



**LORD'S DAY WORSHIP**  
**AUGUST 15, 2021**  
**10:45 A.M**

Prelude	<a href="#">“O Lord, I Love You, My Shield, My Tower”</a> <a href="#">#620</a> ‡
Welcome	
Announcements	
<a href="#">Meditation</a>	
Call to Worship/Invocation	
†Hymn of Worship	<a href="#">“The God of Abraham Praise”</a> #34
†Scripture Reading	<a href="#">Jeremiah 27:1-11</a>
†Song of Praise	“Meekness and Majesty”
Pastoral Prayer	RE Dan Bredbenner
†Singing Psalms	Psalm 135 ( <i>Trinity Psalter</i> , p.115) Tune: <a href="#">“God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory”</a> #122
Confession of Faith	<a href="#">The Apostles' Creed</a>
Tithes & Offerings	<a href="#">"Moment by Moment"</a> #623
†Scripture Teaching	<a href="#">Matthew 22:15-22</a>
Expounding the Word	Pastor Michael Mang <a href="#">“Jesus Answers a Taxing Question”</a>
†Hymn of Response	<a href="#">“Be Thou My Vision”</a> #642
<b>*The Lord's Supper</b>	
†Doxology	
†Benediction	
Postlude	“Therefore the Redeemed of the Lord”

†Standing, if able

\*Live stream ends before the Lord's Supper

‡ Unless otherwise noted, hymn numbers are for the *Trinity Hymnal*.

## 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

<sup>17</sup> Though the fig tree should not blossom,  
nor fruit be on the vines,  
the produce of the olive fail  
and the fields yield no food,  
the flock be cut off from the fold  
and there be no herd in the stalls,  
<sup>18</sup> yet I will rejoice in the Lord;  
I will take joy in the God of my salvation.  
<sup>19</sup> God, the Lord, is my strength;  
he makes my feet like the deer’s;  
he makes me tread on my high places.

– Habakkuk 3:17–19 (ESV)

CONFESSION OF FAITH

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 Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
He descended into hell  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.*

## SERMON NOTES

8/15/2021

Pastor Michael Mang

Title: "Jesus Answers a Taxing Question"

Text: Matthew 22:15-22

Theme: Because Jesus cannot be exposed as a fraud when put to the test, He will never be anything less than perfect as Lord, Savior, and Judge.

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I. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Pharisees and Herodians  
(15-17)

II. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ Their Scheme and Their  
\_\_\_\_\_ Questions (18-21)

III. Jesus' Opponents Can Only Be in \_\_\_\_\_ as  
They Leave (22)

#### IV. Applications

A. Imposing \_\_\_\_\_ is in the legitimate domain of the \_\_\_\_\_.

B. There is a Biblical distinction between the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ but yet \_\_\_\_\_ is ever \_\_\_\_\_ of God because He has \_\_\_\_\_ over everything.

C. Jesus proves His \_\_\_\_\_ to be the spotless and unblemished \_\_\_\_\_ of God as He \_\_\_\_\_ the challenges placed before Him.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Who came to Jesus with a question (v. 15a)?
2. What was their purpose for this (v. 15b)?
3. Who accompanied those who came to Jesus with a question (v. 16a)?
4. How did they introduce their question to Jesus (v. 16b)?
5. What was their actual question (v. 17)?
6. Why did they think this question would trap Jesus?
7. What did Jesus realize about their question (v. 18)?
8. What did Jesus want His questioners to bring to Him (v. 19a)?
9. What type of coin was brought to Jesus (v. 19b)?
10. What did Jesus ask when they brought to Him the item He requested (v. 20)?
11. What did they answer Him (v. 21a)?
12. What was Jesus' answer to their initial question (vv. 20-21)?
13. How did Jesus' questioners respond to His answer (v. 22)?
14. What is the main point of this passage?
15. Do you think it is legitimate to apply this passage to the issue of taxes? Why or why not?
16. What other passages of Scripture speak also to the issue of paying taxes?
17. Do you think it is legitimate to use this passage to understand Church-State relations? Why or why not?
18. How might the distinction between the things of Caesar and the things of God be stretched out of proportion?
19. How do the questions with which Jesus was challenged manifest His fitness as the Messiah?
20. What impacts you most about the response of the Pharisees to Jesus' answer?

## **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

*O Triune God, You search every heart and weigh every motive. Nothing that we say or do escapes Your penetrating gaze. Our hearts are open and laid bare in Your sight.*

*Hear us as we confess our sins and iniquities. We have fallen far short of the glory for which You have created us. We have cast aside Your instruction. We have elevated our thoughts above Your thoughts, and our ways above Your ways. We continually go astray and wander from the paths that are good and right.*

*Forgive us, O our God, for You are rich in mercy and tender toward all who call upon You with a contrite heart. Turn Your face toward us and be gracious to us.*

*Draw us closer to You so that we would love You more deeply, walk with You more completely, and serve You more fervently.*

*Through the One who loved us and gave Himself for us, we make our prayer. Amen.*

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### Personal Confession

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

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by  
his blood  
and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father,  
to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

— Revelation 1:5b-6 (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 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	8/08/2021	YTD
General Income	\$11,665.95	\$357,551.53
Budget Requirement	\$9,630.00	\$308,160.00
Surplus (Deficit)	\$2,035.95	\$49,391.53
Attendance	112	

## SAVE THE DATE—OCTOBER

Church Picnic / Anniversary Celebration — October 9

Men & Boys' Campout — October 14-16

Fall Work Day — TBD

## SAVE THE DATE—NOVEMBER

Fall Festival — November 6

## SMALL GROUPS

The session is considering the addition of several new small groups; please talk to Elder Joe Deane for details. These groups are an excellent means to grow in life and ministry with your brothers and sisters in Christ.

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

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