

LORD'S DAY WORSHIP JUNE 20, 2021

Prelude

Welcome

Announcements

Meditation

Call to Worship/Invocation

†Hymn of Praise "All Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

†Scripture Reading <u>Isaiah 1:18-20</u>

Pastoral Prayer RE Joe Deane

†Singing Psalms

Psalm 46 (Trinity Psalter, p.38)

Tune: "I Sing the Almighty Power of God" (TFI #119)

Confession of Faith The Nicene Creed

†Scripture Teaching <u>Matthew 21:23-27</u>

Expounding the Word of God Rev. Michael Mang

"Think Twice About Questioning Jesus"

†Hymn of Response

"Rock of Ages" (TH #499)
Tune: "Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me" (TH #335)

*The Lord's Supper

†Doxology

†Benediction

Postlude

†Standing, if able

*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.

We have resumed our schedule of 9:30 Sunday School for all ages, and 10:45 worship, with nursery available for ages 3 and under. Masks are optional, but seating in the front left corner is reserved for any who prefer a masked and socially distanced option.

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

¹ "Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. ² Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. ³ Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David."

- Isaiah 55:1-3 (ESV)

CONFESSION 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

| 6/20/2021 | Pastor Mich | hael Mang | |
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| Title: | "Think Twice About Questioning Jesus" | | |
| Text: | Matthew 21:23-27 | | |
| Theme: | The question about the basis of authority upon which someone acts is a tremendously vital question. But when someone does not recognize ultimate authority, no answer will suffice. Jesus does not need to justify His authority to anyone because who He is and what He does are self-attesting that He is divine and acts with | | |
| | Religious Authorities Consider That Jesus on Their Territory (23) | | |
| | s the Questioners' a (24-25a) | | |
| III. Jesus 26) | s' Interrogators Face a | (25b- | |
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| IV. | . Jesus to Answer Their Inquiry (27) |
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| V. | Applications |
| A. | It is to raise about Scripture and with elders in the faith because you want to more about the wonderful of the LORD. |
| В. | The God provides is more than for you to know the by which Jesus speaks to you. |
| C. | Evidence does not always people of |

QUESTIONS TO DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AT HOME OR IN SMALL GROUPS

- 1. Where was Jesus at the time this incident took place (v. 23a)?
- 2. Who approached Jesus to ask Him some questions (v. 23b)?
- 3. What questions did they ask of Jesus (v. 23c)?
- 4. How did Jesus answer these people (v. 24)?
- 5. What question did Jesus pose to these people (v. 25a)?
- 6. How did these people answer the question Jesus asked them (vv. 25b-26)?
- 7. What answer did Jesus give to these men's original questions (v. 27)?
- 8. Is it wrong to ask God questions?
- 9. What might be the difference between asking God questions and questioning God?
- 10. What questions would you like for the LORD God to give you an answer?
- 11. How do you think the LORD will answer your questions?
- 12. Where do you think you will find the answers to your questions?
- 13. Why do many people refuse to believe the truth that Jesus is Lord of everything?
- 14. What is the proof that Jesus is Lord of everything?
- 15. Are there things you believe for which you have no proof?

THE LORD'S SUPPER

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 Godgiven 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 in heaven, You call us to be thankful in all things, yet we confess we are often ungrateful and unsatisfied with Your providence. We acknowledge our ingratitude, and we implore You to forgive us for not being thankful.

We are to be cheerful givers, O LORD, yet we often grudgingly give to Your Kingdom. Forgive us for our insincerity and selfishness.

You, O God, have blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms in Christ, yet we complain about our circumstances and think that we deserve more.

Hear and forgive us for the sake of Your dear Son, Christ Jesus our Lord.

Set our hearts to love and serve You in sincerity and truth, for we pray in His Name. Amen.

Personal Confession

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name. For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning."

--- Psalm 30:4-5 (ESV)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scheduled events can be found on the church's online <u>Calendar</u>. It can be also be viewed on the home page of <u>www.spriggsroad.org</u>.

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 | 6/13/2021 | YTD |
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| General Income | \$8,234.02 | \$255,880.73 |
| Budget Requirement | \$9,630.00 | \$231,120.00 |
| Surplus (Deficit) | (\$1,395.98) | \$24,760.73 |
| Attendance | 103 | |

PORTICO CONSTRUCTION

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.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

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 Production (contact Laura McNeill)

Nursery (contact Robin Deane)

Bulletin Printing and Folding (contact Joe Deane)

CHURCH CLEANING

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 (ESV)