JOIN US NEXT SUNDAY, January 8 for 10:00 AM worship featuring the Sanctuary Choir who will sing "A Ceremony of Carols" with a guest harpist. It will be a meaningful service full of songs and prayers!

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED Monday, January 2, 2017. Have a blessed and happy new year!

JANUARY MISSION PROJECT: Valley is collecting warm socks, hats/scarves, mittens/gloves. These can be deposited into the bins by the Fireside Room. Donations will be shared between Nightstrike, Nightwatch and Son Rise Church cold weather shelter. Thank you for your donations!

EYEGLASSES AND HEARING AIDS: Thank you for donating to the Yellow Box in the stairwell to Davis Hall. Keep bringing your old prescription glasses and aids; these are taken to Third World Countries and distributed to those who need help seeing.

THE CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES AND THE MISSION

TEAM wish to thank everyone who participated in the Reverse Advent Calendar activity. We are still collecting through Epiphany Sunday, January 8. All items collected will go to the Good Roots food pantry and clothes closet in Southeast Portland.

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. BUILDING USE REMINDER: Please be sure and close all doors and windows as you leave, as well as turn off all lights. We thank everyone for their assistance! VALLEY'S NEXT HABITAT BUILD DAY is Saturday, February 18. If you are interested in taking part,

please contact Chuck Falconer. Thank you!



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CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE COMING WEEK January 1-8, 2017

SUNDAY, January 1 New Year's Day 10:00 AM Worship 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship

MONDAY, January 2 Church Office Closed 8:00 AM Women's Aerobics 6:00 PM Girl Scout Leaders Meeting 7:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 7:30 PM Scout Pack 592

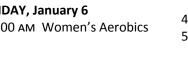
TUESDAY, January 3

11:00 AM Staff Meeting 1:00 PM Mission Committee 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry FRIDAY, January 6 6:00 PM Wolf Den Meeting 6:45 PM Christian Nurture for Youth Meeting 7:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry

WEDNESDAY, January 4 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 8:00 AM Women's Aerobics 5:00 PM Cherub Choir 5:00 PM King's Kids Choir 6:00 PM Royal Ringers Bell Choir 6:30 PM Bear Den Meeting 6:30 PM Scout Pack 592 6:30 PM Youth Group Night

THURSDAY, January 5 6:00 PM Christian Nurture for Children Meeting 7:15 PM Britten Rehearsal

8:00 AM Women's Aerobics



SATURDAY, January 7 10:00 AM Britten Rehearsal

SUNDAY, January 8

9:00 AM Adult Education Class 9:15 AM Confirmation Class 9:15 AM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 9:30 AM Early Coffee Fellowship 10:00 AM Worship 10:20 AM Sunday Funday 10:20 AM Youth Bible Study 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship 12:00 PM Clippers Mariner Group 4:15 PM New Spirit Ringers 5:00 PM Valley Youth Choir



And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah are by no means least among the rulers of Judah. For from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.

PRELUDE

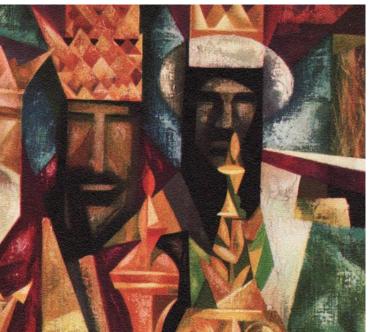
ACOLYTES

✤ CALL TO WORSHIP We thank the God who lights our way in the darkness. We thank the God who gives us stars to follow. Leading us from darkness to light, From confusion to understanding. We thank the God who calls us and leads us into truth.

✤ OPENING HYMN 22

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SERVICE OF WORSHIP NEW YEAR'S DAY



JANUARY 1, 2017 🕂 10:00 AM Please stand as you are able Bold Text is spoken by everyone

GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

SCRIPTURE FOR GATHERING

Matthew 2:6

Von Himmel Hoch

Johann Pachelbel

Kiel Carlson and Hayden Bach

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Please pass and sign the friendship folders.

INVITATION TO CON	NFESSION	Beth Busch, Liturgist				
🏵 Silence is kept 🏵			EUCHARIST			
			 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. 			
✤ THE PEACE						
The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you!			GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING			
-	et those around you with the pe	ace of Christ.	THE LORD'S PRAYER Malotte	Cantor, Jimmy Yohe		
			Please join in singing as you are able.			
		№ 322		BREAKING THE BREAD & FILLING THE CUP		
			COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION			
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.			SHARE THE GOOD NEWS			
PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD			SENDING HYMN 63	As with Gladness Men of O	ld №	
TIME WITH THE YOU	JNG CHURCH		05			
CRIPTURE Matthew 2:1-12 New Testament, p. 2 Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. Thanks be to God!		 CHARGE & BENEDICTION Let us go, to join the magi, bowing down to worship the Christ. Let us go to share the good news, that Jesus, the brother of the vulnerable and forgotten is in our midst 				
SERMON	After Christmas, What?	Chuck Falconer	still. Let us go to offer peace and goodwill to everyone to spread the Good News of all we have seen and heard.			
RESPO	OND TO GOD'S GF	RACE	Go in peace!	s of all we have seen and heard		
SOLO OFFERTORY Reger	The Virgin's Slumber Song	y by Max	POSTLUDE	Wachet Auf	A. W. Leupold	
-	Soloist: Grace Skinner, Mezzo Sop	irano		araananananaraanananananananananananana		
Congregation rising, row by row, as ushers pass			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!			
DOXOLOGY № 92						
Praise God, from	whom all blessings flow;			-		

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

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

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.

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

MANY THANKS to the Wednesday Men's Bible Study for hosting the December 15 Soup Kitchen, and especially to Wally Phillips, who organized the shopping, cooking, delivering and serving.

THE SOUP KITCHEN is in need of volunteers. Please contact Jini De Vries, Valley Soup Kitchen Coordinator, at virginiadevries@comcast.net if you, your group, or your family would like to participate in this mission to feed local homeless people.

A WARM THANK YOU to all who provided flowers for the entry this past year. They provided a welcome to all worshippers. The flower calendar is available now on the office entry wall. Please sign up for any dates you want. Sign-ups can be for birthdays, anniversaries, or just because. There are funds available if you would like to be reimbursed. Again, thanks and blessings for the new year!

OUR MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

will be recycling Christmas trees again at Valley. If you would like to participate, you can drop your Christmas tree off in the grey trailer parked in front of the youth house now until Sunday, January 8 at noon along with a suggested donation of \$10 in the donation box on the trailer. If you live in the neighborhood, our youth will be driving by to collect trees on Sunday, January 8 from 12:00-2:00 PM. Please contact Allison Carlson if you have questions or would like to arrange a pick up. **SAVE THE DATE!** On January 21 you are invited to an evening of piano music and singing featuring concert pianist, Thomas Rheingans, and the King's Kids and Valley Youth choirs. A pie reception will follow. All donations will benefit the Children's Ministries summer program scholarship fund.

ADULT EDUCATION CLASS Sundays, January 8, 15, and 25, at 9:00 AM in Armitage Hall will feature presentations by Dr. Richard Rohrbaugh about how Jesus was understood by those who heard him first. A fundamental, but usually unrecognized truth is that the Bible is not a western book. It was written by, for, and about people in the ancient Mediterranean world whose culture differed from ours in nearly every respect. In this brief class, we will focus on core values in first century Galilee that shaped the way Jesus' stories were originally heard.