

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED** for Soup Kitchen meals on July 21 and September 15. Please contact Jini De Vries if you are able to help!

**SUMMER HOURS FOR THE EXTERIOR DOORS** are as follows:

- ♦ **The FRONT DOOR** will be unlocked Mondays through Fridays, 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM.
- ♦ **The EAST DOORS (parking lot)** will be unlocked during business hours Monday through Thursday 8:30 AM-3:00 PM, and Fridays 8:30 AM-1:30 PM. *Please note the building is closed at 1:30 pm on Fridays.* And, of course, all doors are unlocked Sundays for Worship!

**DURING SUMMER MONTHS**, soloists from our Sanctuary Choir will sing for worship. On Sundays in July, Grace Skinner, Aaron Lange, Justin Peters, Jimmy Yohe, and Raoul Bellis-Squires are soloists. Accompanists include Mark Kemball, Suzanne Zimmerman, and Bob Hinson. July solos are "Patiently Have I Waited," "The Earth is the Lord's," "I Walk a Stranger on this Land," and "Lord God of Abraham."

**THIS SUMMER**, Valley will collect new and gift-quality used items by August 16 for newly arriving refugees through SOAR, Sponsors Organized to Assist Refugees, and affiliate of the Church World Service, in partnership with Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon. See the July issue of The Messenger for more details!

**DO YOU HAVE YOUR NAME BADGE YET?** Wear your name badge on Sundays to welcome visitors, meet new members and identify long-time members and friends. You may order yours with a strong magnet or pin. Request forms are available on the church office counter for new or replacement name badges.

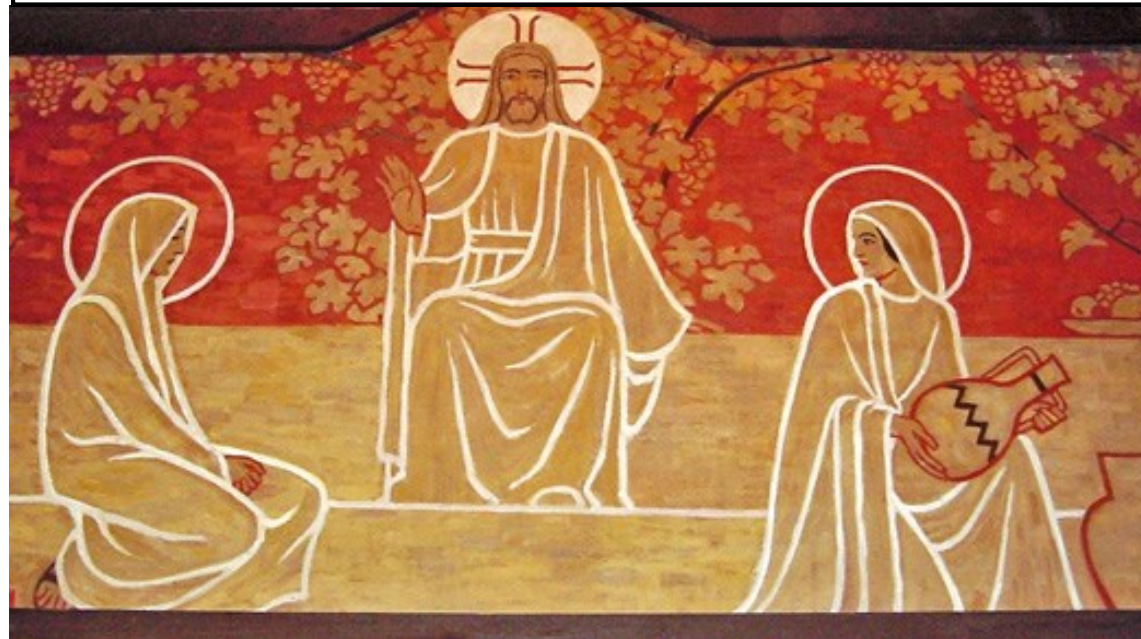


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**Valley Staff**

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- David Jimerson ..... Minister of Music, ext. 139
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- Angela Graham ..... Publication & Office Administrator, ext. 126
- AmyAnn Green ..... Business Manager, ext. 128
- Connor Campbell ..... Building Superintendent, ext. 143

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE COMING WEEK		
July 17-24, 2016		
<b>SUNDAY, July 17</b> 9:00 AM Adult Education Class 9:30 AM Early Coffee 10:00 AM Worship 11:15 AM All-Church Picnic  <b>MONDAY, July 18</b> 8:00 AM Women's Aerobics 10:00 AM Meals on Wheels 6:30 PM Triennium Meeting 7:00 PM Girl Scout Troop  <b>TUESDAY, July 19</b> <b>Presbyterian Youth Triennium in Indiana</b> 11:00 AM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM Deacons Meeting	<b>WEDNESDAY, July 20</b> <b>Presbyterian Youth Triennium in Indiana</b> 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 8:00 AM Women's Aerobics 2:00 PM Mission Endowment Investment Comm. 7:00 PM Emergency Response Meeting  <b>THURSDAY, July 21</b> 8:00 AM Soup Kitchen 10:00 AM Alanon 3:00 PM West Slope Library Reading Program	<b>FRIDAY, July 22</b> <b>Presbyterian Youth Triennium in Indiana</b> 8:00 AM Women's Aerobics 10:00 AM Gamble Library Book Group  <b>SUNDAY, July 24</b> 9:00 AM Adult Education Class 9:30 AM Early Coffee 10:00 AM Worship 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship 11:30 AM Dining for Women Meeting



# SERVICE OF WORSHIP



JULY 17, 2016 ✠ 10:00 AM

❖ *Please stand as you are able*

**Bold Text is spoken by everyone**

## GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

SCRIPTURE SENTENCES

This is the day that God has made.  
**We will rejoice and be glad in it.**

*Psalm 118*

PRELUDE

*Wishing I Had Wings*

John Nilsen

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Please pass and sign the friendship registers in the pew rack near center aisle.**

❖ **CALL TO WORSHIP**

We gather as sons and daughters of God, our joy unbroken as God's love.  
**Let us worship God!**

Ben Paroulek

OPENING HYMN

*How Great Thou Art*

№ 467

## INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Jim Sandberg, Liturgist

☪ *Silence is kept* ☪

### ❖ ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS *Gloria Patri* № 579

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen, Amen.***

### ❖ THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you!**

*(Please greet those around you with words of peace.)*

### ❖ RESPONSE OF PRAISE № 2056

***God is so good, God is so good, God is so good,  
God's so good to me.***

***God loves me so, God loves me so, God loves me so,  
God's so good to me.***

## PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

### TIME WITH THE YOUNG CHURCH

Laurel Cluthe

### CENTS-ABILITY OFFERING

### SOLO ANTHEM

*I Walk a Stranger on this Land*  
Justin Peters, tenor

Dale Wood

### SCRIPTURE

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

**Thanks be to God!**

*Luke 10: 38-42, p. 72*

### SERMON

*Don't Worry, Be Happy!*

Ben Paroulek

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Marilyn Connell, Deacon

## RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

### OFFERTORY

*Beneath the Cross of Jesus*

arr. Cindy Berry

❖ *Congregation rising, row by row, as ushers pass* ❖

### ❖ DOXOLOGY

№ 592

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

### ❖ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

### COMMISSIONING OF YOUTH FOR TRIENNium

#### ❖ SENDING HYMN *This Little Light of Mine* Traditional

***This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.***

***This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.***

***This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.***

***Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.***

***Shine my light both far and near, I'm gonna let it shine.***

***Shine my light both far and near, I'm gonna let it shine.***

***Shine my light both far and near, I'm gonna let it shine.***

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#### ❖ CHARGE & BENEDICTION

God sends us from this place, with our eyes wide open.

**May we see all who hope for healing and for justice.**

Jesus calls us to leave this place to go to listen.

**We will hear the cries of those ignored by the world;**

**we will open ourselves to the anguish of those around us.**

The Spirit challenges us to welcome everyone as our sister and brother.

**May we offer our lives and hearts to all we meet.**

### POSTLUDE

*O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

arr. Victor Labenske

*You are invited to remain seated to conclude worship with the postlude  
or exit quietly after the benediction.*

**May God bless you as you worship here today:**

Touch you, Challenge you, Heal you, Inspire you, Direct you to new paths  
in your unfolding journey. Valley Community Presbyterian Church is a place for

***Awakening Souls, Sharing Joy, Serving God in Christ,***

***TRANSFORMING LIVES!***

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

**A SPECIAL WELCOME TO ALL NEWCOMERS:** we greet you in the name of Jesus Christ! A special gift will be offered to you during Worship today.

**A STAFFED NURSERY** for infants-3 year olds is available in room 7 behind the sanctuary on Sundays, 9:45-11:15 AM. Loving care offered by Aniise Orozco and volunteers is available each week for our youngest ones.

**JOIN THE JOURNEY** with Paul at the All Church Potluck Picnic on the front lawn today after worship. Fried and roasted chicken and drinks will be provided. There will be plenty of food for all so please stay and join the fun. In addition to the food, there will be games with prizes for all ages. There will be plenty of shade with the new canopies.

**CAMP MISSION-ALL DAY CAMP** for ages 7-12, July 25-29, learn about different people, cultures + field trips + fun! See Valley's website for more information!

**THE BIBLE BOOK OF THE MONTH** for July is Joshua. The first of the History Books, this book is the recounting of Joshua (Moses successor) leading the people of Israel into the Promised Land after their captivity in Egypt. The people of Israel had been landless for nearly five hundred years. This book is not only history in the usual sense, but for the Hebrews, everything that happened, happened in a world penetrated by God. God is never absent from these narratives.

**SUMMER IN THE LIBRARY:** The hot days of summer are great for catching up on some reading. Stop by the Gamble Library for excellent resources including books for children, youth, and adults to enjoy.

**A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** will be held on August 7 to elect a youth elder to fill an unexpired term. CONC will be nominating Megan Bootsma for the position. An ordination/installation will occur during worship for officers who were not previously ordained and installed.

**THE GAMBLE LIBRARY BOOK GROUP** will meet on Friday, July 22 at 10:00 AM in the Fireside Room. A lively discussion of the book, "The Scavenger's Daughters" by Kay Bratt. Set in China, Benfu, a survivor of the Cultural Revolution, is a trash collector. As he sorts through the trash, he finds abandoned children from whom he and his wife form a family. The book is a sweeping present day sage of triumph in the face of hardship. Remember to bring your own coffee.

**ADULT EDUCATION** will meet next Sunday, July 24, to discuss the Great Figures of the New Testament. The topic for July 24 will be "James." All are welcome to join at 9:00 AM in Armitage Hall on Sundays.