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MAY 15, 2022 10:45 А.М. "Blessed Assurance" TH 693 Prelude Welcome and Announcements Meditation Call to Worship and Invocation "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" TPH 291; TH 164 **†Hymn of Worship** Greeting **†Song of Praise** "I Worship You, Almighty God" +Confession of Faith The Apostles' Creed **Pastoral Prayer** +Scripture Reading Luke 4:16-30 [Seat Bibles, p. 991] +Singing Psalms Psalms 101 and 30 Tune: "The Church's One Foundation" TPH 404; TH 347 Tithes & Offerings +Gloria Patri TPH 572; TH 735 Sermon Text 2 King 4:1-7 [Seat Bibles, p. 309] Expounding the Word of God Pastor Matt Bowles "More Than Numbered" [†]Hymn of Response "Now Thank We All Our God" TPH 181; TH 98 *‡***The Lord's Supper** †Doxology +Benediction Postlude "To God Be the Glory" TPH 236; TH 55 [†]Standing, if able [‡]Live stream ends before the Lord's Supper. TH — Trinity Hymnal; TPH — Trinity Psalter Hymnal

FELLOWSHIP AND TEACHING

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

14 Although I hope to come to you soon, I am writing you these instructions so that, 15 if I am delayed, you will know how people ought to conduct themselves in God's household, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and foundation of the truth. 16 Beyond all question, the mystery from which true godliness springs is great:

He appeared in the flesh, was vindicated by the Spirit, was seen by angels, was preached among the nations, was believed on in the world, was taken up in glory.

—Adult Sunday School is going through the book <u>Strange New World</u> by Carl Trueman. Books and study guides are available at Amazon, ChristianBook, Audible, Crossways, and HeritageBooks.

—**Men's Breakfast** meets on 4th Saturdays, 9:00 a.m. at the church building, for a potluck meal and study of <u>Gentle and Lowly</u> by Dane Ortlund. 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.

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)

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Income vs. Budget	05/08/2022	YTD
General Income	\$9,358.27	\$184,834.24
Budget Requirement	\$10,250.00	\$194,750.00
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$891.73)	(\$9,915.76)
Attendance	101	

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scheduled events can be found on the church's online <u>Calendar</u>. It can also be viewed on the home page of <u>www.spriggsroad.org</u>.

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

Save Lives, Fill a Bottle! The Baby Bottle Campaign for Life First has started. The funds you collect will help save lives, spare hearts, and share the Gospel. It's easy to participate! Pick up a bottle today and fill it with coins, cash, or check over the coming weeks. Receipts will be given for checks only. Bring it back to the church on or before Father's Day, June 19, and know you are making a positive difference in the lives of women and children in your community.

If you have any questions, call Susan Kruchten at 540-349-4359

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, even if you don't stay overnight. An email with a flyer and details was sent out recently. If you have any questions, please see Joe Deane or Dave Dise. RSVP is not necessary but is helpful.

Hope to see you there!

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.

CONFESSION OF SIN

SERMON NOTES

05/15/2022

Pastor Matt Bowles

Title: "More Than Numbered"

Text: 2 Kings 4:1-7 (ESV)

- Themes: 1. The Lord's personal care of His people, even the small, as opposed to the great
 - 2. Freedom and setting the captives free (from sin's slavery)

1 Now the wife of one of the sons of the prophets cried to Elisha, "Your servant my husband is dead, and you know that your servant feared the LORD, but the creditor has come to take my two children to be his slaves." 2 And Elisha said to her, "What shall I do for you? Tell me; what have you in the house?" And she said, "Your servant has nothing in the house except a jar of oil." ³ Then he said, "Go outside, borrow vessels from all your neighbors, empty vessels and not too few. ⁴ Then go in and shut the door behind yourself and your sons and pour into all these vessels. And when one is full, set it aside." ⁵ So she went from him and shut the door behind herself and her sons. And as she poured they brought the vessels to her. ⁶ When the vessels were full, she said to her son, "Bring me another vessel." And he said to her, "There is not another." Then the oil stopped flowing. ⁷ She came and told the man of God, and he said, "Go, sell the oil and pay your debts, and you and your sons can live on the rest."

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.

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)

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.

I. Need (v. 1)

II. Seen (v. 2)

THE LORD'S SUPPER

III. Provision and Hope (vv. 3-7)

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.