



18 AUGUST 2019  
10TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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**W E L C O M E** 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.

**\*We would like to draw your attention to an important housekeeping note:** Should your phone ring during rehearsals or worship, you will be asked to be the kazoo soloist for the special in worship next week!

GATHERING

**PRELUDE** “The Old Rugged Cross” (by Andy Clark & Paul Clark)  
Jazz Band

**WELCOME** Rev. Rob Smith

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Denise Lewis  
One: Welcome as we come together this morning in worship—  
**All: We come, all of us--seeking to be faithful while also bringing with us all of our doubts and struggles.**  
One: Welcome, all of you--each and everyone created in God’s image. Know that you, the person next to you, and the person not yet here--all of us belong.  
**All: We come, seeking to be present while thinking about all that we have to do. So much that is unfinished and tomorrow is Monday.**  
One: Welcome to worship—may we seek to be present, cast all other things aside as we support one another, as we seek to be present in the Word of God. We gather, each one of us as a family. Today, may we grow in faith, in hope, and in love. Let us worship God.

**OPENING SONG** “Kum Ba Yah” (by Andy Clark & Paul Clark) Jazz Band

**TIME WITH CHILDREN** Pastor Rob Smith

**PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION** Denise Lewis  
One: God, you are the ground and being of our faith. Throughout the ages, you have displayed your faithfulness and yet every day you demonstrate your love anew.  
**All: We praise you for all those who have graced these pews. For those who have not kept faith to themselves, but have passed it on. We thank you for that great cloud of witnesses from whom in death we are not divided.**  
One: God forgive us when we are lukewarm about our faith, when we are less than inviting, when we are indifferent.  
**All: Forgive us when we become caught up in the minutiae and forget to step back, gain perspective and celebrate you.**  
One: God says, “You are my beloved child, forgiven and freed.” And now, in our worship, with your words of forgiveness ringing in our ears, may we sing your praise and hear your word and take our place in that long line of your faithful the world over.

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

**ASSURANCE OF GRACE** Rev. Rob Smith

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

**RESPONSE HYMN** “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” (#39, v 1)

**ANTHEM** “Just a Closer Walk With Thee” (by Andy Clark & Paul Clark)  
Jazz Band

HEARING

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION** “Speak O Lord” Lisa Smith

**SCRIPTURE** Psalm 94: 16-19 Denise Lewis

**SERMON** “Faithful” Rev. Rob Smith

RESPONDING

**SERMON RESPONSE** “Find Us Faithful” (CCLI #18259, chorus only)

**CALL TO OFFERING** Denise Lewis

**OFFERTORY** “Amazing Grace” (by Andy Clark & Paul Clark) Jazz Band

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION** “Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow” #606

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** Denise Lewis

One: Faithful God, as we celebrate your love for us, may we be inspired to multiply that love in the service of others. May we know we have a faith to proclaim that is neither rigid nor fixed, but that is alive and able to make a difference in today’s world; able to make a difference where there is war; able to make a difference where there is poverty; able to make a difference where there is injustice; able to make a difference where there is oppression and able to make a difference right here among us. May we be inspired by the faith of others and may we, in turn, inspire others by our faith: faith that is practical, faith that is alive, faith that moves mountains of prejudice and makes way for miracles in our everyday.  
**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 SONG** “Do Lord” (by Andy Clark & Paul Clark) Jazz Band

**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION** Rev. Rob Smith

**POSTLUDE** Martha Davis

**Volunteers for today, August 18, 2019,**  
**Lay Leader:** Denise Lewis  
**Children’s sermon:** Pastor Rob Smith  
**Pianist:** Martha Davis  
**Audio Visual:** Eric Scott  
**Ushers/Greeters:** Eric Scott (Lead), John Krautkremer, Barbara Campbell & Claudette Robert, Suzanne Peer, Laura Keehn, Van & Jayne Wilgus, Kate & Kyle Frost, Wendy Barta

**Volunteers for next Sunday, August 25, 2019:**  
**Kids Camp Sunday!**

**AUGUST CAREGIVER - Rosellen Fairall**

*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*



# 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](mailto: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.

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

**KIDS CAMP begins tomorrow and runs August 19-23!** We're so excited to have so many children pre-registered!! Have you registered your children to participate? Camp isn't just for children—there are a number of ways adults and youth can help, too! You may go to <https://vbspro.events/p/events/35c1f7> and register your children to attend or volunteer to assist. Questions? Connect with Nikki at [nikkiharves@gmail.com](mailto:nikkiharves@gmail.com).

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: No office hours this Tuesday, August 20, Pastor Rob will be helping at Kids Camp at the church!

**Cookie hostesses** needed! We need cookie hostesses for worship in October. Please sign up on the kitchen refrigerator page or contact Rosellen Fairall ([rlfairall@gmail.com](mailto:rlfairall@gmail.com)) or Loretta Hunt ([huntgeo@msn.com](mailto:huntgeo@msn.com)) to sign up. Thank you!

We'll have one more monthly **summer family night** on Wednesday, **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!

Ready to learn more about **membership at Spirit of Life**? Pastor Rob and Lisa are hosting a New Member Class Kick-Off BBQ on Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 6-8pm. This meet and greet class is for those exploring new membership and visitors who may like to connect more. It will be a great opportunity to begin talking with Pastor Rob about what it means to be a member at *Spirit of Life Presbyterian Church*. Please RSVP to Pastor Rob for the BBQ by emailing [pastorrob@spiritoflifeav.org](mailto:pastorrob@spiritoflifeav.org).

The Session would like to announce an education initiative related to the complexities of immigration. This past February, the Session and Deacons heard an informative presentation by an immigration attorney, and we have embarked on a process of discerning how we as a congregation are being called to serve. We have concluded that our first step, as a congregation, should be in educating ourselves as much as possible, in the complexities of this issue. We are proposing to spend one Sunday a month for the program year, following worship, to explore various facets of this issue. Look for a brief questionnaire insert in your bulletins, in the coming weeks, asking for your input on

what these sessions should include. If you would like to be part of a small planning group, or if you have specific ideas for topics to be covered, please contact either Pastor Rob Smith, or Clerk of Session Denise Lewis.

It's that time of year again, time to start thinking about ordering **poinsettias and greens for the holiday season**. Advent begins December 1st, that is the day we will decorate the sanctuary. We will be taking your holiday orders September 15th through October 6th. Gertens actually grows the plants to fulfill each specific order, which is why they need to be ordered so early. You are welcome to order plants to take home and/or leave at Spirit of Life as holiday décor. Order forms will be available starting September 15th.

The Worship and Music Committee is looking for a youth who might be interested in music and also be willing to be part of the committee. The group meets every other month (next meeting is September 10). Feel free to talk with any of the committee members to learn more.

**2019 Per Capita is \$35.70.**

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Building Use this week:		
Sun, Aug 18	10:00 am Worship	sanctuary/kitchen
Mon—Fri	5:00 pm Camp leadership meal/mtg	sanctuary
	<b>KIDS CAMP</b>	
	9am – 12noon - ages 3 to entering Kindergarten	
Mon, Aug 19	9am – 3pm - entering 1 <sup>st</sup> grade to 6 <sup>th</sup> grade	
	9:00 am Kids Camp begins	
	6:00 pm Cub Scouts/Den 3	upper classroom
Tues, Aug 20	6:30 pm Emerald Pt bd mtg	conf rm
	6:30 pm Boy Scouts Troop 292	sanctuary
	7:00 pm Troop Committee mtg	conf rm
Sat, Aug 21	8:30 pm NA	sanctuary/kitchen

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