

Spirit of Life Presbyterian Church

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Prelude (Laurie Herman)

Welcome (Rev. Kyle Nolan)

Call to Worship (Jordan Cornormia)

Opening Song Blest Are They (#172)

Prayer of Reconciliation (Rev. Rob Smith)

Assurance of Grace (Rev. Rob Smith)

Passing of Peace

Song Be Thou My Vision (verses 1 & 3)

Prayer of Illumination (Rev. Rob Smith)

Scripture Matthew 5: 1-12 (Jordan Cornormia)

Children's sermon (Rev. Rob Smith)

Sermon "Blessed" (Rev. Kyle Nolan)

Call To Offering (Jordan Cornormia)

Offertory "The Prayer" with "Lead Us Lord" - arr. Tom Fettke (Choir)

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessing flow;

praise Christ, all creatures here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise triune God whom we adore. Amen

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 (Rev. Rob Smith)

Closing Song “The Name of the Lord” CCLI #265239

Charge and Benediction (Rev. Kyle Nolan)

Postlude (Laurie Herman)

Announcements

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Annual Meeting after worship TODAY, January 29, 2023. The positions to be elected at the 2023 congregational meeting are: Session class of 2026: 1; Deacon class of 2025: 1 (plus 1 open seat in 2024). The nominating committee is pleased to present the following nominations for consideration by the congregation for the role listed by each name: Kelly Polson (Ruling Elder), Chris Sachs (open class of 2024 Deacon seat), and Jann Henkes (Deacon class of 2025). Printed copies of the annual report are available at the back.

Legacy Giving Workshop: Composing a Legacy

How you will tell the story of God's grace and love—not just today, but for generations to come? From wills and bequests to life income plans, this workshop will introduce tools you can use to craft your faith legacy. Presented by: The Rev. Kyle Nolan, Ministry Relations Officer, Presbyterian Foundation. Today, January 29, immediately following the annual meeting, we will have a light lunch provided for those attending in person and presentation in a hybrid format via Zoom and in-person in the sanctuary.

Adult Sunday School Class: The God in America adult class will resume following worship on Feb. 5 and will be available online via Zoom. The videos will be shown in class and are also available for free online at PBS. See Steve Braden with questions.

Children's Sunday School meets from 9:30-10:15, upstairs in the SS room. Kids can Zoom in for SS if they can't attend in person. We could use a

helper for each week. If you're available, please reach out to Karen Johnson.

Date	Teacher
01/29	Sara
02/05	Karen
02/12	Sara
02/19	Karen
02/26	Sara

Meet in the Middle meeting Wednesdays at 4:30 and including 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: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85002502767>.

*THANK YOU everyone who has provided snacks and desserts! We are still in need of people to prepare meals. If you can help, please sign the chart in back of sanctuary or contact Loretta. Thank you.

Confirmation Class will be for 7th and 8th graders, on the 2nd Sunday of the month after church. Next class February 12th. Parents, please mark your calendars: Confirmation retreat at SOLPC will be Saturday, April 15th, and Recognition Sunday will be May 21st.

(Monday) COFFEE and CONVERSATION Plan to join 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 <https://zoom.us/j/286584190>. One tap mobile +13126266799, 286584190# +19292056099, 286584190#.

The next **GriefShare Program** will be February 2, 2023 through May 4, 2023 (no meeting Maundy Thursday), 6:30 pm at Spirit of Life Church, Apple Valley. 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.

It is with great sadness we share the loss of Matt Hope. He passed away Monday, January 16. Matt had celebrated his 99th birthday at church recently. Please Pray for Mary Hope and family. In addition, Spirit of Life also lost another member. Bruce Jacobson died on January 19th. He was 80 years old. A Celebration of Life will be at Grace Nazarene Church on February 5th at

4:00 PM. Irene shares an invitation for everyone to come and say goodbye. Phone calls can be made to (952)-210-1911. Please Pray for Irene Jacobson and family. Hold close all that you love as we know of the love of God our Father who welcomes Matt and Bruce home.

Have you been considering **becoming a member**? We will be offering a class in the coming weeks so let us know and we will include you! Send a quick email to the office at spirit@spiritoflifeav.org or see Pastor Rob after worship and let him know!

Community Service Committee Reminder:

It's time to stock up on cans of soup to support your favorite team on **Souper Bowl Sunday February 12**. Watch for details in Tuesday's Blast.

The community service team would like to designate the first Sunday of every month as **little free pantry Sunday**. As we remember the sacred Last Supper, let us also think of our neighbors in need of food support. For February, we are in need of items that can withstand freezing temperatures. This means **NO CANS OR GLASS CONTAINERS**. Some items that are useful include white rice, cereal, jelly (plastic bottles only) peanut butter (plastic jars only) pasta, spaghetti sauce (plastic jars only), Mac and cheese boxes, tuna in foil packets, etc. Our pantry has proven very helpful - we notice items being taken very shortly after placement on the shelves. We've also received a note of thanks from one user. Thanks so much for supporting this mission.

The **Justice Works committee** is organizing a guided group tour of the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community's public exhibit called Mdewakanton: Dwellers of Spirit Lake. To schedule a guided tour, we need a minimum of 20 participants, and this is a family-friendly event. Admission for children under 5 is free, K-12 and over age 65 admission is \$5; all others, \$8. We are looking at either Saturday February 18 or Saturday April 15. Please sign up on the sheet at the back of the sanctuary, indicating which day you prefer and how many people want to attend. If you have any questions, please contact Denise Lewis. Here is a link for more information: <https://shakopeedakota.org/culture/hocokatati/>

Easter fundraiser: Easter is early this year! Our online flower fundraiser will be starting soon. Sale begins February 6, 2023 and will run through 10pm 3/2/23. To make a purchase: Go to: <https://www.gertensfundraising.com/> Enter Store ID: 149. The "Seller Name" box can be used to note if the flower is for the church. Reminder: NO Lilies for the church as we have someone with a major allergy. Thank you! Becky

If you have a **prayer request** you wish to share with our Spirit Care Prayer Team, please email our deacon, Chris Sachs at csachs123@gmail.com. Word as you wish it to be submitted, and we will post it for our prayer team.

Per Capita for 2023 went up to \$37.50