

**ALL ARE INVITED** to a Mexican themed 'Neighbor Night' on Wednesday, April 19. A free taco salad dinner and Mexican chocolate cake will be offered at 6:00 PM followed by gym time as well as an activity for all ages in Armitage Hall at 7:00 PM. Bring a friend for this festive night!

**CONFIRMATION SUNDAY** is April 30. Our nine high school confirmands and their mentors have been all over the city, experiencing various faith communities in worship and cultural events. They have discussed faith in all aspects of life, have studied the Bible, and it is now time to honor those who have decided to be confirmed and join Valley as church members, honoring their baptismal vows. Please join us at 10:00 AM worship on April 30 for this special ceremony. A reception in Davis Hall/ Gym will follow.

**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.

**THERE IS STILL TIME** to contribute to the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering. The OGHS Offering is our denomination's primary means of funding the work we undertake to help those in need around the world and here at home. Three agencies will benefit from the collection: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Program and Self-Development of People. Additional information can be found at [specialofferings.pcusa.org/oghs](http://specialofferings.pcusa.org/oghs).



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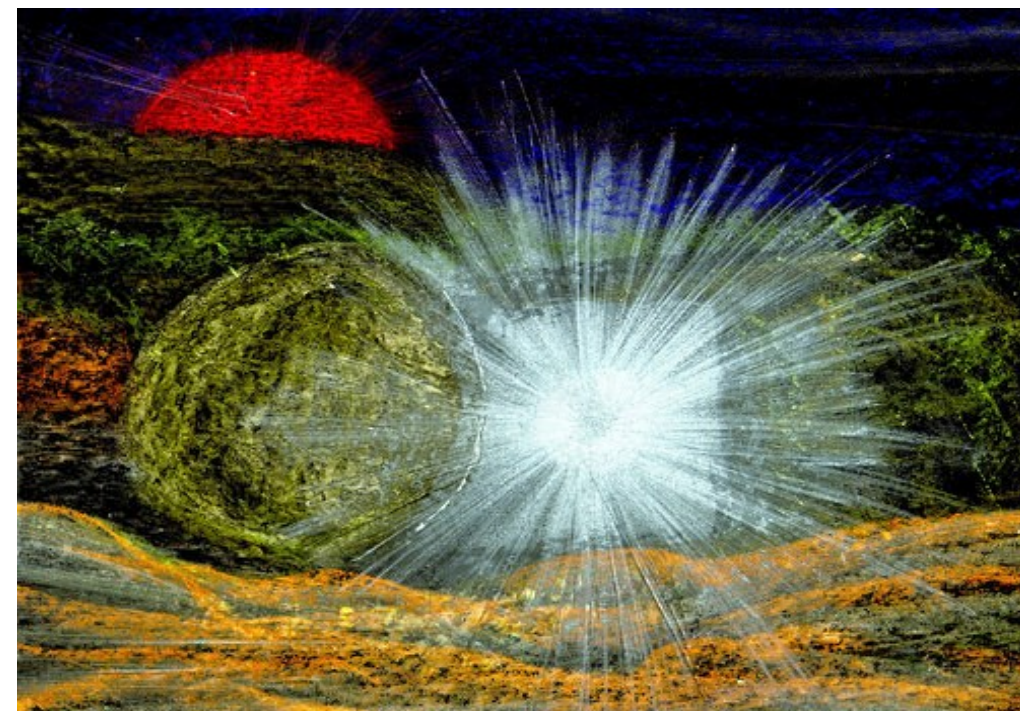
## Sanctuary Flowers

The beauty of our sanctuary is enhanced today by flowers which have been presented in memory or honor of:

- Ed Freeborg. .... Gloria Freeborg
- Evelyn Page..... Dick Page
- Lee James..... Sherrie James
- Jean Armstrong..... Bruce Armstrong
- Neil Baker ..... Sharon Baker
- Harry Russell, Sue Russell, George and Sue Thompson .....Marjorie Russell
- Norval Grubb ..... Virginia Grubb
- Scott Foster.....Anne Foster and Family
- Loved Ones ..... Pat Bird
- Our Families and Our Parents ..... Raoul and Jan Bellis-Squires
- Bill Green ..... Helen Green
- Michael Graham ..... The Graham Family
- Gus and Elizabeth Parker..... Kent and Beth Busch
- Jim Wasenmiller .....David and Renn Sanderman
- My Parents..... Andrea Murdoch
- Family Members..... Charlene Stansbury
- Loved Ones .....Kerry and Janice Viestenz
- Jack Erbeau and Sue Chadwick.....Lyle and Judy Chadwick
- Susan Sanger .....Jim and Karen Sandberg
- Our Parents..... Tim and Kristina Kurtz
- Marion "Johnnie" Scrivens ..... Don Scrivens
- Bill Mitchell .....Geri Mitchell
- Our Loved Ones ..... Len and Shirley Anderson
- Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Channon ..... Sue Lanthrum
- Ron Evans .....Laura Evans

The funds collected will be used to enhance the worship space throughout the year

# SERVICE OF WORSHIP



EASTER SUNDAY ✠ APRIL 16, 2017 ✠ 8: 00 & 10:00 AM

❖ Please stand as you are able

**Bold Text is spoken by everyone**

## GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

SCRIPTURE SENTENCES

From *Psalms* 100

Make a joyful noise, all you people.

**Worship God with gladness; come into God's presence with singing.**

PRELUDE

*Adagio*

Tomaso Albinoni

ACOLYTES

Georgia Hoffbeck and Lars Hoffbeck (8:00 AM)

Elise Jenkins and Aaron Jenkins (10:00 AM)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP

This is the day that peace spreads like wildfire through the wilderness.

**Today God has brought grace to the world.**

This is the day God has empowered us with hope.

**Today God has given us new words to speak to a weary world.**

This is the day of resurrection! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*

Nº 232 (purple hymnal), Nº 123 (blue hymnal)

## INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Allison Carlson, Liturgist

☪ *Silence is kept* ☪

## ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Be glad and rejoice! Grace abounds for everyone.

**Thanks be to God!**

- ❖ ALLELUIA, GIVE THANKS      N<sup>o</sup> 240 (purple), N<sup>o</sup> 106 (blue)  
*Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.  
 Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.  
 Spread the Good News, o'er all the earth.  
 Jesus has died and has risen.  
 Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.  
 Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.*

## ❖ THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. PO

**And also with you!**

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

## ❖ RESPONSE OF PRAISE      *Simple Gifts*

*'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free,  
 'Tis the gift to come down where we ought to be,  
 And when we find ourselves in the place just right,  
 'Twill be in the valley of love and delight.  
 When true simplicity is gained,  
 To bow and to bend we will not be asham'd,  
 To turn, turn, will be our delight,  
 'Till by turning, turning, we come 'round right.*

## PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

### TIME WITH THE YOUNG CHURCH

Laurel Cluthe

### CENTS-ABILITY OFFERING

### ANTHEM      *Come Christians, Join to Sing*      arr. Robert A. Hobby

Please join in singing the chorus: ***Praise yet our Christ again: Alleluia! Amen!  
 Life shall not end the strain: Alleluia! Amen!  
 On heaven's blissful shore, his goodness we'll adore,  
 singing forevermore: Alleluia! Amen!***

### SCRIPTURE      *Matthew 28:1-10*      New Testament, p. 33

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

### SERMON      *Resurrection!*      Ben Paroulek

## RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

### OFFERTORY

*Awake, Thou Wintry Earth*

J.S. Bach

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

### ❖ DOXOLOGY

*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.*

N<sup>o</sup> 606

### ❖ PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

## SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

### ❖ SENDING HYMN

*The Day of Resurrection*

N<sup>o</sup> 233 (purple), N<sup>o</sup> 118 (blue)

### ❖ CHARGE & BENECTION

This is the day God gives us new life.

**We will share it with everyone we meet.**

This is the day of Jesus' resurrection.

This is the day we begin to live life anew.

**We will go to share peace and grace with the world.**

### POSTLUDE

*Hallelujah Chorus (from Messiah)*

G. F. Händel

*The congregation is invited to sing!*



**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!

**ADULT EDUCATION CLASS** next Sunday, April 23 at 9:00 AM in Armitage Hall. We will discuss the Biblical implications of the concept of the "Word Made Flesh" which raises questions as to what it means to "embody" the Word of God in our lives, every day world, and society.

**THERE WILL BE AN EASTER EGG HUNT** today at 9:20 AM for children age one to 12. Meet in the gym after 8:00 AM worship for an Easter egg hunt in the church building.

**HELP CELEBRATE PASTOR BEN PAROULEK!** Join us as we celebrate Pastor Ben Paroulek's retirement. There will be a special time of recognition during 10:00 am worship on Sunday, April 23 followed by a reception in Davis Hall/Gym. We are collecting cards and letters for Ben and will give them to him at the reception.

Please send these to the church marked "Ben's Retirement" or bring them on the 23rd and we will have baskets set out for that purpose. Help us wish Ben and his family Godspeed on their next chapter!

**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 LIBRARY BOOK GROUP** will meet on April 28 at 10:00 AM in the Fireside Room. The book for discussion is *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City* by Matthew Desmond. The author takes us into the poorest neighborhoods of Milwaukee to tell the story of eight families on the edge. All are welcome, and we especially welcome new people to join in the lively and fun discussions.

**THE CHILDREN'S MUSICAL IS SUNDAY, APRIL 30** during 10:00 AM worship. The King's Kids Choir will present the musical, "Table for Five Thousand" in worship. This musical tells the miraculous story of Jesus feeding a crowd of over 5,000 people with five loaves of bread and two fish. Let the voices of children inspire you!