



Spring Branch Presbyterian Church

Who's Who:

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Faith Development Leader: Denise Wilborn
Mission Leader: Steve Blair
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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

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Class of 2024

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Serving today in Worship:

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July 31, 2022

8th Sunday After Pentecost

July 31, 2022

10:50 AM

**Those who are able please stand*

God's People Connect

PRELUDE

THE LIGHT OF CHRIST ENTERS THE SANCTUARY

WELCOME

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

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *(From Psalm 30)*

Leader: O Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;

People: For His lovingkindness is everlasting;

Leader: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so!

People: Let them give thanks to the Lord for God's mercy and wonders.

ALL: Let us offer sacrifices of thanksgiving and tell of our Lord with joyful singing!

***HYMN**

"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

GTG, No. 645

Preparing for the Word

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Leader: Children of God, We come before God this morning aware that we have fallen short of what God desires of us. We have not loved God with all our heart and soul and mind, nor have we loved our neighbors as we love ourselves. So, let us come before God to confess where we have failed, and to seek God's forgiveness.

CONFESSION OF SIN *(unison)*

Gracious Father, in Christ you have called us to a new way of life. Yet, we confess that we have been too content with the old. Our happiness, our energy, and our plans have been spent on things which are temporary. We have spent days without prayer, and have not experienced your closeness. Our best plans do not include your will. Gracious Lord, we now repent of our erring and selfish ways. For the sake of Christ Jesus, change our priorities, forgive us, renew us, and remake us. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***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.

Calendar of Events

www.springbranchpres.org/church-calendar

July 31 — Sunday

- 9:15 am Church Nursery
- 9:30 am Sunday School
- 10:50 am Worship
- 12:15 pm 70th Anniversary Committee (CR)
- 2:00 pm Loom Hats Workshop (FH)

August 1 — Monday

- 9:30 am Monday Welcome
- 10:00 am WOW (S)
- 6:00 pm PW Unwind: Treebeards!
- 6:00 pm Yoga (CR)
- 7:30 pm Boy Scouts (GP & Scout Hut)

August 2 — 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)

August 3 — Wednesday

August 4 — 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)

August 5 — Friday

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

August 6 — Saturday

- 6:00 pm CENTI Church* (GP)

August 7 — Sunday

- Ordination & Installation of Officers**
- 8:30 am Called Session Meeting (GP)
- 9:15 am Church Nursery
- 9:30 am Sunday School
- 10:50 am Worship
- 12:15 pm Celebrating Sabbath Picnic (FH)

August 8 — Monday

- 9:30 am Monday Welcome
- 10:00 am WOW (S)
- 6:00 pm Yoga (CR)
- 7:30 pm Boy Scouts (GP & Scout Hut)

August 9 — Tuesday

- 10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
- 11:00 am Pastor's Bible Study (CR)
- 6:00 pm Basketball (GP)
- 6:30 pm Fellowship Meeting (FH)

August 10 — Wednesday

- 5:00 pm Girl Scouts (GP 2)

August 11 — Thursday

- Young Adults Depart for Mo-Ranch**
- 9:00 am Jessie's Bites* (Kitchen)
- 10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
- 6:00 pm Yoga (CR)
- 6:00 pm Fairbees Square Dance* (GP)

August 12 — Friday

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

August 13 — 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

Announcements & Events:

Loom Hats Workshop—Today, July 31st from 2:00-5:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Want to learn how to make knitted (or crocheted) caps on a loom? Betty Magnuson will be teaching how to use the looms to make baby hats—these are the type that Betty made to send to the kids in Kenya. Please see Betty after church if you have any questions. We hope to see you there!

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.

The Unwind Group is meeting on August 1st at 6 PM for dinner at Treebeard's, 9655 Katy Freeway, entrance on Gaylord off of Bunker Hill. Call Jacquie at 713-305-1114 to RSVP. Please join us! It's good food and good fun!

You are invited to attend Pastor's Bible Study with Kevin. The group gathers at 11:00 AM 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!

Celebrating Sabbath: Accepting God's Gift of Rest and Delight! This year, to Celebrate the Sabbath, we are having an **all-church family picnic following worship on August 7th.** There will be auction baskets benefitting the PW/PM Scholarship Fund, presentations of Sunday School, Church Activities & Missions, plus a short overview of the PW Bible Study for the year. The main dish and desserts will be provided, but please bring a picnic side dish to share. Please RSVP to ethan@springbranchpres.org by August 2nd.

The Young Adult Group is headed for a self-run retreat at Mo-Ranch, August 11th-15th! Those participating are: Lauren Amaro, Ben Dethloff, Riley Fairchild, Ethan Henry, Josie Henry, Ethan Mitchell, and Jackie Nix; with a possibility of a few others joining. While on the trip, the group will be pre-packaging pet food for Animeals, the program through Interfaith Ministries of Greater Houston that delivers a one-week supply of pet food to Meals on Wheels recipients that have cats or dogs. The Mission Team is providing the funds to purchase pet food in Kerrville while on the trip. If you would personally like to sponsor a bag of pet food, monetary donations can be placed in the offering plate today, July 31st or Sunday, August 7th, with "young adult mission" in the memo line. A healthy 50 lb bag of dog food is roughly \$30, and a healthy 20 lb bag of cat food is roughly \$20.

Have you taken any photos at a Church, Academy, or Boy Scout Troop 478 event during the last 70 years? Laurie Mitchell is collecting photos for our 70th anniversary celebration in November. The pictures can be from any time over the last 70 years. **We are also collecting Baptism photos for a special display,** so make sure to include those pictures in your submissions! Please contact Laurie to coordinate the best way for her to borrow your precious memories.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: Welcome each other. Welcome all who come, regardless of background or social status; as Christ welcomed enemies and friends, outcasts and neighbors, let us open our hearts and homes and lives. Let us be Christ to everyone we meet. The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Jan Fitts

God's People Are Empowered

ANTHEM

"He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION *(unison)*

Almighty God, in your mercy, cleanse our minds and hearts of anything that may prevent us from hearing your Word. Empty our hearts of doubt, and empty our minds of preconceptions and assumptions. May we rely upon you alone as the source of truth, and prepare our hearts to accept that truth. Make us your willing servants as we encounter you today. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Hosea 11:1-11

Red Pew Bible OT 842

*HYMN

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

GTG, No. 700

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Luke 12:13-21

Red Pew Bible NT 74

SERMON

"Hey Big Spender"

Rev. Dr. Kevin R. Boyd

"So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."
-Luke 12:21

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

Leader: God of grace and truth, you have blessed us with life eternal through the sacrificial love of Jesus.

People: **May these gifts and the service of our lives be evidence of our sacrificial love, and may they be used to empower the lives of others, in Jesus' name. 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 in Joy

*HYMN

"All Who Love and Serve Your City"

GTG, No. 351

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE



Once again, we want to know what hymns are meaningful to you during worship. Would you please help by filling out the enclosed "Hymn Request" form and placing it in the offering plate with your tithes and offerings? Thank you!

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 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 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.