# Spirit of Life Presbyterian Church

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## November 6, 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 (Rebecca Shepard)

If God is for us, who is against us? God who in love gave us his son. The Holy One is in our midst: equipping us for life for courage, compassion, and connection. What can separate us from this love? Nothing. May this abundant grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. And the unshakable love of God be with you. The joyous connection of the Holy Spirit be with you. You are enough. You are loved. You are worthy. As we light this candle, may we prepare our hearts and minds to be present and experience the transcendence of God. Amen

**Opening Song**: Open My Eyes Medley: Open My Eyes, That I May See #451, vs 1&2, Open Our Eyes CCLI #1572, Open the Eyes of My Heart CCLI #229855

Prayer of Reconciliation (Rev. Rob Smith)

Assurance of Grace (Rev. Rob Smith)

#### **Passing of Peace**

Song Sanctuary CCLI #

Prayer of Illumination: (Kelly Polson)

#### Scripture (Bob and Rebecca Shepard) Romans 8: 31-39

If God is for us, who is against us? **32** He who did not withhold his own Son but gave him up for all of us, how will he not with him also give us everything else? **33** Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. **34** Who is to condemn? It is Christ[t] who died, or rather, who was raised, who is also at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us. **35** Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will affliction or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword? **36** As it is written,

"For your sake we are being killed all day long;

we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered."

**37** No, in all these things we are more than victorious through him who loved us. **38** For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, **39** nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Children's sermon (Rev. Rob Smith)

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Call To Offering (Kelly Polson)

Offertory Pie Jesu by Mary Lynn Lightfoot (Spirit of Life Choir)

Communion: Welcome to the Table (Rev. Rob Smith)

#### **Prayer of Great Thanksgiving / 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.

Holy Communion (Rev. Rob Smith)

## **Communion Prayer**

Announcements (Rev. Rob Smith)

Closing Song We Are Called #749

Charge and Benediction (Rev. Rob Smith)

**Postlude** (Martha Davis)

## Announcements

BIG Thanks to everyone that showed up for fall cleanup - the congregation members, as well as the scouts. Much was accomplished with many hands.

**Children's Sunday School** goes through December 18th from 9:30-10:15, upstairs in the SS room. Kids can Zoom in for SS if they can't attend in person. Class is suspended on Nov. 27 (Thanksgiving weekend), Dec 25. (Christmas weekend) and Jan. 1 (New Year's weekend).

Date	Teacher	Helper
11/06	Ryan	Rose
11/13	Karen	Sara
11/20	Sara	Ryan
11/27	No Sunday school/Thanksgiving weekend	
12/04	Ryan	Karen
12/11	Sara	Afanwi
12/18	Prepare for Children's Christmas program	
12/25	No Sunday school/Christmas break	
01/01	No Sunday school/New Year's break	

Adult Class will be completed November 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>, following worship and will be available online via Zoom, by clicking the link at *https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84136883066*; or, you are welcome to gather in the conference room. The videos (YouTube) and a study guide (PBS) are available for free online. See Steve with questions.

**Meet in the Middle** <u>meets Wednesdays</u>. Curriculum is 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. If you're unable to join in person, jump on zoom with this new link: <u>https://</u> <u>us02web.zoom.us/j/85002502767</u>.

Confirmation Class will be for 7th and 8th graders, on the 2nd

Sunday of the month after church. Next class is November 13. Note: we will also plan for a retreat in March or April.

(Monday) COFFEE and CONVERSATION Meet with Pastor Rob and others for Coffee and Conversation on 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 <u>https://zoom.us/j/286584190</u>. One tap mobile +13126266799, 286584190# +19292056099, 286584190#

The "Change for change" bucket offering is coming the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month. Some are familiar with this, others may have questions. With the help of our children, we will continue collecting change in our metal bucket giving 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!

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.

FYI: there was an article in the business section of the StarTribune October 20 highlighting Abdurrahman Mahmud, who launched Twinist, "a TwinCities-based employment service and jobs website that aims to connect immigrants with employers". Here is the link to the website, to check it out: https://www.twinist.com

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