

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Regularly scheduled events can be found on the church's online Calendar. It can be also be viewed on the home page of www.spriggsroad.org.

The weekly Tuesday evening Word, Prayer, and Praise meeting continues to meet at 7 p.m. remotely via Zoom. All are welcome to attend. An email with a link for the meeting is sent out early each week. If you would like to attend and did not get the link, contact Pastor Matt.

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* Submissions for the bulletin are due by Wednesday each week.

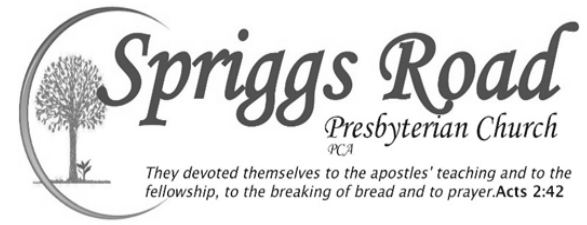


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And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Acts 2:42



LORD'S DAY WORSHIP NOVEMBER 29, 2020

Prelude

Welcome

Announcements

Meditation

Call to Worship/Invocation

†**Hymn of Praise**

“Let All Things Now Living”
Trinity Hymnal #125

†**Scripture Reading**

Matthew 28:1-20

Pastoral Prayer

†**Singing Psalms**

Psalm 143 (*Trinity Psalter*, p.121)
Tune: “Fairest Lord Jesus” (*TH* #170)

Confession of Faith

Apostles' Creed

†**Scripture Teaching**

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:17-19

Expounding the Word of God

Michael Mang

“The Creation Mandate” (Part 2)

***The Lord's Supper**

†**Hymn of Response**

“We Gather Together”
Trinity Hymnal #363

†**Benediction**

Postlude

†Standing, if able

*Live Stream ends before The Lord's Supper

There will not be a passing of the offering plate as part of our worship service during this time of social distancing. However, there is a tithe box on the small table near the main sanctuary doors where you may deposit offerings. In addition, there are remote payment options detailed on the “Donate” tab of the church website.

WELCOME

We really mean it when we say we are thrilled that you have come to worship with us today!

If you should have any questions or comments about the ministry of Spriggs Road Presbyterian Church, please feel free to reach out. Contact information is on the back page of this bulletin.

Please note that if you are attending the 9 a.m. service, masks must be worn at all times except when the participants are taking the elements of the Lord's Supper.

At this time Sunday School is not in session.

Children are always welcome in our worship services. We also have a “cry room” available with a large window for viewing the service and a speaker that will be playing all the audio from the main sanctuary. Please feel free to use that if you are concerned that your children’s noises are disrupting the service. Since it is a small room, we ask you to be judicious and careful to maintain recommended distancing should others also seek to use it.

We hope that this Lord’s Day you will be encouraged by the Word, refreshed by the worship, and touched by Christ’s love through our fellowship with one another.

MEDITATION

For if [a Christian] cannot thank and praise God as well in calamities and sufferings as in prosperity and happiness, he is as far from the piety of a Christian as he that only loves them that love him is from the charity of a Christian. For to thank God only for such things as you like is no more a proper act of piety than to believe only what you see is an act of faith. Resignation and thanksgiving to God are only acts of piety when they are acts of faith, trust and confidence in the divine goodness.

— William Law, *A Serious Call to a Devout and Holy Life*

CONSTRUCTION OF PORTICO

PLEASE NOTE... Construction of the church entry portico began on Monday, August 31. For the next few weeks, we will have to use the entry at the rear of the church while construction is taking place. Please use caution when walking near the construction site and, for their safety, please keep children away from the construction area.

As a reminder, we are still collecting funds to help pay for the project. If you would like to contribute, please designate any gifts as “Church Portico Project” or something like that.

If you have any questions, please contact any of the Session members.

A concept drawing of the planned portico is on the bulletin board in the foyer.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

There are several families with young children who would like to have a nursery available again. The session just approved reopening the nursery for the second service (10:45 a.m.) only and in a limited way with some guidance. Please contact Robin Deane if you would be willing to help get it going.

There is a need for additional help producing the bulletin. Ideally we would like to have 3 or 4 volunteers who could take turns. This is a good opportunity for anyone who knows a bit about desktop publishing (or who would like to learn) to serve the church in a valuable way. In addition, there will be a need for people to print and fold the bulletin once we return to providing paper copies. If you are interested or have questions, please email bulletin@spriggsroad.org.

**IMPORTANT MESSAGE ABOUT
MAILING TITHES**

Due to recent security issues impacting church mailboxes, we are requesting that all checks be mailed to our new PO box. The address is:

Spriggs Road Presbyterian Church
PO Box 2614
Woodbridge, VA 22195

This would also include donations made through your bank via Bill Pay. Bill Pay sends out a paper check in the mail.

This does not apply to donations made via Zelle which are electronically transferred to the church's account.

If you have questions, please contact one of the deacons.

The PO Box is for tithes and offerings only; all other communications can still be mailed to the Church's address:

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FINANCIAL UPDATE

Income vs. Budget	11/22/2020	YTD
General Income	\$9,426.00	\$454,062.55
Budget Requirement	\$9,500.00	\$446,500.00
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$74.00)	\$7,562.55
Attendance	114	

CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

*I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,*

*And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended into hell.*

*The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.*

SERMON NOTES

Title: “The Creation Mandate” Part 2

Text: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:17-19

Theme Because of sin and now the accomplishment of redemption, the creation mandate cannot be successfully carried out apart from the Great Commission. The hearts of people must be changed by the work of the Spirit through the Gospel.

I. What the Creation Mandate Is

II. Scriptural Basis for the Creation Mandate – Genesis 1:26-30; 2:5-9; 3:17-19; 4:8-12, 20-22; 9:7; Isaiah 45:18

III. Three Features of the Creation Mandate

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

CONFESSION OF SIN

O LORD our God, we lament that our sins have grieved Your heart and arrested sweet communion with You.

We cover over sins and transgressions that others do not see. But in Your sight, O merciful God, nothing is hidden.

We declare that our love for those outside of the family of God grows cold.

We admit that often our motive for serving You seeks the praise of others.

We acknowledge that we have harbored bitterness and anger toward others.

Forgive us for the hardness of our hearts. Pardon us for delighting more in the fleeting pleasures of this fallen world.

We confess our sins and plead the merits of our Savior’s life, death, and resurrection.

For Your great Name’s sake, deliver us from evil.

We pray in the Name of Your Son, Christ Jesus, the Righteous One. Amen.

Personal Confession

This time of silence is provided for private, personal confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

“No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide...”

— John 15:15-16a (ESV)

Please seek out and contact one of our Pastors or Elders to talk more about your eternal future. You can find their contact information in this bulletin. They will be glad to show you from Scripture, God's Word, how you can have a relationship with God through Christ Jesus and have true peace and security with Him.

If you have professed faith in Christ Jesus, have been baptized, and are a member of the Church, yet there is a distance between you and the LORD because of cherished and unrepentant sin and transgressions of God's laws, we warn you to refrain from partaking the elements of the Lord's Table today. Scripture tells us that partaking of the Lord's Table is a participation, a communion, in the body and blood of Christ (1 Cor. 10:16). God's people cannot partake of His holy Table while at the same time engaging in deliberate and conscious violations of His commands for us as His holy people. If this is true with you, the LORD graciously promises that, if you confess and turn from whatever thinking or behavior that is contrary to His nature and His Word, He is faithful to forgive and to cleanse you from all unrighteousness (1 John 1:9). Until you have confessed and turned from whatever this breach of faith might be, please refrain from partaking of the Lord's Table.

This does not mean that as a professing follower of Christ you are required to be perfect and flawless before communing with Christ at His Table. The Table is for you to be nourished and strengthened even more in your faith and love for Christ. You may have worries and doubts that God loves or hears you because your faith is weak. You may have sinned, confessed, and turned from it to the Lord before partaking, but still your heart condemns you. When you come to the Lord's Table, the Lord by faith assures you that you belong to Him, and He belongs to you. If, despite your sins and imperfections, you can truly say that the LORD is your Shepherd, that the name of Christ and His smile is the desire of your soul, then take the LORD at His word that you are ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven!

Come, and dine with your Lord and Savior.

IV. Three Central Responsibilities of the Creation Mandate

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

V. The Relationship Between the Creation Mandate and the Great Commission

VI. How Are God's People to Carry Out the Creation Mandate?

VII. General Applications

**QUESTIONS TO DISCUSS AT
HOME OR IN SMALL GROUPS**

1. What are the five (5) commands in Genesis 1:28 that provide the contours of the Creation Mandate?
2. Where did God place Adam and Eve to begin fulfilling the Creation Mandate? Why did God place Adam there (Genesis 2:5-9, see also v. 15)?
3. What interrupted the smooth progress toward fulfilling the goal of the Creation Mandate (Genesis 3:17-19)?
4. Did God rescind or alter the Creation Mandate (Genesis 3:17-19)?
5. Who received a severe punishment that greatly impeded the work of carrying out the task of fulfilling the Creation Mandate? Why did he receive this punishment? (Genesis 4:8-12)?
6. What progress in advancing civilization was made after the fall of mankind (Genesis 4:20-22)?
7. When was the Creation Mandate repeated (Genesis 9:7)?
8. Why did God create the earth (Isaiah 45:18)?
9. What are three features of the Creation Mandate?
10. How does the image of God in man relate to the Creation Mandate?
11. How does God's Kingdom relate to the Creation Mandate?
12. Who today is responsible for carrying out the Creation Mandate?

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Announcement:

All are invited to the Lord's Table who have been baptized, have publicly professed faith in (either before a congregation of the Lord's Church or to a body of Elders in a church where the Gospel of Christ is embraced) and allegiance to the Lord Jesus Christ as the Savior from your sins, and are members of the visible Church of the Lord Jesus Christ.

If you have not publicly professed faith in Christ Jesus – the eternal Son of God who took on human flesh, lived a perfect, sinless life, died on the cross for sins, rose bodily from the dead, and who is returning to this earth in power and glory – please refrain from partaking of the Lord's Table.

We invite you to respond to the Gospel by first understanding that you have sinned personally against the God who made you and have violated His good and right laws for you to follow. God is holy and has every right to separate you from Himself and from all that is good and beautiful because of your freely chosen disobedience to Him. But the really good news is that you can be restored to the God who made you because of what Christ Jesus has done on the cross as a perfect substitute and payment for the penalty that you owe and deserve. Simply believing and trusting in what Jesus did for you means you will belong to the LORD God forever.

Abraham, the Biblical example of one who was restored to God by faith alone, trusted God's promise and the LORD God credited it, that trust, to him as righteousness. God has shown His love to the world, and to you, by giving His only Son that whoever believes in Him should not die and be separated from Him forever but rather have the life man was created to have in the presence of God, a life that never ends.

This means that you cannot DO anything to earn your place with God. However, a true faith in Christ Jesus comes from a God-given desire that will produce behavior that does those things that are pleasing to Him.