

OPEN GYM Thursday, April 19, 6:00-7:00 pm. Come enjoy the gym with your family! All ages (baby to 100+) can come out and play basketball, ride scooters and run free. An adult must attend with any child 11 and under.

ATTENTION ALL GARDNERS! Grab your order form... Valley youth are offering a spring plant sale this month to benefit the youth mission fund. Please stop by the table upstairs during coffee fellowship to pick up an order form. Annuals, herbs, vegetables, and hanging baskets from New Leaf Nursery are available. Order forms and payments due April 29 and plants will be available for pick up on May 19 from 3:00-5:00 PM in the lower lot (Tri-Met Park & Ride). Contact Allison Carlson with questions, 5beavs@comcast.net.

ANNUAL YOUTH PANCAKE BREAKFAST: Help support our youth as they go on mission trips over the summer by joining us for a pancake breakfast on April 29. Breakfast will be served from 9:00-10:00 AM and again from 11:00 AM-12:00 PM. The cost is \$7/individual or \$20/family.

KNIT THREE, PEARL THREE, KNIT THREE - representing the Father, Son and Holy Spirit is the pattern we use. Yes, that is what the Prayer Shawl knitters do! If you know someone who needs a lovely, warm, colorful prayer shawl during a time of stress - health, loss, or whatever, we would appreciate hearing from you and getting one ready for presentation. Please call Marilyn Tuffs or Ruthann Marquis and let us know if we can provide one for you or a friend. Thank you!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

- The Christian Nurture for Children Committee is looking for **Vacation Bible School volunteers**. VBS is July 23-27 from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM. Contact Misty at misty@valleycommunity.org if you are interested!

- The **Membership Committee** is looking for new members! Join us in identifying and welcoming new people to our church. Many different activities. Contact Glenys Craig at g.craig@sbcglobal.net for more information or if you are interested in joining!

- Opportunity to make your mark! VCPC seeks a new Editor for its monthly newsletter, The Messenger, as our current editor is retiring. Approximately ten hours per month. Set the tone for the newsletter, solicit articles, rewrite and proofread. See job description posted on the website or contact Angela Graham or Glenys Craig to discuss.

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE COMING WEEK

April 15-22, 2018

SUNDAY, April 15

9:00 AM Adult Education Class
 9:15 AM New Spirit Ringers
 9:15 AM Sanctuary Choir
 9:30 AM Early Bird Coffee
 10:00 AM Worship
 10:20 AM Sunday Funday
 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
 11:15 AM Exploring Presbyterianism with Pastor Jeff & Friends
 11:30 AM Dining for Women
 11:30 AM Youth Choir
 12:00 PM Calvary Presbyterian Korean Church Worship
 1:00 PM Calvary Presbyterian Korean Church Fellowship Time
 6:00 PM High School Youth
 7:00 PM Scout Venture Crew

MONDAY, April 16

8:00 AM Women's Exercise
 10:00 AM Meals on Wheels
 6:00 PM Girl Scout Troop
 6:00 PM PIC Meeting
 7:00 PM Girl Scout Troop
 7:00 PM Boy Scouts 592
 7:30 PM Girl Scout Troop

TUESDAY, April 17

10:00 AM Staff Meeting
 10:15 AM Tai Chi Class
 12:00 PM PEO Meeting
 6:00 PM Pack 592 Recruitment Night
 7:00 PM Deacons Meeting

WEDNESDAY, April 18

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
 6:00 PM Royal Ringers
 7:00 PM Calvary Presbyterian Korean Church Bible Study
 7:00 PM Middle School Youth
 7:30 PM Scout Troop 592

THURSDAY, April 19

8:00 AM Soup Kitchen
 4:00 PM Worship and Music Committee
 5:00 PM Music Selection Team
 6:00 PM Open Gym
 6:30 PM Pack 592 Parent Mtg.
 7:15 PM Sanctuary Choir

FRIDAY, April 20

8:00 AM Women's Exercise
 5:00 PM Kids Night Out

SUNDAY, April 22

9:00 AM Adult Education Class
 9:15 AM New Spirit Ringers
 9:15 AM Sanctuary Choir
 9:30 AM Early Bird Coffee
 10:00 AM Worship
 10:20 AM Sunday Funday
 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
 11:30 AM Youth Choir
 12:00 PM Calvary Presbyterian Korean Church Worship
 1:00 PM Calvary Presbyterian Korean Church Fellowship Time
 6:00 PM High School Youth



TREASURER'S REPORT FOR ADULT GIVING

(Through March 31, 2018)

Year to Date

	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Pledged	\$398,505	\$88,239	\$86,614
Non-pledge	<u>\$30,372</u>	<u>\$7,593</u>	<u>\$5,293</u>
Total	<u>\$428,877</u>	<u>\$95,832</u>	<u>\$91,907</u>

SERVICE OF WORSHIP



APRIL 15, 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

Serenity

James Mansfield

ACOLYTES

Kjel Carlson and Ian Luehr-Sele

❖ WORDS OF PRAISE

Iona Abbey Worship Book

The world belongs to God,

The earth and all its people.

How good it is, how wonderful,

To live together in unity.

Love and faith come together,

Justice and peace join hands.

If Christ's disciples keep silent

These stones would shout aloud.

Open our lips, O God,

And our mouths shall proclaim your praise.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

No 267

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Anthony Graham, liturgist

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness.

☪ *Silence is kept* ☪

❖ **CONFESSIONAL RESPONSE** *O Lord, Hear My Prayer* N^o 471

❖ **ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS & THE PEACE**

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 of Christ be with you.

And also with you!

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

❖ **RESPONSE OF PRAISE** *Amen* (sing three times) N^o 600

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

**TIME WITH THE YOUNG CHURCH
CENTS-ABILITY OFFERING**

Misty Bonham

ANTHEM

Cry Out and Shout!
Bob Rasmussen, pianist

Douglas Wagner

MESSAGE SCRIPTURE

Galatians 3:23-29

New Testament, p. 189

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE

'One'

Rev. Jeff Binder

RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

❖ **HYMN OF RESPONSE** *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* N^o 829

❖ **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Confession of 1967

God has created the peoples of the earth to be one universal family. In God's reconciling love, God overcomes the barriers between brothers and sisters, and breaks down every form of discrimination based on racial or ethnic difference, real or imaginary. The church is called to bring all people to receive and uphold one another as persons in all relationships of life: in employment, housing, education, leisure, marriage, family, church, and the exercise of political rights.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Frank Powers, Deacon

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

OFFERTORY

Steal Away

Anthony Giamanco

❖ *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

❖ **SENDING HYMN**

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

N^o 260

❖ **CHARGE & BENECTION**

Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to God who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine,

to God be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever.

Amen.

POSTLUDE

The Glory of These Forty Days
(Reference Hymn N^o 165)

Matthew McConnell

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

May God bless you as you worship here today:
touch you, challenge you, heal you, inspire you,
direct you to new paths in your unfolding journey.
Valley Community Presbyterian Church is a place for
Awakening Souls, Sharing Joy, Serving God in Christ,
TRANSFORMING LIVES!

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 Starfish Mariner Group upstairs in Davis Hall/Gym. Coffee, tea, juice, conversation!

ADULT EDUCATION CLASS next Sunday, April 22 at 9:00 AM in Armitage Hall. In this class's DVD presentation, John D. Crossan and Marcus Borg will discuss the fact that we need to express our theology more clearly and enhance our stewardship. Our responsibilities for each other and the environment require greater emphasis. Inequality and poverty have profound adverse consequences, which need to be recognized and corrected as part of our Christian responsibilities. All are welcome to join!

SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION is now available on our website, valleycommunity.org. Sign up for Music & Drama Camp, VBS, and/or Arts Exploration Camp! See our events page on Facebook for kids activities.

EXPLORING PRESBYTERIANISM WITH PASTOR JEFF & FRIENDS: This month Carol Powers will join in the fun as we learn about 'Why Don't Presbyterians Have a Pope?' Come to learn about the PCUSA's understanding of leadership; stay to listen for God's calling in your life! This class is open to everyone! Today, April 15, 11:15 AM in Armitage Hall.

NON-PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES are available (\$1 suggested donation) during coffee fellowship today.

SPRING CLEANING? Bring your donated books for sale to the church office or library for the upcoming library book sale on Sunday, May 6. Please clearly mark the donated books for sale. The proceeds will go towards new library materials.

SENIOR ADULT LUNCHEON Wednesday, April 25 in Armitage Hall. Our \$5 luncheon will begin at noon followed by an interesting program about Sheldon Jackson College in Sitka, Alaska. Sheldon Jackson has a legacy as a Presbyterian mission school representing Native language and culture. All are invited!

THE CHILDREN'S MUSICAL IS SUNDAY, APRIL 29 during 10:00 AM worship. The King's Kids Choir will present the musical, "Sermon on the Mound" in worship. This musical centers on spring training for the Eagles baseball team. Mac Wire, the rookie, has been training with the team for forty days and forty nights and is nervous about the opening game. He remembers to follow God as his head coach and to work together as a team to live out God's word. Will he hit a home run? Find out on April 29!