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Minister: All Members of the Church
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Co-Pastor: Rev. Savannah Goodman
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Accompanist: Jonathan Craft
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Academy Director: Renee Henry
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Administration Leader: Ethan Mitchell
Congregation Leader: Kay Craig
Faith Development Leaders: Theresa Dunlap, Sarah Powell
Mission Leader: Joel Alegria
Worship Leader: Donald McDaniel
Treasurer: Neal Dikeman

The Session

Clerk: Jan Fitts

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Spring Branch Presbyterian Church

"Lead With Love"

September 27, 2026

18th Sunday After Pentecost

September 27, 2026 10:50 AM

**Those who are able please stand*

Gathering in God's Name

PRELUDE

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

***GATHERING MUSIC**

"Build My Life"
"Goodness of God"

***PASSING OF LOVE**

***MUSIC** *"How Great is Our God"*

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Megan Hogg

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON John 13:34-35 Red Pew Bible NT 108

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 10:25-37 Red Pew Bible NT 71

***HYMN** *"Make Me A Servant"*

MESSAGE *"Lead With Love"* Megan Hogg

TESTIMONIALS Rachael Castillo
Sophia Saenz

***MUSIC** *"Make Me A Servant"*

TIME FOR GIVING

OFFERTORY *"Gratitude"* Kortney Duncan

SHARING OF PRAYER CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNAL PRAYER

***BENEDICTION**

***CLOSING MUSIC** *"Go With God"* LUYH, No. 138

***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.

Traditional Worship Service 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.

Contemporary Worship Service

Join us for an exciting new contemporary worship service! Experience uplifting music and heartfelt messages in a welcoming environment. This is a great opportunity to connect with others and deepen your faith. Don't miss the chance to be part of this transformative journey. Bring your friends and family! Our next Contemporary Worship Service will be on **October 7th at 6:30 PM in the Gathering Place**. For more information, please visit: www.springbranchpres.org/contemporary-worship-service.

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.

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.

Calendar of Events

www.springbranchpres.org/church-calendar

September 27 — Sunday
9:15 am Church Nursery
9:30 am Sunday School
9:45 am Choir Practice
10:50 am Worship
12:30 pm Girl Scout Planning Meeting* (GP)
4:00 pm Cub Scouts: AOL (GP & Scout Hut)

September 28 — Monday
10:30 am Staff Meeting (P)
3:30 pm WOW (S)
5:30 pm Special Olympics: Volleyball* (GP)
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10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
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5:45 pm WNS: Baked Potatoes!

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

October 2 — Friday
6:00 pm Girl Scout Meeting* (GP)

October 3 — Saturday
5:30 pm SBM Arc Party* (FH)
6:00 pm CENTI Church Service* (GP)

October 4 — World Communion Sunday
9:15 am Church Nursery
9:30 am Sunday School
9:30 am Children's Sunday School (GP 3)
9:30 am Youth Sunday School (YR)
9:45 am Choir Practice
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6:00 pm PW Unwind: Original ChopShop!
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October 6 — Tuesday
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October 10 — Saturday
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Join us for Messy Church this Thursday, October 1st, for *Art Party!* Messy Church is an intergenerational interactive worship encounter starting at 5:00 PM, with a free dinner being served around 5:45 PM. Join us for story, music, activities, games, and more! Text @h47378d to 81010 to signup for updates, and follow along with us at: www.facebook.com/MessyChurchSBPC.

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