



Spring Branch Presbyterian Church

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The Session

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Class of 2023

Silvia Argyriou
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September 25, 2022

16th Sunday After Pentecost

September 25, 2022

10:50 AM

**Those who are able please stand*

God's People Connect

WELCOME

(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** *(Based on Psalm 105)*

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord; call on God's name; make His deeds known to all the people!

People: For our God is faithful to a thousand generations!

Leader: Sing God's praises; tell of His wonderful works, and glory in God's holy name!

People: For our God is faithful to a thousand generations!

Leader: Let those who seek the Lord rejoice! Let us search for God, and for God's strength.

People: For our God is faithful to a thousand generations!

***HYMN**

"Guide My Feet"

GTG, No. 741

Preparing for the Word

INVITATION TO CONFESSION *(Hebrews 12:1-2)*

Leader: "Let us lay aside the sin that so easily entangles us... fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith."

People: Let us trust God by confessing our sins against God and our neighbor.

CONFESSION OF SIN *(unison)*

Lord, though you should guide us, we inform ourselves; though you should rule us, we control ourselves; though you should fulfill us, we console ourselves. We think your truth too high, your will too hard, your power too remote, your love too free. But they are not! And without them, we are of all people most miserable. Now heal our confused minds with your Word, heal our divided wills with your law, heal our troubled consciences with your love, heal our anxious hearts with your presence, all for the sake of your Son, who loved us and gave himself for us. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

Calendar of Events

www.springbranchpres.org/church-calendar

September 25 — Sunday

- 9:15 am Church Nursery
- 9:30 am Sunday School
- 9:45 am Choir Practice
- 10:50 am Worship

September 26 — Monday

- 5:30 pm Special Olympics: Volleyball* (GP)
- 6:00 pm Yoga (CR)
- 7:30 pm Boy Scouts (GP)

September 27 — Tuesday

- 10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
- 10:00 am Staff Meeting
- 11:00 am Pastor's Bible Study (CR)
- 5:00 pm Special Olympics: Bocce* (Field)
- 6:00 pm Basketball (GP)
- 7:00 pm Session (CR)

September 28 — Wednesday

- 9:30 am Happy Hands (CR)
- 4:00 pm WOW (S)
- 5:00 pm Girl Scouts (GP 1, 2, 3)
- 6:00 pm WNS: Oktoberfest!

September 29 — Thursday

- 9:00 am Jessie's Bites* (Kitchen)
- 10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
- 5:00 pm Special Olympics: Bocce* (Field)
- 6:00 pm Yoga (CR)
- 6:00 pm Fairbees Square Dance* (GP)

September 30 — Friday

- 9:00 am Jessie's Bites* (Kitchen)
- 6:30 pm Youth Retreat (GP)

October 1 — Saturday

- 11:00 am Memorial Service: Susan Heitshusen
- 6:00 pm CENTI Church* (GP)

October 2 — World Communion Sunday

- 9:15 am Church Nursery
- 9:30 am Sunday School
- 9:45 am Choir Practice
- 10:50 am Worship
- 6:30 pm Boy Scout Meeting (GP 2)

October 3 — Monday

- 5:30 pm Special Olympics: Volleyball* (GP)
- 6:00 pm PW Unwind: Mia's Table!
- 6:00 pm Yoga (CR)
- 7:30 pm Boy Scouts (GP)

October 4 — Tuesday

- 9:15 am Congregational Care Meeting
- 10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
- 10:00 am Staff Meeting
- 11:00 am Pastor's Bible Study (CR)
- 5:00 pm Special Olympics: Bocce* (Field)
- 6:00 pm Basketball (GP)

October 5 — Wednesday

- 9:30 am PW Moderator (GP)
- 10:15 am PW Board Meeting (GP)
- 4:00 pm WOW (S)
- 6:00 pm WNS: Pasta & Meatballs!

October 6 — Thursday

- 9:00 am Jessie's Bites* (Kitchen)
- 10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
- 5:00 pm Special Olympics: Bocce* (Field)
- 6:00 pm Yoga (CR)
- 6:00 pm Fairbees Square Dance* (GP)

October 7 — Friday

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

October 8 — Saturday

- 9:00 am Women's Retreat
- 6:00 pm CENTI Church* (GP)

Announcements & Events:

MAM Back to School Uniform Voucher Drive – SBPC is once again collecting funds for the Memorial Assistance Ministries (MAM) Back to School Uniform Voucher Drive. MAM coordinates with school guidance counselors and local vendors to provide school uniforms for local needy families. MAM's 2022 goal is to provide \$50 uniform vouchers to 5,000 children. Donations can be placed in the offering plate on Sunday mornings until Sunday, September 25, 2022, or mailed to the church office. We also welcome online donations, which can be given by clicking this link: <https://givebutter.com/2022MAMBackToSchool/springbranchpresbyterian>.

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!

Happy Hands will meet this Wednesday, September 28th, at 9:30 AM in the Conference Room. Hope you can join us then. If you have any questions, please contact Doris Wright.

Join us for Wednesday Night Supper this Wednesday, September 28th, at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Jan Fitts is making Oktoberfest Food. Please email Kay Craig at kay@craig-heidt.com to place your dinner order. We hope to see you there!

The Unwind Dinner Group will meet for dinner at Mia's Table, 1034 Gessner, at 6:00 PM on Monday, October 3rd. Reservations are not required. Please join us for food and fellowship!

The PW Day Circle will meet on Wednesday, October 12th, at 9:30 AM in the Conference Room. Please contact Patti Nanney if you'd like to attend via Zoom. The **Evening Bible Study** will meet on Monday, October 10th at 7:00 PM via Zoom. Please contact Ashley or Sarah Powell if you are interested in attending. The Lesson 2 video is available at the following link: www.springbranchpres.org/adult-education/presbyterian-women/celebrating-sabbath.

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.

Would you like to beautify the Sanctuary on Sunday mornings while honoring a loved one or commemorating a special occasion? **The 2022 Flowers Sign-Up Calendar is located in the Narthex!** If you are currently worshiping from home, but would still like to sponsor flowers for a Worship Service, you may signup digitally by using this form: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E084CABAC2BA1FA7-2022>. The cost per arrangement is \$65.00. Checks should be written to SBPC and mailed to the Church Office or placed in the Offering Plate on Sunday mornings.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Hear the good news! The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

People: In the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Glory to God. Amen.

***GLORIA** "Great Is The Lord" (v. 1) LUYH, No. 30

*Great is the Lord, he is holy and just. By his power we trust in his love.
Great is the Lord, he is faithful and true; By his mercy her proves he is love.
Great is the Lord, and worthy of glory! Great is the Lord and worthy of praise.
Great is the Lord; now lift up your voice, Now lift up your voice:
Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord!*

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES Pastor Kevin

God's People Are Empowered

ANTHEM "Make Me an Instrument of Thy Peace" Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Calm us now, Gracious Lord, into a quietness that heals and listens. Open wounded hearts to the balm of your Word. Speak to us clearly so that we might feel joyful as we are filled with the hope of your resurrection. And now as we turn to your Word for us, may the Spirit of God rest upon us. Help us to be steadfast in our hearing, in our speaking, in our believing, and in our living. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON Amos 6:1, 4-7 Red Pew Bible OT 854

***HYMN** "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot" (Please See Screens)

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 Timothy 6:6-19 Red Pew Bible NT 210

SERMON "Life in Community, Part 4: True Life" Rev. Dr. Kevin R. Boyd
"....so that they may take hold of the life that really is life." -1 Timothy 6:19

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 DISCIPLESHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS *(Matthew 10:8)*

Leader: "Freely you have received, freely give."

People: **With joy, let us praise God through this offering.**

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 and gracious God, we pray that you would bless our tithes and offerings. We thank you for your promise that you would cause the windows of heaven to open, and that blessings would be poured out upon us. Remind us always that you bless us abundantly, so that we can bless others abundantly. So sanctify this offering, in the name of Christ our Lord. 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

"Poor Wayfaring Stranger"

(Please See Screens)

*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.

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 is currently doing a "deep dive" of the seven churches of Revelation, and 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.