



Spring Branch Presbyterian Church

Who's Who:

Minister: All Members of the Church
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Co-Pastor: Rev. Savannah Goodman
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Administrative Assistant: Ethan Mitchell
Music Director: Gabriel Perez
Accompanist: Jonathan Craft
AV Director: Ethan Mitchell
AV Technician: Ben Dethloff
Academy Director: Renee Henry

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Administration Leader: Ethan Mitchell
Congregation Leader: Kay Craig
Faith Development Leader: Jim Kunkel
Sarah Powell
Mission Leader: Joel Alegria
Worship Leader: Donald McDaniel
Treasurer: Neal Dikeman

The Session

Clerk: Jan Fitts

Moderator: Co-Pastor, Rev. Mark Plunkett
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Class of 2026

Kay Craig
Sarah Dikeman
Ethan Mitchell

Class of 2027

Joel Alegria
Beth Mizwa
Nina Rach

Class of 2028

Jim Kunkel
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Sarah Powell

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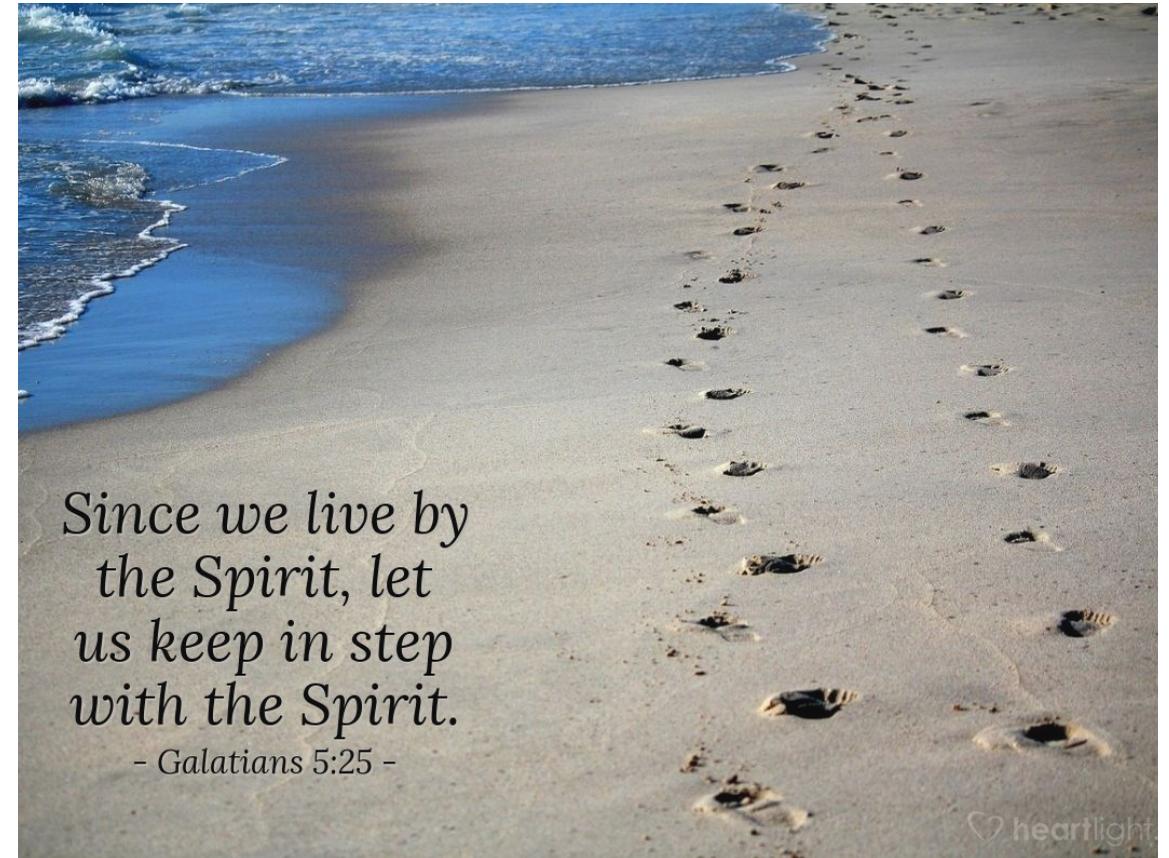
Carla Pace
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Lauren Tacchi

Serving today in Worship:

Liturgist: Jan Fitts
Children's Moment: Pastor Mark
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“The Two Faces of David” June 29, 2025

3rd Sunday After Pentecost

June 29, 2025

10:50 AM

**Those who are able please stand*

Gathering in God's Name

PRELUDE

THE LIGHT OF CHRIST ENTERS THE SANCTUARY

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

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

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Jesus said, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of people."

People: Lord, help us follow where you lead.

Leader: Jesus said, "If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and..."

People: Take up their cross and follow me."

Leader: Lord, help us put you first and follow you.

People: Jesus said, "Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also."

Leader: The peace of Christ be with all of you.

ALL: And also with you. Let us worship God!

***HYMN**

"What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine"

GTG, No. 837

Preparing for the Word

INVITATION TO CONFESSION *(from Hebrews 4:14, 16)*

Leader: Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens – Jesus, the Son of God – let us hold fast to our confession. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

Eternal God, you claimed us as your own in our baptisms and called us to be your covenant people. We confess we do not live as people created in your image, nor do we lead lives worthy of the calling to which we have been called. Jesus still calls, "Follow me" and we offer excuses because we can't do that. Jesus calls us to new life in the Spirit, and we cling to our old habits and tired traditions. Gracious God, forgive our sins. Open our ears and hearts to hear Jesus' call and give us grace and strength to respond in faith and love. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

Calendar of Events

www.springbranchpres.org/church-calendar



June 29 — Sunday

9:15 am Church Nursery
9:30 am Sunday School
10:50 am Worship

June 30 — Monday

7:00 pm Boy Scouts (Scout Hut)

July 1 — Tuesday

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

July 2 — Wednesday

3:00 pm WOW (S)

July 3 — Thursday

10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
1:00 pm Pastor Mark's Bible Study (Zoom)
6:00 pm Fairbees Square Dance* (GP)

July 4 — Friday

Church & Academy Closed
7:00 pm CENTI Youth Program* (YR)

July 5 — Saturday

6:00 pm CENTI Church Service* (GP)

July 6 — Sunday

9:15 am Church Nursery
9:30 am Sunday School
10:50 am Worship
12:00 pm July 6th Picnic Party! (FH)

July 7 — Monday

6:00 pm PW Unwind: Treebeards!
7:00 pm Boy Scouts (Scout Hut)

July 8 — Tuesday

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

July 9 — Wednesday

3:00 pm WOW (S)
5:00 pm Girl Scouts (GP 1, 2, 3, 4)

July 10 — Thursday

10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
1:00 pm Pastor Mark's Bible Study (Zoom)
6:00 pm Fairbees Square Dance* (GP)

July 11 — Friday

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

July 12 — 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:

The Flowers for this morning are given by Lee Dudinsky, to the Glory of God, and are in celebration of Maryam Taghadosi's birthday.

Thank you, Spring Branch Presbyterian Church members for helping kids at PCHAS! Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services (PCHAS) provides Christ-centered care and support to children and families in need. Each year, we hold an annual Back-to-School drive for our kids heading to school in the fall. All supplies from SBPC will go to support children in our Foster Care program. Please bring the supplies to the church before July 14th. **There will be a Backpack Stuffing Party on July 23rd at the PCHAS Cypress Office.** Please let Laurie Mitchell know if you are interested in helping out.

The Church & Academy will be closed on July 4th, in observance of Independence Day.

July 6th Picnic Party — Join the fun for a celebration of our nation's birthday on Sunday, July 6th, immediately following worship in the Fellowship Hall. Sandwiches, veggies, and drinks will be provided, along with watermelon and root beer floats! Please bring a salad, dessert, or chips or dip. Wear your red, white, and blue, and come join the party!

Please join the Unwind Women's Group for dinner at Treebeards (9655 Katy Freeway, entrance on Gaylord) on Monday, July 7th, at 6:00 PM. Please RSVP to Jacquie Ballesteros, only if you plan to attend, at 713-305-1114. We hope to see you there!

Save-the-Date for our July Blood Drive — SBPC will have a Blood Drive on Sunday, July 13th, from 8:30 AM-12:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Please contact Ashley Powell at 972-571-2499 or ashleycrawford161@gmail.com if you would like to donate. Share the gift of life!

The Children's Sunday School Class will be taking the month of July off for summer vacation. Join us when we resume on Sunday, August 3rd!

Pastor Mark has begun facilitating a Zoom Bible Study on the Book of Exodus on Thursdays at 1:00 PM. The Zoom information is available in the Friday email if you are interested in giving it a try over your lunch hour. If you wish to receive the Zoom invite every week, please email Mark to get on his list.

Would you like to beautify the Sanctuary on Sunday mornings while honoring a loved one or commemorating a special occasion? **The 2025 Flower 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.

SBPC Hot Meals on Weekends – The 4th Saturday of each month we look for individuals to deliver meals to shut-ins. We have 2 routes, so we usually need a total of 4 volunteers each month. Please contact Lu Taylor if you are interested in volunteering to deliver meals one month. You can now sign-up online too at this Sign-Up Genius [LINK!](#)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (from Titus 3:4-7)

Leader: When the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, God saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to God's mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. This Spirit God poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by God's grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life. Hear and believe the good news: In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven. Amen!

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: ...The peace of Christ be with you!

People: **And also with you.**

*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

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Pastor Mark

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Almighty God, your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. As we hear your Word read and proclaimed this day, may our hearts be enlightened and our spirits strengthened that we may be more faithful followers of Jesus, the Word made flesh. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalms 16:1-11

Red Pew Bible OT 495

ANTHEM

"The Summons"

Keith Trimble

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Galatians 5:1, 13-25

Red Pew Bible NT 190

SERMON

"The Two Faces of David"

Rev. Mark Plunkett

Responding to the Word

*HYMN

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

GTG, No. 435

*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

***OUR RESPONSE** *"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"* (v. 4) GTG, No. 1

*Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name,
in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION** (*unison*)

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the undeserved blessings you give us. Most of all, we thank and praise you for your indescribable gift of your Son Jesus Christ. Give us grateful hearts and willing lives so we may follow our Lord where he leads us and serve our Lord as he calls us. 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** *"Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"* GTG, No. 546

***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 Pastor Mark, Pastor Savannah, 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.

Stories & Songs: *Stories & Songs* occurs during Worship, with stories from *Growing in God's Love*, songs, coloring pages, and crafts. Pastor Savannah has chosen the stories to coincide with the Sermons. Children will leave the Sanctuary right after Children's Moment and be returned to their parents during the last hymn. This program is during the Worship Service for ages 3-6 years old.

Sunday Morning Offerings at 9:30 am

Saints Under Construction: This class meets in Gathering Place Classroom No. 2. 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.

Calling All Youth: The Youth meet in the Youth Room for Bible Study, Fellowship, and Mission work with the Pastors. Meetings are at 9:30 AM on Sunday mornings on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month. Other volunteers for the program are Jordan Goodman, Carla Pace, and Riley Fairchild.



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.