#### LENT BEGINS FEBRUARY 14: Valley's Ash

Wednesday Service is Wednesday, February 14 from 6:30-7:00 PM in the Sanctuary. This service will include the King's Kids and Cherub choirs.

ASH WEDNESDAY PIZZA DINNER: On Ash Wednesday, February 14, a pizza dinner will be held in the gym beginning at 5:45 PM. The Ash Wednesday service begins at 6:30 PM. If you would like to have pizza that evening, please RSVP to misty@valleycommunity.org.

AN OPEN GYM will be available for all to use on February 15, 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 on February 16 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.

THE ASSISTANCE LEAGUE OF PORTLAND is again holding its "Legacy of Literacy" book drive. We will collect and distribute new and gently used books for grades K-8, many of whom live in shelters, friends' homes, or cars. You can find our collection box next to the Fireside Room. The drive runs through February 20. We are grateful for your help in this venture. Thank you!

FOR AFTER HOURS PASTORAL EMERGENCIES, please contact Rev. Jeff Binder at 434.944.6716. VALLEY CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE on Monday, February 12 from 6:30-7:30 PM. On this night we will open our classrooms and invite you to come in and check us out, ask questions of our teachers, and see how we play and learn at VCP. We are very proud of our experienced and wonderful teaching staff. Come meet our team!

BRING A THERMOS! Most Sundays there is leftover coffee that gets poured down the drain after coffee fellowship. Please feel free to bring a thermos or insulated mug and take the leftover coffee home.



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CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE COMING WEEK
February 11-18, 2018

#### SUNDAY, February 11

9:00 AM Adult Education Class 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 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 Communication Mtg. 11:30 AM Youth Choir 2:30 PM Clippers Mariners 5:00 PM HS Youth Group MONDAY, February 12

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 Scouts

7:00 PM Finance Committee

7:30 PM Scout Planning Mtg.

6:00 PM PIC Meeting

**TUESDAY, February 13** 10:15 AM Tai Chi Class 11:00 AM Women's Bible Study 6:00 PM Bear Den 592 7:00 PM Session Committee

#### WEDNESDAY, February 14 Ash Wednesday

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 8:00 AM Women's Exercise 5:00 PM Cherub Choir 5:00 PM King's Kids Choir 5:45 PM Pizza Dinner and Burning of the Palms 6:30 PM Ash Wednesday Service **THURSDAY**, February 15 8:00 AM Soup Kitchen 4:00 PM Worship & Music Committee 5:00 PM Music Selection Team 6:00 PM Open Gym 7:15 PM Sanctuary Choir

8:00 AM Women's Exercise 5:30 PM Kids Night Out SUNDAY, February 18 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 Dining for Women 11:30 AM Youth Choir 5:00 PM HS Youth Group 7:00 PM Scout Venture Crew

FRIDAY, February 16

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	
	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	

# GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Please pass and sign the friendship folders.

#### PRELUDE

**ACOLYTES** 

✤ CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 50:1-2 The mighty one, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting. Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth. Let us worship our God!

# SERVICE OF WORSHIP



FEBRUARY 11, 2018 **+** 10:00 AM Please stand as you are able Bold Text is spoken by everyone

Loved with Everlasting Love

James Mountain

Faith Bridges and Katie Craig

◆ PROCESSIONAL HYMN Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain № 193

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Ron Leland, Liturgist

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light, and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

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

🏵 Silence is kept 🏵

- ✤ 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!	№ 591				
	PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD						

TIME WITH THE YOU!	Kay Hope Gold	
ANTHEM	Prayer of Saint Francis	Gerig
MESSAGE SCRIPTURE The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God!	Mark 9:2-8	New Testament, p. 44
MESSAGE	Mountaintop	Rev. Jeff Binder

# RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

✤ HYMN OF RESPONSE Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

 AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from A Brief Statement of Faith We trust in God the Holy Spirit everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE THE LORD'S PRAYER (p.35 in the hymnal) Rev. Jeff Binder

Nº 729

MINUTE FOR MISSION The Presbyterian Giving Catalog Andrea Murdoch

OFFERTORY

Largo

Antonio Vivaldi

 $\diamond$  Congregation rising, row by row, as ushers pass  $\diamond$ 

#### 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 Go, Tell It on the Mountain

№ 136

John Wilkes

## ✤ CHARGE & BENEDICTION

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.

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

To care for our children and youth, not only telling them of the love of God but also showing them.

To continue to learn and to grow, to discuss, to wrestle with the challenges of applying our faith to our place and time.

To serve God by serving others, with soup kettles and hammers, with hands of hope and ears of understanding.

**To hear and proclaim God's vision of a kingdom of peace and justice.** To throw open our doors, to invite in and welcome all our neighbors.

To be the body of Christ in this place and time.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord! Alleluia! Amen!

POSTLUDE

Let Us with a Gladsome Mind

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



Transfiguration of the Lord

# 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.

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

**EQUAL EXCHANGE:** Need a gift for your Valentine(s)? Purchase fairly-traded coffee, tea, olive oil and chocolate during coffee fellowship today after worship!

ADULT EDUCATION CLASS next Sunday, February 18 at 9:00 AM in Armitage Hall. In the DVD series, *Does Christianity Have a Future?* Rev. Marcus Borg begins his discussion emphasizing that considerations of Biblical inerrancy are unnecessary and distracting. Jesus was a charismatic mystic, a healer, a wisdom teacher, and a prophet of God's kingdom. Jesus' life and teachings inspire enlightenment and transformation now and enhance recognition of our societal responsibility and the importance of mercy. Borg states that Jesus is Lord whose life and message are miraculous.

**CHILI COOK OFF** coming on Sunday, February 25 - start looking for your winning recipe! If you are interested in making chili, please contact Allison Carlson at 5beavs@comcast.net or 503.701.9853.

VALLEY'S ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held on Sunday, February 25, directly following worship. Items of business will include approving proposed 2018 terms of call for Pastor Jeff, and hearing a report from the Finance Committee on the 2018 budget. The 2017 Annual Report will be distributed, and there will be a time for questions.

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED! We need volunteers to work in the nursery during the 10:00 AM worship on Sundays. 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!

**THE WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY GROUP** will meet Tuesday, February 13 at 11:00 AM in the office conference room. We will be studying the book of Hebrews. All are invited!

**PLEDGE ENVELOPES** are available for pick up in the Fireside Room for those who requested them.