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Spring Branch Presbyterian Church
1215 Campbell Rd | Houston, TX 77055



From the desk of Pastor Savannah Goodman...

Dear Spring Branch Presbyterian,

Happy June! It is officially summer! As the Texas heat begins to kick in and ramp up, so too does a subtle awareness that we are entering a season of transition — a time that holds a unique spiritual invitation. School years end, church programs shift gears, and rhythms of life soften or stretch in new directions. Summer often becomes a threshold season: not quite the end, not yet the beginning. In the language of spiritual formation, this is liminal space — holy ground where God invites us to pause, listen, and be transformed.

Liminality, from the Latin *limen*, meaning "threshold," is a concept rich with biblical resonance. Think of the Israelites in the wilderness between Egypt and the Promised Land or Jesus in the desert after his baptism. These were times of uncertainty and discomfort, yes — but also times of deep formation and divine presence. Liminal space is where God does some of God's most mysterious and meaningful work. In our congregational life, summer means that some of our programming is paused and we start the "summer schedule." These transitions can stir both excitement and unease. And yet, this threshold time invites us to wonder: What are we being prepared for? What might we need to release to step into what's next? What is God trying to teach us during this time, during this experience?

Summer offers a chance to cultivate spiritual attentiveness — to model what it looks like to dwell faithfully in in-between spaces. We can take intentional time to rest, engage in moments of reflection, and have conversations that hold space for what is being left behind and what is yet to come.

So, as the days lengthen and the light lingers, may we enter this threshold season with curiosity and courage. May we remember that God meets us not just at the destination, but here, in the passageway — in the liminal places where transformation takes root.

In gratitude and anticipation,
Pastor Savannah



SPRING BRANCH
Presbyterian Church



Vacation Bible School
June 9-13, 2025
9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Closing Celebration
Thursday, June 12 | 5:30 PM

1215 Campbell Rd | Houston, TX 77055
More info at www.springbranchpres.org/vbs



RSVP for the
Closing Celebration!





**Spring Branch Presbyterian Church, 1215 Campbell Rd.
Vacation Bible School: Monday-Friday, June 9th-13th, 9:00 – 11:30 a.m.**

Child's Name: _____

Age Information (for children who have completed Pre-K through just finished 5th grade):

Date of birth _____ Age on June 9 _____

Last school grade completed (2024-2025) _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Phone Numbers: Cell _____ Home _____

Work _____

Home Church (if not SBPC): _____

Allergies/Medical Information/Other: _____

Emergency Contact(s):

Name _____ Phone _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Dismissal Information:

Name(s) of person(s) other than parents who may pick up this child from VBS:

Forms should be returned to the church office or emailed to jballesteros1103@gmail.com or savannah@springbranchpres.org.

Missions of the Month

The Mission of the month for June is our Vacation Bible School. This year, we are excited to announce that our Vacation Bible School is adding a



mission rotation to its already fabulous line up. This will be an opportunity for kids to learn about how missionaries spread God's Word around the world. They will also have an opportunity to practice mission work with special projects each day. They will explore things like making a scripture rock to put in their yard to spread God's love, and creating car first-aid kits so that they can help others they meet in the world. We would love your help in supporting this new initiative in two important ways. First, please take time this month to pray for the children and volunteers at VBS, as well as all the missionaries in the world. Second, if you feel called, please consider donating to help with our summer bags for the homeless (something else the kids will put together at VBS). Please see the list below for things to donate. All donations need to be received by June 10th to be used during our VBS week.

June Mission Updates and Opportunities

VBS Mission Rotation Needs – Small sunscreens, Chapstick, bottled water, deodorant, and small packs of baby/face wipes.

Fair Haven Food Pantry – Our local food pantry is struggling right now. Please make a personal pledge to pick up at least one extra item each time that you do your weekly grocery shopping and bring it to the church. In addition, Fair Haven really needs a higher volume of donated reusable plastic grocery bags. When they don't have enough, they must purchase bags. Let's recycle and help them out at the same time. You can also bring these to the church.

May 4th Church Picnic – We packed 25 homeless kits, and church members took them with them to pass out to our neighbors in need.

PCHAS School Supply Drive – June 4th is the kick-off for our summer collection of school supplies and backpacks to take to PCHAS. See the next page for more details!

PCHAS Packing Day – Interested in joining a group that will be helping to pack the items for PCHAS kids? This happens at the Cypress location on July 23rd. Please let Laurie Mitchell know if you are interested in helping out.



Presbyterian Children's Homes and ServicesSM

**Thank you, Spring Branch Presbyterian Church,
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. PCHAS has some supplies in storage, so we are filling in the gaps.

All supplies from SBPC will go to support children in our Foster Care program.

Back-to-School Drive from June 4 to July 14

Please bring all donated items to SBPC. Items must be received by July 14.

Kindergarten and Pre-K	Quantity
Baby Wipes	3
Diapers size 3-6	3
Small Child Back Packs	3
Toddler Crayons (8 large crayon packs) Triangular, set	3
Watercolor Paint, set	3
Refillable water bottles	3
Paper Towels	3
Facial Tissues	3
Elementary School	Quantity
Crayola Markers 24ct, set	5
Crayola Colored Pencils 12ct, set	5
Dry Erase Markers 3pk	4
Hand Sanitizer	8
Highlighters	20
Crayola Washable Markers, set	4
Paper Towels	4
Facial Tissues	4
Middle School	Quantity
Highlighters	10
Index Card Markers, set	2
No. 2 Pencils	8
White Out, bottles	3
High School	Quantity
Graphic Paper Pad	1
Hand Sanitizer	2
Highlighters	2
White Out, bottles	2
Binder Dividers, set	2
USB storage drives	2
Earbuds (Headphones), set	1



PENTECOST SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Sunday, June 8th

The Pentecost Offering helps our youth begin life with a strong start—a solid foundation of faith formed in the years from childhood through adulthood. Our congregation is joining the whole church in building for our future, in building individual lives of faith.

Ways to Give:

- Through your congregation (on Sunday, June 8th)
- Donate by credit card online at pcusa.org/donatepentecost
- Text PENTECOST to 91999 to give

A Foundation of Faith established during childhood through young adulthood helps ensure lifelong faith and service. When you give to the Pentecost Offering, you are helping to provide opportunities for young people to grow and share in their faith in Christ.

Celebrate June Birthdays!

Join us in the breezeway, weather permitting, for our next Birthday Celebration on Sunday, June 8th. Immediately after worship, we will gather for light snacks as we honor our June birthdays!



CarePartners, our sponsor for The Gathering Place, is offering a Legal and Financial Series of Zoom seminars in June. These are only offered through Zoom at noon on the dates below. The seminars are being offered in partnership with AARP and are free of charge.

June 12	Essential Estate Planning
June 19	Aging in Place
June 26	Crisis Planning

Register here to be sent the Zoom link: <https://bit.ly/2025-Legal-Financial>.

Presbyterian Women this Month



PW at a Glance

(There will be no Board Meetings, Bible Moderator Meetings, Bible Study, or Zip Trips during the Summer)



PW UNWIND will meet on 6/2 at 6:00 p.m. at Longhorn Steakhouse (9401 Katy Freeway)

HAPPY HANDS will meet on 6/25 at 9:30 a.m. in the Conference Room.

There will be a **PW WELCOMING LUNCHEON** on 8/11 at 12:15 p.m.

BIBLE STUDY BOOKS for 2025-2026 (*Finding Resilience, Joy, and Our Identity in Jesus Christ*) are available in the Church Office. The cost is \$14. Last years' study books can be delivered to the Church Office to be recycled to other groups.

The Unwind Group is meeting for dinner on Monday, June 2, 2025, at 6:00 PM at Longhorn Steakhouse (9401 Katy Freeway). Please RSVP to Jacquie Ballesteros at 713-305-1114 or jballesteros1103@gmail.com if you would like to join us. We hope to see you there!



Happy Hands will meet on Wednesday, June 25th, at 9:30 AM in the Conference Room. Hope you can join us for great fellowship, stuffing and stitching pillows for hospital patients, and/or knitting or crocheting.



JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL
PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S

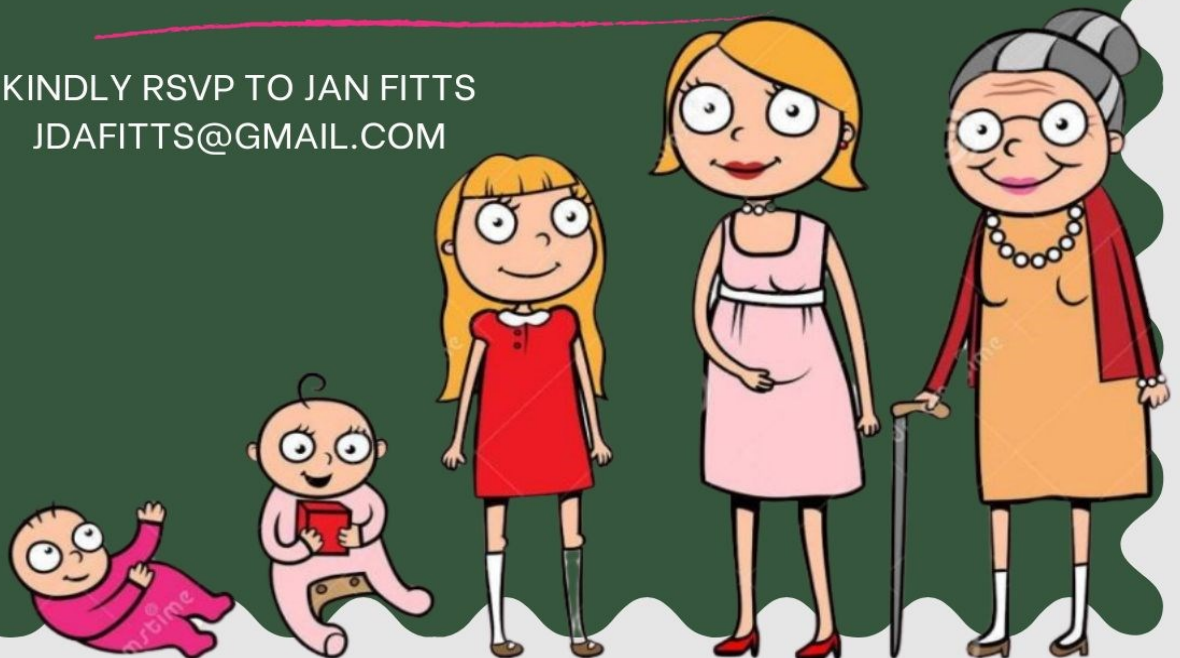
WELCOMING LUNCHEON

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10

RAFFLE BASKETS, LUSCIOUS LUNCH
FABULOUS FUN AND FELLOWSHIP FOR ALL AGES

12:15 – 2:00 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL
1215 CAMPBELL ROAD

KINDLY RSVP TO JAN FITTS
JDAFITTS@GMAIL.COM



Save the Date for the annual Presbyterian Women's Welcoming Luncheon on Sunday, August 10, after the worship service! Invite your friends young and old, every woman and girl is welcome.



Kay and Betty are busy planning a wonderful luncheon spread. You'll be dazzled by our talent and entertained by our follies. You'll get a tiny taste of our new PW Bible Study and learn a little bit about ages and stages of life. We have numerous raffle baskets offered, and if you would like to contribute, please contact Rebecca Alegria. If you would like to be involved, check in with these ladies or with Luna Lassiter at lunaanne726@gmail.com.

Kindly RSVP to Jan Fitts at jdafitts@gmail.com. Babysitting will gladly be provided, but you must tell Jan when you RSVP to the luncheon.

It's that wonderful time of year again — our annual Presbyterian Women's Luncheon is approaching, and we are excited to invite you to participate! We are currently accepting donations of baskets for our raffle, with all proceeds benefiting the Presbyterian Women's Scholarship/Mission Fund.

This is a fantastic opportunity to support our community while enjoying a special event together. Your generous contributions will help empower local students in their educational pursuits.

Raffle Basket Ideas:

- Gourmet Food Basket: A collection of delicious treats and snacks.
- Family Game Night Basket: Fun games and activities for a cozy night in.
- Relaxation & Self-Care Basket: Items for pampering and relaxation.
- Coffee Lovers Bundle: A selection of gourmet coffees and treats.
- Crafting Corner Basket: Supplies for creativity and crafting enthusiasts.
- Book Lovers Basket: A curated selection of bestsellers and cozy reads.



We encourage everyone to get creative and generous with their basket donations. Together, we can make this luncheon a memorable event while supporting our scholarship fund! Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to seeing you there! If interested in donating a basket, please email Rebecca Alegria at rebeccarivera515@gmail.com.



Congratulations! to our Prek "Stars of Fame", they graduated on May 16th. May God protect and guide them while on their way to the "Big School!" of higher learning.



Teachers were very successful with the Academy's monthly fire drill. Most of the kids believed it was an outdoor fun activity, others - not so much. Everyone did a great job.



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!



In the Spotlight...



SUMMER CAMP

**...officially underway.
Kids are super elated!**



The Academy is so thankful to have our Office Registrar / Office Assistant - Ms. Victoria Segovia back at work. She continues to perform her duties efficiently as always. Keep her in your prayers while she is still medically in the process of restoring her health.

May God give her strength and resolve through her healing and on going medical treatment period in her life. And may He also embrace her family during this painful time in Ms. Victoria's life and future.

If you would like to help support Ms. Victoria the Academy parents have setup a website to help her and family.

Website: <https://mealtrain.com/3345d8>

Thanks to all for your kind help, The Academy

SBPC CHOIR

JUNE 22ND

SUNDAY WORSHIP BROADWAY

FEATURING



WICKED



HAIRSPRAY

BROADWAY MUSIC SERVICE

SUNDAY 10:50 AM



July 6th Picnic Party



Join the fun for a celebration of our nation's Birthday!

Sunday, July 6 following worship

Fellowship Hall



**Sandwiches, veggies & drinks will be provided along
with watermelon & root beer floats!**



**Please bring a salad, dessert,
chips or dip.**



Please bring a few non-perishable items for Food Pantry

Games – bring your favorite to share



**Wear your red, white & blue
and come join the party!**

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Spring Branch Presbyterian

**Sunday,
July 13**

8:30 am - 12:30 pm

Fellowship Hall

1215 Campbell Rd

**To schedule an appointment,
contact Ashley Powell**

(972) 571-2499

ashleycrawford161@gmail.com

Sponsor Code: 0324



Charlie, blood donor



EAT. DRINK. BRING I.D.

**Share your
donation story**



@commitforlife | #commitforlife



Children's Sunday School Class meets **1st & 3rd Sundays of the month** at 9:30am in the Children's classroom in The Gathering Place.

Looking Ahead: *The Children's Sunday School Class will be taking the month of July off for summer vacation.*

Summer Vacation Season has arrived! Please remember to snag those extra hotel toiletries while you are traveling. It's also a good time to watch sales and stock up on items at dollar stores, and on grocery trips. And finally, be on the lookout for women's sized shoe boxes. Seafarers' Donations can be brought to the Church Office anytime of the year! Below is the list of requested items from the Seafarers' Center:

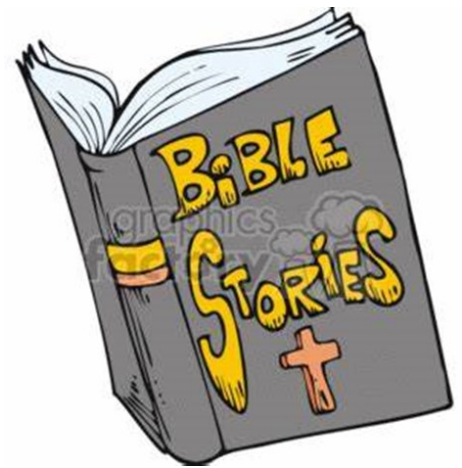


Hairbrush / Comb	Kleenex	Lip Balm
Magnets	Gold Bond Powder	Gold Bond Cream
T-shirts (new)	Needle & Thread	Shaving Cream
Nail Clippers	Toothpaste	Gum & Hard Candy
Q-Tips	Mechanical Pencils	Flashlight w/ batteries
Popcorn	Socks	Word Search/ Sudoku/ Fill-in books
Earbuds / Headphones	USB Flash Drives	2026 Calendar
Band-Aids (fabric)	Baseball Caps (new)	Disposable Razors
Dental floss	Deodorant	Lotion
Hot Chocolate	Key Chains	Texas Souvenirs
Shampoo	Playing Cards	Toothbrushes
Conditioner	Body Wash	Pocket sized notebooks & pens

May 4th Family Picnic



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. This program is during the Worship Service for ages 3-6 years old. Children leave the Sanctuary right after Children's Moment and are returned to their parents during the last hymn.



Volunteers are needed weekly to help with this program. Please call Pastor Savannah in the church office or Jacquie Ballesteros at 713-305-1114.



Is coming back in the fall...

Sign up for updates!



**Text @h47378d
to 81010**



SCAN ME

BEAUTIFY THE CHURCH



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. If you are currently worshiping from home, but would still like to sponsor flowers for a Worship Service, you may signup digitally by using this form: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E084CABAC2BA1FA7-54170716-2025>, or email jorida.vakiari@springbranchpres.org. **The cost per arrangement**

is \$65.00. Special arrangements vary and should be requested EARLY! Checks should be written to SBPC and mailed to the Church Office (Attn: Jorida) 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. Or go to this [LINK](#) to sign-up online!

FRIDAY EMAIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Would you like to receive our weekly announcements via email every Friday? Sign-up by visiting our Church website, www.springbranchpres.org.

sign up for our
Mailing List

Church's Prayer Chain List?

The email prayer chain is open all who would like to pray for those individuals in need of prayer. If you would like to be included in the email prayer chain as a prayer warrior or if you have a prayer request for an individual, contact swdmmd@dikeman.net. It is requested that prayers be for your family members, or extended families and friends who are in need of prayer.





Zoey Tanner	6/2	Kay Craig	6/12
Rex Gonzalez	6/4	Wyatt Alderson	6/14
Dorothy Slover	6/4	Elizabeth Bik	6/23
Lily Earnest	6/5	McKie Johnson	6/24
Isaiah Tapia	6/6	Mario Tacchi	6/26
Charlie Craig	6/7	Ken Austin	6/27
Jeremy Alderson	6/8	Bill Bryant	6/27
Matthew Alderson	6/8	Ryan Blair	6/28
Alyze Ballejo	6/12	Elizabeth Murphy	6/30

Happy Anniversary!



Evan and Madeline Powell	6/11
Kathryn Dethloff and Jack Carr	6/15
Neal and Karen Dikeman	6/16
Curtis and Jeannie Stockton	6/16
Ken and Linda Crawford	6/19
Scott and Brittany Lassiter	6/27

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div>1</div> <div>Ordination & Installation of</div> <div>9:15am - Nursery</div> <div>9:30am - Children's SS Class (GP)</div> <div>9:30am - Sunday School</div> <div>9:45am - Choir Practice</div> <div>10:50am - Worship</div> <div>12pm - New Elder Reception</div> <div>1pm - Cub Scout Planning</div> <div>3pm - BSA Planning Meeting (GP)</div>	<div>2</div> <div>6pm - PW Unwind</div> <div>7pm - Boy Scouts (Scout Hut)</div>	<div>3</div> <div>10am - Flexercise (GP)</div> <div>6pm - Basketball (GP)</div> <div>7pm - CENTI Bible Study &</div>	<div>4</div>	<div>5</div> <div>10am - Flexercise (GP)</div> <div>1pm - Pastor Mark's Bible Study</div> <div>6pm - Fairbees (GP)</div>	<div>6</div> <div>7pm - CENTI: Youth Program (YR)</div>	<div>7</div> <div>6pm - CENTI Church Service (FH)</div>
<div>8</div> <div>Pentecost Sunday</div> <div>9:15am - Nursery</div> <div>9:30am - Sunday School</div> <div>9:45am - Choir Practice</div> <div>10:50am - Worship</div> <div>12pm - Monthly Birthday</div>	<div>9</div> <div>Vacation Bible School (9:00 AM-11:30 AM)</div> <div>5:30pm - Academy Board Meeting</div> <div>7pm - Boy Scouts (Scout Hut)</div> <div></div>	<div>10</div> <div>10am - Flexercise (GP)</div> <div>10:30am - Staff Meeting (P)</div> <div>7pm - CENTI Bible Study &</div>	<div>11</div> <div>5pm - Girl Scouts (GP 1, 2, 3, 4)</div>	<div>12</div> <div>10am - Flexercise (GP)</div> <div>1pm - Pastor Mark's Bible Study</div> <div>5:30pm - VBS Closing Celebration</div> <div></div>	<div>13</div> <div>6pm - SBM Arc Meeting (CR)</div> <div>7pm - CENTI: Youth Program (YR)</div>	<div>14</div> <div>6pm - CENTI Church Service (GP)</div>
<div>15</div> <div>Father's Day</div> <div>Trinity Sunday</div> <div>9:15am - Nursery</div> <div>9:30am - Children's SS Class (GP)</div> <div>9:30am - Sunday School</div> <div>9:45am - Choir Practice</div> <div>10:50am - Worship</div> <div>12:15pm - Cong. Care Mtg. (CR)</div>	<div>16</div> <div>10am - The Gathering Place (FH)</div> <div>7pm - Boy Scouts (Scout Hut)</div>	<div>17</div> <div>10am - Flexercise (GP)</div> <div>6pm - Basketball (GP)</div> <div>7pm - CENTI Bible Study &</div>	<div>18</div> <div>3pm - WOW (S)</div>	<div>19</div> <div>10am - Flexercise (GP)</div> <div>1pm - Pastor Mark's Bible Study</div> <div>6pm - Fairbees (GP)</div>	<div>20</div> <div>PresPress Articles DUE</div> <div>7pm - CENTI: Youth Program (YR)</div>	<div>21</div> <div>8am - Presbyterian Men (CR)</div> <div>6pm - CENTI Church Service (GP)</div>
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