

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

**DINING FOR WOMEN** will feature the non-profit group, READ Global, on Sunday, August 20 at 11:30 AM in the Fireside Room. READ stands for Rural Education and Development. This organization is in Bhutan, a country half the size of Indiana where only 58% of the women are literate. READ Centers serve as platforms for social and economic transformation. All are invited to our monthly potluck to enjoy a delicious lunch, learn about this innovative organization and let your "dining out" dollars contribute to their grant request.

**THE BEAUTY OF GOD'S CREATION** is all around us. Share flowers with others by signing up on the Flower Calendar for one Sunday this summer - honor an anniversary, birthday, or loved one.

**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.

**HAVE YOU HEARD** about our new MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) program being developed here at Valley? Do you know any young mothers who might benefit from our group? Valley is sponsoring a brand new chapter who will meet in the mornings on the third Wednesday of each month beginning in September in the Youth House. Please contact Kay Hope Gold at children@valleycommunity.org for more information.

**BUILDING USE REMINDER:** Please be sure and close all doors and windows as you leave, as well as turn off all lights. We thank everyone for their assistance!



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CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE COMING WEEK		
August 13-20, 2017		
<b>SUNDAY, August 13</b> 9:30 AM Early Coffee 10:00 AM Worship 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship <b>MONDAY, August 14</b> 8:00 AM Women's Exercise Group 6:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 6:00 PM PIC Meeting 7:00 PM Girl Scout Troop	<b>TUESDAY, August 15</b> <b>'The Messenger' Newsletter Deadline</b> 10:15 AM Tai Chi Class 2:00 PM Deacons' Red Cross Blood Drive 7:00 PM Deacons Meeting <b>WEDNESDAY, August 16</b> <b>Church Office Closed</b> 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 8:00 AM Women's Exercise Group 9:00 AM Staff Retreat 7:00 PM Open Gym for Youth	<b>THURSDAY, August 17</b> 8:00 AM Soup Kitchen 5:00 PM Music Selection Team <b>FRIDAY, August 18</b> 8:00 AM Women's Exercise <b>SUNDAY, August 20</b> 9:30 AM Early Coffee 10:00 AM Worship 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship 11:30 AM Dining for Women Meeting



**LECTIONARY TEXTS FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 20**  
*Genesis 45:1-15; Psalm 133; Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32; Matthew 15:(10-20) 21-28*

# SERVICE OF WORSHIP



## Discipleship & Faith

AUGUST 13, 2017 ✠ 10:00 AM

❖ Please stand as you are able

**Bold Text is spoken by everyone**

### GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE Hymn Sing Valley Congregation

#### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please pass and sign the friendship folders.*

#### ACOLYTES

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 105:1-4

O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples.

**Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works.**

Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

**Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually.**

❖ OPENING HYMN Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show No 33

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Connie Brenner, Liturgist

☪ Silence is kept ☪

❖ KYRIE "Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy"

Ky - ri - e Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e  
 6 Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Chri - ste, Chri - ste, e - le - i -  
 12 son. Chri - ste, Chr - ste e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e  
 18 Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e Ky - ri - e e - le - i -  
 24 son. E - le - i - son.

❖ ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

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.

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

❖ RESPONSE OF PRAISE Lord, I Want to Be a Christian N° 729

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart;  
 Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.  
 In my heart, in my heart,  
 Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

TIME WITH THE YOUNG CHURCH

Kay Hope Gold

SOLO ANTHEM

I Will Give Thanks  
 Raoul Bellis-Squires, Bass

Wagner

SCRIPTURE

Romans 10:5-15

New Testament, p. 160

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE SCRIPTURE

Matthew 14:22-33

New Testament, p. 16

MESSAGE

Discipleship & Faith

Rev. Jeff Binder

RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

❖ HYMN OF RESPONSE Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts N° 494

OFFERTORY

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

arr. George Thalben-Ball

Word of hymn, N° 440

❖ 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.

❖ PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

❖ CLOSING HYMN Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore N° 721

❖ 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

Majestic Sweetness Sits Enthroned

Tomas Hastings

You are invited to remain seated to conclude worship with the postlude.

Sermon Notes:

Our series for the next four weeks will be on the topic of: \_\_\_\_\_.

Today's sermon theme is on the topic of: \_\_\_\_\_.

One thing I will remember from today's sermon is: \_\_\_\_\_.

(Please be sure to share with Pastor Jeff if you like!)

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.

AN OPEN NURSERY ROOM for infants-3 year olds is available in room 7 behind the sanctuary on Sundays, 9:45-11:15 AM. Audio of the worship service is available to listen to in the Nursery room.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP will be hosted by the Rueff family upstairs in Davis Hall/Gym after worship. Coffee, tea, juice, conversation!

THE ADULT EDUCATION CLASS will take a break until September when we will feature Marcus Borg's series, "Speaking Christian: Redeeming Christian Language."

THE NEXT RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE is Tuesday, August 15, 2:00-7:00 PM. Up to three people may be helped with each pint of blood collected. Please contact Jim Sandberg, jim.sandberg@comcast.net, for more information.

PRODUCE TABLE: Gardens are greening up and producing wonderful produce, both sweet and savory. Valley's Produce Table is set up each Sunday during coffee fellowship and covered with whatever produce is brought in by members and friends of our church. Please stop by and see if something catches your eye and will enhance your next meal. All monetary donations go directly to the Oregon Food Bank to help others in need and keep them from food insecurity.

THE MISSION COMMITTEE is partnering with the Project Back program to help provide backpacks of food for school children to take home over the weekends. The committee is asking for sturdy, new/gently used backpacks that can hold 15-20 lbs of food. Each child participating needs two packs, the empty one gets filled while the full one goes home. The food collection will begin in October and during Mission Market in November, you can meet the two young ladies who started this program.

SAVE THE DATE: Valley is hosting the 2nd Annual Luke Dorf Ice Cream Social on August 27. We will meet in the east parking lot at 12:30 PM and carpool to their house location on SW 121st. We should be back to Valley by 3:00 PM. This was a fun event in 2016! We met and socialized with about 15 staff and residents. If you would like to join us, please let Christine Danner or Andrea Murdoch know.

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED on Fridays during the month of August. The church office will also be closed next Wednesday, August 16, for a staff retreat.