



12 MAY 2019

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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WELCOME to Spirit of Life Presbyterian Church!

If this is your first time here we want to say a special thank you for worshipping with us today. Whether you're visiting, seeking a new spiritual direction in your life, or simply looking for a church home, we pray that *SPIRIT OF LIFE* might be the place for you to grow. Living a life of faith is no easy matter—until we try living life without faith. We're glad you worshiped here today and want you to know that your presence is always welcome! **NOTE:** Hymnals, large print bulletins & children's activity bags are available at the usher station, or you may ask an usher. We also offer nursery upstairs during worship and Sunday school.

***Thank you for silencing/turning off your electronic devices**
during rehearsals and worship. Should your phone still ring, you will be invited to come to the front to sing a solo during the offering.

GATHERING

PRELUDE "King of Glory" by Randall Dennis **Martha Davis**

WELCOME **Jeff Mortimer**

CALL TO WORSHIP (Based on Matthew 23: 37 and Isaiah 66:13)
One: Come, our God of hospitality who cares for us, like a mother hen gathers her brood under her wings.
All: A God who cares for us as a mother who comforts her child.
One: We gather on this day, belonging, each of us as we are. Let us worship God.

OPENING HYMN "There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit" (purple #408)

TIME WITH CHILDREN **Karen Johnson**
(“Change for Change” bucket offering)

PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION **Jeff Mortimer**
One: God of wonder, you help the blind to see, the lame to walk, the hungry to be fed, the fraught to be calm, we thank and praise your holy name.
All: God of wonder, you show us miracles in the beauty of nature, in the birth of each new born child, in the sunrise and the sunset, when a

caterpillar become a butterfly, And a tiny seed becomes a beautiful flower, when an enemy becomes a friend, we thank and praise your holy name.

One: God of wonder, Forgive us when we see limits and scarcity, when we try accept things as they are instead of what they could be, when we choose comfort over courage, When we are self-serving rather than serving others. Forgive us, when we place ourselves on pedestals, and confine you in ways we elevate ourselves. Help lead us in the vision you have for our lives. Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ASSURANCE OF GRACE **Rev. Bill Smith**

PASSING OF THE PEACE **Rev. Bill Smith**

YOUTH CHOIR "Mom you are so good"

ANTHEM "Carry Me" by Patricia Mock & Brian Buda **Choir**

HEARING

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION **Jeff Mortimer**

SCRIPTURE Acts 13: 1-3; 14: 8-18 **Jeff Mortimer**

SERMON **Rev. Bill Smith**

RESPONDING

RESPONSE HYMN "Be Thou My Vision" (purple # 450, v 1-4)

CALL TO OFFERING **Jeff Mortimer**

OFFERTORY "The Prayer" by Carole Bayer Sager & David Foster **Martha Davis**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION "Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow" #591

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

All: 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.

SENDING FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

CLOSING HYMN "For Everyone Born" (purple hymnal #769)

CHARGE & BENEDICTION **Rev. Bill Smith**

POSTLUDE **Martha Davis**

Volunteers for today, May 12, 2019:

Lay Leader: Jeff Mortimer
Audio Visual: Eric Scott
Children's Sermon: Karen Johnson
Ushers / Greeters: Don Roeske, Deon Ford, and Merry & Minuette Close
Pianist: Martha Davis
Guest Preacher: Rev. Bill Smith

Volunteers for next Sunday, May 19, 2019:

Lay Leader: Holly Bueno
Children's Sermon: Alice Gracek
Ushers / Greeters: Don Roeske, Denise Lewis, Deon Ford, and Afanwi, Bryce, and Bailey Kube
Pianist: Martha Davis

May Caregiver - Loretta Hunt

SpiritCare Prayer Team:

1.507.263.5975 or 952.423.2212-Office

"First, I tell you to pray for all people, asking God for what they need and being thankful to Him. This is good, and it pleases God our Savior." 1 Timothy 2:1, 3

Please be sure to submit your announcement to the church office so we may include them in the printed bulletin. All announcements received at spirit@spiritoflifeav.org by noon Wednesday will be included in the Sunday bulletin. Those received later than, will be included the following Sunday. ~Thank you.

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Twitter (SpiritOfLife@SpiritOfLifeAV)

A n n o u n c e m e n t s . . .

Our **nursery** (2nd floor) is open during worship for children ages 1-6 years.

Today is our last **Sunday school** class for this year. Please join us next Sunday, May 19th, for our end of the school year celebration. The kids and teachers will be recognized during the service.

MANDATORY PARENT MEETING at Spirit of Life (for all parents of children ages 4-17): If you attended the meeting on Wednesday, May 8, you do not need to attend the meeting following worship today, May 19th, at 11:30. We will be covering the new child protection policy, have a few papers for you to sign and go over volunteering needs for next school year. Please contact Nikki Harves if you have any questions.

Pastor Rob has set a scheduled time to be available for anyone who might wish to connect with him. **Regular “office hours” are at the Dunn Bros., 15265 Galaxie Ave, Apple Valley, on Tuesdays, 10am-12noon.** If you need to talk regarding life issues, church, or other things, please feel free to drop by or set up an appointment to meet with him. NOTE: Office hours are suspended this week (May 14). Pastor Rob will be taking a week of Continuing Education. Loretta will be available for pastoral care.

Everyone is welcome to join us for the weekly study on Wednesdays, 10-11:30am, with Pastor Rob leading. Our current study is covering the book of Genesis. Anyone can join at any time. Class meets at the new Orchard Path Presbyterian Homes located just down the road at 5400 157th St. W., Apple Valley (South on Pilot Knob and turn left onto 157th St W. Orchard Path to the right after the traffic circle.)

Choir rehearsals are Sundays at 8:45am. All welcome.

Please sign up to be Cookie hostess for Sunday fellowship. Go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508044cadab2da5ff2-spirit> . We need cookie hostesses for June and July. Thank you!

Please **come to Sam’s Club on Saturday, May 18th between 11-5 to enjoy a burger or brat meal** and help support our youth mission trip! Meals include a burger or brat, chips, crackers or cookies, and drink. Meals are \$4.00 and all proceeds will go to help with the final funding required for our trip to Mountain T.O.P. See you there!

Mission trip t-shirts for sale: Jacqui will be taking mission trip 2019 t-shirt orders every Sunday after service at the mission trip table. T-shirts are \$15 each. Orders must be paid prior to May 20th. T-shirts should arrive June 5th.

May Women’s book club: For the month of May we will be reading "Waking up White, and Finding Myself in the Story of Race" by Debby Irving. We will meet on Thursday May 30, 2019 at Karen Johnson’s home (please note different location). Here is a link to buy the book. https://www.amazon.com/Waking-White-Finding-Myself-Story/dp/0991331303/ref=sr_1_1?keywords=waking+up+white&qid=1554429888&s=gateway&sr=8-1

Contribution Statements for the 1st Quarter ending 3/31/19 are located in blue box in the back of the church. Please pick up your statement. They will be available until 6/1/19.

With some of our memorial funds, we have purchased 10 of the new purple “Glory to God” Presbyterian Hymnals. They are on the shelves at the usher stand. If anyone would like to use one, feel free to bring one to your seat and then return it to the shelf following worship.

Please mark your calendars: KIDS CAMP will be August 19-23!

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May 12, 2019
Guest Preacher:
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