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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

NOVEMBER 28, 2021

10:45

Prelude	“My Heart Is Filled With Thankfulness”
Welcome and Announcements	
Meditation	
Call to Worship and Invocation	
† Hymn of Worship	“Rock Of Ages, Cleft for Me” TH #500
Greeting	
† Song of Praise	“Come Let Us Worship and Bow Down”
† Confession of Faith	The Nicene Creed
Pastoral Prayer	
† Scripture Reading	Isaiah 46 [Seat Bibles, p. 607]
† Singing Psalms	Psalm 147, TP p.124
	Tune: “Lead On, O King Eternal” TH #580
Tithes & Offerings	
† Gloria Patri	TH #735
Sermon Text	Mark 2:1-12 [Seat Bibles, p. 837]
Expounding the Word of God	Robert Hasler
† Hymn of Response	“Amazing Grace” TH #460
‡ The Lord's Supper	
† Doxology	
† Benediction	
Postlude	“For the Beauty of the Earth” TH #116

†Standing, if able

‡Live stream ends before the Lord's Supper.

TH — *Trinity Hymnal*; TP — *Trinity Psalter*; TPH — *Trinity Psalter Hymnal*

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*

NO FELLOWSHIP MEAL

Because the FLOCK dinner is the night prior, there will be no fellowship meal after the worship service on December 5. ACTS donations are appreciated.

SENIORS' LUNCH

If you are 50+, please consider joining the seniors for a good time of fellowship at the church from noon to 1:30 on Wednesday, **December 8**. Just bring your lunch and beverage; dessert will be provided. If you have questions, contact John or Paula Strain.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

There will be a Congregational Meeting following the worship service on **December 19**. The purpose of the meeting is to present the budget and to vote on proposed changes to the compensation packages of Pastor Michael and Pastor Matt.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Income vs. Budget	11/21/2021	YTD
General Income	\$7,744.00	\$495,258.49
Budget Requirement	\$9,630.00	\$452,610.00
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$1,886.00)	\$42,648.49
Attendance	125	

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.

WORK DAY FOR THE POWELLS

On **December 4th**, the Deacons will be helping Josh Powell with some needed work at his parents' house. It would be a blessing to the Powell family if we could assist. The work will include things such as tree pruning, leaf raking, deck board replacing, and other smaller tasks. Show no earlier than 7:30 a.m. Tools needed include a power washer, pruning saws and loppers, post-hole digger and pry bars for removing deck boards. For any questions, see Ralph Bentley.

FLOCK

Annual Christmas FLOCK, Saturday, Dec 4, at 6 p.m.

This is an event for the adults in our church (18 and up are all invited). It is a festive evening where we share an upscale pot-luck (bring a main course and either a side dish or dessert) and then have a "white elephant" gift exchange game. This is always a special, fun time of fellowship.

VBS INTEREST MEETING

Following the worship service on **December 5**, Pastor Matt will hold a short interest/informational meeting concerning **VBS** for the coming year at approximately 12:20 p.m. Please be in prayer for this and plan to attend so that we can see what level of interest there may be and to help begin the planning process.

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

O God, thou art my God; early will I seek thee:
my soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh longeth for
thee in a dry and thirsty land, where no water is;
To see thy power and thy glory, so as I have seen
thee in the sanctuary.

— Psalm 63:1, 2

MARK 2:1-12 (ESV)

¹And when he returned to Capernaum after some days, it was reported that he was at home. ²And many were gathered together, so that there was no more room, not even at the door. And he was preaching the word to them. ³And they came, bringing to him a paralytic carried by four men. ⁴And when they could not get near him because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him, and when they had made an opening, they let down the bed on which the paralytic lay. ⁵And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, “Son, your sins are forgiven.” ⁶Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, ⁷“Why does this man speak like that? He is blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?” ⁸And immediately Jesus, perceiving in his spirit that they thus questioned within themselves, said to them, “Why do you question these things in your hearts? ⁹Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Rise, take up your bed and walk?’ ¹⁰But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins”—he said to the paralytic— ¹¹“I say to you, rise, pick up your bed, and go home.” ¹²And he rose and immediately picked up his bed and went out before them all, so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, “We never saw anything like this!”

CONFESSION OF SIN

O LORD our God, we lament that our sins have grieved Your heart and arrested sweet communion with You.

We cover over sins and transgressions that others do not see. But in Your sight, O merciful God, nothing is hidden.

We declare that our love for those outside the family of God grows cold.

We admit that often our motive for serving You seeks the praise of others.

We acknowledge that we have harbored bitterness and anger toward others.

Forgive us for the hardness of our hearts. Pardon us for delighting more in the fleeting pleasures of this fallen world.

We confess our sins and plead the merits of our Savior’s life, death, and resurrection.

For Your great Name’s sake, deliver us from evil.

We pray in the Name of Your Son, Christ Jesus, the Righteous One. Amen.

Personal Confession

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide ... "

— John 15:15-16a (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.

SERMON NOTES

11/28/2021

Robert Hasler

Text: Mark 2:1-12

1. Godly _____ Bring _____ to Jesus

2. Jesus's _____ and the Scribes' _____

3. Jesus Demonstrates His _____

4. Application

i. Physical _____ reveal Spiritual _____

ii. Jesus' _____ is to rescue his _____ from the _____ of _____

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