



Spring Branch Presbyterian Church

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“The Transfiguration of Ourselves”

Scout Sunday
February 11, 2024

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10:50 AM

*Those who are able please stand

Gathering in God’s Name

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

POSTING OF THE COLORS

Cub Scout Pack 552

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Raise up a child in the way he should go.
People: And when he is old, he will not depart from it.
Leader: Raise up a child in the way he should go.
People: And we will fulfill our baptismal vows.
Leader: Raise up a child in the way he should go.
People: And we will joyfully worship God together.
ALL: As we gather on this special day, let us come together as one community of God.

*HYMN

“Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty”

GTG, No. 35

Preparing for the Word

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Leader: Our God is One of hope, salvation, and shelter. We who hear these healing words are invited to put all our confidence in God, to pour out our hearts to him, knowing that he hears us.
People: Let us admit our sins before God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Lord of life, we confess we have not met our obligation to make the world a safe place for our children. We have disappointed you and fallen short of your charge to us to overcome evil with good. In humble submission, we ask your forgiveness and beg to be renewed in energy and enthusiasm for the building of your kingdom on earth. Hear our prayer, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.
People: Thanks be to God who gives us life. Amen!

Calendar of Events

www.springbranchpres.org/church-calendar

February 11 — Scout Sunday

Transfiguration of the Lord
Souper Bowl of Caring

8:30 am Blood Drive (FH)
9:15 am Church Nursery
9:30 am Sunday School
9:30 am Children’s Chime Choir (S)
9:45 am Choir Practice (Choir Room)
10:50 am Worship
12:15 pm Monthly Birthday Celebration
5:00 pm Cub Scouts: Wolf (GP 1 & 2)

February 12 — Monday

5:30 pm Academy Board Meeting (CR)
6:00 pm Special Olympics: Volleyball* (GP)
7:00 pm Boy Scouts (Scout Hut)
7:00 pm Cub Scouts: Tiger Cub (GP 1 & 2)
7:00 pm Horizon’s Bible Study on Zoom

February 13 — Tuesday

10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
6:00 pm Basketball (GP)
6:30 pm Fellowship Meeting (CR)
7:00 pm CENTI Bible Study & Worship* (FH)

February 14 — Ash Wednesday

7:00 am Ash Wednesday Service (Foyer)
8:00 am Ash Wednesday Service (Foyer)
9:30 am PW Circle (CR)
12:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service (S)
12:30 pm Ash Wednesday Service (S)
3:30 pm WOW (S)
5:00 pm Girl Scouts (GP 1, 2, 3)
6:00 pm WNS: Red Beans & Rice!
6:45 pm Ash Wednesday Service (FH)

February 15 — Thursday

10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
6:00 pm Fairbees Square Dance* (GP)

February 16 — Friday

5:00 pm Idea Spring: Family Game Night! (FH)
7:00 pm CENTI Youth Program* (YR)

February 17 — Saturday

8:00 am Presbyterian Men (CR)
6:00 pm CENTI Church Service* (GP)

February 18 — 1st Sunday in Lent

9:15 am Church Nursery
9:30 am Sunday School
9:30 am Children’s Sunday School (GP 3)
9:45 am Choir Practice (Choir Room)
10:50 am Worship

February 19 — Monday

10:00 am The Gathering Place (FH)
6:00 pm Special Olympics: Volleyball* (GP)
6:00 pm BSA Committee Meeting (GP)
7:00 pm Boy Scouts (Scout Hut)

February 20 — Tuesday

PresPress Articles Due
10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
6:00 pm Basketball (GP)
7:00 pm CENTI Bible Study & Worship* (FH)

February 21 — Wednesday

9:30 am ZIP Trip: Buffalo Bayou Cistern!
3:30 pm WOW (S)
6:00 pm WNS: Chicken Pot Pie!

February 22 — Thursday

10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
6:00 pm Fairbees Square Dance* (GP)
7:00 pm Cub Scouts: Webelos (GP 1)

February 23 — Friday

6:30 pm SBM Arc Meeting* (FH)
7:00 pm CENTI Youth Program* (YR)

February 24 — Saturday

11:00 am Hot Meals
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:

The Flowers for this morning are given by Curtis and Jeannie Stockton, to the Glory of God, and are in celebration of Souper Bowl Sunday, Scout Sunday, and Valentine’s Day.

Today is Scout Sunday! We are being led in Worship by members of Boy Scout Troop 478, Cub Scout Pack 552, and Girl Scout Troop 124182. Troop 478 meets every Monday at 7:00 PM at the Scout Hut. Pack 552 is made up of 5 Dens, all which typically meet 2 times a month in the Gathering Place. Troop 124182 meets the second and fourth Wednesday of every month at 5:00 PM in the Gathering Place. Anyone interested in participating is encouraged to attend! For more information, please contact boyscouts@springbranchpres.org, cubscouts@springbranchpres.org, or girlscouts@springbranchpres.org.

Monthly Birthday Celebration—Join us in the breezeway immediately after Worship today as we celebrate and honor our February birthdays!

Thank you to everyone who is participating in our Blood Drive this morning. If you’d like to donate blood, come down to the Fellowship Hall before 12:30 PM! *Share the gift of life!*

Spring Branch Presbyterian is participating in the annual Souper Bowl of Caring today. You are invited to drop off your canned food items or cash/check donations in the Narthex before or after Worship. All donations that are received will benefit the Fair Haven Food Pantry! You can donate online using this QR code.



Join us for our Ash Wednesday Services on February 14th. There are five service opportunities as we begin our Lenten Season together. There will be four brief services for those who are unable to attend in the evening (7:00 AM, 8:00 AM, 12:00 PM, and 12:30 PM). We will have Wednesday Night Supper in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00 PM, and then our evening Ash Wednesday Service will be at 6:45 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Join us for Wednesday Night Supper this Wednesday, February 14th, at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Jan Fitts is making Red Beans and Rice with Sausage. Please email Kay Craig at kay@craig-heidt.com to place your dinner order. We hope to see you there!

The PW Day Circle will meet on Wednesday, February 14th, at 9:30 AM in the Conference Room. Please contact Patti Nanney if you’d like to attend via Zoom. The **Evening Bible Study** will meet on Monday, February 12th, at 7:00 PM via Zoom. Please contact Sarah or Ashely Powell if you are interested in attending. The Lesson 6 video is available at the following link: www.springbranchpres.org/adult-education/presbyterian-women/sacred-encounters.

Save-the-Date for our next Idea Spring event on Friday, February 16th, from 5:00-7:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. We will be having a Family Game Night! Bring your favorite board games and puzzles and join in the fun. A pizza dinner will be provided. We hope to see you there!

Please join us for our next ZIP Trip on Wednesday, February 21st, at 9:30 AM! We will be touring the Buffalo Bayou Conversancy Cistern. If you are interested in attending, we must have reservations. The Men of the Church are also invited. Please contact Marguerite Priest at mepriest@hotmail.com for more information and to RSVP. We hope that you will join us!

Feed My Starving Children – We would like to help support Pines Presbyterian again this year in this wonderful act of mission. Kids and adults of all ages hand-pack nutritious MannaPack® meals specifically designed to assist in reversing and preventing undernutrition. We will be offering two shifts this year: Friday, February 23rd from 6:00-8:00 PM, or Saturday, February 24th from NOON-2:00 PM. The deadline to sign up is Monday, February 19th with Miguel in the church office. To learn more about Feed My Starving Children, please visit their website at www.fmssc.org.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

***GLORIA PATRI** GTG, No. 581

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

God’s People Are Empowered

CHILDREN’S MOMENT Girl Scout Troop 124182

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION *(unison)*
Our Father, grant us the vision, the ears, the spirit, the heart, to taste your goodness, and to hear your voice as it speaks to us though your Word. Then give us the wisdom to speak the truth you have taught us in love. For Christ’s sake. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON 2 Kings 2:1-12 Red Pew Bible OT 332

ANTHEM “Steal Away” Rebecca Castillo

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON Mark 9:2-9 Red Pew Bible NT 44

SERMON “The Transfiguration of Ourselves” Rev. Mark Plunkett

Responding to the Word

***HYMN** “Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory” GTG, No. 354

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *(unison)* *(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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*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** *(unison)*

In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, we offer ourselves as a living sacrifice to be your tools to shape the character of our children, our Church, and our nation. Accept, we pray, these tokens of our commitment to the mission of establishing your kingdom on earth. Amen.

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**

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

GTG, No. 192

***BENEDICTION**

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

***POSTLUDE**



*Portions of today’s worship service are taken from
www.presbyterianscouters.org/scout-sunday-service.*

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 Pastor Mark, 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 Bears classroom, Room 126, which is in the north hallway of the Education Building.

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 1st and 3rd 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.

Children’s Chime Choir: The Chime Choir meets in the Sanctuary on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. This is a chance for elementary aged children to get to ring chimes as part of Worship. We are excited to continue this new adventure! Megan Hogg leads the Chime Choir.

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.



SBPC offers the option to give a gift to the church using your laptop or any mobile device. Please see the “Giving” card in your pew for details and information on how to support the missions and ministries of SBPC from anywhere at anytime, or visit www.springbranchpres.org/give.