

14 JULY 2019 5TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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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 alife 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 "Heal Our Land" by Tom & Robin Brooks

WELCOME Rev. Rob Smith

CALL TO WORSHIP Becky Brandt

One: From all of those before us, from all of the places that has led, to all of us being here today.

All: To our great-great ancestors to us today, God shares a message of peace and reconciliation in the words of our prophets, through story, through God revealed in nature.

One: To the acts most clearly share in Jesus Christ, may we continue in knowing with all of our being the loving intent towards all people.

All: Today may we prepare our hearts and minds to grow in God's abundant sharing of the Gospel of hope and healing.

One: In this place, from many, we are strengthened as one family to open ourselves to the Spirit of Life, to prepare room for the God of Life in our lives. Let us worship God.

OPENING HYMN MEDLEY: God's World

"All Things Bright and Beautiful" (#20, vs 1 & 2)
"For the Beauty of the Earth" (#14, vs 1 & 4)

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Merry Close

("Change for change" bucket offering)

PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION

Becky Brandt

One: God, who knows us better than we know ourselves and loves us unconditionally, we gather all of our selves, our joys and celebrations, and our hurt and sorrows.

All: You are a God of the good times and the bad. You stay with us, upholding us through all that life throws at us. Your compassion has sustained your people through all the ages.

One: You encourage us to bring our whole selves, not to hold back. You assure us that we will always find a welcome with you. As we give you thanks, O God, for your love and acceptance, we acknowledge how often we stumble to extend your welcome to others. How often we leverage our privilege for ourselves as though this life is a zero-sum game.

All: But, as you show us over and over, your love never runs out, your compassion knows no bounds. So open our hearts and our hands to welcome others into fellowship with you, knowing that there is room enough and more.

One: And in our worship and our welcome may we know ourselves accepted, our wants and burdens known, our souls soothed and our sorrow lifted. Hear our prayers, O God, and draw near to us this day. Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ASSURANCE OF GRACE Rev. Rob Smith

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. Rob Smith

RESPONSE HYMN "For Ex

"For Everyone Born" (#769, v 1)

ANTHEM "It Is Well With My Soul" by HG Spafford & Phillip Bliss & additional music by Matt & Beth Redman

HEARING

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Becky Brandt

SCRIPTURE Hebrews 2: 10-18 Becky Brandt

SERMON "To Know Us By Name" **Rev. Rob Smith**

RESPONDING

RESPONSE SONG "Lord I Need You" (CCLI #5925687)

CALL TO OFFERING Becky Brandt

OFFERTORY "All Creatures of Our God & King" arr Bill Wolaver

PRAYER OF DEDICATION "Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow" #606

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 "Lord, Make Us More Holy" (# 313)

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION Rev. Rob Smith

POSTLUDE Martha Davis

Volunteers for today, July 14, 2019,

Lay Leader: Becky Brandt
Audio Visual: Eric Scott
Children's sermon: Merry Close
Pianist: Martha Davis

Ushers/Greeters: Holly and Jesse Bueno, Quyen Le, Lisa Smith and family, Howard and Sue Mayers, Josh and Danielle Ullom, Scott and

Nikki Harves, Loretta Hunt

Volunteers for next Sunday, July 21, 2019:

Lay Leader: Duane Sweep
Audio Visual: Eric Scott
Children's sermon: Holly Bueno
Pianist: Martha Davis

Ushers/Greeters: Holly and Jesse Bueno, Quyen Le, Lisa Smith and family, Howard and Sue Mayers, Josh and Danielle Ullom, Scott and

Nikki Harves, Loretta Hunt

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SPIRIT OF LIFE STAFF

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<u>OFFICE</u>

10:00 AM—3:00 PM MON-THURS FOR PASTORAL EMERGENCIES PLEASE CALL ROB @ 952.807.4413

Announcements...

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.

Throughout the month, we've collected change and now we bring it on the second Sunday (today, July 14) to give in the "Change for change" bucket offering. Some are familiar with this, others may have questions. With the help of our children, we continue collecting change in our metal buckets on a monthly basis. This is a great teaching tool to help us show each other and the younger generation how fun it is to give when we hear the change drop in the buckets!

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

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.

Everyone is welcome to **assist in the garden** on Sundays following worship, either harvesting produce or helping with weeding. A good excuse to wear your gardening clothes!

Cookie hostesses needed! We need cookie hostesses for worship in July and August. Please contact Rosellen Fairall or Loretta Hunt (huntgeo@msn.com) to sign up. Thank you!

We'll have two more monthly **summer family nights** on Wednesdays, **July 31st & August 28th**, at 6:00 pm. Bring your meat to grill and a dish to share. We'll have family friendly devotions with our meal. Plan to stay after for kids games, ultimate frisbee for the youth and time to visit!

Please mark your calendars: KIDS CAMP will be August 19-23! The green bulletin insert is for donations and volunteer opportunities to help with Kids Camp. Please fill out what you are willing to do and put in offering plate.

Music Notes from Martha...

Psalm 150:1-6: Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens! Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his excellent greatness! Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp! Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe! Praise him with sounding cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals! ...

This fall I begin my tenure as the Director of Music at Spirit of Life and we will begin this journey together with music of praise! Get ready to praise God with music from all kinds of diverse worship

traditions and styles. From Charles Wesley to the country group Gatlin Brothers, from beloved Gospel to Contemporary Worship Leader Freddy Rodriguez, from Cameroon to Ziggy Marley; we will enjoy meaningful, lively music in all of God's glory.

Our amazing Spirit of Life Choir will lead us in praise and we have more! The Song of Ruth will be shared by our new Women's Choir. I am really excited to resume the Bell Choir to offer a musical outlet for those who may not enjoy singing but love to participate in music (singers we won't exclude you). One of my favorites is our Youth Choir! And what is praise music without a Music Worship Team for contemporary praise music! I am looking for interested musicians for all these wonderful opportunities to help lead worship and make joyful music together.

You will not want to miss a Sunday! Great messages, music, and cheer. Please consider how you can share your praise and talents with an ensemble this fall! More info on rehearsal/performance dates for all ensembles will be available soon.

Praise God in the Sanctuary!

From Community Service/Mission: It's time for the school supply drive again!! Please see the yellow insert for the requested school supplies. We will receive items in the collection box in the entryway until early August. Thank you for your generosity!

Ready to learn more about **membership at Spirit of Life**? Coming soon—Pastor Rob is planning an Intro to Membership meet and greet class. This will be an opportunity to begin talking with Pastor Rob about what it means to be a member at Spirit of Life. To express an interest in membership, please email pastorrob@spiritoflifeav.org.

2019 Per Capita is \$35.70.

JULY 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." I Timothy 2:1, 3

Building Use this week:

Sun, July 14	9:00 am Choir	sanctuary
•	10:00am Worship	sanctuary/kitchen
Mon, July 15	6:00 pm Cub Scouts/Den 3	sanctuary/conf rm
Tues, July 16	1:00 pm staff meeting	conf rm
•	6:30 pm Boy Scouts Troop 292	sanctuary
	7:00 pm Troop Committee mtg	conf rm
Sat, July 20	5:30pm Scouts annual plan mtg	conf rm
-	8:30pm NA	sanctuary/kitchen

