

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

A **"GET TO KNOW VALLEY" LUNCHEON** will be held on Sunday, March 4, at 11:30 AM in Armitage Hall. Want to know more about our church? Want to meet our pastor in person and enjoy a meal together with a few members of the church? Please join us for a free and informal lunch! RSVP to Glenys Craig at [g.craig@sbcglobal.net](mailto:g.craig@sbcglobal.net) to reserve your spot.

**PASTOR JEFF WILL LEAD A MEMBERSHIP CLASS** on Sunday, March 18, at 11:30 AM in the office conference room. It is intended for people who are curious about taking the next step and formally joining our church. No obligation. Come learn more! Please join us at the "Get to Know Valley" luncheon as well.

**FOR AFTER HOURS PASTORAL EMERGENCIES**, please contact Rev. Jeff Binder at 434.944.6716.

**SENIOR ADULT LUNCHEON:** Join us on Wednesday, February 28, at noon for lunch and a fascinating glimpse into the life of an FBI agent. Valley member, Phil Miller had an exciting career with the FBI and has generously agreed to share some of his most memorable experiences with us. The Senior Lunch crew is looking forward to seeing you! Lunch is \$5.00. All are welcome!

**THANK YOU** for sending your check of \$32 for the 2018 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).

**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.

**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](mailto: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.



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## CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE COMING WEEK

February 25-March 4, 2018

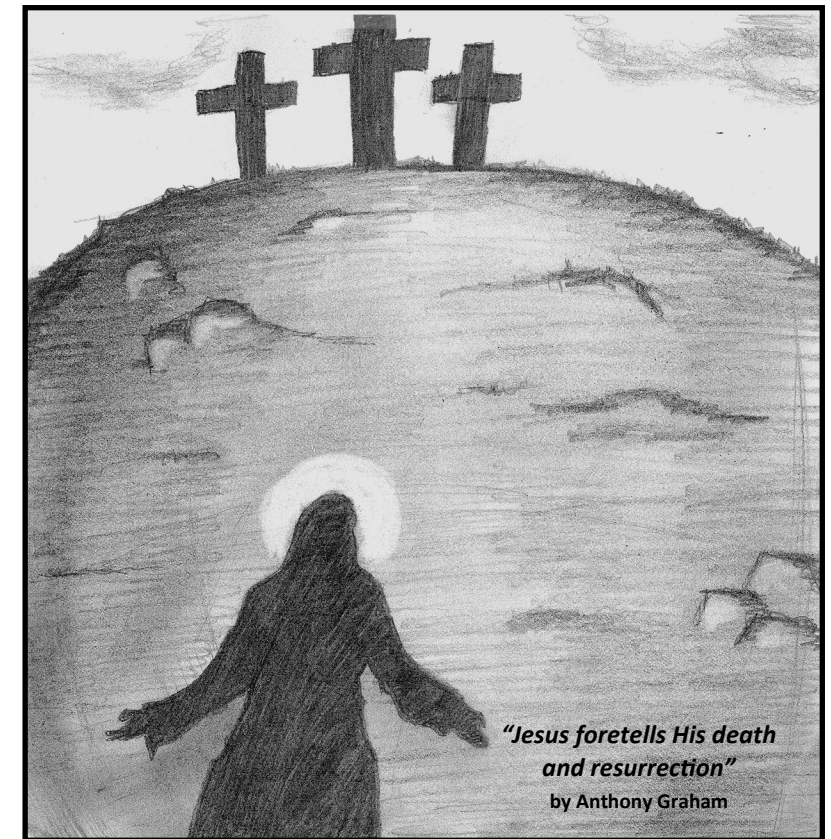
<b>SUNDAY, February 25</b> <b>Youth Sunday</b> 9:00 AM Adult Education Class 9:15 AM New Spirit Ringers 9:30 AM Early Coffee 9:45 AM Nursery 10:00 AM Worship 11:00 AM Congregational Meeting 11:15 AM Chili Cook-off 11:30 AM Membership Comm. 11:30 AM Youth Choir	<b>TUESDAY, February 27</b> 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 10:15 AM Tai Chi Class 12:00 PM PEO Meeting 7:00 PM Deacons  <b>WEDNESDAY, February 28</b> 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 8:00 AM Women's Exercise 12:00 PM Senior Adult Luncheon 5:00 PM Cherub Choir 5:00 PM King's Kids Choir 5:30 PM Youth Service Night 6:00 PM Royal Ringers 7:30 PM Scout Troop 592  <b>THURSDAY, March 1</b> 10:00 AM Youth Team Meeting 6:30 PM Cub Scout Patrol Meeting 7:00 PM PDX Vox 7:15 PM Sanctuary Choir	<b>FRIDAY, March 2</b> 8:00 AM Women's Exercise  <b>SUNDAY, March 4</b> 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 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship 11:30 AM "Get to Know Valley" Luncheon 11:30 AM Youth Choir 12:00 PM Calvary Presbyterian Korean Church Worship 1:00 PM Calvary Presbyterian Korean Church Fellowship Time 5:00 PM High School Youth Group
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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



### YOUTH SUNDAY

FEBRUARY 25, 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** *Bwana Awabariki* (Traditional Swahili) arr. Nelson  
New Spirit Ringers

**ACOLYTES** Olivia Hoffbeck and Georgia Hoffbeck

❖ **CALL TO WORSHIP** *Isaiah 55:1*  
"Come," says the Lord. "All you who are thirsty, come to the waters."  
"Come. Here there is bread and wine for your soul."  
"Come," says the Lord, "come be my people, and I will be your God."  
**We are your people. You are our God.**  
Come, let us walk in the way of the Lord!  
**Let us worship our God!**

❖ **OPENING HYMN** *Will You Come Follow Me* No 726

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Paige Bedsaul, Elise Jenkins,  
Claire Bedsaul, Marian Romanaggi

**Forgive us. Encourage us. Teach us to follow, even when we don't think we can anymore. Even though faith often is not easy, replace our doubts with faithfulness, our fears with courage, and our apathy with love. All in the pursuit of Christ our Lord. Amen.**

☸ *Silence is kept* ☸

## ❖ KYRIE *"Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy"*

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 12 son. Chri - ste, Chr - ste e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e  
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## ❖ 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 *You Are Holy "Prince of Peace"* Nº 705

## PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

### TIME WITH THE YOUNG CHURCH

Maria Rinella, Hayden Bach, Faith Bridges

### ANTHEM *We Are the Family* Repp King's Kids and Cherub Choir; Ariel Derting, piano

### MESSAGE SCRIPTURE *Mark 8:31-38* New Testament, p. 44

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God!**

### MESSAGE *Take Up Your Cross* Ian Luehr-Sele, Birgitta Carlson, Megan Bootsma

## RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

### ❖ HYMN OF RESPONSE *Go to Dark Gethsemane* Nº 220

### ❖ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Zachary Graham

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses.

**We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen.**

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Zeph Pratt THE LORD'S PRAYER (p.35 in the hymnal)

### OFFERTORY *Lift Me Up!* Beck Youth Choir; Birgitta Carlson, Megan Bootsma, duet; Sue Derting, piano

❖ *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 Hayden Bach

## SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

### ❖ CLOSING HYMN *Take up Your Cross, The Savior Said* Nº 718

### ❖ CHARGE & BENEDICTION Macy Vermillion, Georgia Hoffbeck

### ❖ CLOSING PRAYER John Whitehurst, Trent Sele

### POSTLUDE *Praise to the Lord* Johann Walther

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

## 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!

**ADULT EDUCATION CLASS** next Sunday, March 4 at 9:00 AM in Armitage Hall. In the DVD series, *Does Christianity Have a Future?* Rev. M. Borg will speak on "Progressive Christianity and the Christian Future."

Borg emphasizes the rigidity of some strongly conservative Christian doctrine and its acceptance of the brevity of human existence. Biblical concepts of inerrancy were first proposed in approximately 1,000 AD. All are invited to join the discussion!

**CHILI COOK-OFF:** We invite the congregation to support our youth mission fundraiser after worship today, February 25, in Davis Hall. We have multiple chili entries along with a few soups, some cornbread muffins, and delicious treats. To join in on the tasting and contribute to voting for your favorites, the cost is \$10/person, \$5/child, and \$25/family. The prizes awarded this year will be for Tastiest, Keep Portland Weird, Instagram Worthy (prettiest), and WOW award (best-themed chili).

**VALLEY'S ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** will be held directly following worship today, February 25. 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.

**SOUP KITCHEN THANK YOU:** Many thanks to the Starfish Mariners for hosting the February 15 Soup Kitchen dinner at Bud Clark Commons. Special kudos to Roy and Valerie Conner who prepared the entire meal, and to Ruthann Marquis for serving.

**THE ANNUAL COMMUNITY AWARDS BREAKFAST** will be Saturday, March 10 at 9:00 am in Davis Hall (gym). The celebration begins with the popular pancake and sausage breakfast prepared and served by the Men of Valley at no charge. Awards for community service will be presented to local public service organizations and Valley's Man and Woman of the Year will be recognized. All are welcome to attend!

**VALLEY'S SPRING CARNIVAL:** Friday, March 16 from 5:30-8:00 PM in Davis Hall. Children's Ministries is so excited to host a spring carnival! Come enjoy all the carnival treats: game booths, crafts, bounce house, yummy food and lots of great family fun. This event is free to anyone in our Valley community.