

DINING FOR WOMEN learns about health in Mali at the monthly meeting Sunday, May 21. The featured grantee this month is Mali Health, and their mission is to reduce maternal and child mortality in resource-poor communities in West Africa. The purpose is to support women in joining groups where they meet weekly to deposit savings, share experiences, build financial skills and access loans to pay for high out-of-pocket health care expenses for their families. Come join us Sunday, May 21 at 12:00 noon in the Fireside Room for an amazing potluck lunch, an educational and moving program, and the opportunity to let your dining out dollars support their grant request. Please note the beginning time for May will be half an hour later (at noon).

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 14-21, 2017		
<p>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 5:00 PM Youth Choir 6:00 PM Choir Pizza Party</p>	<p>TUESDAY, May 16 10:15 AM Tai Chi Class 1:30 PM staff Meeting 7:00 PM Deacons Meeting</p> <p>WEDNESDAY, May 17 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 8:00 AM Women's Exercise Group 6:30 PM Cub Scout Lion Den 6:30 PM Youth Group Night</p> <p>THURSDAY, May 18 8:00 AM Soup Kitchen 5:00 PM Music Selection Team 7:15 PM Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p>SUNDAY, May 21 Graduate Sunday 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 12:00 PM Dining for Women</p>
<p>MONDAY, May 15 'The Messenger' Newsletter Deadline 8:00 AM Women's Exercise Group 10:00 AM Meals on Wheels 6:00 PM Girl Scout Leaders 6:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 6:00 PM PIC Meeting 7:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 7:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 7:30 PM Scout Pack 592</p>		

LECTIONARY TEXTS FOR SUNDAY, MAY 21
Acts 17:22-31; Psalm 66:8-20; 1 Peter 3:13-22; John 14:15-21

SERVICE OF WORSHIP



MAY 14, 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 1*

But their delight is in the law of the Lord,
 and on his law they meditate day and night.

**They are like trees planted by streams of water,
 which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither.
 In all that they do, they prosper.**

PRELUDE *Largo in d minor* Antonio Vivaldi

ACOLYTES Hayden Bach and Kjel Carlson

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** *Love Divine*
 N^o 366 (purple hymnal), N^o 376 (blue hymnal)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Phil Miller, 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

ANTHEM

This Little Light of Mine
New Spirit Ringers (with Special Guests)

arr. Stephenson

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16
Holy Wisdom, Holy Word

Old Testament, p. 505

Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE SCRIPTURE

John 14:1-14

New Testament, p. 108

MESSAGE

Believe Like a Mom

The Rev. Greg Tatman

RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

CHORAL OFFERTORY

Arise, My Love
Song of Solomon 2:10-12

Grotenhuis

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

❖ DOXOLOGY

Nº 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.*

❖ PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

❖ SENDING HYMN *My Hope is Build* Nº 353 (purple), Nº 379 (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!

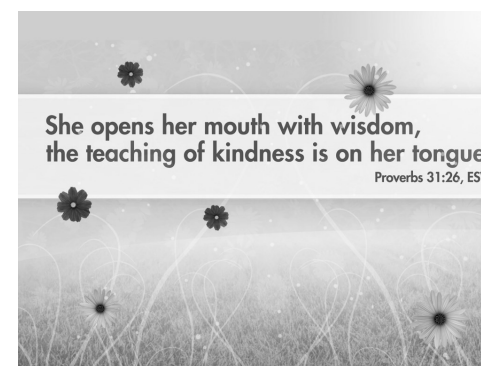
We will go to share that hope for which all people long.

Go in peace!

POSTLUDE

Rejoice, the Lord Is King! arr. Noel Rawsthorne

*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 Clippers Mariner Group upstairs in Davis Hall/Gym after worship. Coffee, tea, juice, conversation!

ADULT EDUCATION CLASS next Sunday, May 21 at 9:00 am in Armitage Hall. We will be discussing Chapter 31 of *Reading Biblical Literature* by Dr. C. R. Koester. This presentation discusses Paul's adverse interaction with Roman authorities that was instigated by the orthodox Jewish establishment's allegations that Paul was a threat to social order and Roman rule. Paul was accused of violating the sanctity of the Jewish temple. He responded by citing his adherence to Jewish law and denied his attempt to revolt against Roman rule. He advised his followers to wear faith and love as their body armor, with the helmet of hope.

MEET AND GREET Pastor Jeff and Julie on June 3 from 1:00-3:00 PM in Armitage Hall. The congregation will vote on his terms of call during a congregational meeting after he preaches in worship on June 4.

CARDS AND GIFTS FOR BEN: It is not too late to send Pastor Ben a retirement card or make a contribution in his honor. Send these to the church marked "Ben's Retirement" before the end of May. As Ben asked, all contributions will be split between Second Home, a program that finds stable housing for unaccompanied high school students, and Camp UKANDU, a summer camp for children with cancer.

COME WISH LAUREL FAREWELL: Please join us in Davis Hall after worship on Sunday, May 21, to wish our fabulous Children's and Youth Minister, Laurel Cluthe, a fond farewell. She and her husband, Matt, recently relocated to Kansas City to be near extended family as he starts a new job. She's back in town for the weekend to spend a little more time with our children on Kids Night Out, May 19, and with our youth May 21 for Graduation Sunday. We have been blessed for four years with her youthful enthusiasm that has touched the lives of both young and old. We hope to see you there!

THANK YOU for sending your check of \$32 for the 2017 Per Capita (for wider church expenses) for each Valley member. For more information about what per capita is, and how it helps, go to: oga.pcusa.org/percapita.