

LORD'S DAY WORSHIP AUGUST 8, 2021 10:45 A.M.

Prelude	"O Spirit of the Living God" #337‡
Welcome	
Announcements	
Meditation	
Call to Worship/Invocati	ion
†Hymn of Worship	"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" #76
+Scripture Reading	Zechariah 3:1-10
+Song of Praise	"We Will Feast in the House of Zion"
Pastoral Prayer	Pastor Matteson Bowles
†Singing Psalms	Psalm 119:17-34 (<i>Trinity Psalter</i> , p.102) Tune: "Amazing Grace" #460
+Confession of Faith	The Nicene Creed
Tithes & Offerings	
+Scripture Teaching	Matthew 22:1-14
Expounding the Word	Pastor Michael Mang
"A Parable Abo	out a Wedding and Some Clothes"
†Hymn of Response	"Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness" #520
*The Lord's Supper	
†Doxology	
+Benediction	
Postlude	"May the Mind of Christ My Savior" #644
†Standing, if able	

*Live stream ends before the Lord's Supper ‡ Unless otherwise noted, hymn numbers are for the Trinity Hymnal. 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

"Many Christians struggle hard with this idea of repentance because they somehow expect that if they genuinely repent, sin will go away and temptation will stop. When that doesn't happen, they fall into despair, questioning whether their faith in Jesus is real. It's true that when God regenerates us, he gives us power to fight against and overcome sin (1 Cor. 10:13). But because we will continue to struggle with sin until we are glorified, we have to remember that genuine repentance is more a matter of the heart's attitude toward sin than it is a mere change of behavior. Do we hate sin and war against it, or do we cherish it and defend it?"

- Greg Gilbert, What Is the Gospel? p. 81.

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

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8/08/2021					Pastor	Michael Mang
	Title:	A Parable	About a Wed	ding and So	ome Clothes	
	Text:	Matthew 22	2:1-14			
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1. To what does Jesus compare the kingdom of heaven (v. 2)?

2. How did the guests who had been previously invited respond to the first call of the king (v. 3)?

3. What did the invited guests do after the king issued a second call (vv. 4-6)?

4. How did the king respond to the last actions of the invited guests (v. 7)?

5. What did the king do after this action (vv. 8-9)?

6. Where did the king's servants go to find guests to come to the feast? What kind of guests were they? (v. 10)

7. When the king looked at those who came to his feast, what he did he see (v.11)?

8. How did the man react when the king confronted him (v. 12)?

- 9. What did the king do to the man (v. 13)?
- 10. What was Jesus' summary of the parable (v. 14)?
- 11. How does this parable apply to Israel?

12. How should this parable, and the two others that Jesus spoke, impact our attitude toward Jewish people?

13. Who should be offered the Gospel? Why?

14. How do we often make improper assessments concerning those to whom we should speak the Gospel?

15. What is the character and make-up of the Church in this age?

16. What should every church be doing to be working toward being a pure church?

17. Can a church lose its character as a church? When is a church no longer a church?

18. What is the difference between being invited and being chosen by God?

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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.

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.

We have left undone those things that we ought to have done; and we have done those things that we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us.

And grant, most merciful Father for Jesus' sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and joyful life to the glory of Your holy Name. Amen.

Personal Confession

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.... For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

— Romans 8:1-2, 38-39 (ESV)

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 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 Pet supplies

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Income vs. Budget	8/1/2021	YTD
General Income		
Budget Requirement		
Surplus (Deficit)		
Attendance	125	

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 no later than today 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)

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