesia* (GP 1)

December 29 — Wednesday

6:45 pm Santa Iglesia* (GP 1)

December 30 — Thursday

9:00 am Jessie's Bites* (Kitchen)
10:00 am Flexercise (GP)

December 31 — Friday

Church Office & Academy Closed

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

January 1 — Saturday

6:00 pm CENTI Church* (GP)



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

January 2 — Sunday

9:30 am Sunday School
10:50 am Worship

January 3 — Monday

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

January 4 — Tuesday

9:15 am Congregational Care Meeting
10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
11:00 am Pastors Bible Study (CR)
6:00 pm Special Olympics* (GP)

January 5 — Wednesday

9:30 am PW Moderator (CR)
10:15 am PW Board Meeting (CR)
6:45 pm Santa Iglesia* (GP 1)

January 6 — Thursday

Epiphany

9:00 am Jessie's Bites* (Kitchen)
10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
6:00 pm Yoga (CR)
6:00 pm Fairbees Square Dance* (GP)

January 7 — Friday

9:00 am Jessie's Bites* (Kitchen)
6:30 pm Santa Iglesia* (GP 1)

January 8 — Saturday

1:30 pm Special Olympics* (GP)
2:00 pm Spring Valley Snow Day*
(Parking Lot)
6:00 pm CENTI Church* (GP)



Departing in Joy

*HYMN

"Silent Night" GTG, No. 122
(Note: Please read the instructions carefully on lighting your candle. Please see your insert.)

*BENEDICTION

Leader: Go in peace and joy to love and serve the Lord. We go in the name of the Christ Child. And the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, go with you and remain amongst you now and always.

People: **Amen! Alleluia!**

*POSTLUDE

Poinsettias

Given By

Jacque Ballesteros

Bill Bryant

Miguel Carlin

Ken and Linda Crawford

Sarah and Matt Dikeman

Anne Johnson

The Mitchell Family

Patti and Steve Nanney

Marguerite Priest

Curtis and Jeannie Stockton

Lu Taylor

Jorida Vakiari

In Honor/Memory of

In Memory of Marian Auld

In Memory of Jay Auld

In Memory of Freda Carlin

In Memory of Gerald L. Rhoads

In Memory of Andrew "Captain Andy" Crawford

In Memory of Anne and Matt Dikeman, Sr.

In Memory of Ray and Sally Woolrich

In Memory of Wix and Ferrel Thorpe

In Memory of Harold Miller

In Memory of Dorothy Mitchell

In Memory of Bob and Laverne Collier

In Memory of Christine and Todd Nanney

In Memory of Lorene and Troy Carr

In Memory of Robert J. Priest

In Memory of Mr. and Mrs. James Paul Priest, Sr.

In Memory of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Downs

In Memory of Ms. Joy Purfurst

In Honor of S. Bryan Evenson

In Memory of Mary Helen Stockton

In Memory of Norma Lynn Mund

In Memory of Ben and Cotton Warren

In Honor of Jacquelyn Dillard

In Honor of her parents and family

Loving God, in the stillness of this midnight hour, touch our understanding with your Holy Spirit, that we may know again in true reality the wonder of your love in Jesus Christ; and though there was no room for him in Bethlehem's inn, help us to make more room for him in our lives, responding to his love and receiving his peace, for the sake of the same Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*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

Leader: May the peace and the love of the Lord be yours this night and always.

People: **And also with you.**

(You are invited to share words of reconciliation with those around you.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING OF OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO CHRIST

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God for gifts of hope and peace
Praise God for gifts of joy and love
Praise God for sending Christ to dwell
On earth for us - Emmanuel.
Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Hearing the Word

ANTHEM

"O Holy Night"

Rebecca Castillo

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Pastor Kevin

*HYMNS

"What Child Is This" (v. 1)

GTG, No. 145

"Away in a Manger" (v. 1)

GTG, No. 115

