



LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

NOVEMBER 6, 2022

10:45 A.M.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Meditation

Call to Worship and Invocation

†Hymn of Worship

“Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!”
[TPH 456, TH 498]

Greeting

†Song of Praise

“Behold, What Manner of Love”

†Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

Pastoral Prayer

†Scripture Reading

Acts 1:1-11 [Seat Bibles, p. 909]

†Singing Psalms

Psalm 79

Tune: “May the Mind of Christ My Savior” TPH 488; TH 644

Tithes & Offerings

†Gloria Patri

TPH 572; TH 735

Sermon Text

2 Kings 6:1-7 [Seat Bibles, p. 312]

Expounding the Word of God

Pastor Matt Bowles

“Lost and Found”

†Hymn of Response

“Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting” TPH 479, TH 188

The Lord's Supper

†Doxology

†Benediction

Postlude

†Standing, if able

TPH — Trinity Psalter Hymnal TH—Trinity 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 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

The more perfect the sight is the more delightful the beautiful object. The more perfect the appetite, the sweeter the food. The more musical the ear, the more pleasant the melody. The more perfect the soul, the more joyous the joys of heaven, and the more glorious that glory.

—Richard Baxter

CONFESSON 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

11/06/2022

Pastor Matt Bowles

Title: "Lost and Found"

Text: 2 Kings 6:1-7

I. Axe Writ Small

II. Sequence to the Axe

III. Two Steps Back

2 KINGS 6:1-7

¹ Now the sons of the prophets said to Elisha, “See, the place where we dwell under your charge is too small for us. ² Let us go to the Jordan and each of us get there a log, and let us make a place for us to dwell there.” And he answered, “Go.” ³ Then one of them said, “Be pleased to go with your servants.” And he answered, “I will go.” ⁴ So he went with them. And when they came to the Jordan, they cut down trees. ⁵ But as one was felling a log, his axe head fell into the water, and he cried out, “Alas, my master! It was borrowed.” ⁶ Then the man of God said, “Where did it fall?” When he showed him the place, he cut off a stick and threw it in there and made the iron float. ⁷ And he said, “Take it up.” So he reached out his hand and took it.

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.

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

O living and true God, our hearts grow cold and indifferent to Your Kingdom and to the grace that You lavish upon us daily.

We confess that we get angry when our desires are frustrated, rather than because Your majesty is maligned, Your Word is impugned, or Your glory is ignored.

Forgive us for loving the world and the things in it rather than loving You, the Giver of every good gift.

Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us.

Purify us from our sinful desires and our erring ways.

We resolve to serve You in the newness of the Spirit, Whom You have given to us as children of the Living God.

And we shall endeavor to be more mindful of Your wonderful providence, more vigilant to remain steadfast in doing Your will, and more humble to esteem others better than ourselves.

Hear our confession today as we make our prayer in and through the merit and the mediation of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Personal Confession

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

“Yet even now,” declares the LORD,
“return to me with all your heart,
with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning;
and rend your hearts and not your garments.”

Return to the LORD your God,
for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger,
and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster.

— Joel 2:12-13 (ESV)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

At the Fellowship Dinner after the worship service next week, November 13, we will celebrate and honor **John and Paula Strain on their 50th wedding anniversary**. Over the years they have both been a sterling witness and example of sacrifice and service for Christ and His Church, especially in this body, and we want to recognize this milestone and the blessing they have been to us. Please bring the usual dishes (main courses and desserts) for serving even though there should be some left-over brats from the Harvest Festival the day before.

PAINT NIGHT

Laurie Mang will lead a Monet inspired Paint Night on November 18 from 6:30 to 9:00, so please gather your supplies and head to the Kims' garage studio for our next fun-filled time of fellowship, paint instruction, and food! Please RSVP to Laurie and refer to your email for details and the list of supplies.

SRPC FALL FESTIVAL

The annual Fall Festival outreach event is scheduled for Saturday, Nov 12th, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the church. It is always a great time! We still need a few volunteers, if you are able to help. Please reach out to Gina Powell with any questions.

SENIORS' FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

The next Seniors' Fellowship Lunch will be on Wed., November 9th, noon to 1:30 p.m. at the church. Contact John or Paula Strain with questions.

CHRISTMAS FLOCK

Please mark your calendar for our annual Christmas FLOCK (Fun-Loving Older Covenant Kids) party on Saturday, Dec 10th, at 6 p.m. This is a festive evening where we share an upscale pot-luck and then have a "white elephant" gift exchange game. Please look for the email with the sign-up link and RSVP by Nov 13th, so plans can be finalized.

FELLOWSHIP AND TEACHING

—**Adult Sunday School** will begin a series on 1 Timothy soon.

—**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 Ortlund. Zoom access is available, if requested.

—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 singing, prayer, and teaching at 7:00. Please come!

—**Women's Bible Study** is studying Hebrews every 2 weeks at the church, at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesdays and at 6:30 p.m. on Thursdays. You can attend either date/time. Please see Robin Deane or Lisa Bentley if you have any questions.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School is set for June 26-30, 2023!

If you are able to volunteer in any capacity, please tell Naomi Petko, and watch for information about upcoming planning meetings.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Income vs. Budget	10/30/2022	YTD
General Income	\$11,525.00	\$408,050.23
Budget Requirement	\$10,250.00	\$451,000.00
Surplus (Deficit)	\$1,275.00	(\$42,949.77)
Attendance	123	

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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)
