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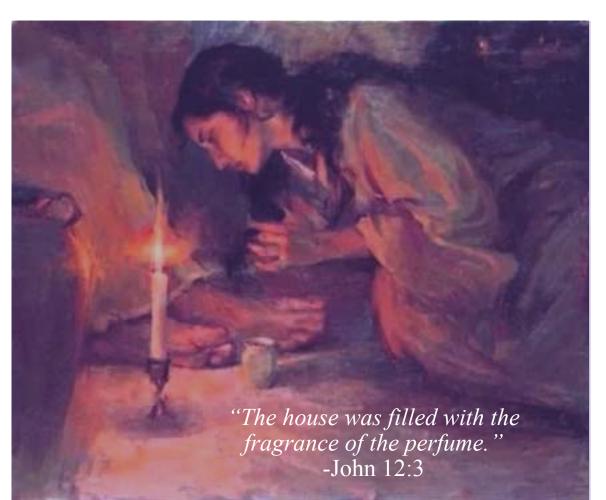
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Spring Branch Presbyterian Church



April 3, 2022 *Fifth Sunday in Lent*

Clerk: Elizabeth Powell

<u>Class of 2022</u>

Steve Blair Ethan Mitchell Web Trevathan Denise Wilborn

Anne Johnson Denise Wilborn

<u>Fifth Sunday in Lent</u>

10:50 AM

*Those who are able please stand

<u>God's People Connect</u>

PRELUDE

WELCOME

(Please sign the Friendship Book located in the pew rack next to the center aisle.)

CALLED CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Election of the Nominating Committee

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 84, 1 Kings 8:27)

- Leader: How beautiful are the places where you dwell, O Lord!
- People:This house cannot contain your glory; even the heavens are bursting with
the goodness of your presence!Leader:Happy are those who find their strength in you.
- People: Hear our prayers this day, Holy God.
- ALL: We proclaim your praises to all the earth!

*HYMN	"Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee"	GTG, No. 629

Preparing for the Word

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Leader: The Apostle Paul writes that "to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace." You are invited to unburden your soul today by confession of sin.

CONFESSION OF SIN (unison)

God of the living and the dead, we are burdened by the things we have done and by the things we have not done. We remember our broken promises and missed opportunities; the gifts we have taken for granted, the love we have not shown or returned. Forgive us, comfort us, heal us. Lift our guilt from us, that we might walk in freedom and in grace, loving others with your extravagant love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Psalm 130:7)

- Leader Our hope is in God, whose steadfast love surrounds us and in whom "is great power to redeem." This power is revealed in Jesus Christ, who promises us life where there is death, and forgiveness where there is sin.
- People: The good news therefore is this: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Praise the Lord!

Calendar of Events

www.springbranchpres.org/church-calendar

April 3 — Fifth Sunday in Lent

9:30 am Sunday School10:20 am Called Session Meeting (FH)10:50 am Called Congregational Meeting10:50 am Worship

April 4 — Monday

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

April 5 — Tuesday

9:15 am Congregational Care Meeting
10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
11:00 am Pastor's Bible Study (CR)
6:00 pm Basketball (GP)

April 6 — Wednesday

9:30 am Wednesday Welcome
9:30 am PW Moderator (CR)
10:15 am PW Board Meeting (CR)
6:00 pm WNS: Hot Dogs!
6:45 pm Santa Iglesia* (GP 1)

April 7 — 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)

April 8 — Friday

9:00 am Jessie's Bites* (Kitchen) 6:45 pm Santa Iglesia* (GP 1)

April 9 — Saturday

6:00 pm CENTI Church* (GP)



April 10 — Palm Sunday

9:30 am Sunday School 10:50 am Worship

April 11 — Monday

5:30 pm Academy Board Meeting
6:00 pm Yoga (CR)
7:00 pm Horizon's Bible Study on Zoom
7:30 pm Boy Scouts (Scout Hut & GP)

April 12 — Tuesday

10:00 amFlexercise (GP)11:00 amPastor's Bible Study (CR)6:00 pmBasketball (GP)

April 13 — Wednesday

9:00 amJessie's Bites* (Kitchen)9:30 amWednesday Welcome9:30 amPW Circle (CR)5:00 pmGirl Scouts (GP 2)6:45 pmSanta Iglesia* (GP 1)

April 14 — Maundy Thursday

10:00 amFlexercise (GP)6:00 pmMaundy Thursday Dinner (FH)6:40 pmMaundy Thursday Service (S)

April 15 — Good Friday

7:45 pm Good Friday Tenebrae Service (S)

April 16 — Holy Saturday

All-Day Prayer Vigil8:00 amPresbyterian Men (CR)10:00 amEgg Dyeing Party6:00 pmCENTI Church* (GP)

April 3, 2022

Announcements & Events:

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!

2022 Lenten Devotionals — *Making the Road: Walking Through Lent.* This year, we'll be studying the daily devotions written by Teri McDowell Ott, the editor and publisher of the Presbyterian Outlook. These devotions are based on the Spanish poet Antonio Machado's poem, "Walker." A link to the digital edition of the devotionals is available <u>here</u>. There are printed copies available for pickup in the Narthex, Parlor, and Church Office.

Join us for Wednesday Night Supper this Wednesday, April 6th, at 6:00 PM in the

Fellowship Hall for Baseball Night! Jan Fitts is making Hot Dogs with Chili, Onions, and Cheese, Baked Beans, Fresh Veggie Tray, Fresh Fruit Tray, Assorted Chips, Ice Cream Bars and Brownies. Wear your favorite team's gear! Featuring some favorite Baseball Sing-along music by Ken & Dick! Please email <u>ethan@springbranchpres.org</u> to place your dinner order. We hope to see you there!

Lenten Fish Frys are coming to a close! April 8th will be last Friday before Easter that the local Catholic Churches will be hosting their meatless Friday Fish Frys. Their hours vary, but 6:00 PM is a safe time to arrive. We will return to St. John Vianney (625 Nottingham Oak Trail, 281-497-1555) on April 8th for their Shrimp Scampi. Reservations are required the Wednesday before.

The PW Day Circle will meet on Wednesday, April 13th, at 9:30 AM in the Conference Room to discuss Lesson 8 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, April 11th, at 7:00 PM via Zoom. Please contact Sarah Powell at <u>mrspowelltobe@yahoo.com</u> to receive a Zoom invitation for the evening study. The Lesson 8 video is available at the following link: <u>www.springbranchpres.org/adult-education/presbyterian-women/what-my-grandmothers-taught-me</u>.

Spring Branch Presbyterian Church is hosting an Egg Dyeing Party on Holy Saturday, April 16th, at 10:00 AM. Bring one dozen (or more) hard boiled eggs and a picnic lunch. We'll dye our eggs together in the picnic area next to the playgrounds. We'll move to the Gathering Place if it rains. For more information, please contact Miguel in the Church Office.

One of our church's favorite events is back! **PCHAS** is hosting **The Annual Fundraising Luncheon** on **Thursday, April 21** that will showcase the life-changing work we are doing in our community. Our church will have three Table Hosts – Sarah Dikeman, Marguerite Priest, and Patti Nanney. In the next few weeks, one of these ladies will probably be contacting you to see if you would like to attend the luncheon, but feel free to contact them first. We always have so much fun, great fellowship, good food, and supporting a great charity.

We will have Easter Lilies again this year! Place your order now through Friday, April 15th. You can order by using the form in the Narthex or Church Office, contacting Ethan Mitchell at <u>ethan@springbranchpres.org</u>, calling the Church Office (713-464-7659), or using this Google Form (<u>https://forms.gle/Kde1Cj5N38jxjg2g6</u>). The cost is \$10 each, and the payment can be mailed to the church office or placed in the offering plate on Sunday mornings. The names of those being honored or remembered will be shared with the congregation on Easter Sunday morning.

*GLORIA PATRI

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

***PASSING THE PEACE**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Todd Miller

God's People Are Empowered

ANTHEM

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, O thou of God to earth come down, Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor, Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, Robed in the blooming garb of spring. Jesus is fairer; Jesus is purer, Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, And all the twinkling, starry host. Jesus shines brighter; Jesus shines purer, Than all the angels heaven can boast.

Beautiful Savior, Ruler of the nations, Son of God and Song of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, Now and forevermore be thine!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

God, our souls long for your presence. We open our ears to the hearing of your Word. By your gracious Spirit, honor our desires and speak to us this day. Amen.

*HYMN	"You Are My Wholeness"	(Please See Screens)
SCRIPTURE LESSON	John 12:1-8	Red Pew Bible NT 106

SERMON "A Glimpse of Home, Part 2: Something Smells Good!"

*"The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume." -*John 12:3 Rev. Dr. Kevin R. Boyd

GTG, No. 581

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.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

THE CELEBRATION 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

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

GTG, No. 606

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

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

Almighty God, giver of every good and perfect gift, teach us to render to you all that we have and all that we are, that we may praise you, not with our lips only, but with our whole lives, turning the duties, the sorrows, and the joys of all our days into a living sacrifice to you; through our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

Departing to Serve

HYMN	"More Love to Thee, O Christ"	GTG, No. 828
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Join with Presbyterians worldwide in sharing God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief from natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed.

Ways to Give:

- Through your congregation (Easter Sunday, April 17th)
- Donate by credit card online at pcusa.org/give-oghs
- Text OGHS to 91999 to give

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. Participants are encouraged to join class discussions and activities to benefit from a common Christian experience and knowledge. Saints Under Construction class 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.

Children's Sunday School Class: This class meets in the Children's classroom in The Gathering Place on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month to learn more about the stories in the Bible by having crafts, stories, games, and other fun activities. The class is designed for elementary-age children, ages 5 to 10, but all are welcomed.

Sunday School on Zoom! Taught by Jim Kunkel, hosted by Carol Davis on Zoom, but subjects are in response to suggestions and topics from the members. Recent classes have been about 1 Samuel and 2 Samuel, women in the Old Testament, prayer, and immigration. Class is at 9:40 on Sunday mornings. Everyone is invited to join at any time for any period of time—just contact Jim or Carol for a zoom invite.