

**WELCOME TO
SPIRIT OF LIFE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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Thank you for joining us!

We hope you experience the joy of God's love in our diverse, inclusive, and compassionate community. Come as you are; all are welcome!

- ◇ Worship is at 10:00 am Sunday mornings, and can be live-streamed or watched later on YouTube or Facebook.
- ◇ Restrooms are in the first hallway to the left on exiting the sanctuary.

**ORDER OF WORSHIP
JUNE 2, 2024**

** All who are able are invited to stand.
Hymnals are available on the cart by the sound booth.
Regular attenders, visitors, & members, please complete &
return Connect/Prayer cards in offering plate
or to the Welcome Table at the back of the sanctuary.
Today's worship leaders: Rev. Rob Smith and Karen Johnson*

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

Come. Wrestle with God, who receives us and welcomes us just as we are.

Come, let us worship!

Come. Look around with questions, look around with wonder, turning your head in every direction you can find.

Come, let us worship!

Come. God calls us into renewed relationships with one another.

Come, let us worship!

Come. God invites us into new beginnings.

Come, let us worship!

Prayer

***Opening Song** Amazing Grace (Hymn #649)

Prayer of Reconciliation

One: Gathered into one by God's Spirit,
We seek to turn from our ways and to turn towards you.
We work on this in sharing our prayers.
(silence for reflection)

**All: God of grace,
Help us to be a people that seek to see the good in others,
To not assume the worst, rather to give the benefit of the doubt.
May we do the same with ourselves,
and, even, may we do the same to you.
In our humanity, we struggle with being stubborn and determined
to hold a grudge.
We fail to exercise our imaginations,
fail to recognize your works waiting to be born,
if only we would step up to help,
or sometimes, if only we would move out of the way.
Forgive us, O God, and show us another way forward. Amen.**

Assurance of Grace

***Passing of Peace**

***Song** Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling (Hymn #418)

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Genesis 19:15-17, 24-26

Children's sermon

Sermon "S is for Salt" (Rev. Rob Smith)

Call To Offering

Ushers will circulate offering plates for those who wish to give in this way. Online giving is also available on our website.

Offertory For the One by Jenn Johnson & Paul McClure (CCLI #7077180)

Communion:

Welcome To The Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving / Prayers of the People:

Holy Communion

Music During Communion

Prayer

Announcements

***Closing Song** Holy Water (CCLI #7136448)

***Charge and Benediction**

Postlude

Please join us for coffee and refreshments after worship.

[Liturgy in the bulletin today is adapted from © Church Anew and used with Permission.]

Announcements

Visitors: Welcome to Spirit of Life Presbyterian Church! Thank you for worshipping with us. Visitors, regular attenders and members, please complete the Connect/Prayer card and indicate if you wish to receive our weekly emails. If you don't have a card, please pick one up from our Information Table at the back of the sanctuary. Please return completed Connect/Prayer card in offering plate or in box labeled accordingly at the back. If you have any questions, please ask at the Information Table or Pastor Rob.

Sunday Events:

- **"Once an Elder or Deacon, Always an Elder or Deacon"...**
Calling all ordained Elders and Deacons who have ever served, and those who have maybe not served but would like to:
Sunday, June 2nd, we are hosting a Church Summit on the growth and support of our church. This will be immediately following the Sunday church fellowship (after worship). A chili luncheon will be provided.

Adult Class: From Jesus to Christ. This class, based on the PBS video From Jesus to Christ: The First Christians, will conclude after worship again June 9 and 16. This is an excellent introduction to the quest for the "Historical Jesus - the effort by historians, scholars, and theologians to understand the earthly Jesus, and how his followers developed into a religion. Steve Braden will lead the discussion.

The Merry Old SoLs (Spirit of Life's Senior Group) will meet on Wednesday, June 12, 9:30-11:30 am at Bob and Rebecca Shepard's home. Please RSVP to Steve Braden if you can attend and Chris Sachs if you need a ride. Mark your calendar. We hope to see you

there!

KIDS CAMP will be August 5-9, 2024! Mark your calendars and pick up your registration forms at the information table.

Prayer Ministry at Spirit of Life Please use the connect card and turn in at the offering time if you have a prayer request to share today. During the week, please email our deacon, Chris Sachs at ccsachs123@gmail.com to share a prayer request with our Spirit Care Prayer Team.

2024 Per Capita is \$38.50

Usual Church Office Hours: Monday & Thursday 10-3. Call ahead to make sure as we work remotely some days.

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