



SPRING VALLEY
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Happy New Year!
Communion &
Epiphany Sunday
January 4, 2026

Worship Service Bulletins
& Announcements

*Worship services
are livestreamed.*

We are a community of sinners saved
by the grace of God through Jesus
Christ and inspired by the Holy Spirit.
We seek to glorify God, nurture one
another and express the love of
God in word and deed.



SUNDAYS, JAN. 4 - FEB. 22

ADULT BIBLE STUDY
SUNDAYS, BEGINNING JAN. 4
4 - 5:30 PM, CROSSROADS RM

Questions? Call or text Drea
at 803-479-8591

*A Different Bible Study
Using "The Chosen" Series*

CARE Patrol™
Your Partner In Senior Care Solutions

JOY
MONDAY JAN. 5 @ 12:30PM
IN POTTS HALL

Speaker: Ken Knudsen with Care Patrol on Senior Care Options. Bring a covered dish to share and join us.




Alpha

Alpha is a series of sessions that explore the foundations of the Christian faith in an honest and non-judgmental environment.

Join Pastor Ben in CrossRoads on Wednesdays from 5:15PM to 6:15PM beginning January 7 through February 11.

Friday
January 23
Potts Hall

Hamburgers & Hots Dogs
5:45 - 6:30pm

Bingo
6:30 - 7:30pm

Prizes for Adults & Children

Family BINGO NIGHT

RSVP at SVPC.org

**CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING**

*to review the Annual Report
and to present the 2026 budget*

**JANUARY 25 AT 9:30AM
IN POTTS HALL**

Grief & Share®

Wednesdays February 25 - March 25
5:15PM-6:15PM in Crossroads

Join us and find a space where people will listen, without judgment, and share helpful insights and advice on how to journey through grief.

Traditional Service at 10:30AM in the Sanctuary
This service is being livestreamed.

ASSEMBLING IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

"IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE"

ARR. MATT LIMBAUGH

*Those who are able, please stand

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOUIE BARTLETT

* **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Arise, shine; for your light has come,

People: And the glory of the Lord has risen upon you

Leader: Nations shall come to your light

**ALL: And rulers to the brightness of your rising. Jesus, Light of the world,
manifest your love and presence to us as we have come to worship you.**

* **HYMN 66** "WE THREE KINGS OF ORIENT ARE"

* **CALL TO CONFESSION**

LOUIE BARTLETT

* **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

LOUIE BARTLETT

God of glory, you sent Jesus among us as the Light of the world, to reveal your love for all people. We confess our sin, our pride - our darkness hides the brightness of your light. We turn away from the poor, we choose not to walk in your light, we seek our will first instead of yours. In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin, that we may show forth your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ.

* **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

LOUIE BARTLETT

Leader: In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God!

SUNG RESPONSE

"HEAR OUR PRAYER, O LORD"

(OLD RED HYMNBOOK)

HEAR OUR PRAYER, O LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER, O LORD,

INCLINE THINE EAR TO US, AND GRANT US THY PEACE. AMEN.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

REV. DR. J. BEN SLOAN

GREET YOUR NEIGHBOR

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

CHOIR ANTHEM

"LITTLE DRUMMER BOY"

COME, THEY TOLD ME (PA-RUM-PUM-PUM-PUM), A NEWBORN KING TO SEE. OUR FINEST GIFTS WE BRING,
TO LAY BEFORE THE KING. SO TO HONOR HIM, WHEN WE COME. LITTLE BABY, I AM A POOR BOY TOO.
I HAVE NOT GIFT TO BRING, TO LAY BEFORE THE KING. SHALL I PLAY FOR YOU, ON MY DRUM?
MARY NODDED, THE OX AND LAMB KEPT TIME. I PLAYED MY DRUM FOR HIM. I PLAYED MY BEST FOR HIM,
THEN HE SMILED AT ME, ME AND MY DRUM. COME THEY TOLD ME PA-RUM-PUM-PUM-PUM.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

MATTHEW 6:33

PG. 6; PG. 6

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

2 CORINTHIANS 5:17

PG. 181; PG. 170

SERMON

"FIRST THINGS FIRST"

REV. DR. J. BEN SLOAN

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

* APOSTLES' CREED HYMNAL, PG 14
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived of the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION to the TABLE

WORDS of INSTITUTION

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

PRAYER

RECEIVING THE ELEMENTS

PRAYERS of THE PEOPLE

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

WORSHIP WITH TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

"GLORIA"

MICHAEL W. SMITH

* DOXOLOGY

HYMNAL, No. 592

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

* HYMN 333

"SEEK YE FIRST"

* CHARGE & BENEDICTION

REV. DR. J. BEN SLOAN

* CHORAL RESPONSE

May the road rise to meet you, may the wind blow at your back, may the sun shine warmly on your face, may the rain fall softly on your fields; and until we meet again, until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of his hand. Amen.

POSTLUDE

"TOCCATA IN F"

JOHANN PACHELBEL

Our time of worship ends and our service to others begins.



To place a dedication here in the bulletin along with flower arrangements in the Sanctuary, please email sandra@svpc.org. The cost is \$140 for two altar arrangements.

Revelations Service @ 8:30AM in Potts Hall
This worship service is being livestreamed.

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Welcome

Call to Worship | "Here, I Am to Worship"
Children's Time

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

New Testament: Matthew 6:33; 2 Corinthians 5:17
Sermon: "First Things First" | Rev. Dr. J. Ben Sloan
The Lord's Supper | "By His Wounds"
Lift Up Our Concerns
Greet Your Neighbor

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

"10,000 Reasons"
Statement of Faith: Apostles' Creed
Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon
Share Our Gifts | "Revelation Song"

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

Benediction | Rev. Dr. J. Ben Sloan
"Irish Blessing"

PRAYER LIST

*SUBMIT PRAYER REQUESTS AT WWW.SVPC.ORG.
WE REMOVE NAMES AFTER FOUR WEEKS UNLESS REQUESTED.*

Members: Joanne Abercrombie, Pete Griffin, The Clutts Family, Ann Perry, David Knowles, The St. Onge Family, Debbie & Grady Allen, AJ Kilgore, Dale Frieden-Bell, Pat Alexander, Jackson Richard Jansen (born to Alexy & Ben Jansen, & grandchild of Cathy & Rick Jansen).

Non-Members: Cathy Pearson, Dean Gandolfo, Leila Evans, Caroline Peek (Michelle Dunbar's daughter, Wendy Sherman's sister), Lynn van Dijk, Freida Dean, Bob Morris (friend of Rick & Jeanette Mathis), Tim Anderson (Denise Dale's friend), Children receiving treatment at Prisma Children's Hospital cancer ward & their families, Port Loyola & West Street Baptist Churches.

For **EMERGENCY** purposes, a defibrillator (in a red case) is available for trained CPR users on the cabinet outside of the pastor's office, as well as one mounted in a white cabinet on the wall outside of the Outreach Room.



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