

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED Thursday, August 31 for staff first aid/CPR training.

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION will be celebrated on Sunday, September 10 which is Kick Off Sunday.

A BUILDING USE ORIENTATION MEETING will be held Saturday, September 2 from 10:00-11:00 AM for all who use the church building for meetings or events. In order to continue to use the facility, a representative from each group must attend this meeting. If you are unable to do so, please contact the church office to inquire about a separate orientation time.

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.

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.



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CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE COMING WEEK		
August 27-September 3, 2017		
SUNDAY, August 27 9:30 AM Early Coffee 10:00 AM Worship 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship 11:00 AM Special Session Meeting MONDAY, August 28 8:00 AM Women's Exercise Group 6:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 7:00 PM Finance Committee 7:00 PM Girl Scout Troop	TUESDAY, August 29 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 10:15 AM Tai Chi Class WEDNESDAY, August 30 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 8:00 AM Women's Exercise Group THURSDAY, August 31 Church Office Closed 8:30 AM Staff First Aid/CPR Training 12:30 PM Staff Lock Down/Lock Out Training	FRIDAY, September 1 8:00 AM Women's Exercise Group SATURDAY, September 2 10:00 AM Building Use Meeting SUNDAY, September 3 9:30 AM Early Coffee 10:00 AM Worship 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship



LECTIONARY TEXTS FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3
Exodus 3:1-15; Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b; Romans 12:9-21; Matthew 16:21-28



SERVICE OF WORSHIP



AUGUST 27, 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

International Youth Conference Presentation - Sarah Blair

Please pass and sign the friendship folders.

ACOLYTES

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP

Welcome to this time of worship. As we begin, let us remember what Jesus promised:

"Where two or three come together in my name, I am there with them."

We, who have come together here, are from different places.

We speak in many different accents and languages.

We are of many ages and have different interests.

We also come with different hopes and fears.

Whoever we are, wherever we come from, whatever hopes and fears we bring with us, Jesus welcomes us and asks us to welcome one another.

Let us worship our God!

❖ OPENING HYMN

The Church's One Foundation

No 321

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, Maker of all
Have mercy on us.
 Jesus Christ, Servant of the poor
Have mercy on us.
 Holy Spirit, Breath of life
Have mercy on us

Barbara King, Liturgist
 from *Iona Worship Book*

☸ *Silence is kept* ☸

❖ KYRIE *“Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy”*

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 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

Before God, with the people of God, I confess to my brokenness: to the ways I wound my life, the lives of others, and the life of the world.

May God forgive you, Christ renew you, and the Spirit enable you to grow in love.

Amen.

Before God, with the people of God, we confess to our brokenness: to the ways we wound our lives, the lives of others, and the life of the world.

May God forgive you, Christ renew you, and the Spirit enable you to grow in love.

Amen.

❖ THE PEACE

Know that in Christ Jesus we are forgiven! The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!

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

❖ RESPONSE OF PRAISE *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian* (verse 1) N^o 729

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

TIME WITH THE YOUNG CHURCH

Rev. Jeff Binder

SOLO ANTHEM

The Lord's Prayer
 Grace Skinner, mezzo soprano

Malotte

SCRIPTURE

Romans 12:1-8

New Testament, p. 161

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE SCRIPTURE

Matthew 16:13-20

New Testament, p. 18

MESSAGE

Language

Rev. Jeff Binder

RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

❖ HYMN OF RESPONSE

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

N^o 440

OFFERTORY

Prelude

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.***

❖ PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

❖ CLOSING HYMN

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

N^o 263

❖ CHARGE & BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Pasticcio

Jean Langlais

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

Sermon Notes:

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

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

What is one word you use to describe Jesus: _____.

(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 Amy Henning-Blair 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."

KICK OFF SUNDAY IS COMING SEPTEMBER 10! Get ready to be amazed at all that is going on at Valley. Join us after worship in Davis Hall, which will be transformed to show you all of the ministries and small groups that serve our church family and our community.

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.

LUKE DORF ICE CREAM SOCIAL TODAY! 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.

VALLEY SOUP KITCHEN THANKS those who volunteered to help with the August 18 meal at Bud Clark Commons. Jean Sowers prepared the meal. Bruce Armstrong and Ron Leland delivered and served the meal.

PRODUCE TABLE: Our gardens are erupting with all sorts of wonderful green things! Please bring your garden goodies to the weekly Produce Table during coffee fellowship to share with other Valley members and friends. While there, take a look and see if something entices you for your next meal as you donate some cash towards the Oregon Food Bank.

"EXCELLENCE IN ALL THINGS, AND ALL THINGS TO THE GLORY OF GOD." Perhaps it is time to consider offering your talent by singing in the Sanctuary Choir here at Valley. We are looking to welcome singers into all four sections. We rehearse Thursday evenings from 7:15-9:00 PM and offer music in most worship services September through June. Please talk with David Jimerson after worship or via email at david@valleycommunity.org.