

SUMMER HOURS FOR THE CHURCH OFFICE AND EXTERIOR DOORS are as follows:

- ◆ The **CHURCH OFFICE** will be closed on Fridays during the month of August. It will be open for business Monday-Thursday, 10:00 AM-3:00 PM.
- ◆ 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. On Fridays in August, the door will only unlock for scheduled meetings.

And, of course, all doors are unlocked Sundays for Worship!

ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES will continue on Sundays at 9:00 AM in Armitage Hall. We will view and discuss the Great Courses video on Great People of the New Testament with The Christ of Faith as the focus for next Sunday, August 28. There will not be class on Sunday, September 4.

THE BOOK GROUP will meet at 10:00 AM on Friday, August 26, in the Fireside Room to discuss Fredrik Backman's book, *A Man Called Ove*. This is a "feel good" story about an angry old man whose life changes when a young couple with two young children move in next door. Everyone is welcome to Book Group, especially newcomers. Just bring your own coffee!

THE WORSHIPERS AT VALLEY have been enriched by the beauty of the flowers provided by many people during the past year, thank you! In anticipation of the new year, it is time to sign up for front entry flowers. Please share your bounty by signing the flower calendar, available on the office entry wall.



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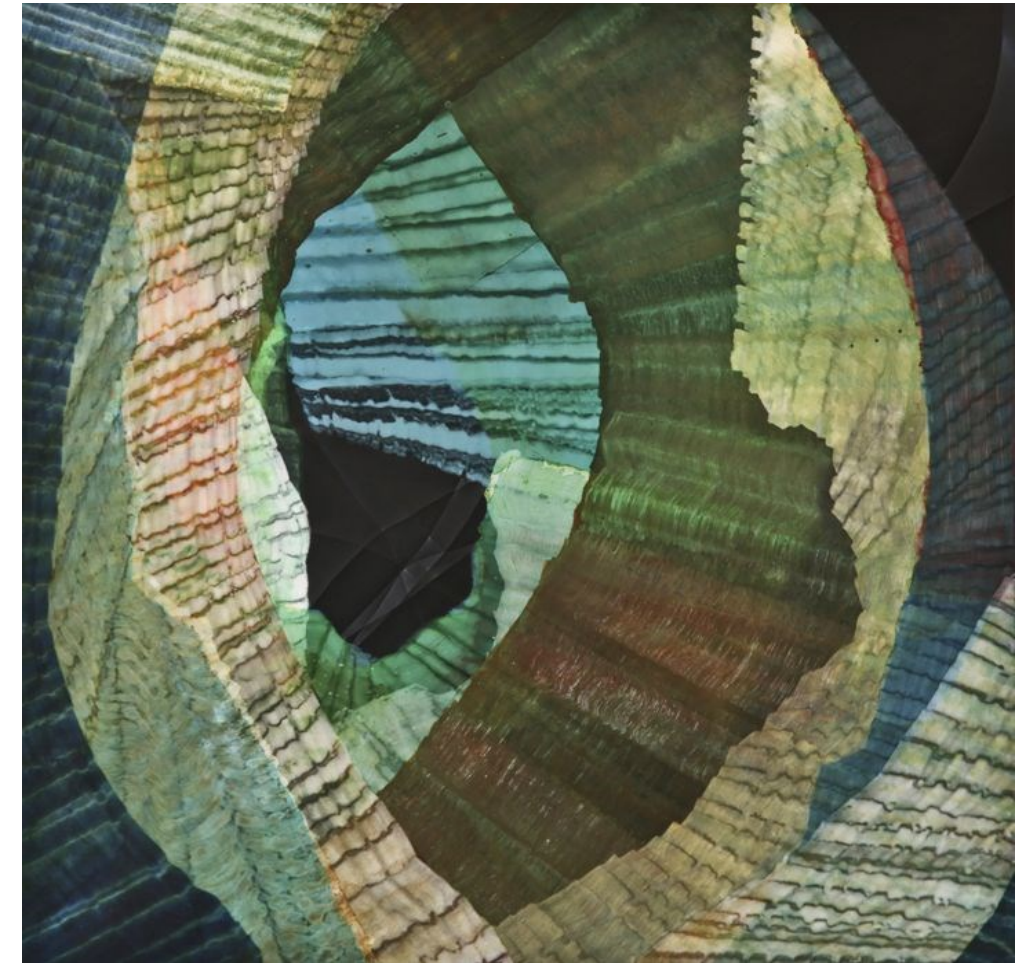
CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE COMING WEEK

August 21-28, 2016

<p>SUNDAY, August 21 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</p>	<p>TUESDAY, August 23 10:00 AM Tai Chi Meeting 11:00 AM Staff Meeting</p> <p>WEDNESDAY, August 24 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 8:00 AM Women's Aerobics</p>	<p>FRIDAY, August 26 Church Office Closed 8:00 AM Women's Aerobics 10:00 AM Gamble Library Book Group</p>
<p>MONDAY, August 22 8:00 AM Women's Aerobics 7:00 PM Girl Scout Troop</p>	<p>THURSDAY, August 25 10:00 AM Alanon</p>	<p>SUNDAY, August 28 9:00 AM Adult Education Class 9:30 AM Early Coffee 10:00 AM Worship 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship</p>



SERVICE OF WORSHIP



AUGUST 21, 2016 † 10:00 AM

❖ *Please stand as you are able*

Bold Text is spoken by everyone

GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Hymn Sing

Valley Congregation

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please pass and sign the friendship registers.

❖ **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Ben Paroulek

We gather as sons and daughters of God, our joy unbroken as God's love.

Let us worship God!

❖ **OPENING HYMN**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Nº 376

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Paige Unangst, Liturgist

☪ Silence is kept ☪

❖ ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS Gloria Patri No 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 No 2056

God loves me so, God loves me so, God loves me so,
God's so good to me.
God cares for me, God cares for me, God cares for me,
God's so good to me.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

TIME WITH THE YOUNG CHURCH

Laurel Cluthe

CENTS-ABILITY OFFERING

SOLO ANTHEM Be Thou Faithful unto Death Felix Mendelssohn
(based on Revelation 2:10)
Justin Peters, Tenor

SCRIPTURE Matthew 6:25-34 New Testament, p. 6
Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.
Thanks be to God!

SERMON Fear of the Unknown? Ben Paroulek

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Bev Hubbard

RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

OFFERTORY Improvisation on a Hymn Tune Valley Congregation

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

❖ DOXOLOGY No 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 THANKSGIVING

SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

❖ SENDING HYMN God of Grace and God of Glory No 420

❖ CHARGE & BENEDICTION

Go out into the world in peace; have courage;
Hold on to what is good; return to no one evil for evil;
Strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak,
And help the suffering;
Honor all beings; love and serve God,
Rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
Go in peace!

POSTLUDE Voluntary George Blake

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 Angela Kirby and volunteers is available each week for our youngest ones.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP will be hosted by the Jenkins Family upstairs in Davis Hall/Gym after worship. Coffee, tea, juice, conversation!

HAVE YOU VISITED THE CHURCH LIBRARY RECENTLY? In addition to all the excellent materials, children's stories, Bible study helps, and fun reading, the DVD collection has had several new titles added. Why not examine the collection and find something of interest to you or to use as a program for a group you are participating in.

2016 VALLEY OLYMPICS: Join us for a fun, intergenerational event of friendly competition today, August 21 from 11:45 AM-1:45 PM with a Medal Ceremony at 1:40 PM. Sign up as an individual, household, or as a group of friends. You will be assigned to a team the day of.

DINING FOR WOMEN will learn about Ashraya Initiative for Children (AIC), a nonprofit organization in India dedicated to improving the lives of vulnerable children. Join us today at 11:30 AM in the Fireside Room for a potluck lunch and an opportunity to let your dining out dollars help change the world one meal at a time.

TAI CHI AT VALLEY: September is a great time to refresh your balance skills, work on strengthening and intentional movement, and enjoy the camaraderie of a group practice. join us this fall, Tuesdays and/or Thursdays, 10:00-11:00 AM beginning Tuesday, September 13. Questions? Contact Diane Harris, dianeharris@mac.com, 503.805.6011.

THE SANCTUARY CHOIR will begin rehearsals from 7:15-9:00 PM on September 8. The usual Sunday morning call is 9:15 AM to prepare for worship at 10:00 AM. We are always ready to welcome new singers in each section. Contact David Jimerson if you are interested in joining this "heavenly choir!"

DEACON'S RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE will be Thursday, September 8 from 2:00-7:00 PM. Up to three people may be helped with each pint of blood collected. Please help if you can. Contact the church office for more information!