

**ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING** will be received during worship on April 9. The offering is divided among three impactful hunger programs.

**CROP HUNGER WALK:** April 30 at First Christian Church, 1314 SW Park Ave., Portland starting at 1:30 PM. This year, 25% of funds raised will benefit the local work of NE Emergency Food Program and Partners for a Hunger-Free Oregon. The remaining 75% will assist groups around the world, including those who have been displaced in recent years. Registration will take place during coffee fellowship or online. Look for Team Valley at [www.crophungerwalk.org/portlandor](http://www.crophungerwalk.org/portlandor). For more information, see Andrea Murdoch.

**HOLY WEEK AND EASTER AT VALLEY**

- **Palm Sunday, April 9:** Worship will center on gospel readings and anthem. The One Great Hour of Sharing offering will be received during worship.
- **Maundy Thursday, April 13:** A simple dinner will be served at 6:00 PM. Following dinner, we will remain in Davis Hall/Gym to celebrate the Lord's Last Supper in scripture and music.
- **Good Friday, April 14:** For personal reflection: Remember Jesus' last hours and events leading to his crucifixion. This somber and contemplative time is to help us focus on the Passion of Christ and his sacrifice for us.
- **Easter Sunday, April 16 - 8:00 and 10:00 AM** services will include music from the combined Chancel, Youth and King's Kids Choirs, organ and trumpet.
- **Easter Sunday, April 16 - 9:20 AM Egg Fun!** Children age one to 12 are invited to meet in the gym for an Easter egg hunt in the church building.



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**CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE COMING WEEK**

April 2-9, 2017

<p><b>SUNDAY, April 2</b>  <b>Fourth Sunday in Lent</b>            9:00 AM Adult Education Class            9:15 AM Confirmation Class            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            11:30 AM Library Book Sale            4:15 PM New Spirit Ringers            5:00 PM Valley Youth Choir</p>	<p><b>TUESDAY, April 4</b>            10:00 AM Staff Meeting            10:15 AM Tai Chi Class            1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry            1:30 PM Mission Committee            6:00 PM Wolf Den Meeting            6:00 PM Christian Nurture for Children and Youth Meeting            6:00 PM Wolf Den Meeting            7:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry</p> <p><b>WEDNESDAY, April 5</b>            8:00 AM Men's Bible Study            8:00 AM Women's Exercise Group            5:00 PM King's Kids Choir            6:00 PM Royal Ringers Bell Choir            6:30 PM Bear Den Meeting            6:30 PM Youth Group Night            7:00 PM Personnel Committee</p>	<p><b>THURSDAY, April 6</b>            6:30 PM Webelos Den Mtg.            7:15 PM Sanctuary Choir</p> <p><b>FRIDAY, April 7</b>            8:00 AM Women's Exercise</p> <p><b>SUNDAY, April 9</b>  <b>Palm Sunday</b>            9:00 AM Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser for Youth Mission            9:15 AM Confirmation Class            9:30 AM Early Coffee            9:30 AM Palm Procession Prep            10:00 AM Worship            10:20 AM Sunday Funday            10:20 AM Youth Bible Study            11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship            11:00 AM Pancake Breakfast            11:30 AM Dining for Women            4:15 PM New Spirit Ringers            5:00 PM Valley Youth Choir</p>
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**LECTIONARY TEXTS FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 9**

*Palms: Matthew 21:1-11; Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29*

*Passion: Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Matthew 26:14-27:66 or Matthew 25:11-54*

**SERVICE OF WORSHIP**



**APRIL 9, 2017 ✠ 10:00 AM**

❖ *Please stand as you are able*

**Bold Text is spoken by everyone**

**GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE**

**SCRIPTURE FOR GATHERING** *from Psalm 27*

God is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

**God is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?**

**PRELUDE** *Fifth Symphony: Adagio* C. M. Widor

**ACOLYTES** Faith Bridges and Ryan Smyth

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
*Please pass and sign the friendship folders.*

❖ **CALL TO WORSHIP**  
 This is the day that God has made  
**We will be glad and rejoice in it!**

❖ **OPENING HYMN** *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* No 171

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Ariel Derting, Liturgist

☪ *Silence is kept* ☪

❖ **KYRIE**                    “Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy.”                    № 2275

*Kyrie, Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, Kyrie, eleison.  
Christe, Christe, eleison. Christe, Christe, eleison.  
Kyrie, Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, Kyrie, eleison... eleison.*

❖ **ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS**

Be glad and rejoice! Grace abounds for everyone.  
**Thanks be to God!**

❖ **THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you!**

❖ *Please greet those around you with the peace of Christ.* ❖

❖ **RESPONSE OF PRAISE**                    (*sing twice*)                    № 2226

*Bind us together, Lord,  
Bind us together with cords that cannot be broken.  
Bind us together, Lord, Bind us together, Lord.  
Bind us together in Love.*

## PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

### TIME WITH THE YOUNG CHURCH

Laurel Cluthe

**SCRIPTURE**                    *John 11*                    New Testament, p. 104

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON**                    *Lazarus, Come Out!*                    Ben Paroulek

## RESPOND TO GOD’S GRACE

**SOLO OFFERTORY**                    *Come Thou Dear Redeemer*                    Cesar Franck

Raoul Bellis-Squires, bass

❖ *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.*

## 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**                    Cantor, Raoul Bellis-Squires                    Malotte

*Please join in singing as you are able.*

### BREAKING THE BREAD & FILLING THE CUP

### COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

### PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

## SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

❖ **SENDING HYMN**                    *Lead On, O King Eternal*                    № 447

❖ **CHARGE & BLESSING**

Now go forth with God’s hope!

**We have put flesh on our faith and will go to serve others.**

Now go forth to fill others with Christ’s Light!

**We will go to call others to new life, wiping away their tears.**

Now go forth with the steadfast love of the Spirit!

**We will go to share that hope for which all people long.**

Go in peace!

**POSTLUDE**                    *All People That on Earth Do Dwell*                    attr. Louis Bourgeois

*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, Disturb 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! Please fill out a Visitor Card, located in the pew back, and drop it in the Offering Plate when it is passed.

**A STAFFED NURSERY** for infants-3 year olds is available in room 3/4 in the preschool wing on Sundays, 9:45-11:15 AM.

**COFFEE FELLOWSHIP** will be hosted by the Starfish Mariner Group 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* into the cup and consume it. If you choose not to dip, you may eat the bread, take a small cup and drink.

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.

**THERE WILL BE NO ADULT EDUCATION CLASS** next Sunday, April 9 and Sunday, April 16. Class will resume again on April 23.

**THE NEXT SENIOR ADULT LUNCHEON** will be Wednesday, April 26 at noon. Spring has sprung and we are going to celebrate by having a garden party. Plan to join us for a \$5 lunch, fellowship, and an interesting presentation on small container gardening. Bring a friend as we learn about the latest trends in gardening!

**THE PRAYER SHAWL KNIT-TOGETHER** will meet Tuesday, April 4 at 1:00 PM in the Fireside Room and 7:00 PM at Marilyn Tuffs’ home. Call Marilyn for directions.

**LIBRARY BOOK SALE TODAY** in Davis Hall/Gym after worship. All proceeds will go towards new library materials.

**ORDER LILIES FOR EASTER:** Lilies will grace the sanctuary on Easter. If you would like to order a lily in honor or memory of a loved one, you may make a donation of \$15.00 for each lily ordered. Please indicate “lilies” on your check with the name you wish to honor, and place the envelope in the offering plate or send it to the church office. Names will be printed in the Easter bulletin. Donations and names must be in the office by Monday, April 10.

**EARTH DAY EVENING OF MUSIC AND SONG:** All are invited to an evening of music and song April 21, 7:30-9:00 PM at the Old Church, 1422 SW 11th Ave., Portland. Instrumental and vocal groups will provide music and the evening includes meditative singing, candle lighting, and time for reflection. Donations accepted. RSVP at Center for Earthy Leadership, 503.244.0026 or Jeanne@earthleaders.org.