

WELCOME TO SPIRIT OF LIFE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Thank you for joining us!

We hope you experience the joy of God's love in our diverse, inclusive, and compassionate community. Come as you are; all are welcome!

- ◇ Worship is at 10:00 am Sunday mornings, and can be live-streamed or watched later on YouTube or Facebook.
- ◇ Restrooms are in the first hallway to the left on exiting the sanctuary.

ORDER OF WORSHIP MARCH 22, 2026

**All who are able are invited to stand. Regular attenders, visitors, & members, please complete & return Connect/Prayer cards in offering plate or to the Welcome Table at the back of the sanctuary.
Today's worship leaders: Rev. Rob Smith, Jeff Mortimer, Tracey Schnell*

Prelude

Opening Song Beneath the Cross of Jesus

Welcome

Prayer

Song/Taize Ubi Caritas (Live in Charity) (Hymn #205)

***Passing of Peace**

Song O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

Scripture John 19: 1-16a

Children's sermon

Sermon Love That Will Not Look Away: Love That Refuses False Allegiance (Rev. Rob Smith)

Musical Response Love That Will Not Look Away

Call To Offering

-Ushers will circulate offering plates for those who wish to give in this way. Online giving is also available on our website.

Offertory No Other King (by Chris Renzema, Mitch Wong, and Patrick Mayberry) (CCLI # 7183002) (Odosa Amadasun)

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.

Announcements

Closing Song Soon and Very Soon (CCLI #11249)

***Charge and Benediction**

Postlude

Please join us for coffee and refreshments after worship.

Announcements

Visitors: Welcome to Spirit of Life Presbyterian Church! Thank you for worshiping with us. Visitors, regular attenders and members, please complete the Connect/Prayer card and indicate if you wish to receive our weekly emails. If you don't have a card, please pick one up from our Information Table at the back of the sanctuary. Please return completed Connect/Prayer card in offering plate or in box labeled accordingly at the back. If you have any questions, please ask at the Information Table.

Sunday Events:

- **Children's Sunday School** class starts at 9:30am and goes until 10:15, then the kids will join adults in sanctuary for the Children's sermon.
- **Christian Nationalism Class Today:** After worship today, Steve Braden will lead a class on Christian Nationalism covering aspects different from those discussed by our recent speaker.
- Reminder: **Parent/youth meeting with leaders** following worship today.

Weekday Events:

- **(Tuesday) COFFEE and CONVERSATION with Pastor Rob meets**

Tuesdays, 9:00-10:00 am. This week we meet at Spirit of Life where it is open for you to pop in and out any time, in person or online. Feel free to drop in and say hello. *Note, same time and same login, recurring meeting each week. Join Zoom Meeting at <https://zoom.us/j/286584190>.

SoL Kids' Corner:

- Our **annual Easter egg hunt** will be held on Palm Sunday, March 29! You can be part of the fun by donating individually wrapped candies or VERY TINY toys. Fortunately, the kids emptied their eggs before taking treats home last year so we have plenty of plastic eggs to reuse! **Please put your donations in the basket in the front hall or drop your money gift in the offering TODAY, March 22.** Rain or shine, we look forward to a fun day for our kids!

- **Save the Date – SoL Kids' Camp: Aug 10–14**, for children entering **K–6** and middle/high school helpers. More details coming this spring. Questions? Christine: **952-210-6412** or christine@christinesfloraltouch.com

Pastor Rob is offering a **New Member Class**, beginning with an informational meeting on Sunday, April 12th, following worship. Additional tentative meetings dates are April 19, 26 & May 3. New Member Sunday would be May 31st. If questions or complications with these dates, please talk to Pastor Rob!

We are **selling Easter flowers** to help raise money for the Montreat Trip. See insert for details on purchasing tulips, mums, hydrangeas, a pansy bowl, azaleas or a lily. Orders due March 23rd.

SoL Call: Show up for DEMOCRACY!

No Kings 3, the third nation-wide protest, March 28. Many events planned for the Metro -- find one that works for you!
<https://www.nokings.org/>

March is MN FoodShare Month! Community Service will collect food donations from March 1 through April 5, with all donations going to Rosemount Family Resource Center (360 Communities). You can also donate financially, which is highly recommended, because they can make the money go further. Make checks out to "Spirit of Life" with MN FoodShare on the memo line, or in the notes if you donate online. **Next week: foods kids love!**

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY meets 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at the church! at 6:00 PM!

Confirmation class for 6th, 7th, or 8th graders will meet March 8th, and continue meeting the 2nd & 4th Sundays of each month.

Prayer requests to share with our Spirit Care Prayer Team may be emailed to Barb at bostlund@charter.net. Word it as you wish it to be submitted, and we will post it for our prayer team.

2026 Per Capita is \$43.75

It takes all of us to be the church. Leadership has worked diligently to organize the opportunities and share many of these through the following Sign-Up Genius links. Would you please take a few minutes and help make a commitment to help pick up a part. Please click on the link and select a date you could serve:

Fellowship Time

Mar 22: Chris Sachs

Mar 29: Lisa Smith

April 5: *(VOLUNTEER NEEDED)*

Please use this link to sign up to prepare and serve coffee and treats for the fellowship time: Spirit of Life Congregation: Spirit of Life Sunday Fellowship - Refreshments/Treats

Usher/Greeter

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Mar 29: *(VOLUNTEER NEEDED)*

April 5: *(VOLUNTEER NEEDED)*

Please use this link to sign up to serve as an Usher/Greeter—<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4CAFA92FAAFCC34-50066232-spirit>

Thank You, Pastor Rob



Usual Church Office Hours: Monday & Thursday 10-3. Call ahead to make sure as we work remotely some days.

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