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Spring Branch Presbyterian Church

Who's Who:

Minister: All Members of the Church
 Co-Pastor: Rev. Mark Plunkett
 Co-Pastor: Rev. Savannah Goodman
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Administration Leader: Ethan Mitchell
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 Faith Development Leader: Jacquie Ballesteros
 Mission Leader: Laurie Mitchell
 Worship Leader: Donald McDaniel
 Treasurer: Neal Dikeman

The Session

Clerk: Elizabeth Powell

Moderator: Co-Pastor, Rev. Mark Plunkett
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Class of 2025

Jacquie Ballesteros
 Stephen Earnest
 Laurie Mitchell

Class of 2026

Kay Craig
 Sarah Dikeman
 Ethan Mitchell

Class of 2027

Joel Alegria
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Jan Fitts
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 Ashley Powell

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“We Are the Church Together”
 January 19, 2025

2nd Sunday After Epiphany

January 19, 2025

10:50 AM

**Those who are able please stand*

Gathering in God’s Name

PRELUDE

THE LIGHT OF CHRIST ENTERS THE SANCTUARY

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

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

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We are the church together.

People: Everyone is included.

Leader: We are the church together.

People: Everyone is needed.

Leader: We are the church together.

People: Everyone has their own gifts and talents to contribute.

ALL: We are the church together. Let us worship God together!

***HYMN**

“Make Us One”

(insert)

Preparing for the Word

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Leader: The proof of God’s amazing love is this: while we were sinners, Christ died for us. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Trusting in God’s faithfulness and compassion, let us confess our sins before God and one another. Let us pray:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

God of all gifts, you have given each of us many gifts, but sometimes we cannot recognize what gift we have to share and we hide instead. You remind us that all gifts are needed, but sometimes we let ourselves be convinced that some gifts are more special or more important than others. You call us to work, to live, to love together as parts of one body, but sometimes we decide that membership in the body is limited by our human understandings. For the times we have ignored, mislabeled, or abused your gifts, we ask for forgiveness and grace. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

Calendar of Events

www.springbranchpres.org/church-calendar

January 19 — Sunday

- 9:00 am Young Adult Breakfast Club (7 Taco)
- 9:15 am Church Nursery
- 9:30 am Sunday School
- 9:30 am Children’s Sunday School (GP 3)
- 9:45 am Choir Practice (S)
- 10:50 am Worship
- 12:15 pm Congregational Care Meeting (CR)

January 20 — Monday

PresPress Articles Due

- 10:00 am The Gathering Place (FH)
- 6:00 pm Special Olympics: Volleyball* (GP)
- 7:00 pm Boy Scouts (Scout Hut)
- 7:00 pm Mission Team Meeting (Zoom)

January 21 — Tuesday

- 10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
- 10:30 am Staff Meeting (P)
- 6:00 pm Basketball (GP)
- 7:00 pm CENTI Bible Study & Worship* (FH)

January 22 — Wednesday

- 9:30 am Happy Hands (CR)
- 3:30 pm WOW (S)
- 5:00 pm Girl Scouts (GP 1, 2, 3, 4)
- 6:00 pm WNS: King Ranch Casserole!
- 7:00 pm Handbell Choir (S)

January 23 — Thursday

- 10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
- 1:00 pm Pastor Mark’s Bible Study (Zoom)
- 6:00 pm Fairbees Square Dance* (GP)
- 9:15 pm Pinewood Derby Compliance Check

January 24 — Friday

- 6:00 pm Pinewood Derby Car Check-in (FH)
- 6:00 pm SBM Arc Meeting* (CR)
- 7:00 pm CENTI Youth Program* (YR)

January 25 — Saturday

- 9:00 am Cub Scout Pinewood Derby (FH)
- 11:00 am Hot Meals
- 6:00 pm CENTI Church Service* (GP)

January 26 — Sunday

- 9:15 am Church Nursery
- 9:30 am Sunday School
- 9:30 am Children’s Chime Choir (S)
- 9:45 am Choir Practice (S)
- 10:50 am Worship
- 2:00 pm BSA Committee Meeting (GP)
- 6:00 pm BSA Court of Honor (FH)

January 27 — Monday

- 6:00 pm Special Olympics: Volleyball* (GP)
- 7:00 pm Boy Scouts (Scout Hut)

January 28 — Tuesday

- 10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
- 6:00 pm Basketball (GP)
- 7:00 pm CENTI Bible Study & Worship* (FH)
- 7:00 pm Session (CR)

January 29 — Wednesday

- 3:30 pm WOW (S)
- 6:00 pm WNS: PW Taco Soup!
- 7:00 pm Handbell Choir (S)

January 30 — Thursday

- 10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
- 1:00 pm Pastor Mark’s Bible Study (Zoom)
- 6:00 pm Fairbees Square Dance* (GP)

January 31 — Friday

- 7:00 pm CENTI Youth Program* (FH)

February 1 — Saturday

- 8:00 am TXPWA Conference* (GP)
- 6:00 pm CENTI Church Service* (FH)

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

Announcements & Events:

The Gathering Place will meet tomorrow, Monday, January 20th, at 10:00 AM! The theme for this month is *Martin Luther King, Jr. Day!* Please see Jacquie Ballesteros or Sarah Dikeman if you are interested in helping out.

Happy Hands will return from our Holiday Break this Wednesday, January 22nd, at 9:30 AM in the Conference Room. It'll be great to have a chance to sit and stuff, sew, crochet, knit, and reconnect. If you haven't joined us before, or if it's been a while, you might consider a New Year's Resolution to join us to create Heart shaped pillows to give to hospital patients. We hope to see you there!

Join us for Wednesday Night Supper this Wednesday, January 22nd, at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Jan Fitts is making King Ranch Casserole. Please email Kay Craig at kay@craig-heidt.com to place your dinner order. We hope to see you there!

The 2025 Offering Envelope Books are now available in the Narthex. Please sign your name by the number that corresponds to your book number. If you already have a book of offering envelopes, you can continue to use it since it doesn't correspond to specific dates. Thank you for your continued commitment!

Would you like to beautify the Sanctuary on Sunday mornings while honoring a loved one or commemorating a special occasion? **The 2025 Flower Sign-Up Calendar is located in the Narthex!** 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.

Spring Branch Presbyterian is participating in the annual Souper Bowl of Caring, which culminates on February 9th. All funds and cans collected will benefit the Fair Haven Food Pantry. Each dollar given=2 cans of food. So... let's see how many cans we can donate by Souper Bowl Sunday, February 9th!

Save-the-Date for our February Blood Drive — SBPC will have a Blood Drive on Sunday, February 16th, from 8:30 AM-12:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Please contact Ashley Powell at 972-571-2499 or ashleycrawford161@gmail.com if you would like to donate. Share the gift of life!

Pastor Mark has begun facilitating a Zoom Bible Study on the Gospel of Luke on Thursdays at 1:00 PM. The Zoom information is available in the Friday email if you are interested in giving it a try over your lunch hour. If you wish to receive the Zoom invite every week, please email Mark to get on his list.

Handbells have returned! Do you have hands for a joyful noise rather than a voice? - then handbells wants YOU! The Handbell Choir meets at 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary on Wednesday nights. Please see Megan Hogg if you'd like to join.

Scholarship Applications are now available for interested students. Completed applications are due by May 1st for the year applying, and should be turned in to Sarah Dikeman for the Women's Scholarship and Ken Crawford for the Men's Scholarship.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God is the giver of many gifts. God is slow to anger and quick to forgive. God forgives us, loves us, and accepts us. So, know that you are forgiven and be at peace. Amen!

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: ...The peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you.

*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. Amen.*

God's People Are Empowered

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Pastor Mark

ANTHEM

"Order My Steps"

Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Red Pew Bible NT 174

SERMON

"We Are the Church Together"

Rev. Savannah Goodman

Responding to the Word

*HYMN

"We Are One in the Spirit"

GTG, No. 300

*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

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

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION *(unison)*

God, you have given each of us gifts to use as members of the body of Christ. Here are our gifts – the work of our hands, our hearts, and our lives. We pray that they may help to bring the good news of Jesus Christ to our world, today and always, here and everywhere. 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

"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

GTG, No. 526

*BENEDICTION

*THE LIGHT OF CHRIST GOES OUT INTO THE WORLD

*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 Mark, Pastor Savannah, 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 Bears classroom, Room 126, which is in the north hallway of the Education Building.

Sunday Morning Offerings at 9:30 am

Saints Under Construction: This class meets in the Sanctuary in the Garden Room. This discussion-oriented class focuses on what each of us can learn from the weekly Bible scriptures to build upon in strengthening our faith. 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 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.

Children's Chime Choir: The Chime Choir meets in the Sanctuary on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. This is a chance for elementary aged children to get to ring chimes as part of Worship. We are excited to continue this new adventure! Megan Hogg leads the Chime Choir.

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.