

Worship services
are livestreamed.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2026
WORSHIP SERVICE BULLETINS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



SPRING VALLEY
PRESBYTERIAN

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.

strikers **FIRST MEETING AUGUST 30TH**

3RD-5TH GRADE YOUTH GROUP
FAITH | FELLOWSHIP | SERVICE

3:30 PM - 5:00 PM

MEET IN STRIKERS ROOM 220

NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

BOOK CLUB

AUGUST 30 AT 3PM

IN THE ATRIUM

"Kin" by Tayari Jones

NEW DATE

BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY

Find Your Place

INVITE SOMEONE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

08:30AM REVELATIONS SERVICE
09:30AM FAITH FORMATION
10:30AM TRADITIONAL SERVICE
11:30AM JUBILEE POTLUCK LUNCH

SIGN UP FOR THE POTLUCK LUNCH AT
[SVPC.ORG/EVENTS](https://svpc.org/events)

GO GROUP

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

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

AUG. 27 • Field Trip to Thornwell

Meet at 8:30AM at SVPC to carpool on the church bus, or take your own vehicle. Join us for a 2-hour tour of Thornwell cottages, child development, & Lush Acres Farm, followed by a lunch at Dempseys, and return to SVPC around 2:30PM.

[RSVP AT SVPC.ORG/EVENTS](https://svpc.org/events)

Traditional Service at 10:30AM in the Sanctuary

This service is being livestreamed.

ASSEMBLING IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

"WHEN MORNING GILDS THE SKIES"

ARR. JOE GAYLON

**Those who are able, please stand*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

JENNIFER RALEY

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Seek first the kingdom of God.

People: Seek His righteousness.

All: All these other things will be added to our lives.

* HYMN 376 "LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING"

* CALL TO CONFESSION

JENNIFER RALEY

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

JENNIFER RALEY

Lord, we confess we are more comfortable with the things of the world than with you. Keep our eyes on you, and when they get distracted, lift up our eyes to you because our help comes from you. Keep our hearts on you, and when our hearts wander, bring our hearts back to you. Keep our feet going where you want us to go - when we wander down wrong paths, in your grace, bring us back. Keep our hands at work for you, and when we do bad work, in your mercy call us back to you.

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

JENNIFER RALEY

Leader: The Lord will restore our heart of stone and soften it to a heart that responds to Him.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God!

SUNG RESPONSE

"BREATHE ON ME, BREATH OF GOD"

P.316 v.1

BREATHE ON ME, BREATH OF GOD, FILL ME WITH LIFE ANEW,
THAT I MAY LOVE WHAT THOU DOST LOVE, AND DO WHAT THOU WOULDST DO.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

REV. DR. J. BEN SLOAN

GREET YOUR NEIGHBOR

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

CHOIR ANTHEM

"HALLELUJAH"

I've heard there was a secret chord that David played, and it pleased the Lord But you don't really care for music, do you? It goes like this, the fourth, the fifth the minor fall, the major lift, the baffled king composing "Hallelujah". Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah. You say I took the name in vain, I don't even know the name. But if I did, well, really, what's it to you? There's a blaze of light in every word. It doesn't matter which you heard—the holy or the broken Hallelujah. I did my best, it wasn't much, I couldn't feel, so I tried to touch, I've told the truth, I didn't come to fool you. And even though it all went wrong, I'll stand before the Lord of Song, with nothing on my tongue but Hallelujah.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

ISAIAH 41:8

PG. 669, PG. 629

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

JAMES 2:23; JOHN 15:15

PG. 230, PG. 216; PG. 109, PG.103

SERMON

"YOU CAN BE A FRIEND OF GOD"

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 by 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.

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

"ALLELUIA W/ MAJESTY & GLORY OF YOUR NAME"

ARR. MARK HAYES

* DOXOLOGY

HYMNAL, No. 592

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

* HYMN 403 "WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS"

* 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

"IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE"

ARR. LARRY SHACKLEY

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

"Forever"

"Wonderful Cross"

Children's Time

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Scripture: Isaiah 41:8; James 2:23; John 15:15

Sermon: "You Can Be a Friend of God" | Rev. Dr. J. Ben Sloan

Greet Your Neighbor

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

"Trading My Sorrows"

Statement of Faith: Apostles' Creed

Lift Up Our Concerns

Share Our Gifts | "On Eagle's Wings"

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

Benediction | Rev. Dr. J. Ben Sloan

"Joyful Noise"

PRAYER LIST

SUBMIT PRAYER REQUESTS AT WWW.SVPC.ORG.

WE REMOVE NAMES AFTER FOUR WEEKS UNLESS REQUESTED.

There is a Celebration of Life today at SVPC for Pete Griffin at 2:00 PM with a reception in the Atrium to follow, and a Celebration of Life for Lollie Eykyn at Valhalla Woods Golf Club (formerly The Woodlands) from 2:00-4:00 PM.

Members: Cathy Gandolfo, Belinda Rutledge, Ann Perry, AJ Kilgore, Janice Love, Jane Staines, Lynn Watson, Susan Vaughan, Joanne Abercrombie, Dale Frieden-Bell, Pat Alexander.

Non-Members: Skip Love (Janice Love's son), Audrey Hall (Brian Hall's mother), Sarah Bender (Drea Bender's daughter-in-law), Betty Schlemmer (Jodi Osisek's mother), Vickie Scoggins (Wanda Scoggins' mother), Reagan Dixon (Rick & Cathy Jansen's great niece), Mark Jordan, Lynn van Dijk, Leila Evans, Rev. Daria Ragan (Dena Jordan's sister), Debbie Johnson (regular visitor), Connie O'Mara (Dan O'Mara's sister-in-law), 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.



SVPC, 125 Sparkleberry Lane
Columbia, SC 29229
803-788-3589, www.svpc.org

YouTube [SpringValleyPresbyterianChurch](https://www.youtube.com/SpringValleyPresbyterianChurch)



www.facebook.com/svpc.mychurch



@springvalleypres