



**LORD'S DAY WORSHIP**  
**SEPTEMBER 5, 2021**  
**10:45 A.M.**

Prelude	"We Choose the Fear of the Lord"
Welcome	
Announcements	
<b>Meditation</b>	
Call to Worship/Invocation	
†Hymn of Worship	"With Joy Let Us Sing to the LORD"
†Scripture Reading	Isaiah 53:1-12
†Song of Praise	"Before the Throne of God Above"
Pastoral Prayer	RE Joe Deane
†Singing Psalms	Psalm 11 ( <i>Trinity Psalter</i> , p.7) Tune: "This Is My Father's World" #111
†Confession of Faith	<i>The Apostles' Creed</i>
Tithes & Offerings	"My Anchor Holds" #617
†Scripture Teaching	1 Corinthians 15:1-11
Expounding God's Word	Pastor Matteson Bowles "The Trusted Anchor"
†Hymn of Response	"Create in Me"
<b>*The Lord's Supper</b>	
†Doxology	
†Benediction	
Postlude	"I Know That My Redeemer Lives..." #281
†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

- 25 For I know that my Redeemer lives,  
and at the last he will stand upon the earth.  
26 And after my skin has been thus destroyed,  
yet in my flesh I shall see God,  
27 whom I shall see for myself,  
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.

– Job 19:25–27 (ESV)

## 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 TEXT**  
**1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-11 (ESV)**

**15** Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, <sup>2</sup> and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

<sup>3</sup> For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup> that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>5</sup> and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup> Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. <sup>7</sup> Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup> Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup> For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup> But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. <sup>11</sup> Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

**SERMON NOTES**

9/5/2021

Pastor Matteson Bowles

Title: "The Trusted Anchor"

Text: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

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1. Fraying the Rope (vs. 1-2)

2. Historical and Central Chain (vs. 3-8)

3. Peace in the Storm or Personal Gospel Impact (vs. 9-11)

## **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 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).

## PORTICO UPDATE

Due to global supply issues, there is a delay in the delivery of the metal roofing materials needed to complete the portico. We could complete the roof with asphalt shingles now, but it would not match the rest of the roof and would not last as long as a metal roof. The contractor will continue to keep us updated.

## LADIES BIBLE STUDY

The Ladies Bible Study is starting up again, with both a morning and evening option. The morning group will meet twice a month on Tuesdays from 10:30 to 12:30, beginning September 14. The evening group will meet twice a month on Thursdays from 6:30 to 8:30, beginning September 16. All are welcome to join in for a time of fellowship and learning.

## FINANCIAL UPDATE

Income vs. Budget	08/29/2021	YTD
General Income	\$6,626.00	\$381,175.16
Budget Requirement	\$9,630.00	\$337,050.00
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$3,004.00)	\$44,125.16
Attendance	111	

## **SAVE THE DATE**

Church Picnic / Anniversary Celebration — October 9

Men & Boys' Campout — October 14-16

Fall Work Day — October 23 (Make-up date October 30)

Fall Festival — November 6

## **SENIORS' LUNCHES**

Seniors' Lunches will once again be held on the second Wednesday of each month, beginning October 13. All seniors are welcome to come and enjoy this wonderful time of fellowship.

## **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.

## **ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE CHOIR DIRECTOR**

Choir practice resumes September 12.

Adult Choir - 10:20 to 10:40 in the choir room

Children's Bell Choir - ages 3-10 in the sanctuary immediately after the service

Girls' Choir - ages 11-19 in the choir room after the bells stop ringing

New voices are welcome!

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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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