

JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL FALL KICKOFF

September 11 to celebrate our ongoing ministries. Join us on the front lawn after 10:00 AM worship, where you will find many opportunities to serve in ministries where you may feel called.

HOURS FOR THE EXTERIOR DOORS BEGINNING

SEPTEMBER 6 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 8:30 AM-1:30 PM on Fridays. And, of course, all doors are unlocked Sundays for Worship!

ADULT EDUCATION CLASS next Sunday, September 11 will be guest speaker, Valerie M. Jimenez, Executive Director of the Oregon POLST Program. Valerie will be speaking on advance directives and physician orders for life sustaining treatment. Join us at 9:00 AM in Armitage Hall. All are welcome!

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.

MISSION ENDOWMENT APPLICATIONS DUE

OCTOBER 1: Applications requesting funds for mission work are due October 1. No applications will be accepted after the deadline. Contact Elaine Rea at elaine@iname.com for an application or questions.

SOUP KITCHEN THANK YOU ADDENDUM:

The August 18 Soup Kitchen prep crew was very grateful to AmyAnn Green and her sons, Troy and Dane, for their expertise in preparing the veggies for the Bud Clark Commons soup kitchen meal.

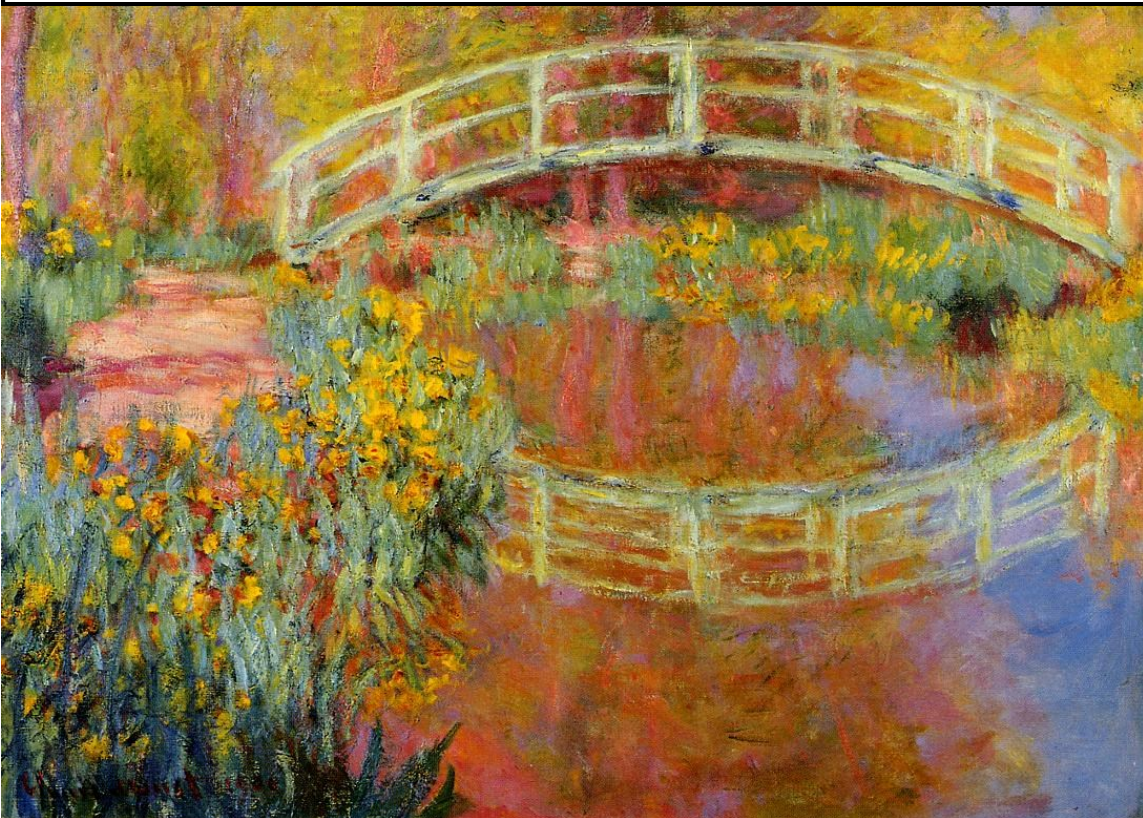


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CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE COMING WEEK		
September 4-11, 2016		
<p>SUNDAY, September 4 9:00 AM Adult Education Class 9:30 AM Early Coffee 10:00 AM Worship 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship</p> <p>MONDAY, September 5 Labor Day - Church Office Closed 8:00 AM Women's Aerobics 7:00 PM Girl Scout Troop</p> <p>TUESDAY, September 6 10:00 AM Tai Chi Meeting 11:00 AM Staff Meeting 11:00 AM Women's Bible Study 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry 1:30 PM Mission Committee 5:00 PM Membership Comm. 7:00 PM Facilities Committee 7:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY, September 7 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 8:00 AM Women's Aerobics 7:00 PM Annual Youth and Parent Meeting</p> <p>THURSDAY, September 8 10:00 AM Tai Chi Class 2:00 PM Red Cross Blood Drive 6:00 PM Christian Nurture for Children and Youth Committee Meeting 7:15 PM Sanctuary Choir</p> <p>FRIDAY, September 9 8:00 AM Women's Aerobics 2:00 PM Shirley Smyth Memorial and Reception</p>	<p>SUNDAY, September 11 Kickoff Sunday 9:00 AM Adult Education Class 9:30 AM Early Coffee 10:00 AM Worship 10:20 AM Sunday Funday 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship 11:30 AM Ministry Fair 6:00 PM PNC Meeting</p>



SERVICE OF WORSHIP



SEPTEMBER 4, 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 folders.

❖ 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 *Break Thou the Bread of Life* No 329

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Diane Meyer, Liturgist

☪ *Silence is kept* ☪

❖ **ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS** *Gloria Patri* N° 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** N° 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

SCRIPTURE *Matthew 20:1-16* New Testament, p. 21
Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.
Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Is It Too Late?

Ben Paroulek

❖ **HYMN OF AFFIRMATION** *Come Labor On* N° 415

RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

SOLO OFFERTORY *In Heavenly Love Abiding* Douglas Wagner
Jimmy Yohe, baritone

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

❖ **DOXOLOGY** N° 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.**

EUCCHARIST

INVITATION

May God be with you.

And also with you.

People of faith, let us offer our prayers of joy and thanksgiving to God.

Let us gladly remember the presence of Christ.

Let us pray.

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(Please join in singing as you are able)* Malotte
Raoul Bellis-Squires, Cantor

BREAKING THE BREAD & FILLING THE CUP

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

❖ **SENDING HYMN** *Fairest Lord Jesus* N° 306

❖ CHARGE & BLESSING

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 *Partita on "For the Beauty of the Earth"* Dennis Janzer

*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.

AN OPEN NURSERY ROOM for infants-3 year olds is available in room 7 behind the sanctuary on Sundays, 9:45-11:15 AM. Audio of the worship service is available to listen to in the Nursery room.

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

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER will be celebrated today. Please come forward, as you are able, as ushers direct. Take the bread, dip it *lightly* in the cup and consume it. If you choose not to dip, you may eat the bread, take a small cup and drink. Please leave the cup in the basket provided. Return to your pew via the outside aisles. If you are unable to come forward, a server will offer the elements to you in your pew. Gluten-free bread is available in a red cup.

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.

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.

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 Bonnie Reeder, 503.977.2186, for more information!

ALL WOMEN ARE WELCOME to participate in the Women's Bible Study on the first Tuesday of each month beginning September 6 at 11:00 AM in the Conference Room. This year's study is "Who is Jesus? What a Difference a Lens Makes," and study books are available in the church office for \$9. A copy of the study is available in the church library in the Horizons magazine section.