

Spirit of Life Presbyterian Church
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June 12, 2022 Worship

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Just a few notes to keep in mind:

- ♦ We are singing in person together again! So come, and sing boldly!
- ♦ Masks optional for all activities in the church building.

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements (Jeff Mortimer)

Call to Worship (Becky Brandt -in person)

One: Come and worship God who gathers us in.

All: We come to God who nurtures us like a father.

One: Come and worship God whose arms are open and waiting.

All: We come to God who welcomes and forgives us.

One: Come and worship God who journeys with us.

All: We come to worship God who sees us as we really are and loves us anyway.

One: Come, praise our loving nurturing God!

Opening Song Good Good Father CCLI #7036612

Prayer of Reconciliation (Kelly Polson -online)

Assurance of Grace (Jeff Mortimer)

Passing of the Peace

Song I Love You Lord CCLI # 25266

Prayer of Illumination (Based on Psalm 85: 8) (Becky Brandt)

Scripture Luke 8:26-39 (Kelly Polson)

²⁶Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. ²⁸When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, “What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me”— ²⁹for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) ³⁰Jesus then asked him, “What is your name?” He said, “Legion”; for many demons had entered him. ³¹They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. ³²Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³Then the

demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. ³⁴When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. ³⁶Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. ³⁷Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. ³⁸The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹“Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.” So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

Children’s sermon (Karen Johnson)

Sermon (Jeff Mortimer)

Call To Offering (Becky Brandt) (Currens family to collect offering)

Offertory Fierce by Chris Quilala, Joshua Silverberg, & Mia Fieldes (Odosa Amadasun, vocalist)

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.

Closing Song You Never Let Go CCLI #4674166

Charge and Benediction (Jeff Mortimer)

Announcements

It's Back! Who remembers the “**Change for change**” **bucket offering**? Some are familiar with this, others may have questions. With the help of our children, we will continue collecting change in our metal buckets but going forward we'll give on a monthly basis. Throughout the month, collect your change and bring it on the third Sunday! 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!

Pastor **Rob has challenged us as a congregation to work through the same book he will be using over the summer while on his Sabbatical**: “Sabbath: Finding Rest, Renewal, and Delight in our Busy Lives”, by Wayne Muller. There is an opportunity for you to join in with a group study of this book, if you are interested. Denise Lewis will lead it, and will be hybrid so our online congregants can join in.

Here is the proposed schedule for study (tentatively planned for following worship, with the adult Sunday School zoom link): by clicking the link at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84136883066>

June 26: Section 2, RHYTHM

July 10: Section 3, TIME

July 24: Section 4, HAPPINESS

August 7: Section 5, WISDOM

August 21: Section 6, CONSECRATION (Pastor Rob's first Sunday back)

C & C after C – we'll be having C & C after C (Coffee and Conversations after Church) again in a few Sundays. Please watch for sign up sheets to participate in providing cookies coming soon. Please see Ruth Ewule if you have questions.

The session of elders of Spirit of Life is hosting our regular community **PICNICS** this year while Rob has sabbatical. We ask those able to bring a side or dessert to share and the session will provide a main course. Dates will be **June 26th, July 31st, and August 28th** and the time will be approximately 11:15am (immediately after worship) with games in the backyard for kids and food and fellowship for all.

Coffee and Conversations Mondays, from 9:00 am to 10:00 am.

During Pastor Rob's sabbatical this summer, Bob Shepard will be leading the weekly coffee and conversation time with the above hours and using the same zoom link below. Come as you are. This is a gathering online and in person. It is open for you to pop in and out any time so feel free to drop in and say hello. *Note, same login, recurring meeting each week. Join Zoom Meeting at <https://zoom.us/j/286584190>

Spring has sprung! The **Community Service team is looking for help** in weeding our many flower gardens. If you would like to spend some quiet time outside, please contact Chris Sachs or sign up on the clipboard in the back of the church. We will establish a schedule with volunteers signing up for a week when they can do it at their convenience. Thanks!

Also from Community Service: The Community Service committee has planted the donation vegetable garden. This garden is a ministry of the Community Service committee, and all produce from the garden is delivered to the Rosemount Family Resource Center food shelf. Our deliveries will be weekly, and up to twice weekly as the garden starts to really produce later in the summer. If you are interested in being on the list of helpers, please contact Denise Lewis, dlewis9476@comcast.net.

Spirit of Life was offered the opportunity to purchase a classroom set of **used guitars**, at a steep discount. With Session approval, these guitars were purchased and are now in our possession. There are plans in the works to incorporate options for group guitar lessons into Meet in the Middle programming, and 12 guitars will be available for participating students to borrow. But, that still leaves an extra 12 guitars that are available for purchase for personal use; 4 church members have already requested the opportunity to purchase a guitar, so there are still 8 guitars available for sale. The cost is \$70

per guitar. They are beginner Yamaha CGS104A full sized, nylon string classical guitars. (Classical are smaller than full sized steel string--good for smaller hands). New, the cost of the equivalent of this guitar is approximately \$150. Used, between \$90-\$100; so this is a good deal. The guitars come with a case; there is wear and tear on the cases, and all of the guitars should have the strings replaced, so you would be purchasing them "as is". To repeat: children who may want to participate in Meet in the Middle group guitar lessons WILL NOT need to purchase a guitar; they will be available to borrow. If you are interested in purchasing a guitar, please contact Denise Lewis, dlewis9476@comcast.net to get the details.

From Community Service: Our LITTLE FREE PANTRY has been of great use to our neighbors and is in need of frequent replenishment! We can now resume contributing canned items as well as other non perishables. Donations may be left in the little pantry or in the cabinet inside the church entry. Many thanks for your wonderful support of our pantry and neighbors!

If you have a **prayer request** you wish to share with our Spirit Care Prayer Team, please email our deacon, Chris Sachs at ccsachs123@gmail.com. Word it as you wish it to be submitted, and we will post it for our prayer team.

We will have a **cleaning and painting day in the office** on Saturday July 9th starting at 9am. Tasks to be completed include:

*Spring Cleaning *Painting *Putting the new furniture in the office
-If you have painting supplies from home you can bring all the better! (paint brush, roller, tarp etc.....)

We will have jobs for folks of any age, including open playground in the back for any kids that come to play.

Questions: Feel free to reach out to Ryan Currens

2021 Per Capita is \$36.50

Questions about "Per Capita"? Here's an article from the Presbyterian Today magazine that provides information! Click on: [Per Capita article.pdf](#).

While Pastor Rob is on sabbatical, we have a wonderful pastoral care team here for you. *Worship & preacher schedule*

19-June	Jeff Mortimer
26-Jun	Rev. Rory Swenson
3-Jul	Rev. Steve Braden
10-Jul	Rev. Steve Braden
17-Jul	Rev. Steve Braden
24-Jul	Rev. Steve Braden
31-Jul	Rev. Steve Braden
7-Aug	Rev. Dr. Denise Dunbar-Perkins
14-Aug	Rev. Bill Chadwick

Emergency Pastoral Care Coverage:

June 12-19	Rev. Kate Payton, ph. # 612-449-9405
June 20-July 17	Marge Braden, ph. # 574-849-0470
July 18-Aug 19	Loretta Hunt, ph. # 651-900-9681