



# Spring Branch Presbyterian Church

## Who's Who:

Minister: All Members of the Church  
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## Ministry Teams:

Administration Leader: Jacquie Ballesteros  
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Faith Development Leader: Kathryn Dethloff  
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Worship Leader: Donald McDaniel  
Treasurer: Neal Dikeman

## The Session

Clerk: Elizabeth Powell

### Class of 2024

Charles Fairchild  
Glenn Lanan  
Donald McDaniel  
Jennifer Miller

### Class of 2025

Jacquie Ballesteros  
Kathryn Dethloff  
Stephen Earnest

### Class of 2026

Kay Craig  
Sarah Dikeman  
Ethan Mitchell

## Academy Board

Laurie Mitchell  
Jani Shepard

Jim Kunkel  
Web Trevathan

Neal Dikeman  
Ashley Powell

## Serving today in Worship:

**Guest Pastor:** Rev. Cheryl Gans

**Liturgist:** Miguel Carlin

**Time For Young Disciples:** Miguel Carlin

**Usher Captain:** Donald McDaniel

**PowerPoint:** Patty Blome

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***“Cultivate Silence”***  
**June 18, 2023**

3rd Sunday After Pentecost

June 18, 2023

10:50 AM

*\*Those who are able please stand*

God's People Connect

**WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH**

*(Please sign the Friendship Book located in the pew rack next to the center aisle.)*

**PRELUDE**

**THE LIGHT OF CHRIST ENTERS THE SANCTUARY**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: The Israelite people were on the move and the third full moon was shining.

**People: We left the land of Egypt and traveled that very day to the wilderness of Sinai.**

Leader: They journeyed from Rephidim and entered the wilderness and camped in front of the mountain.

**People: We watched as Moses walked up the mountain to God. We listened as God spoke.**

Leader: God's voice echoed off the mountains "Still yourself and listen for my voice."

**ALL: Amen!**

**\*HYMN**

*"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"*

GTG, No. 385

Preparing for the Word

**INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

**CONFESSION OF SIN** *(unison)*

**Dear Lord Jesus, We know that you took on the curse for us. We still have trouble trusting in your still small voice that reminds us all fear is overcome. We forget to hold our tongue. We unleash our thoughts with arrogance. We step on others to get what we want. We forget to humble ourselves in your presence and with others. Teach us to come to you first for grace, and to share that grace with others in our lives. Amen.**

**SILENT CONFESSION**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: The gift of being still is a prayerful heart. Receive the assurance that sins are forgiven.

**People: Jesus Christ took on the curse so we can be free to be still.**

# Calendar of Events

[www.springbranchpres.org/church-calendar](http://www.springbranchpres.org/church-calendar)

**June 18 — Sunday**

***Father's Day***

- 9:15 am Church Nursery
- 9:30 am Sunday School
- 10:50 am Worship
- 12:00 pm Called Congregational Meeting

**June 19 — Monday**

***Mo-Ranch Summit46***

- 9:30 am WOW (S)
- 10:00 am The Gathering Place (FH)
- 5:30 pm Academy Board Meeting (P)
- 6:00 pm Yoga (CR)
- 7:00 pm Boy Scouts (Scout Hut)

**June 20 — Tuesday**

***Mo-Ranch Summit46***

***PresPress Articles Due***

- 10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
- 5:00 pm Cribbage (CR)
- 5:30 pm Special Olympics: Bocce Ball\* (Field)
- 6:00 pm Basketball (GP)
- 7:00 pm CENTI Bible Study & Worship\* (FH)

**June 21 — Wednesday**

***Mo-Ranch Summit46***

**June 22 — Thursday**

***Mo-Ranch Summit46***

- 10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
- 5:30 pm Special Olympics: Bocce Ball\* (Field)
- 6:00 pm Yoga (CR)
- 6:00 pm Fairbees Square Dance\* (GP)

**June 23 — Friday**

- 7:00 pm CENTI Youth Program\* (YR)

**June 24 — Saturday**

- 11:00 am Hot Meals
- 6:00 pm CENTI Church Service\* (GP)

**June 25 — Sunday**

- 9:15 am Church Nursery
- 9:30 am Sunday School
- 10:50 am Worship
- 2:00 pm Sunday Craft Workshop (FH)

**June 26 — Monday**

- 9:30 am WOW (S)
- 6:00 pm Yoga (CR)
- 7:00 pm Worship Team Meeting (Zoom)
- 7:00 pm Boy Scouts (Scout Hut)

**June 27 — Tuesday**

- 10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
- 5:30 pm Special Olympics: Bocce Ball\* (Field)
- 6:00 pm Basketball (GP)
- 7:00 pm Session (CR)
- 7:00 pm CENTI Bible Study & Worship\* (FH)

**June 28 — Wednesday**

- 9:30 am Happy Hands (CR)
- 5:00 pm Cribbage (CR)

**June 29 — Thursday**

- 10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
- 5:30 pm Special Olympics: Bocce Ball\* (Field)
- 6:00 pm Yoga (CR)
- 6:00 pm Fairbees Square Dance\* (GP)

**June 30 — Friday**

- 7:00 pm CENTI Youth Program\* (YR)

**July 1 — Saturday**

- 6:00 pm CENTI Church Service\* (GP)

\*Outside SBPC Reservations & Events  
(CR) Conference Room  
(FH) Fellowship Hall  
(GP) Gathering Place  
(L) Library  
(P) Parlor  
(S) Sanctuary

## Announcements & Events:

**Returning as our Guest Pastor this morning is Rev. Cheryl Gans!** Cheryl works for Memorial Hermann as a supplemental chaplain. She values tent camping, and ventures out to State Parks for rest and relaxation monthly. She plays the guitar and paints with watercolor for spiritual renewal.

**There will be a brief Called Congregational Meeting immediately following Worship today.** The purpose of the meeting is to Elect the Pastor Nominating Committee. The Slate put forth by the Nominating Committee for election to serve on the PNC is: Neal Dikeman, Stephen Earnest, Jan Fitts, Megan Hogg, and Laurie Mitchell.

**The Gathering Place will meet tomorrow at 10:00 AM!** The theme for this month is *We're Going to the Zoo!* If you are interested in helping out, please contact Jacquie Ballesteros or Sarah Dikeman.

**Articles for the July 2023 edition of the PresPress are due on Tuesday, June 20th.** Please submit articles to [ethan@springbranchpres.org](mailto:ethan@springbranchpres.org).

**Join us on Sunday, June 25th, from 2:00-4:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall for our next fun Craft Workshop — Tile Paining with Sharpies & Alcohol.** We will be working on making coasters or trivets. We need reservations so we have enough supplies! Call Kay Craig at 713-248-4138, or email to [kay@craig-heidt.com](mailto:kay@craig-heidt.com).

**Happy Hands will meet on Wednesday, June 28th, at 9:30 AM** in the Conference Room. Hope you can join us then. If you have any questions, please contact Doris Wright.

Would you like to beautify the Sanctuary on Sunday mornings while honoring a loved one or commemorating a special occasion? **The 2023 Flowers Sign-Up Calendar is located in the Narthex!** The cost per arrangement is \$65.00. Checks should be written to SBPC and mailed to the Church Office or placed in the offering plate on Sunday mornings.

**Join us for a Covered Dish Super at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, July 8th.** *The King's Men* will be providing us with the entertainment. Families, please bring a main dish, and a side, salad, or dessert. Singles, please bring one dish. The Fellowship Committee will provide drinks and bread. We hope to see you there!

**Save-the-Date for our July Blood Drive** – SBPC will have a Blood Drive on Sunday, July 23rd from 8:30 AM-12:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Please contact Ashley Powell at [ashleycrawford161@gmail.com](mailto:ashleycrawford161@gmail.com) or 972-571-2499 if you would like to donate. Share the gift of life!

**We will be starting children's chimes this summer!** This is a chance for elementary aged children to get to ring chimes as part of Worship. We will have some exploratory sessions this summer on the second Sunday of every month at 9:30 (July 9, and August 13th). Starting in September, we will meet the second and fourth Sunday each month during the Sunday School hour (these are the Sundays that do not have children's Sunday School). We are so excited to start up this new adventure! Please contact Megan Hogg ([megan1661@yahoo.com](mailto:megan1661@yahoo.com)) for additional details.

### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

**\*GLORIA** "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me" GTG, No. 582

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,  
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,  
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

### God's People Are Empowered

### TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Miguel Carlin

### FATHER'S DAY RECOGNITION

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION *(unison)*

**The Word of the Lord is available to us in so many ways. This is the time to listen. Lord, open our ears and hearts to connect with Scriptures and your message of life and love today. Amen.**

### FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalms 100

Red Pew Bible OT 552

### ANTHEM

"O Lord, Your Tenderness"

Rebecca Castillo

### SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Romans 5:1-8

Red Pew Bible NT 155

### SERMON

**"Cultivate Silence"**

Rev. Cheryl Gans

### Responding to the Word

### \*HYMN

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

GTG, No. 213

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(unison)*

*(From A Brief Statement of Faith, Lines 23-26)*

**God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.**

### PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### OFFERTORY

### \*DOXOLOGY

GTG, No. 606

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION



## SHARING OF PRAYER CONCERNS

### PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory forever. Amen.**

### Departing to Serve

#### \*HYMN

*"O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go"*

GTG, No. 833

## CALLED CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

#### \*BENEDICTION

#### \*THE LIGHT OF CHRIST GOES OUT INTO THE WORLD

#### \*POSTLUDE



### *Welcome Visitors*

You are joyfully welcomed as you worship with us today. In the worship bulletin, you will see an asterisk (\*) which invites you to stand as you are able throughout today's service. If you have any questions about Spring Branch Presbyterian Church's ministries and programs, you are invited to speak with the Pastor, an elder, an usher, or any other member of our church family. Also, the ushers have additional information for you as you leave today. We hope you will come back and that you consider Spring Branch as your church home.

### *Worship 10:50 am*

**Worship:** Spring Branch Presbyterian Church welcomes families of all ages and sizes. For families with young children, relax! God put the wiggle in all children (and adults), we understand. You are invited to sit closer to the front so your children can hear, see, and experience worship with those around them. Remember, children and youth learn through what they observe. Participate and engage yourselves fully.

**Nursery:** Infants six weeks through Pre-K are welcomed in the nursery during worship. Kindergarten and older children will attend worship with their parents. The Church Nursery is available from 9:15 AM through shortly after Worship in the Ducks classroom, Room 121, past the Church Offices.

### *Sunday Morning Offerings at 9:30 am*

**Saints Under Construction:** This class meets in the Sanctuary in the Garden Room. This discussion-oriented class focuses on what each of us can learn from the weekly Bible scriptures to build upon in strengthening our faith. Patti Nanney leads the class.

**The Explorers:** This class meets in the Conference Room in the Education Building. The class studies the Bible, book-by-book, using different translations which help the lively and thought-provoking discussions. Linda Crawford leads the class.

**Children's Sunday School Class:** This class meets in the Children's classroom in The Gathering Place on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of each month to learn more about the stories in the Bible by having crafts, stories, games, and other fun activities. The class is designed for elementary-age children, ages 5 to 10, but all are welcomed.

**Other Faith Development Opportunities:** Watch the monthly PresPress, weekly church-wide emails, and the worship bulletin for other opportunities throughout the year. It may be a short-term Special Topic or book discussions on Sunday mornings, a week night book study, or retreat.



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