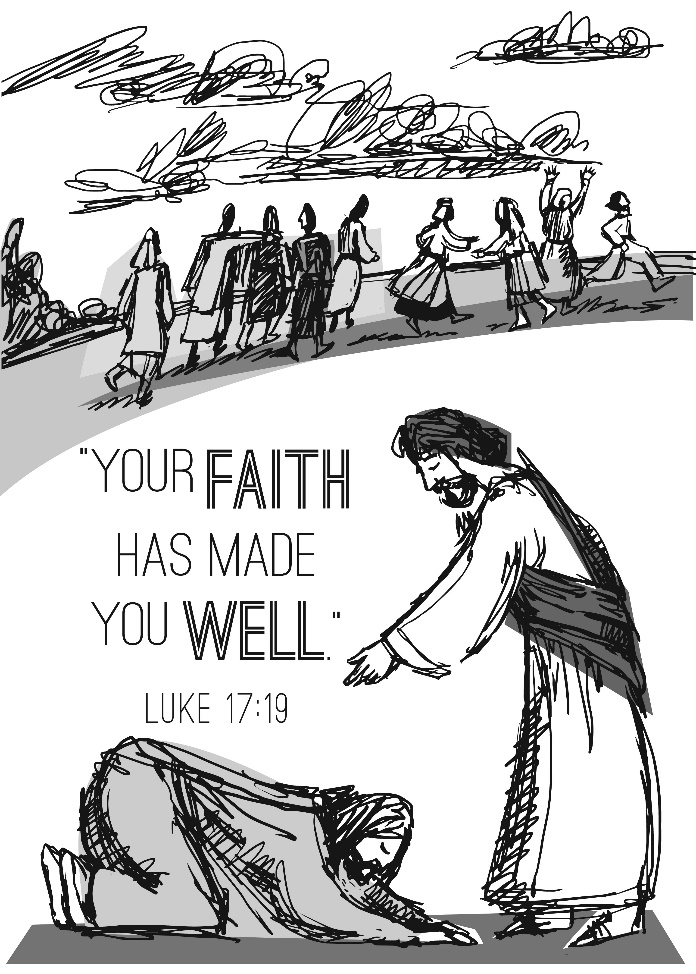
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**Springfield Presbyterian Church (USA)**

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**October 13, 2019 - 10:30 am**

**WELCOME VISITORS!** We're glad you are here! Cards at the ends of each pew are for you to fill out and drop in the Offering Plate. Please let us know you are visiting, and join us for refreshments and fellowship following the service. The Sanctuary has an induction loop system to assist the hearing impaired. The system will also work on the telephone setting of hearing aids.

Springfield Presbyterian Church is rooted in the gospel of Jesus Christ, led by the Holy Spirit, and called to loving relationships through vibrant worship and service. Valuing all people, we are committed to developing disciples and fostering stewardship.

**PREPARATION FOR THE WORD**

(**\*** those who are able are invited to stand)

**PRELUDE**

**GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE**

The Lord be with you! **And also with you!** (Greeting)

**LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE**

Leader: Whenever we light this candle we proclaim:

**People: Christ is the Light of the world and the center of our lives.**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** *[Psalm 66:1-4]*

Leader: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth!

**People: Sing to the glory of His name!**

Leader: Give to Him glorious praise.

**People: Say to God, “How awesome are your deeds!”**

Leader: Because of your great power, O God, your enemies cringe before you!

**People: All the earth worships you!**

Leader: All the earth sings praises to you!

**People: As a faithful people, we gather together to sing praises to your name! Alleluia, amen!**

**\* HYMN** *We Cannot Measure How You Heal*

We cannot measure how you heal or answer every sufferer’s prayer,

Yet we believe your grace responds where faith and doubt unite to care.

Your hands, though bloodied on the cross, survive to hold and heal and warn,

To carry all through death to life and cradle children yet unborn.

The pain that will not go away, the guilt that clings from things long past,

The fear of what the future holds, are present as if meant to last.

But present too is love which tends the hurt we never hoped to find,

The private agonies inside, the memories that haunt the mind.

So some have come who need your help and some have come to make amends,

As hands which shaped and saved the world are present in the touch of friends.

Lord, let your Spirit meet us here to mend the body, mind and soul,

To disentangle peace from pain, and make your broken people whole.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Generous God, we are a people who long to be healed, to be made clean, to somehow start again. We look out to a world of hurting people, damaging situations, and those in the margins, knowing our nations are in need of healing too. We become overwhelmed, overbooked, overstressed, where we do not measure wholeness and health, but measure ourselves by monetary figures, clothes sizes, and our socio-economic status. We’ve lost the sense of what holistic health means, and what abundant life looks like in relationship to you. Help to transform us, renew us, and restore us. Forgive us for our distractions and help us to refocus on your call to wholeness. Amen.**

**SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION**

**RESPONSE** *Just as I Am, without One Plea*

Just as I am, thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;

Because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come; I come!

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

Leader: As the beloved children of God, we celebrate together that because of God’s grace and mercy, unable to be measured by our own hearts, we are forgiven and freed.

**People: We are forgiven, called to be a renewed people in this world. Thanks be to God. Alleluia, amen!**

**\* MUSICAL RESPONSE OF PRAISE** *To God Be the Glory*

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,

And give him the glory: great things he has done!

**\* THE PEACE** The peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you!**

(You may greet those around you.)

**\* RESPONSE** *Here I Am, Lord*

Here I am, Lord, Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

**THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

Leader: Almighty God, in you are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. Open our eyes that we may see the wonders of your Word; and give us grace that we may clearly understand and freely choose the way of your wisdom; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON** *Psalm 66:5-12*

5 Come and see what God has done: he is awesome in his deeds among mortals. 6 He turned the sea into dry land; they passed through the

river on foot. There we rejoiced in him, 7who rules by his might for ever,  
whose eyes keep watch on the nations—let the rebellious not exalt themselves. 8 Bless our God, O peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard, 9 who has kept us among the living, and has not let our feet slip.   
10 For you, O God, have tested us; you have tried us as silver is tried.

11 You brought us into the net; you laid burdens on our backs; 12 you let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water;  
yet you have brought us out to a spacious place.

**SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON**  *Luke 17:11-19*

11On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. 12As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, 13they called out, saying, ‘Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!’ 14When he saw them, he said to them, ‘Go and show yourselves to the priests.’ And as they went, they were made clean. 15Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. 16He prostrated himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. 17Then Jesus asked, ‘Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? 18Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?’ 19Then he said to him, ‘Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.’

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**TIME WITH YOUNG PEOPLE**

**SERMON** *For a Faith that Heals*Rev. Becca Crate

**THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

**\* HYMN** *O Christ, the Healer*

O Christ, the healer, we have come to pray for health, to plead for friends.  
How can we fail to be restored when reached by love that never ends?

From every ailment flesh endures our bodies clamor to be freed;  
Yet in our hearts we would confess that wholeness is our deepest need.

How strong, O Lord, are our desires, how weak our knowledge of ourselves!  
Release in us those healing truths unconscious pride resists or shelves.

In conflicts that destroy our health we recognize the world’s disease;  
Our common life declares our ills. Is there no cure, O Christ, for these?

Grant that we all, made one in faith, in your community may find  
The wholeness that, enriching us, shall reach the whole of humankind.

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER**

“For this I pray to God.” / “For this I give thanks to God.”

**Congregational Response: “Hear our prayer, O God.”**

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

OFFERTORY *We Thank You, Lord* By Nancy Price & Don Besig

**\*** SONG OF THANKS *Lord of All Good* Tune #711

Lord of all good, our gifts we bring to you; use them your holy purpose to fulfill, tokens of love and pledges brought anew, that our whole life is offered to your will.

**\*** PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**\* HYMN** *My Life Flows On (How Can I Keep from Singing?)*

My life flows on in endless song, above earth’s lamentation.  
I hear the clear, though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.

**Refrain:**   
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I’m clinging.  
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing.  
It finds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing? **[Refrain]**

What though my joys and comforts die? I know my Savior liveth.  
What though the darkness gather round? Songs in the night he giveth. **[Refrain]**

The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing!  
All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from singing? **[Refrain]**

**\* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

Leader: We are called to gratitude,

**People: For gratitude reframes all we do.**

Leader: In gratitude, our faith is strengthened,

**People: The Spirit’s call is stronger.**

Leader: As grateful people, guide us outside these walls,

**People: Called to serve you in all we do and say. Amen.**

**\* UNISON AMEN**

**POSTLUDE**

**Sunday October 20 Lectionary**

Jeremiah 31:27-34; Psalm 119:97-104; 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5; Luke 18:1-8

**Assisting in Worship: We appreciate those who serve:**

Today 10/13 Next Week 10/20

Sunday Opener Ron Holmes Bob Rogers

Greeters & Ushers Sharon Pappas & Tim Doyle &

Jim Wise Bob Rogers

Lay Leader Elizabeth Meirowitz Sharon Pappas

Sunday School Connie Robinson Connie Robinson

Fellowship Connie Gibbons & Sandy Newsome

Cathy Marsh

**Church Attendance:** September 29 – 42 October 6 - 30

**Church Cleaning:** October 18, 19 or 20 – The Oates Family

**Happy Birthday!** October 13 – Ron Holmes

October 15 – Jessica Lane

October 17 – Beth Oates

October 19 – Martha Streaker

**Happy Anniversary!** October 15 – Jim & Barbara Nickell

October 18 – Jim & Mary Rhodes

**Announcements**

**Peace and Global Witness: TODAY** we receive your Peace and Global Witness offering, which is used to engage in peacemaking and build ministries of reconciliation around the world. Half goes to the Presbyterian Mission Agency, 20% to Mid Councils for their programs, and 25% remains with us. The Mission/Outreach team again decided to send our portion to LSC America’s Partner for Equal Justice, providing legal aid to those living in poverty in our country.

**Concert: TODAY** at 3:00 pm, we welcome Cornerstone Saxophone Quartet, with refreshments following the performance. Bring your neighbors and friends!

**Stewardship Sunday** is set for **November 3**. At this time, we will be accepting pledges for the next year. Immediately following the service, we will have a special home-made soup luncheon that is being coordinated with Fellowship. Please plan on joining us as we celebrate all that God has given us. Stewardship letters will be coming out before the end of October. If you do not receive one by then, please contact the church office or Bob Steppling (862-266-2240).

**Children/Youth Activities:**  If your child/youth is participating in any activities this Fall, please let Connie Robinson know as we want to be part of the activity.

**Blessing Bags** are in the Narthex. Please feel free to pick up a few. Handing one out to someone in need gives you a very real way to meet their immediate needs by providing them with some basic supplies.

**Weekly Announcements:** If you have an announcement to include with next week’s bulletin, please call the Office at 410-795-6152 or email to [spc.office@verizon.net](mailto:spc.office@verizon.net) by **Wednesday** each week.

**Prayers & Thanksgivings**

~ Continued prayers of comfort and healing for Barbara Nickell who broke her wrist. If you would like to provide a meal for the Nickells, please see Connie Robinson.

~ Prayers for *Mt. Paran Presbyterian Church* from our Ministry Group.

***The Congregational Care team wants to know what YOU or someone you know needs...****a visit...a call...a meal. Please contact Diana Steppling or Connie Robinson. If you are in need of pastoral care, please contact Pastor Becca at 410-795-6152 or springfieldpastor@gmail.com.*

***Today:***

**Sunday October 13**

10:30 am Worship & Sunday School

11:30 am Fellowship

3:00 pm Concert – Cornerstone Saxophone Quartet

***This Week:***

**Monday October 14**

7:00 pm Head Huggers (Manse)

**Wednesday October 16**

6:30 pm Bell Choir Practice

7:45 pm Adult Choir Practice

**Friday October 18**

7:00 pm Family Game Night

***Looking Ahead:***

**Sunday October 20**

9:00 am Red Sea Parting Practice

10:30 am Worship

11:30 am Fellowship

**Monday October 21**

9:30 am Feed My Sheep (Wesley Freedom)

**Tuesday October 22**

10:30 am Prayer Group

**Wednesday October 23**

6:30 pm Bell Choir Practice

7:45 pm Adult Choir Practice

Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

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