



# Spring Branch Presbyterian Church

### Who's Who:

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 Pastor: Rev. Dr. Kevin Boyd  
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### Ministry Teams:

Administration Leader: Web Trevathan  
 Congregation Leader: Kay Craig  
 Faith Development: Denise Wilborn  
 Mission Leader: Steve Blair  
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### 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  
 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:

**Guest Pastor:** Rev. Dr. Nora Fitch

**Liturgist:** Donald McDaniel

**Time For Young Disciples:** Marguerite Priest

**Usher Captain:** Marguerite Priest

**PowerPoint:** Patty Blome

**Accompanist:** Ben Morgan

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## June 26, 2022

3rd Sunday After Pentecost

June 26, 2022

10:50 AM

*\*Those who are able please stand*

God's People Connect

**WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH**

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

**PRELUDE**

**THE LIGHT OF CHRIST ENTERS THE SANCTUARY**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: God, who rules the universe, calls us;

**People: Christ, who took up his cross, calls us;**

Leader: Holy Spirit, who frees body and soul, calls us.

**ALL: Let us faithfully answer by worshiping the triune God.**

**\*HYMN**

*"How Great Thou Art"*

GTG, No. 625

Preparing for the Word

**INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

Leader: Christ Jesus did not call down destruction upon those who rejected him. How much more will he show mercy to those who seek forgiveness. In faith, let us confess our sins.

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

**O God, Holy Trinity, help us to confess our sins. You give us a place in your creation, and you intend that we live in love with all that you have made. We confess that we abuse what you give us. By our thoughts, actions, and the meditations of our hearts, we show how enslaved we are to life made corrupt by sin. O Fire of heaven, have mercy on us. Satisfy the longings of our souls by taking us up into your Spirit, that we may love our neighbor. To you and the Son and the Spirit, one God, be all worship and praise, now and forever. Amen.**

**SILENT CONFESSION**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: The crucified Christ has set us free to live in the Spirit of life. Hear the good news of the Gospel. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

# Calendar of Events

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

**June 26 — Sunday**

- 9:15 am Church Nursery
- 9:30 am Sunday School
- 10:50 am Worship
- 12:00 pm 70th Anniversary Meeting (CR)

**June 27 — Monday**

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

**June 28 — Tuesday**

- 10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
- 6:00 pm Basketball (GP)

**June 29 — Wednesday**

**June 30 — 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)

**July 1 — Friday**

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

**July 2 — Saturday**

- 6:00 pm CENTI Church\* (GP)



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

**July 3 — Sunday**

**Youth Depart for Jr. High Jubilee**

- 9:15 am Church Nursery
- 9:30 am Sunday School
- 10:50 am Worship
- 12:15 pm God Bless America Party (FH)

**July 4 — Monday**

**Independence Day**  
**Church & Academy Closed**



**July 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)
- 6:00 pm PW Unwind (Pampas Grill)

**July 6 — Wednesday**

**July 7 — Thursday**

**Youth Return from Jr. High Jubilee**

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

**July 8 — Friday**

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

**July 9 — Saturday**

- 6:00 pm CENTI Church\* (GP)

# Announcements & Events:

**Our Guest Pastor this morning is Rev. Dr. Nora Fitch!** Rev. Dr. Nora Fitch served three congregations during her eighteen years of ministry, First Presbyterian Odessa, First Presbyterian Angleton, and St. Thomas Presbyterian. She retired last year. Prior to ministry, she was a registered nurse in the ICU, an elementary school nurse, and an educator for teachers and nurses. After nursing, she worked for Mars, Incorporated for eleven years in a number of positions. She and her husband Jim have two sons and one daughter, three granddaughters and one grandson, and of course, the not-so-perfect Labrador, Izzy.

**The Flowers** for this morning are given by Lee Dudinsky, to the Glory of God, and are in celebration of Maryam Taghadosi's birthday on June 27th.

**Join us for a God Bless America Party in the Fellowship Hall after worship next Sunday, July 3rd.** We will have sandwiches, salads, watermelon, root beer floats, ice cream sundaes, and much more! Wear your red, white, and blue, and come join the party!

**The Presbyterian Women Unwind group is now meeting on the first Monday of each month.** Our June dinner was fun with 8 of us getting together for Mexican food. I hope you can all join us for our July meeting. Since the first Monday is July 4th, we will meet instead on **Tuesday, July 5 at 6 PM at Pampas Grill and Market** at 10111 Hammerly, which is on Hammerly near Gessner. It is a small restaurant with typical Argentine food. The empanadas are especially good and inexpensive. See here for the full menu. <https://pampagrillhouston.com>. Please RSVP to Jacquie Ballesteros as space is limited. I hope to see you there for something new and different!

**Spring Branch Presbyterian Church is participating in the PCHAS Back to School Supply Campaign!** You can go to our church website and click on one of the links to sign up to sponsor one or more items for Elementary or Middle School supplies. After you purchase the items, please bring them to the Church Office by July 31st. The donations brought to the church will be delivered to the PCHAS Office to support children in the PCHAS Foster Care program. If you would rather not sign up online, there is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex, and on the table outside of the church office. For more information, go to: [www.springbranchpres.org/pchas-back-to-school-drive-2022](http://www.springbranchpres.org/pchas-back-to-school-drive-2022).

**Food Truck Party Vacation Bible School!** VBS will be held July 19th-22nd from 9:00 AM-11:30 AM in the Gathering Place. A time of music, worship, crafts, recreation, and fellowship is being planned. We welcome any individuals that would like to participate or volunteer to please let Miguel know in the church office. Registration forms can be accessed here: [www.springbranchpres.org/vbs](http://www.springbranchpres.org/vbs).

**Save-the-Date for our July Blood Drive** – SBPC will have a Blood Drive on Sunday, July 24th from 8:30 AM-12:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Please contact the Church Office at (713) 464-7659 or [miguel@springbranchpres.org](mailto:miguel@springbranchpres.org) if you would like to donate. Share the gift of life!

## \*GLORIA PATRI

GTG, No. 581

*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 OF THE PEACE

### TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Marguerite Priest

### God's People Are Empowered

#### ANTHEM

*"How Can I Keep From Singing?"*  
Rebecca & Rachael Castillo

My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentations,  
I hear the real, though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.

No storm can shake my inmost calm, while to that Rock I'm clinging.  
It sounds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing?

Through all the tumult and the strife I hear its music ringing,  
It sounds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing?

What though the tempest round me roars, I know the truth, it liveth.  
What though the darkness 'round me close, Songs in the night it giveth.

No storm can shake my inmost calm, while to that Rock I'm clinging.  
Since love is lord of heaven and earth How can I keep from singing?

When tyrants tremble sick with fear And hear their death knell ringing,  
When friends rejoice both far and near how can I keep from singing?

In prison cell and dungeon vile our thoughts to them are winging,  
When friends by shame are undefiled How can I keep from singing?

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

**O God, by your Spirit, plant your Word within us that we may follow your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ, and never leave him. May we find our home in your kingdom and our life in your Spirit. Amen.**

#### FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 9:51-62

Red Pew Bible NT 70

#### \*HYMN

*"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"*

GTG, No. 465

#### SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20

Red Pew Bible OT 537

#### SERMON

*"Remembering"*

Rev. Dr. Nora Fitch



## 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**

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)*

**God our maker, our Savior, our source of life, we thank you for your self-giving love. You did not forsake us, instead you sojourned with us in the wasteland. You taught us neighbor-love and holiness. We present our offerings and commit ourselves to follow Jesus Christ, love our neighbors, and share the fruits of the Spirit, giving you thanks and praise, O holy, triune God. 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**

*"Here I Am, Lord"*

GTG, No. 69

### **\*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.

**Nursery:** Infants six weeks through Pre-K are welcomed in the nursery during worship. Kindergarten and older children will attend worship with their parents. The Church Nursery is available from 9:15 AM through shortly after Worship in the Ducks classroom, Room 121, past the Church Offices.

### *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 thought-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 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 and hosted by Jim Kunkel 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 for a zoom invite.

**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 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).*