

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 29, 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, Odosa Amadasun*

Prelude

Parade: Hosanna, Join the Parade (Words and Music by Rob Smith)

Welcome

Prayer

Song I Will Call Upon the Lord

Scripture John 12: 12-27

Children's sermon

Sermon Love That Will Not Look Away: Love that Refuses Cheap Glory (Rev. Rob Smith and Rose McMurray)

Musical Response Love That Will Not Look Away, Stay With Us (Music by Martha Davis)

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 All Glory, Laud, and Honor (Odosa Amadasun, Chris Gant, Kyle Frost, Pastor Rob)

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 What Wondrous Love is This (Hymn #215 vs 1 & 2)

***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 worshipping 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.

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>.
- **Meet in the Middle meets Wednesdays, 4:30-6pm.** It's another exciting year of Meet in the Middle at *Spirit of Life Presbyterian Church*! From 4:30-6pm, kids will be playing games, making arts and crafts, eating snacks, singing, Bible lessons and more! Parents join the kids for 6pm dinner. (A free will offering will be taken for dinner). **NOTE: Meet in the Middle this week will be 6pm**

- **Thursday** to join the family Maundy Thursday worship.
- **Youth group** meets Wednesdays, 6-8pm. **NOTE: Youth group this week** will be 6pm Thursday to join the family Maundy Thursday worship.
- **Maundy Thursday** worship will begin with the potluck meal at 6pm, sharing around the tables.
- **Good Friday** we will have family worship at 7pm.

SoL Kids' Corner:

- Our **annual Easter egg hunt** will be held on Palm Sunday, March 29! 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**

NOTE: Please take your palm branches home and save until Ash Wednesday next year to help make our ashes!

Cabaret Fundraiser – Save the Date!

Join us on Saturday, May 2, from 6:00–9:00 PM for our annual Cabaret—an evening of dinner, entertainment, and a silent auction. Suggested ticket price is \$30, which includes the meal and festivities. You are invited to give as you are able—pay what you can, or more if you're able—to help make this a welcoming evening for all. This special event supports our youth as they prepare for their trip to Montreat. Tickets will be available for purchase starting this Sunday after worship. We hope you'll join us!

Our commitment as a connected Presbyterian Church during lent is supporting **One Great Hour of Sharing**. Each gift to One Great Hour of Sharing supports efforts to relieve hunger through the Presbyterian Hunger Program, promote development through the Presbyterian Committee on the Self-Development of People, and assist in areas of disaster through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Next Sunday we will have special designated envelopes in the bulletin for the One Great Hour of Sharing offering.

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!

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.

Merry Old SoLs will be at Jerry and Karen Johnson's on Wednesday, April 15th, 9:30am. Mark your calendars!

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 29: Lisa Smith

April 5: *(VOLUNTEER NEEDED)*

April 12: *(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

Mar 29: *(VOLUNTEER NEEDED)*

April 5: *(VOLUNTEER NEEDED)*

April 12: *(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

