



SPRING VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 2026 WORSHIP SERVICE BULLETINS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.



**Worship services
are livestreamed.**

COMMISSIONING *of the* **Confirmands**

Please welcome our newest class of Confirmands at the 10:30 Worship Service on Sunday, August 16th.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The purpose is to receive a report from the Representative Nominating Committee (RNC) regarding a slate of nominees and vote to form a Pastor Nominating Committee.

**TODAY, AUGUST 2 AT
10:15AM IN THE SANCTUARY**



GO Group is a Bible study for youth & adults ages 13 years and up.

Come connect, learn, and grow together in God's Word.

SCHEDULE

AUG. 12 • 6PM

Crossroads,
Topic: "Helping
Children in
Need"

AUG. 27 • 8:30AM

Field Trip to
Thornwell
Leave at 8:30AM
Back by 2:30PM

RSVP AT SVPC.ORG/EVENTS

Monday, August 3 @ NOON in Potts Hall



THIS "JUST OLDER YOUTH" GROUP IS GENERALLY 55+.

**Bring a covered
dish to share &
join us.**



**Speaker: Brian Clark
Topic: Belize Mission Recap**

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

ASSEMBLING IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

"PRELUDE IN F", JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH

SCOTT DILLON, GUEST PIANIST

**Those who are able, please stand*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

KEN McMANUS

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism

People: There is one Spirit who calls us to be one with one another.

All: Help us God, as we worship, to love one another and worship you in Spirit and in truth.

* HYMN 398....."THERE'S A SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT"

* CALL TO CONFESSION

KEN McMANUS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

KEN McMANUS

Lord, you asked us to make every effort to keep the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace. But we often only make every effort to please ourselves and go our own way. Help us to love you with our heart, soul, mind, and strength, and to love our neighbor- including our church neighbors as we ourselves.

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

KEN McMANUS

Leader: God's love is from everlasting to everlasting. Believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ we are truly forgiven - thanks be to God.

SUNG RESPONSE

"SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD"

HYMNAL, No. 322

SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD, FALL AFRESH ON ME; SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD, FALL AFRESH ON ME.

MELT ME, MOLD ME, FILL ME, USE ME. SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD, FALL AFRESH ON ME

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES: BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

MEREDITH OREL, DCE

GREET YOUR NEIGHBOR

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

CHOIR ANTHEM

"JESUS, SAVIOR, LORD I ADORE YOU"

Jesus, Savior, Lord, I adore You. Jesus, Savior, I bow down before You, singing alleluia, alleluia, Jesus, Savior, I give my life to You, singing alleluia praise the Lord; singing alleluia forevermore. With my life I adore You. With my heart, bow before You. Lord, I give my life to You.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

PSALM 133

PG. 575, PG. 543

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

ACTS 2:24-27

PG. 119, PG. 112

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

* NICENE CREED (TRADITIONAL) HYMNAL, PG 15

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

"I, THE LORD OF SEA AND SKY"
BY DANIEL L. SCHUTTE

SCOTT DILLON, GUEST PIANIST

* DOXOLOGY

HYMNAL, No. 592

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GOING IN GOD’S NAME

* HYMN 441..... "I LOVE THY KINGDOM, LORD"

* 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

"BLESSED BE YOUR NAME"
BY BETH REDMAN & MATT REDMAN, ARRANGED BY BRYCE INMAN

SCOTT DILLON, GUEST PIANIST

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



Revelations Service @ 8:30AM in Potts Hall

The worship service is being livestreamed.

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Welcome

Invocation

"Nobody (but Jesus)"

Children's Time: Blessing of the Backpacks

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Old Testament: Psalm 133 | New Testament: Acts 2:24-27

Sermon: "When Saints Commune" Rev. Dr. J. Ben Sloan

The Lord's Supper | "Draw Me Close"

Lift Up Our Concerns

Greet Your Neighbor

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

"All the Earth Will Sing Your Praises"

Statement of Faith: Nicene Creed

Share Our Gifts | "You Are So Good to Me"

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.

Our prayers and sympathy go out to Mike & Stella Causey and family on the loss of Stella's aunt, Catherine Shaffer, on Friday, July 24, 2026.

Members: Cathy Gandolfo, Tonja Caviness, Belinda Rutledge, Dave Day, Pete Griffin, Suzie Moore, AJ Kilgore, Janice Love, Jane Staines, Lynn Watson, Susan Vaughan, Ann Perry, Joanne Abercrombie, Dale Frieden-Bell, Pat Alexander.

Non-Members: Reagan Dixon (Rick and Cathy Jansen's great niece), Sarah Bender (Drea Bender's daughter-in-law), Rev. Daria Ragan (Dena Jordan's sister), Debbie Johnson (regular visitor), Mark Jordan, Lynn van Dijk, Skip Love (Janice Love's son), Connie O'Mara (Dan O'Mara's sister-in-law), Leila Evans, 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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