

SAVE THE DATE for the 10th Annual “Build a Home • Frame a Future”, May 12 at Embassy Suites at Washington Square. Please join us for a free fundraising breakfast or lunch benefiting Willamette West Habitat for Humanity. There are two events to choose from: breakfast, 7:30-8:30 AM (check-in at 7:00 AM) or lunch, 12:00–1:00 PM (check-in at 11:30 AM). RSVP or for more information: 503.844.7606 x101, www.HabitatWest.org/may-fundraiser, HopeHoward@HabitatWest.org.

MESSENGER NEWSLETTER ARTICLES and photos are due May 15 for the June issue. Please send your submissions to messenger@valleycommunity.org. Thank you!

VALLEY CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL is now enrolling for the 2017-2018 school year. VCP is a nurturing learning environment for 2, 3, and 4 year olds. For more information, contact Anne Scarce, Director, at 503.292.3537 x146, anne@valleycommunity.org, www.valleychristianpreschool.com.

SUMMER CAMPS AT VALLEY:

- Music & Drama Camp (rising 2nd-8th graders), June 26-30, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM.
- Vacation Bible School (ages 4-11 as of July 17, 2017), July 17-21, 8:45 AM-12:00 PM.
- Arts Exploration Camp (rising 1st-5th graders), July 17-21, 12:00-3:00 PM.

Go to valleycommunity.org to register or for more information. Lead and Assistant Teachers are needed for VBS. If you would like to shepherd or simply help with snack, please register as a volunteer through the website, or contact Lizz Brown directly.

THE NEXT VALLEY HABITAT BUILD will be Saturday, June 3. If you would like to take part in the build, please contact Chuck Falconer. Thank you!



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CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE COMING WEEK		
May 7-14, 2017		
SUNDAY, May 7 9:00 AM Adult Education Class 9:15 AM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 9:30 AM Early Coffee Fellowship 10:00 AM Worship 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship 11:00 AM Congregational Meeting 11:30 AM Town Hall Meeting	TUESDAY, May 9 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 10:15 AM Tai Chi Class 5:00 PM Worship and Music Committee 7:00 PM Session WEDNESDAY, May 10 8:00 AM Men’s Bible Study 8:00 AM Women’s Exercise Group 6:30 PM Youth Group Night	SUNDAY, May 14 Mother’s Day 9:00 AM Adult Education Class 9:15 AM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 9:30 AM Early Coffee 10:00 AM Worship 10:20 AM Sunday Funday 10:20 AM Youth Bible Study 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
MONDAY, May 8 8:00 AM Women’s Exercise Group 6:00 PM Girl Scout Leaders 6:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 7:00 PM Finance Committee 7:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 7:30 PM Scout Pack 592	THURSDAY, May 11 6:30 PM Cub Scout Pack 592 7:15 PM Sanctuary Choir	FRIDAY, May 12 8:00 AM Women’s Exercise



LECTIONARY TEXTS FOR SUNDAY, MAY 14
Acts 7:55-60; Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16; 1 Peter 2:2-10; John 14:1-14



SERVICE OF WORSHIP



MAY 7, 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 19*

The heavens are telling the glory of God;
And the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

PRELUDE *Andante* Feliz Mendelssohn

ACOLYTES Ryan Smyth and Katie Craig

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** *In Christ There Is No East or West*
Nº 318 (purple hymnal), Nº 439 (blue hymnal)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Glenys Craig, Liturgist

☪ *Silence is kept* ☪

❖ ALLELUIA, GIVE THANKS Nº 240 (purple), Nº 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.

❖ 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 *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 Kay Hope Gold

SCRIPTURE *Psalm 23* Old Testament, p. 501

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word
Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE SCRIPTURE *1 Corinthians 11:18-27* New Testament, p. 173

MESSAGE *Personal Communion?* The Rev. Greg Tatman

RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

CHORAL OFFERTORY *Christ's Flock* Martin Shaw
Aaron Lange, tenor

❖ 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.

COMMUNION

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, Jimmy Yohe 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 *Open My Eyes* Nº 451 (purple), Nº 324 (blue)

❖ 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

Gavotte

J. S. Bach

*You are invited to remain seated for the Congregational Meeting following
 Worship. Join us for a Town Hall meeting in Armitage Hall directly after the
 Congregational Meeting.*

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 Clippers 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.

ADULT EDUCATION CLASS next Sunday, May 14 at 9:00 am in Armitage Hall. We will be discussing Chapter 30 of *Reading Biblical Literature* by Dr. C. R. Koester. This chapter deals with the complexity and dramatic events associated with Paul's conversion on the road to Damascus, and of his subsequent participation in the expansion of Christianity to multiple societal groups. It describes Paul's interaction with contentious Jewish critics and befuddled by aggressive Roman officials. The hostility and inflexibility that Paul was presented with was striking.

YOUTH PIE FUNDRAISER: Do you like delicious fruit pie for dessert? Or maybe some cobbler or even a cream pie? If so, please stop by the gym during coffee fellowship after worship and support our MS and HS mission trips for the summer by ordering a Willamette Valley frozen fruit pie. Today is the last day to order. Frozen pies will be delivered on May 23. Fruit pies are \$14, specialty pies \$15, fruit cobblers \$9, two pounds frozen fruit \$9. Questions? Contact Allison Carlson at 503.701.9853.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held today during worship for the purpose of electing church officers.

TOWN HALL MEETING: Following today's congregational meeting, the Property Improvement Committee (PIC) will be holding a town hall meeting in Armitage Hall. Grab a cup of coffee and come to learn about the improvements that have been made to our facility. We will also look at future interior improvement projects and your input. Your Capital Improvement pledges are making this possible, thank you!