

Spirit of Life Presbyterian Church

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Welcome 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. We would enjoy getting to know you if you would be so kind to sign the attendance roster and include your contact information. If you are interested in receiving our weekly email blast, please send a quick email to the office at spirit@spiritoflifeav.org.

Prelude (Martha Davis)

Welcome (Rev. Rob Smith)

Call to Worship (Rev. Rob Smith)

Taize: Eat This Bread

Eat this bread, drink this cup

Come to me and never be hungry

Eat this bread, drink this cup

Trust in me and you will not thirst.

Call to Worship (Mary Brause-in person)

One: Old and young,

All: God makes us welcome.

One: Whatever color our skin,

All: God makes us welcome.

One: Whoever we love,

All: God makes us welcome.

One: Wherever we are from,

All: God makes us welcome.

One: In-person or online,

All: God makes us welcome.

One: Often here or checking things out,

All: God makes us welcome.

One: Early arrivers or entering now,

All: God makes us welcome.

Whoever we are,
God makes us welcome
Asking us to welcome others.

Eat this bread, drink this cup
Come to me and never be hungry
Eat this bread, drink this cup
Trust in me and you will not thirst.

Opening Song Head to the Heart (CCLI Song # 7047283)

Prayer of Reconciliation (Clara Amadasun)

Assurance of Grace (Rev. Rob Smith)

Passing of Peace

Song God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending (Hymn # 716)

Prayer of Illumination (Clara Amadasun)

Scripture Matthew 20: 1–16 (Mary Brause)

Children’s sermon (Rev. Rob Smith)

Sermon “*Reflections On The Heart: Generosity*” (Rev. Rob Smith)

Call To Offering (Mary Brause)

Offertory Lord, I Give My Heart To You by Joseph Martin (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 Pastor Rob

Announcements (Rev. Rob Smith)

Closing Song I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me (Hymn #700)

Charge and Benediction (Rev. Rob Smith)

Postlude (Martha Davis)

Announcements

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 <p style="font-size: small;">Maundy Thursday: April 6, Potluck and Worship at 6:00 PM Good Friday: April 7, Worship at 7:00 PM Easter: April 9 at 10:00 AM</p>	<p>Wednesday Night Dinner and Devotions 6:00- 6:45 PM All People, All Ages, All Welcome For this season in Lent, come join us at table in-person or online as we share breaking bread and discussion. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to grow in community. <small>*For online community joining us, watch your email for devotion packet and link to join us online. Email spirit@spiritoflifeav.org if you need to be added to receive email.</small></p>
	
<p>March 1: Storing Up Treasures March 8: Sharing Our Hearts March 15: Knowing the Good March 22: Consider the Lilies March 29: Becoming Someone New</p>	

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
03/05	Ryan
03/12	Sara
03/19	Sara
03/26	No class (Spring Break)

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>.

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

Adult Sunday School Class: The God in America adult class will not meet today, March 5th, but will resume next week following worship. The videos will be shown in class and are also available for free online at PBS. See Steve Braden with questions.

(Monday) COFFEE and CONVERSATION Plan to join Pastor Rob and others for Coffee and Conversation on Mondays, at 9:20 am. Come as you are. This is a gathering online and in person at the church. 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://>

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+19292056099, 286584190#.

From Community Service: March is MN FoodShare month! All of our food collection and cash donations will go directly to the Rosemount Family Resource Center. This is the time of year when food pantries struggle to keep their shelves stocked. Two ways you can support:

1. You can bring non-perishable food items every Sunday in March. On the round table at the back of the sanctuary you can pick up a list of the most needed items. The first Sunday in March is also a time to bring in your contributions to stock the Little Free Pantry (still only cold tolerant items - no cans or glass jars). Those items can be put in the cabinet by the front door, or directly in the Little Free Panty. All MN FoodShare food donations should be placed in the empty grocery bags on seats in the sanctuary.
2. You can make a financial contribution. Food shelves have the ability to stretch your dollar contributions to access more food than we can individually by going to the grocery store. Make checks out to Spirit of Life, with MN FoodShare in the memo line, or donate online, with a note that it's for MN FoodShare. Thank You! Contact Denise Lewis if you have questions.

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!

The community service team designates 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.

Reminder: Next weekend is *Daylight savings*! Get ready to spring forward and set your clocks ahead!

Spring cleanup date of March 26th, 2023 (after worship): work for all ages, come one, come all. HUB members serving as work crew leaders on various projects for organization and work flow. This year we will focus on the inside of the church building as our new grounds / snow vendor has a spring cleaning included in their mowing price.

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.

Per Capita for 2023 went up to \$37.50