

PLEASE NOTE: The church office will be closed Monday, January 15, in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. The church building will be open for previously scheduled events.

AN OPEN GYM will be available for all to use on January 18, 6:00-7:00 pm. Bring your family (every child must have an adult with them) and enjoy the gym! Open gym will occur every third Thursday through May 2018.

KIDS NIGHT OUT begins again on January 19 from 5:30-8:30 pm. Kids ages 3-11 are invited. The cost is \$10 per child or a max cost of \$25 for three siblings or more. We will have dinner, watch a movie, and play in the gym along with other activities. There is limited space for this event so sign up early through our Facebook Events page or contacting Misty, misty@valleycommunity.org, in the church office.

CHILDREN'S SABBATH during worship on Sunday, January 21. The Cherub Choir and King's Kids Choir will sing, the Royal Ringers will ring, and children's voices will be heard throughout worship. Bibles will be presented to third graders as well. Join us as we celebrate the children of our community through scripture, prayers and songs led by our young ones.

DO YOU HAVE YOUR NAME BADGE YET? Wear your name badge on Sundays to welcome visitors, meet new members and identify long-time members and friends. You may order yours with a strong magnet (\$9) or pin (free). Request forms are available on the church office counter for new or replacement name badges.

BUILDING USE REMINDER: Please be sure and close all doors and windows as you leave, as well as turn off all lights. If you move furniture, please be sure to put it back afterwards. Please keep all pathways to emergency exit doors clear. We thank everyone for their assistance in keeping Valley a safe place for all.

EYGLASSES AND HEARING AIDS: Thank you for donating to the Yellow Box in the stairwell to Davis Hall. Keep bringing your old prescription glasses and aids; these are taken to Third World Countries and distributed to those who need help seeing.

CHILI COOK OFF coming on Sunday, February 25 - start looking for your winning recipe!



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CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE COMING WEEK

January 14-21, 2018

<p>SUNDAY, January 14 9:00 AM Adult Education Class 9:15 AM New Spirit Ringers 9:15 AM Sanctuary Choir 9:30 AM Early Coffee 9:45 AM Nursery 10:00 AM Worship 10:20 AM Sunday Funday 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship 11:30 AM Youth Choir 5:00 PM HS Youth Group</p> <p>MONDAY, January 15 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - Church Office Closed 8:00 AM Women's Exercise Group 6:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 7:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 7:00 PM Boy Scouts 592 7:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 7:30 PM Scout Troop 592 Parent Planning Mtg.</p>	<p>TUESDAY, January 16 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 10:15 AM Tai Chi Class 6:00 PM Bear Den 592 7:00 PM Deacons</p> <p>WEDNESDAY, January 17 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 8:00 AM Women's Exercise Group 9:15 AM MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) 10:00 AM CONC 5:00 PM Cherub Choir 5:00 PM King's Kids Choir 6:00 PM Royal Ringers 6:30 PM Cub Scouts 6:45 PM MS Youth Group</p> <p>THURSDAY, January 18 8:00 AM Soup Kitchen 5:00 PM Music Selection Team 6:00 PM Open Gym 7:15 PM Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p>FRIDAY, January 19 8:00 AM Women's Exercise Group 5:00 PM Kids Night Out</p> <p>SATURDAY, January 20 'The Messenger' Newsletter Articles Due</p> <p>SUNDAY, January 21 9:00 AM Adult Education Class 9:15 AM New Spirit Ringers 9:15 AM Sanctuary Choir 9:30 AM Early Coffee 9:45 AM Nursery 10:00 AM Worship-Children's Sabbath 10:20 AM Sunday Funday 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship 11:00 AM Julie and Pastor Jeff's Wedding Reception 11:30 AM Youth Choir 12:00 PM Dining for Women 5:00 PM HS Youth Group</p>
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Ministers: All members of the congregation

Valley Staff:

Jeff Binder	Pastor, ext. 133
Misty Bonham.....	Director of Children's Ministries, ext. 135
Connor Campbell	Building Superintendent, ext. 143
Chuck Falconer and Jenny Pratt.....	Pastoral Associates
Angela Graham	Publication & Office Administrator, ext. 126
AmyAnn Green.....	Business Manager, ext. 128
Bob Hinson.....	Organist/Pianist, ext. 139
David Jimerson.....	Minister of Music, ext. 139
Frank Powers	Treasurer, ext. 129
Preston Russell.....	Director of Youth Ministries, ext. 131
Amy Rheingans	Director of Youth & Children's Music, ext. 145
Anne Scearce	Preschool Director, ext. 146

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

*All
the
Believers
were one
in Heart
and Mind.*

Acts 4:32

JANUARY 14, 2018 ✠ 10:00 AM

❖ *Please stand as you are able*

Bold Text is spoken by everyone

GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please pass and sign the friendship folders.

PRELUDE "Sleepers, Wake!" A Voice Astounds Us Bach/Sobaje

ACOLYTES Hayden Bach and Turner Sanderman

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalm 96*

O sing to the Lord a new song;

sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Sing, and give praise to God's name;

tell the glad news of salvation from day to day.

Let us worship our God!

❖ PROCESSIONAL HYMN *Lift Every Voice and Sing* N^o 339

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Michelle Blair, Liturgist

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

☪ Silence is kept ☪

❖ GLORIA PATRI "Glory Be to the Father" No. 581

❖ ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

❖ 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 Halle, Halle, Hallelujah! No 591

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

TIME WITH THE YOUNG CHURCH

Kay Hope Gold

ANTHEM

Hallelujah, Amen

Händel

MESSAGE SCRIPTURE

Acts 4:32-37

New Testament, p. 122

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE

Spirit-Led Community

Rev. Jeff Binder

RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

❖ HYMN OF RESPONSE Make Me a Channel of Your Peace No 753

❖ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from The Nicene Creed

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Jeff Binder

THE LORD'S PRAYER (p.35 in the hymnal)

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Second Home

Jenny Pratt

OFFERTORY

From Heaven Above

Bach/Schack

Reference Hymn No 111

❖ 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

Will You Come and Follow Me

No 726

Go out into the world in peace;

have courage; hold on to what is good;

return no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted;

support the weak, and help the suffering; honor all people;

love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Alleluia. Amen.

❖ CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Organ

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

Mission Statement

Valley Community Presbyterian Church is the people of God in one place and one time. We are called by God to gather, in the name of Christ, and we have responded to that call with a commitment to active membership in this body, this community of Christians.

We are called, and we have committed:

to worship God regularly in this place, in hearing the word, in prayer, in sacrament and sacred music.

We are called, and we have committed:

to care for each other, individually, in large groups and small; to form a community in the midst of a rushing world.

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 14/15) is available for your infant-three year olds every Sunday from 9:45-11:15 AM. Our Nursery is located in the Sunday School wing.

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

ADULT EDUCATION CLASS next Sunday, January 21 at 9:00 AM in Armitage Hall. In the DVD series, Jesus and His Jewish Influences, belief in evil spirits and demons as the cause of disease, disability and impurity were widespread in Biblical times and were felt to represent divine punishment for personal or family misdeeds. Jesus was less concerned with ritual purity and emphasized the priority of moral and ethical behavior. The restrictive and legalistic application of Jewish law and tradition excluded the blemished or "impure" person.

LET'S HELP SUPPORT OUR YOUTH! One of the ways you can do this is to take part in adding some of your best recipes to our 75th Anniversary Cookbook. Our goal is 400 delicious recipes! Our deadline is February 1, but we would like to receive them as soon as possible to allow adequate time to prepare for the printer. Please submit recipes to Claudia Askew, clade9@gmail.com, the church office during the week or at coffee fellowship today.

HELP US CELEBRATE the marriage of Pastor Jeff and his lovely bride, Julie, on Sunday, January 21 after worship. They were married in Virginia on December 30, 2017 and traveled back to Oregon to begin a new life together.

FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY NEEDS SOME HELP: Are you able to make a batch of cupcakes for the wedding reception for Julie and Pastor Jeff on January 21 during coffee fellowship? If so, please contact Ruthann Marquis.

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED! We need two volunteers for January 21, during the 10:00 AM Children's Sabbath service. We are also creating a list of volunteers who can serve on a rotational basis. Please contact the church office or Misty Bonham, misty@valleycommunity.org, if you are able to minister in this way. You will need to complete a background check and complete a short training before volunteering. Thank you for your consideration!