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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

FEBRUARY 13, 2022

10:45 A.M.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

**Meditation**

Call to Worship and Invocation

†Hymn of Worship “Join All the Glorious Names” TH #301

Greeting

†Song of Praise “As the Deer”

†Confession of Faith The Nicene Creed

Pastoral Prayer

†Scripture Reading Amos 6:1-8 [Seat Bibles, p. 768]

†Singing Psalms Psalm 93, TP, p. 80

Tune: “Revive Thy Work, O Lord” TH #370

Tithes & Offerings

†Gloria Patri TH #735

Sermon Text Matthew 24:36-44 [Seat Bibles, p. 830]

Expounding the Word of God Pastor Michael Mang

“Alert and Ready During the Routine of Life”

†Hymn of Response “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” TH #457

‡The Lord's Supper

†Doxology

†Benediction

Postlude

†Standing, if able

‡Live stream ends before the Lord's Supper.

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

Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my Spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a faintly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be discouraged till he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his law.

-- Isaiah 42:1-4 (ESV)

## FELLOWSHIP AND TEACHING

—**Men’s Breakfast** meets on 4th Saturdays, 9:00 a.m. at the church building, for a potluck meal and study of *Gentle and Lowly* by Dane Ortland. Zoom access will also be available.

—**Women’s Bible Studies** meet on the 2nd and 4th weeks of the month, on Tuesday morning and Thursday evening. See Lisa Bentley or Robin Deane for details.

—Multiple **small groups** meet 1-2 times per month for teaching, prayer, and fellowship. Please speak to anyone on the session if you are interested in joining one.

—Each **Tuesday evening**, we have a potluck dinner at 6:30 (check your email for the weekly signup) followed by prayer & teaching at 7:00. Please come!

## 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 Kate Bredbenner)

**Nursery and Outdoor Safety Monitors** (contact Robin Deane)

**Special Music** (contact Barbara Harris or Grace Reid)

**Communion Bread** (contact the Deacons to be part of a rotation)

## FINANCIAL UPDATE

Income vs. Budget	02/06/2022	YTD
General Income	\$6,648.60	\$56,481.12
Budget Requirement	\$10,250.00	\$61,500.00
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$3,601.40)	(\$5,018.88)
Attendance	126	

## 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).

## RIDGEHAVEN SERVICE PROJECT

Ridgehaven Camp for rising 6th-12th graders will be held August 1st-6th this year. Get ready for hard work and a lot of fun!  
Deposit is due by Feb 15 to reserve the best price. Please see Pastor Matt's email or speak to him directly for more details.

## PAINT NIGHT

Laurie Mang will be conducting another Paint Night on Friday As always, please contact Laurie to RSVP or with any questions ([Laurie.Mang@aol.com](mailto:Laurie.Mang@aol.com)) and plan to bring a snack and beverage to share! Laurie will be sending out the supplies list soon!

## YOUTH GROUP

Our next meeting will be at the Rowe home at 5:00 p.m. on February 26. Stay tuned for details and meal signup.

## COMMUNICANTS CLASS

A Communicants Class will be offered for thirteen (13) weeks starting Tuesday evening, February 1, at 7:00 p.m. Parents, there is no set age for this class, but if you believe your child(ren) is ready to begin moving toward full communing membership, please consider this class for your child(ren).

## 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

02/13/2022

Pastor Michael Mang

Title: "Alert and Ready During the Routine of Life"

Text: Matthew 24:36-44

Theme: Christ calls us to be alert and ready for His Second Coming, not by trying to figure out the time when He will return, but by living in constant and close communion and harmony with Him.

I. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_ Coming  
Cannot Be \_\_\_\_\_ (36)

II. At the Second Coming \_\_\_\_\_ Will Be Going  
On as \_\_\_\_\_ and Will \_\_\_\_\_  
People by \_\_\_\_\_ (37-41)

III. Followers of Christ Must \_\_\_\_\_ Be  
\_\_\_\_\_ for the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord  
(42-44)

## CONFESSION OF SIN

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)

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.

#### **IV. Applications**

**A. Being \_\_\_\_\_ means living your life**  
\_\_\_\_\_ **under the \_\_\_\_\_ of**  
**Christ.**

**B. Get on with \_\_\_\_\_**  
**while at the same time remain \_\_\_\_\_**  
\_\_\_\_\_.

**C. \_\_\_\_\_ times are far more spiritually**  
\_\_\_\_\_ **times for the Church than times**  
**of \_\_\_\_\_.**

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. On earth, who can know when Christ Jesus will return visibly to Earth (v. 36a)?
2. Who specifically does Jesus say cannot know the time of His return (v. 36b)? Who alone knows when Jesus will return to the earth (v. 36c)?
3. To what period of time does Jesus compare His return (v. 37)?
4. What were those days like (v. 38)?
5. What were the people in those days unaware of (v. 39a)?
6. What will most people be unaware of in the future (v. 39b)?
7. What will happen when Jesus returns (vv. 40-41)?
8. How does Jesus apply this (v. 42a)? Why (v. 42b)?
9. What analogy does Jesus use to emphasize why it is important to be ready for His return (v. 43)?
10. Why are Christians to be always ready for the return of Christ (v. 44)?
11. What are five grammatical indicators that the subject in verse 36 and following is different from the previous verses (24:4-35)?
12. What kind of life should you live to be ready for the return of Christ Jesus? What does this look like? Identify some activities you might do and some you might not do.
13. How does Jesus' description of what the times will be like when He returns differ from many modern popular descriptions of what will be happening when He returns?
14. How can you live normally and routinely while at the same time be alert and ready for the return of Christ Jesus?
15. Why might normal or prosperous times be more perilous spiritually than times of spiritual harassment and persecution for the sake of the Gospel?

## THE LORD'S SUPPER

### Announcement:

All are invited to the Lord's Table who have been baptized, have publicly professed (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) faith in 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.