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### Announcements

* **Seniors’ Fellowship Lunch:** Wed., Aug 14, noon to 1:30 p.m. at the church. Please join us and bring your lunch and beverage; desserts will be provided. Questions: George or Barbara Harris, John or Paula Strain.
* **Teen Pool Party for rising 6th –** 12th graders will be hosted by the Deane family on August 31st from 4-8 p.m. Watch your email/Signal chat for food signup.
* **SRPC's Announcements & Prayer team** is now using a new email messaging system called Flocknote. If you are not already receiving these emails, you can visit **srpc.flocknote.com**to sign yourself up for any of our groups.  Need help or have questions? Chat with Darcy Heisey after service or send her an email at darcy.heisey@spriggsroad.org, and she'll get you situated!
* The **Children's Bell Choir,** the **Girls' Choir,** and the **Adult Choir** will be on break for the summer. Questions: Barbara Harris, Choir Director.

Fellowship and Teaching

* **Men’s Breakfast** meets on 4th Saturdays, 9:00 a.m. at the church building, for a potluck meal and study of *The Bruised Reed* by Richard Sibbes.
* **The Women's Bible Study** will start a new series on the minor prophets beginning Sep 3rd and 5th. They meet roughly every other week at 10:30 a.m./Tuesday or 6:30 p.m./Thursday, whichever works best for you. The meetings run about 2 hours, including prayer time. The fall schedule will have 6 lessons and the spring will have 8. More info will be sent via email. POC Lisa Bentley or Robin Deane.
* **Young Adults Fellowship** (high school seniors thru mid-20’s) meets monthly and is led by David Dise.
* **Teen Nights** for middle- and high-school students are held regularly and led by Pastor Matt.
* **Multiple small groups** meet 1-2 times per month for teaching, prayer, and fellowship. Please speak to anyone on the session if you are interested in joining one.
* **Tuesday Night Together** has begun its expanded summer format, with a potluck dinner beginning at 6:15 p.m. and singing, teaching, and prayer starting at 7:00. Please use the weekly email to sign up for the meal and/or to volunteer to assist Karin Doe with children 10 and under for Bible time, activities, and supervised play.

**Online Church Calendar**: This fuller listing of scheduled events is

on the home page of the church's website: www.spriggsroad.org.

**Opportunities to Serve**: Help is always needed in various areas

of ministry at SRPC. Please consider offering your time.

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The **live webcast** of the worship service and archived **sermons** are found on the church’s website.

**Mailed donations** may be sent securely to the church at P.O. Box 2614, Woodbridge, VA 22195.

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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 (ESV**)

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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 listed above.

We start **Sunday School for all ages at 9:30 a.m.** and begin **Worship at 10:45 a.m.**, during which a **nursery** is available for ages 3 and under. 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.

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.

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Lord’s Day Worship

### August 11, 2024 10:45 a.m.

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**Prelude**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Meditation**  [Bulletin, p. 2]

**Call to Worship & Invocation**

†**Hymn of Worship** “Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim” [TPH 284]

**Greeting**

†**Song of Praise** “Behold Our God” [handout]

†**Confession of Faith** The Nicene Creed

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Missions Update**

†**Scripture Reading** 1 Timothy 6:17-19 [Seat Bibles, p. 994]

†**Singing Psalms** Psalm 119:17-35

 Tune: “Amazing Grace!” [TPH 433]

**Tithes & Offerings**

†**Gloria Patri** [TPH 572]

**Sermon Text** 2 Kings 23:31 – 24:20 [Seat Bibles, pp.331-332]

**Expounding the Word of God** Pastor Matt Bowles

**“*The Downward Staircase”***

†**Hymn of Response** [\*] “Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken” [TPH 403]

**The Lord’s Supper** [Bread, gluten-free bread (health), wine, and white grape juice (conscience) are served.]

†**Doxology**

†**Benediction**

**Postlude**

† *Standing, if able*

\* *The livestream ends during this hymn.*

### Meditation

 Behold my servant, whom I uphold,

my chosen, in whom my soul delights;

 I have put my Spirit upon him;

he will bring forth justice to the nations.

 He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice,

or make it heard in the street;

 a bruised reed he will not break,

and a faintly burning wick he will not quench;

he will faithfully bring forth justice.

 He will not grow faint or be discouraged

till he has established justice in the earth;

and the coastlands wait for his law.

**--Isaiah 42:1-4 (ESV)**

### Prayer of Confession of Sin

 Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep.

 We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.

We have left undone those things that we ought to have done; and we have done those things that we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us.

O Lord, have mercy upon us.

And grant, most merciful Father for Jesus’ sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and joyful life to the glory of Your holy Name. Amen.

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***Personal Confession***

*This time of silence is for private confession of personal sins.*

### Assurance of Pardon

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. . . . For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**-- Romans 8:1-2, 38-39 (ESV)**

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Sermon Notes

### 8/11/2024 Pastor Matt Bowles

Title: “The Downward Staircase”

Text: 2 Kings 23:31 – 24:20

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1. **Banality of Evil**
2. **Stupidity of Evil**

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Sermon Notes

1. **Evil as Judgment**

*Questions for Discussion at Home* can be found 1) by following the QR Code on your phone to where it’s listed below the bulletin, 2) as a handout on the table at the back, or 3) on the church’s website:

https://www.spriggsroad.org/SRPCwp/category/bulletins/

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