



**LORD'S DAY WORSHIP**  
**JUNE 6, 2021**

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**Pastoral Prayer**

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†**Hymn of Response**

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†**Doxology**

†**Benediction**

**Postlude**

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\*Live stream ends before the Lord's Supper

There will not be a passing of the offering plate as part of our worship service during this time of social distancing. However, there is a tithe box on the small table near the main sanctuary doors where you may deposit offerings. In addition, there are remote payment options detailed on the "Donate" tab of the church website.

## WELCOME

We really mean it when we say we are thrilled that you have come to worship with us today!

If you should have any questions or comments about the ministry of Spriggs Road Presbyterian Church, please feel free to reach out. Contact information is on the back page of this bulletin.

Children are always welcome in our worship services. We also have a “cry room” available with a large window for viewing the service and a speaker that will be playing all the audio from the main sanctuary. Please feel free to use that if you are concerned that your children’s noises are disrupting the service. Since it is a small room, we ask you to be judicious and careful to maintain recommended distancing should others also seek to use it.

We hope that this Lord’s Day you will be encouraged by the Word, refreshed by the worship, and touched by Christ’s love through our fellowship with one another.

## MEDITATION

"The cross of Christ is the manifestation of the heart of God in time and space. The cross of Christ is where our two seemingly irreconcilable realities, sin and God, come together. The cross of Christ is where God and sin crash together -- and the crash is on the heart of God himself."

— Diane Langberg, *Suffering and the Heart of God: How Trauma Destroys and Christ Restores*

## CONFESSON OF FAITH

### The Nicene Creed

*We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.*

*And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of his Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us and for our salvation  
came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered and was buried;  
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;  
and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;  
whose kingdom shall have no end.*

*And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;  
who spoke by the prophets;  
and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;  
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;  
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen*

## SERMON NOTES

6/6/2021

Pastor Michael Mang

Title: "The Time a Fig Tree Got Zapped"

Text: Matthew 21:18-22

Theme: Israel had filled up the cup of her rebellion. She had a name that she were alive, but in reality, Israel was dead. Let this serve as a continual reminder for us. Even though the Church will never perish, there may be sections and pockets of the LORD's vineyard that can lose their lampstand, be removed, and cast aside.

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I. A Fig Tree That Was \_\_\_\_\_ (18-19)

II. A Question Born of \_\_\_\_\_ (20)

III. The Divine \_\_\_\_\_ (21-22)

#### IV. Applications

A. \_\_\_\_\_ is a  
\_\_\_\_\_ of a true believer in the Lord Jesus Christ.

B. \_\_\_\_\_ itself is a \_\_\_\_\_ of  
spiritual life.

C. The old \_\_\_\_\_ of the world are  
\_\_\_\_\_ and the  
new \_\_\_\_\_ of God's Kingdom is taking its  
place.

**QUESTIONS TO DISCUSS AND  
CONSIDER AT HOME OR IN SMALL  
GROUPS**

1. What was Jesus looking for as He was returning to the city? Why (v. 18)?
2. What did Jesus find on this hunt? What was unusual about what He found (v. 19a)?
3. Upon discovering this, what did Jesus do? What happened (v. 19b)?
4. How did Jesus' disciples react to this (v. 20)?
5. What did Jesus tell His disciples in His response to them (vv. 21-22)?
6. What do you suppose the fig tree represents?
7. What would be the greater significance of the cursing of the fig tree?
8. Why did Jesus give His disciples a lesson about faith?
9. Does every Christian bear fruit? What does it mean if a Christian never bears any fruit?
10. How is faith itself a fruit in the life of the Christian?
11. How does a Christian bear fruit for the Lord's Kingdom?
12. How might faith become something manipulative or mechanical?
13. Is faith a creative force? Explain.
14. How should we understand what seems to be a blank check endorsement to receive from God anything we want?
15. How should we understand the reference to a "mountain" in verse 21?

## **Announcement:**

All are invited to the Lord's Table who have been baptized, have publicly professed faith in (either before a congregation of the Lord's Church or to a body of Elders in a church where the Gospel of Christ is embraced) and allegiance to the Lord Jesus Christ as the Savior from your sins, and are members of the visible Church of the Lord Jesus Christ.

If you have not publicly professed faith in Christ Jesus – the eternal Son of God who took on human flesh, lived a perfect, sinless life, died on the cross for sins, rose bodily from the dead, and who is returning to this earth in power and glory – please refrain from partaking of the Lord's Table.

We invite you to respond to the Gospel by first understanding that you have sinned personally against the God who made you and have violated His good and right laws for you to follow. God is holy and has every right to separate you from Himself and from all that is good and beautiful because of your freely chosen disobedience to Him. But the really good news is that you can be restored to the God who made you because of what Christ Jesus has done on the cross as a perfect substitute and payment for the penalty that you owe and deserve. Simply believing and trusting in what Jesus did for you means you will belong to the LORD God forever.

Abraham, the Biblical example of one who was restored to God by faith alone, trusted God's promise and the LORD God credited it, that trust, to him as righteousness. God has shown His love to the world, and to you, by giving His only Son that whoever believes in Him should not die and be separated from Him forever but rather have the life man was created to have in the presence of God, a life that never ends.

This means that you cannot DO anything to earn your place with God. However, a true faith in Christ Jesus comes from a God-given desire that will produce behavior that does those things that are pleasing to Him.

Please seek out and contact one of our Pastors or Elders to talk

more about your eternal future. You can find their contact information in this bulletin. They will be glad to show you from Scripture, God's Word, how you can have a relationship with God through Christ Jesus and have true peace and security with Him.

If you have professed faith in Christ Jesus, have been baptized, and are a member of the Church, yet there is a distance between you and the LORD because of cherished and unrepentant sin and transgressions of God's laws, we warn you to refrain from partaking the elements of the Lord's Table today. Scripture tells us that partaking of the Lord's Table is a participation, a communion, in the body and blood of Christ (1 Cor. 10:16). God's people cannot partake of His holy Table while at the same time engaging in deliberate and conscious violations of His commands for us as His holy people. If this is true with you, the LORD graciously promises that, if you confess and turn from whatever thinking or behavior that is contrary to His nature and His Word, He is faithful to forgive and to cleanse you from all unrighteousness (1 John 1:9). Until you have confessed and turned from whatever this breach of faith might be, please refrain from partaking of the Lord's Table.

This does not mean that as a professing follower of Christ you are required to be perfect and flawless before communing with Christ at His Table. The Table is for you to be nourished and strengthened even more in your faith and love for Christ. You may have worries and doubts that God loves or hears you because your faith is weak. You may have sinned, confessed, and turned from it to the Lord before partaking, but still your heart condemns you. When you come to the Lord's Table, the Lord by faith assures you that you belong to Him, and He belongs to you. If, despite your sins and imperfections, you can truly say that the LORD is your Shepherd, that the name of Christ and His smile is the desire of your soul, then take the LORD at His word that you are ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven!

Come, and dine with your Lord and Savior.



## CONFESSION OF SIN

*Our Father, we confess that we fail to forgive as we should. Pardon us for harboring anger and bitterness in our hearts instead of being kind and tender-hearted to forgive as God in Christ has forgiven us.*

*We grieve that we have been negligent and careless in carrying out Your commandments and duties. All of Your laws and precepts reflect Your glory and are for our good.*

*We mourn that we would rather receive than give.*

*We abhor the times we waver and do not hold fast our confession that Jesus is Lord.*

*Because of Your great love and mercy, hear and forgive us.*

*May we always model the Gospel and show forth that our Lord Jesus has overcome all that has held us in bondage.*

*Through Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.*

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### Personal Confession

This time of silence is provided for private, personal confession.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"And I will have mercy on No Mercy,  
and I will say to Not My People, 'You are my people';  
and he shall say, 'You are my God.'" —

And in the place where it was said to them, "You are  
not my people,"

it shall be said to them, "Children of the living God."

— Hosea 2:23; 1:10 (ESV)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scheduled events can be found on the church's online [Calendar](#). It can be also be viewed on the home page of [www.spriggsroad.org](http://www.spriggsroad.org).

## FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

The Deacons are continuing to collect non-perishable food items and general items for those in need in our community. Items can be placed in the blue bin in the hallway. Please contact Dan Bredbenner with any questions. The items most needed according to the ACTS website (Jan 2021) are:

### Canned and Dried Food

Breakfast items cereal, oatmeal, grits, etc.  
 Peanut butter and jelly  
 Canned or dry beans  
 Honey  
 Canned vegetables  
 Canned fruit  
 Canned meats (tuna, chicken)  
 Whole-grain pasta  
 Canned tomato sauce  
 Brown Rice  
 Milk  
 Cooking oil  
 Canned soup  
 Coffee

### General Items

Pull-ups and diapers size 5/6  
 Soap  
 Toothpaste  
 Deodorant  
 Wipes  
 Shampoo  
 Toilet Paper  
 Laundry Soap  
 Dish Soap  
 Feminine Hygiene Products

## FINANCIAL UPDATE

Income vs. Budget	5/30/2021	YTD
General Income	\$4,023.00	\$233,776.86
Budget Requirement	\$9,630.00	\$211,860.00
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$5,607.00)	\$21,916.86
Attendance	124	

## **P O R T I C O   C O N S T R U C T I O N**

Excellent progress is being made on the portico. We have resumed using our main entrance, but the job is not yet complete. Please use caution when walking near the construction site and, for their safety, please keep children away from the construction area.

## **O P P O R T U N I T I E S   T O   S E R V E**

Help is needed in the following areas of ministry at SRPC. Please consider offering your time in these important areas:

AV team (contact Darcy Heisey)

Bulletin (contact Laura McNeill)

Nursery (contact Robin Deane)

## **C H U R C H   C L E A N I N G**

After several years of faithful service cleaning the church, Maria Ettema has asked that we find someone else to take this responsibility, which is a paid position. If you are interested or if you know of anyone who might be interested in serving in this way, please contact Lloyd Moore or the deacons.

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And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship,  
to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Acts 2:42

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