

**DINING FOR WOMEN** learns about health in Mali at today's 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 today 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.

**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 snacks, 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 21-28, 2017		
<b>SUNDAY, May 21</b> <b>Graduate Sunday</b> 9:00 AM Adult Education Class 9:15 AM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 9:30 AM Early Coffee 10:00 AM Worship 10:20 AM Youth Bible Study 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship and Graduate Reception 12:00 PM Dining for Women  <b>MONDAY, May 22</b> 8:00 AM Women's Exercise Group 4:00 PM DPNC 6:00 PM Girl Scout Leaders 6:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 7:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 7:30 PM Scout Pack 592	<b>TUESDAY, May 23</b> 10:15 AM Tai Chi Class 1:30 PM Staff Meeting  <b>WEDNESDAY, May 24</b> 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 8:00 AM Women's Exercise Group 6:30 PM Youth Group Night  <b>THURSDAY, May 25</b> 6:30 PM Pack 592 Meeting 7:15 PM Sanctuary Choir  <b>FRIDAY, May 26</b> 8:00 AM Women's Exercise Group 10:00 AM Gamble Library Book Group	<b>SUNDAY, May 28</b> 9:00 AM Adult Education Class 9:15 AM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 9:30 AM Early Coffee 10:00 AM Worship 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship

**LECTIONARY TEXTS FOR SUNDAY, MAY 28**  
*Acts 1:6-14; Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35; 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11; John 17:1-11*

# SERVICE OF WORSHIP



**MAY 21, 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 8*

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
 the moon and the stars that you have established;  
**what are human beings that you are mindful of them,  
 mortals that you care for them?**

**PRELUDE** *When Love Is Found* arr. Hal Hopson

**ACOLYTES** Macy Vermillion and Sophie Vermillion

**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** *Be Thou My Vision*  
 N° 450 (purple hymnal), N° 339 (blue hymnal)

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** Lyn Bedsaul, 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

CENTS-ABILITY OFFERING

ANTHEM Josh Groban  
*You Raise Me Up*  
 Youth Choir; Allison Kurtz, soloist; Greg Russell, pianist

SCRIPTURE Old Testament, p. 528  
*Psalm 66:8-20*  
 Holy Wisdom, Holy Word  
**Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGE SCRIPTURE New Testament, p. 109  
*John 14:15-21*

MESSAGE The Rev. Greg Tatman  
*The Spirit's Call*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Bob and Fran Scarce, Deacons

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF DEACONS & ELDERS

## RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

CHORAL OFFERTORY Hebble  
*Spirit of God*  
 Grace Skinner, mezzo-soprano

❖ *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

GRADUATE RECOGNITION and PRESENTATION  
 Jini De Vries, Laurel Cluthe, Michelle Blair, Jenny Pratt

Valley's Class of 2017 high school graduates  
 are asked to come forward at this time.

❖ SENDING HYMN Nº 722 (purple), Nº 426 (blue)  
*Lord Speak to Me*

❖ 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 Jeremiah Clarke  
*The Head that Once Was Crowned*

*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. Join us for a reception to celebrate our graduates as well!

**ADULT EDUCATION CLASS** next Sunday, May 28 at 9:00 am in Armitage Hall. We will be discussing Chapter 32 of *Reading Biblical Literature* by Dr. C. R. Koester. This chapter deals with letters of the Apostle Paul which are contained in Corinthians I and II, and describes the challenges in maintaining a cohesive community. He cites community fragmentation as representing misplaced loyalties. He insisted that it was through the message of Christ that God calls them to faith. Therefore, Christ must be their main focus. He describes the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross as demonstrating the greatest gift it is possible to give as demonstration of Divine Love.

**MEET AND GREET** Pastor Jeff and Julie on June 3 from 1:00-3:00 PM in Armitage Hall with dessert provided. 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 today, 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. 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](http://oga.pcusa.org/percapita).