

**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
JULY 7, 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 Afanwi Kube*

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship My Lord is Wonderful (Gladys Mbonifor, singer)

Prayer

***Opening Song** God of Grace and God of Glory (Hymn #307 vs 1, 2, & 4)

Prayer of Reconciliation

Assurance of Grace

***Passing of Peace**

***Song** Sanctuary (CCLI #24140)

Prayer of Illumination

Children's sermon You Will Always Belong (by Matthew Paul Turner)

Scripture Genesis 50:15-21

Sermon Song Joseph Forgave His Brothers (Gladys Mbonifor, singer)

Sermon "J is for Joseph" (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 Alive in You (by Kim Walker-Smith, Skyler Smith, & Jordan Frye) (Karen Johnson, singer)

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

Communion Music Say the Word (by Ashley Dean Coppola & James Perkins) (Karen Johnson, singer)

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving / Prayers of the People

Sing The Lord's Prayer (Karen Johnson, songleader)

Our Father in heaven,
Holy be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done,
On earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours
Now and forever. Amen.

Holy Communion (Rev. Rob Smith)

Communion Prayer

Announcements

***Closing Song** Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ (Hymn #526)

***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 worshiping 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:

- Today, July 7th, is **Replenish the Little Free Pantry Sunday**, which is being used often and in need of frequent restocking. Please pick up a couple items any week - from the store or your cupboards - and leave them on or in the cabinet in the entryway. Suggestions Include: Pasta Products, Pasta Sauce, White Rice, Peanut Butter, Jelly/Jam, Boxed Potatoes, Cereal / Oatmeal, Canned Fruit and Vegetables, Canned Meats, ANY Nonperishable Items. Any type of container is acceptable during the summer months. **THANK YOU FOR HELPING US FEED OUR NEIGHBORS!**

It takes all of us to be the church. Leadership is working diligently to organize the opportunities and sharing many of these through the Sign Up Genius links sent in the email blasts. Would you please take a few minutes and help make a commitment to help pick up a part.

Especially, would you consider becoming part of the Sunday Fellowship Team? We need someone to sign up for next Sunday, July 14, and beyond! Thank you for all of the ways you help us be the body of Christ. We are also in need of Ushers and Greeters several weeks in July and more!

KIDS CAMP will be August 5-9, 2024! Mark your calendars and pick up your registration forms at the information table or online at <https://forms.gle/qVgpz3P8U8bzSCWJ9>.

Friends - By consensus at our last gathering (a delightful time at Bob & Rebecca Shepard's new home), **Merry Old SoLs** are skipping July. Our

next gathering will be Wednesday, August 21, at the home of Jerry & Karen Johnson in Eagan. 9:30-11:30 am as usual. Mark your calendar, and we hope to see you there.

FROM COMMUNITY SERVICE: You are invited to help in the gardens on our grounds! **Sundays after worship**, and **usually Monday mornings** (time dependent on weather), you can join our crew in harvesting the vegetable garden for donation to Rosemount Resource Center food shelf, and/or weeding in the vegetable garden or flower beds. Check in with Denise, Loretta, or Karen for details. Currently, our raspberries are ripening; they are labor intensive to harvest, so if you want to pick raspberries, wear solid shoes (no flip flops or sandals), long pants, and long sleeves. Thanks for supporting this important ministry!

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 sachs123@gmail.com to share a prayer request with our Spirit Care Prayer Team.

Note: The church office will be closed tomorrow, July 8th. Shari will work from the office Tuesday.

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.

Staff: Pastor: Rev. Robert (Rob) Smith (pastorrob@spiritoflifeav.org)
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