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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)



**LORD'S DAY WORSHIP**  
**AUGUST 1, 2021**  
**10:45 A.M.**

<b>Prelude</b>	<a href="#"><u>"Be Still, My Soul" #689</u></a> ‡ <small>Diane Holbrook, Dulcimer</small>
<b>Welcome</b>	
<b>Announcements</b>	
<a href="#"><u>Meditation</u></a>	
<b>Call to Worship/Invocation</b>	
† <b>Hymn of Worship</b>	<a href="#"><u>"O Quickly Come, Dread Judge of All" #322</u></a>
† <b>Scripture Reading</b>	<a href="#"><u>Psalm 118:8-24</u></a>
† <b>Song of Praise</b>	"God, the Uncreated One"
<b>Pastoral Prayer</b>	Pastor Jegar
† <b>Singing Psalms</b>	Psalm 122 ( <i>Trinity Psalter</i> , p.110) Tune: <a href="#"><u>"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" #598</u></a>
† <b>Confession of Faith</b>	<a href="#"><u>The Nicene Creed</u></a>
<b>Tithes &amp; Offerings</b>	"We Will Feast in the House of Zion"
† <b>Scripture Teaching</b>	<a href="#"><u>Matthew 21:33-46</u></a>
<b>Expounding the Word</b>	Pastor Michael Mang <a href="#"><u>"A Parable About Losing the Kingdom"</u></a>
† <b>Hymn of Response</b>	<a href="#"><u>"Jesus, Master, Whose I Am" #590</u></a> Tune: "Rock of Ages" #499
<b>*The Lord's Supper</b>	
† <b>Doxology</b>	
† <b>Benediction</b>	
<b>Postlude</b>	<a href="#"><u>"Blest Be the Tie That Binds" #359</u></a>
†Standing, if able	
*Live stream ends before the Lord's Supper	
‡ Unless otherwise noted, hymn numbers are for the <i>Trinity Hymnal</i> .	

## 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

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed. But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God.”

– John 3:16–21 (ESV)

## RIDGE HAVEN SERVICE PROJECT

Praise God for safe travels and a wonderful week of work, fun, fellowship, and growth at camp! Ask a student (or counselor!) to tell you about their time.

## CHURCH LUNCHEON TODAY

Please stay for a potluck lunch immediately following the service.

## BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

For those who have taken a baby bottle to fill with loose change (and large bills :-)) to raise money for the Pregnancy Help Center: Please plan to return the bottles by the 8th of August so that Susan Kruchten can wrap up this project and turn in the money to this wonderful ministry. Thank you for your assistance and your change!

## 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).

## 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 black bin in the hallway. Please contact Charlie Kim or Erik Woloszczuk with any questions. The items most needed according to the ACTS website (June 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)  
Pasta  
Canned tomato sauce  
1- or 2- lb bags of Rice  
Shelf stable milk  
Cooking oil  
Canned soup  
Coffee

### General Items

Size 6 diapers & children's pull-ups  
Soap  
Toothpaste  
Shampoo  
Deodorant  
Wipes  
Toilet paper  
Laundry soap, dish soap  
Feminine hygiene products  
Pet food & supplies

## FINANCIAL UPDATE

Income vs. Budget	7/25/2021	YTD
General Income	\$9,491.00	\$336,084.92
Budget Requirement	\$9,630.00	\$288,900.00
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$139.00)	\$47,184.92
Attendance	119	

## 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

8/01/2021

Pastor Michael Mang

Title: A Parable About Losing the Kingdom

Text: Matthew 21:33-46

Theme: You won't produce fruit until you are connected to Christ Jesus. Self-help strategies and programs are useless if you are not connected to Christ and have your eyes firmly fixed on Him. Institutions and establishments that profess Christ as Lord but fail to produce any fruit at all are only deluding themselves that they belong to the Kingdom of Christ.

I. The \_\_\_\_\_ (33-40)

II. The Leaders' \_\_\_\_\_ (41)

III. Jesus' Application of the Parable to \_\_\_\_\_ (42-44)

A. \_\_\_\_\_ (42)

B. \_\_\_\_\_ of Israel (43)

C. Danger to \_\_\_\_\_ (44)

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*O living and true God, our hearts grow cold and indifferent to Your Kingdom and to the grace that You lavish upon us daily.*

*We confess that we get angry when our desires are frustrated, rather than because Your majesty is maligned, Your Word is impugned, or Your glory is ignored.*

*Forgive us for loving the world and the things in it rather than loving You, the Giver of every good gift.*

*Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us.*

*Purify us from our sinful desires and our erring ways.*

*We resolve to serve You in the newness of the Spirit, Whom You have given to us as children of the Living God.*

*And we shall endeavor to be more mindful of Your wonderful providence, more vigilant to remain steadfast in doing Your will, and more humble to esteem others better than ourselves.*

*Hear our confession today as we make our prayer in and through the merit and the mediation of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.*

### Personal Confession

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

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

“Yet even now,” declares the LORD, “return to me with  
all your heart,  
with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning;  
and rend your hearts and not your garments.”  
Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and merciful,  
slow to anger,  
and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster.

— Joel 2:12-13 (ESV)

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.

#### IV. The Leaders' \_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus' Parable and Application (45-46)

#### V. Applications

A. \_\_\_\_\_ Israel has forfeited \_\_\_\_\_ of the Kingdom of God.

B. Your \_\_\_\_\_ is never to be finally rooted in any earthly \_\_\_\_\_.

C. Anyone who \_\_\_\_\_ Christ's Kingdom will ultimately be \_\_\_\_\_ by the Cornerstone.

D. We in the Church can \_\_\_\_\_ to produce the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Kingdom of God just as did the \_\_\_\_\_ nation.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. In the parable Jesus spoke, who was responsible for caring for the master's vineyard (v. 33)?
2. What did those responsible do to the servants the master sent in order to receive the vineyard's produce (vv. 34-36)?
3. What did the vineyard owner do after they did these things? Why? (v. 37)?
4. How did those responsible for the master's vineyard act toward his son (vv. 38-39)?
5. What was the expected answer that the priests and Pharisees gave when Jesus asked what the owner would do to those responsible for his vineyard (vv. 40-41)?
6. What three ways did Jesus apply this parable to His hearers (vv. 42-44)?
7. How did the priests and Pharisees react to the parable Jesus spoke to them (vv. 45-46)?
8. What does it mean that the Kingdom of God will be taken away from Israel?
9. Where does the Apostle Paul expound on this concept of Israel's failure in more detail?
10. Where is the Kingdom of God on earth now?
11. Are Jewish people barred from entering the Kingdom of God because of Israel's rejection of the Messiah?
12. In what ways has national Israel been replaced as the locus of the Kingdom of God? In what ways has Israel not been replaced?
13. How does Covenant Theology help explain the unfolding of the Kingdom of God on earth?
14. How is this parable a warning to the Church?
15. How are we to produce the fruits of the Kingdom of God?

## 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 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