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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

MARCH 20, 2022

10:45 A.M.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Meditation

Call to Worship and Invocation

†Hymn of Worship “Lord, with Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee” *TH #80*

Greeting

†Song of Praise “Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery”

†Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

Pastoral Prayer

†Scripture Reading

2 Timothy 3:1-17 [Seat Bibles, p. 996]

†Singing Psalms

Psalm 135, *TP* p. 115

Tune: “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” *TH #457*

Tithes & Offerings

†Gloria Patri

TH #735

Sermon Text

Psalm 11:1-7 [Seat Bibles, p. 452]

Expounding the Word of God

Pastor Michael Mang

“How Should Christians Respond and Cope in a Culture Where Gender and Sexuality Mean Little or Nothing” (Part 1)

†Hymn of Response “My Hope Is Built on Nothiing Less” *TH #521*

‡**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

“God did not send a concept, an idea, or a virtue. He sent his Son. Follow the God of love, not love as your god.”

— Kevin DeYoung

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! A Communicants Class is running concurrently through April.

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	03/13/2022	YTD
General Income	\$4,931.04	\$106,394.61
Budget Requirement	\$10,250.00	\$112,750.00
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$5,318.96)	(\$6,355.39)
Attendance	116	

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scheduled events can be found on the church's online [Calendar](#). It can also be viewed on the home page of www.spriggsroad.org.

WORK DAY

The next church workday is scheduled for Saturday, April 30th.
(May 7th is the rain date.)
Please plan to come and help, even for a short time.

SRPC FAMILY CAMPOUT

The SRPC Family Campout will be held May 19-21st at the Deane property. Please add to your calendar and plan to join us for any and/or all activities. An email with a flyer was sent out recently. If you have any questions, please see Joe Deane or Dave Dise.

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!
Please see Pastor Matt's email or speak to him directly for more details.

SERVICE FOR STEVE POWELL

The Powell family welcomes the congregation to attend Steve Powell's interment service, which will be held at Arlington National Cemetery on Monday, March 21st, at 11:00. Guests will need to arrive no later than 10:15 and drive to the administration building to ask for the service for Lieutenant Colonel David Stephen Powell. ID is required for anyone age 16 or older.

*There will not be a public reception following this service.

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

03/20/2022

Pastor Michael Mang

Title: “How Should Christians Respond and Cope in a Culture Where Gender and Sexuality Mean Little or Nothing” (Part 1)

Text: Psalm 11:1-7

Theme: Christians respond and cope in a culture where gender and sexuality amount to little or nothing by not retreating or fleeing into their safe enclaves and havens of isolation and safety. We respond to the cultural madness facing us by first and foremost confessing and appealing to the nature and character of our God.

Introduction: [a bit long, but necessary]

I. _____ Over the _____ of Wickedness. (1-3)

II. The LORD _____ in Heaven and
_____ the Wicked. (4-7)

CONFESSION OF SIN

Our Father in heaven, You call us to be thankful in all things, yet we confess we are often ungrateful and unsatisfied with Your providence. We acknowledge our ingratitude, and we implore You to forgive us for not being thankful.

We are to be cheerful givers, O LORD, yet we often grudgingly give to Your Kingdom. Forgive us for our insincerity and selfishness.

You, O God, have blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms in Christ, yet we complain about our circumstances and think that we deserve more.

Hear and forgive us for the sake of Your dear Son, Christ Jesus our Lord.

Set our hearts to love and serve You in sincerity and truth, for we pray in His Name. Amen.

Personal Confession

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

“Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name. For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.”

—Psalm 30:4-5 (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.

III. Applications

A. Find your _____ in the _____
_____.

B. We must _____ the _____
in the _____ of society.

C. We need to know _____ our
_____ is in times like these.

D. _____ is a _____ and not an
_____ in times like these.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Who wrote this psalm by the inspiration of God's Spirit (heading)?
2. Where did David find his refuge (v. 1a)?
3. What were people counseling David to do (v. 1b)?
4. Why was David being counseled this way (vv. 2-3)?
5. What was David's response to this counsel (vv. 4-7)?
6. Where did David describe God's present place of operations (v. 4a, b)? What does this mean?
7. What did David say that the LORD saw (v. 4c)?
8. How was the LORD using David's present situation (v. 5a)?
9. Who does the LORD hate (v. 5b)?
10. What will the LORD do to the wicked (v. 6)?
11. What did David say was the LORD's nature (v. 7a)? What does this mean?
12. What does the LORD love (v. 7b)?
13. Who will see the LORD (v. 7c)?
14. Are foundations of society being torn down today? If so, which ones? How?
15. Why do God's people need not fear if and when this happens?
16. How do you find your security in the LORD?
17. What fissures in the foundations of society need to be identified?
18. In your estimation, are many Christians ignorant or oblivious to who God is? How is this evident? Why is this so?
19. How is prayer a response to the destruction of society's foundations?
20. How are gender confusion and same-sex attraction impacting society today? How are families being affected? How is the Church being influenced by these movements?
21. Should churches (pastors and elders) address these issues? If so, how? When? Why?
22. What are some improper or ineffective responses and ways of coping that Christians and the Church have exhibited in dealing with transgenderism and homosexuality?
23. What are some good or healthy responses and ways of coping that Christian families and individual churches can extend in dealing with transgenderism and homosexuality?
24. How does knowing God inform how we respond to the hot-button issues that we face in our culture?
25. How can our children be protected from the destructive and harmful ideas, practices, and sexual worldviews that now proliferate in our culture?

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.