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September 11, 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 (Martha Davis)

Welcome (Rev. Rob Smith)

Call to Worship (VeraRae Boucheu)

Opening Song Come Now is the Time to Worship by Brian Doerksen CCLI Song # 2430948

Minute for Mission South of the River CROP Hunger Walk (Denise Lewis)

Prayer of Reconciliation *Sabbath pp. 97, 98* (Merry Close-online)

Assurance of Grace (Rev. Rob Smith)

Passing of Peace

Song Turn! Turn! Turn! (To Everything There Is a Season)

Prayer of Illumination (Billy Boucheu)

Scripture Matthew 6: 25-34 (Merry Close-online)

“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by worrying can add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell

you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear?’ For it is the gentiles who seek all these things, and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. “So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today’s trouble is enough for today.

Children’s sermon (Rev. Rob Smith)
Song: I Will Call Upon the Lord

Sermon Time Is Not Money (Rev. Rob Smith)

Special Music Time by Josh Coad, CCLI Song # 7081841
(Karen Johnson, singer)

Call To Offering (Billy Boucheu)

Offertory Praise Adonai by Paul Baloche CCLI Song # 2612742
(Spirit Singers)

Doxology

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.

Announcements

Closing Song I’m So Glad

Charge and Benediction (Rev. Rob Smith)

Welcome Teachers (Karen Johnson)

Postlude (Martha Davis)

Announcements

TODAY is Back to Church Kick Off Sunday!! Thank you for joining us!

Children's Sunday School Kick-off: For our Children's Sunday School kick-off we will meet the teachers and get acquainted. Cupcakes and lemonade will be served following the worship service.

Children's Sunday School will start Sept. 18 and go through Dec. 18th from 9:30-10:15, upstairs in the SS room. Curriculum is Spill the Beans, theme is Colors of the Covenant. There will be one class with a teacher and a helper. We will have a laptop in class so that kids can Zoom in for SS if they can't attend in person. We won't have classes on Oct. 23 (MEA weekend), Nov. 27 (Thanksgiving weekend), Dec 25. (Christmas weekend) or Jan. 1 (New Year's weekend).

Adult Class Steve Braden will lead a six-session class based on the PBS Frontline series God in America starting Sept. 18. The class will meet following worship and will be available online via Zoom. The videos (YouTube) and a study guide (PBS) are available for free online. See Steve with questions.

M&M will begin Wednesday, October 5th, and go for 7 weeks. Curriculum will be Holy Moly. Time together will begin at 4:30 and include snacks, group guitar lessons for older kids /playing for younger kids, singing, Holy Moly video and lesson, and conclude with dinner for kids, youth and adults 6:00- 6:30 dinner. Monetary donations for dinner appreciated. M&M – Please sign up on the sheet in the back of the sanctuary to provide a snack and/or dessert for M&M. If you have questions, please see Loretta Hunt.

Confirmation Class will be for 7th and 8th graders, on the 2nd Sunday of the month after church beginning October 9th. It will be held every 2 years. Talk with Pastor Rob to get your 7th & 8th graders enrolled.

C & C after C – Please sign up to participate in providing cookies for C & C after C (Coffee and Conversations after Church). Please see Ruth Ewule if you have questions.

(Monday) COFFEE and CONVERSATION will resume tomorrow (September 12th). Meet with Pastor Rob and others for Coffee and Conversation Mondays, from 9:20 am to 11:00 am. 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 time and same login, recurring meeting each week. Join Zoom Meeting at <https://zoom.us/j/286584190>. One tap mobile +13126266799, 286584190# +19292056099, 286584190#

GriefShare Program Started Thursday, September 8, 6:30 pm at Spirit of Life Church, Apple Valley. However, anyone can still be a part of the

class. This program features biblical, Christ-centered teaching that focuses on grief topics associated with the death of a loved one. The seminar features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories of people, followed by a small group discussion about what was viewed. Past participants have related how helpful the information and follow-up discussions were to them. Many grieving people find they are only beginning the work of healing when friends or family have returned to their daily life routines. Too often people, including Christians, tend to bury their grief instead of allowing it to do the God-given work for which it is intended. Don't allow fear of what others may think to keep you from what could help you. Confidentiality is very much a part of this program. Please contact Bob Shepard or Jacqui Hicks for more information or to sign up.

10th Annual South of the River CROP Hunger Walk, October 2, at St. James Lutheran Church, 3650 Williams Drive, Burnsville. There will be live music and a multi-church bake sale starting at 1:00 pm; walk begins at 2:00 pm. Details at the CROP Walk display at the back of the sanctuary, or in the Tuesday email. Questions? Talk to Denise Lewis.

From Community Service: GARDEN UPDATE: This week was our 5th consecutive week of 100+ pound deliveries, with 109 pounds harvested and delivered as of September 7, and 824 pounds delivered year to date. Many thanks to the garden helpers: Karen Johnson, Loretta Hunt, Chris Sachs, Gladys Mbonifor, Marge Braden, and Denise Lewis. This ministry wouldn't happen without people showing up to do the work.

The **Justice Works** borrowing bookshelf is up and running, so check it out.

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.

“Our **Little Free Pantry** continues to be of great service to our hungry neighbors. We would appreciate donations to keep our cupboard full. Preferred items at this time include jars of spaghetti sauce, any pasta, bags of plain white rice, any canned vegetables or fruits, peanut butter, jelly, canned tuna, Spam, dry milk. These items and any other non-perishables can be placed in the driveway pantry or left in the cabinet inside the front door to the church. Members of the Community Service committee will refill items when needed and thank you very much for your support and donations. We can make a difference in preventing hunger in our neighborhood!”

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