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### Announcements

* **Teen Night**: Our next Teen Night (grades 6-12) will be at the Rowes’ home on Saturday, March 25, from 5:00-8:00 p.m. Watch your email for the food signup.
* **Life First Abortion Recovery Classes**: Life First will have Abortion Recovery classes beginning in March. See Lisa Bentley for more information.
* **Food Pantry Donations**: The Deacons are continuing to collect non-perishable food items and general items for those in need in our community. Please put items in the ACTS bin in the hallway.
* **Child Safety Watch**: The outside Child Safety Watch was created to help us keep an eye on the children after church while they are outside the building. This is a blessing to the many young families in our church. Since there is not an enclosed play area, it is very helpful to have extra eyes on the parking lot/lawn/driveway. Please consider serving in this way, using the emailed signup link.
* **Family Campout**: Our annual family campout will be May 18-20 at the Deane property. See Joe or Robin for more details.
* **Vacation Bible School** is June 26-30. Questions: Naomi Petko.
* **Ridgehaven**: The Ridgehaven Service Project is set for July 24-29 for rising 6th to 12th graders. Questions: Pastor Matt Bowles.

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 Ortlund.
* **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.
* **Tuesday Nights**: 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!

**Online Church Calendar**: this detailed calendar is found on the home page of the church's website: www.spriggsroad.org.

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The **live webcast** of the worship service and archived **sermons** are found on the church’s website.

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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**)

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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 listed above.

We start **Sunday School for all ages at 9:30**, and begin **Worship at 10:45**, during which a **nursery** is 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.

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.

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Lord’s Day Worship

### March 12, 2023 10:45 a.m.

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**Prelude**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Meditation**  [Bulletin, p. 2]

**Call to Worship & Invocation**

**Hymn of Worship** “I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art” [TPH 282]

**Greeting**

**Song of Praise** “There Is a Hope”

**Confession of Faith** The Nicene Creed

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Scripture Reading** Romans 10 [Seat Bibles, p. 946]

**Singing Psalms** Psalm 18 - “I Love You, LORD, My Strength” [TPH 18A]

Verses 1, 13, 14; to the tune, “He Leadeth Me” [TPH, 526]

**Tithes & Offerings**

**Gloria Patri** [TPH 572]

**Sermon Text** 2 Kings 6:24 - 7:20 [Seat Bibles, p. 312]

**Expounding the Word of God** Pastor Matt Bowles

***Turn Around, Go Back Down***

**Hymn of Response** [\*] “We Are God’s People” [TH 355]

**The Lord’s Supper**

**Doxology**

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

\* *The livestream ends during this hymn.*

### Meditation

### “I tell you, my friends, do not fear those who kill the body, and after that have nothing more that they can do. But I will warn you whom to fear: fear him who, after he has killed, has authority to cast into hell. Yes, I tell you, fear him! Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? And not one of them is forgotten before God. Why, even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not; you are of more value than many sparrows.

### “And I tell you, everyone who acknowledges me before men, the Son of Man also will acknowledge before the angels of God, but the one who denies me before men will be denied before the angels of God.

### – Luke 12:4–8 (ESV)

### Confession of Sin

Eternal Father, we acknowledge that we are poor sinners, conceived in guilt, prone to do evil, and unable of our own power to do good.

We constantly violate Your holy commandments intentionally and unintentionally. But, O Lord, with heartfelt sorrow we repent and turn away from all our offenses.

We abhor our iniquities and our evil ways. We plead Your grace and mercy to relieve our distress.

Have compassion on us, most gracious God, for the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant us daily increase of the grace of Your Holy Spirit and produce in us the fruit of righteousness that is pleasing in Your sight.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray.

Amen.

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***Personal Confession***

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

### Assurance of Pardon

“Already you are clean because of the word I have spoken to you.

Abide in me, and I in you. … As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love.”

-- John 15:3-4, 9 (ESV)

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Sermon Notes

### 3/12/2023 Pastor Matt Bowles

Title: “Turn Around, Go Back Down”

Text: 2 Kings 6:24 – 7:20

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1. **Broken in the Dust Again**
2. **God’s Deliverance**
3. **Christ the Cornerstone**

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Sermon Notes

**Discussion / Study Questions**

1. How did the Northern Kingdom get in this predicament? Is it shocking to see the desperation of the people of God in this story?
2. Do God’s warnings to His people in Leviticus and Deuteronomy help make sense of what has befallen them?
3. What is it about difficult circumstances that makes it hard to trust God’s Word?
4. What are the promises of God’s Word for His children that make it hard to believe? Why is it so hard to believe?
5. Instead of finding relief in God’s promises, how do you fix yourself? In what specific ways?
6. Has God ever used a lowly or disrespectful person in your life to point you to Him and His ways? Why do you think He chooses to use this pattern?
7. It seems like we can see God using the weak to shame the strong many times throughout Scripture. What heart attitude is it that we have even as believers that makes us blind to this? What is this sin? Can you discern this attitude in your own life? In what ways?
8. The King (probably Jehoram) displays a “kind” of repentance when he tears his clothes at the news of the woman’s question about fairness in cannibalism. Does it fall short? Why?
9. What is the difference between worldly sorrow and godly sorrow? 2 Corinthians 7:8-13
10. How do unbelief, pride, and fear work together to shipwreck our faith?
11. Hebrews 3:14 talks about continuing in our “original confidence.” Confidence in what?

*Questions for Discussion at Home* can be found 1) by following the QR Code on your phone, 2) as a handout on the table at the back, or 3) on the church’s website: *(*[*https://www.spriggsroad.org/*](https://www.spriggsroad.org/)*srpcwp/category/bulletins/ )*.

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