

A PERFECT VOLUNTEER SPOT AWAITS YOU: The early coffee time in the library has been happening for years, but it is time for a new host. All that is required is to get to the church Sunday mornings early enough to make two pots of coffee, plate some cookies from the freezer and set up in the library to greet anyone who stops in before worship - open for business by 9:20 AM or so. For more information, call the church office at 503.292.3537.

THE WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY will meet Tuesday, January 8 at 11:00 AM in the lower Conference Room. This year's study is "God's Promise: I Am With You." Study books are available in the church office for \$10.

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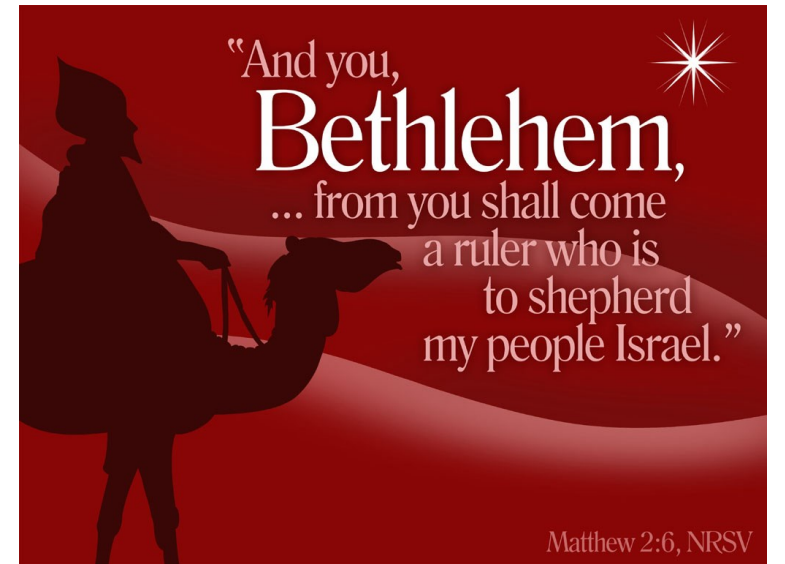
SUNDAY, January 6	TUESDAY, January 8	THURSDAY, January 10
9:00 AM Adult Education Class	10:15 AM Tai Chi Class	6:30 PM Bear Den
9:15 AM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	11:00 AM Women’s Bible Study	7:00 PM High School Youth
9:30 AM Early Bird Coffee	12:00 PM Staff Meeting	7:15 PM Sanctuary Choir
10:00 AM Worship	4:00 PM Girl Scouts	
11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship	7:00 PM Session Committee	
11:30 AM Youth Choir		SUNDAY, January 13
12:00 PM Calvary Presbyterian Worship Service	WEDNESDAY, January 9	9:00 AM Adult Education Class
12:00 PM Clippers Planning Meeting	8:00 AM Men’s Bible Study	9:15 AM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
1:00 PM Calvary Presbyterian Fellowship Time	5:00 PM Wednesday Night Live	9:30 AM Early Bird Coffee
	5:00 PM Adult Education - Northern Exposure	10:00 AM Worship
	5:00 PM Cherub Choir	11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
	5:00 PM King’s Kids	11:30 AM Youth Choir
	6:00 PM Royal Ringers	12:00 PM Calvary Presbyterian Worship Service
	6:30 PM Middle School Youth	1:00 PM Calvary Presbyterian Fellowship Time
	6:30 PM Pack 592 Den 6	
	7:00 PM Calvary Presbyterian Korean Church Bible Study	
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Year to Date

	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Pledged	\$398,505	\$398,505	\$386,124
Non-pledge	<u>\$30,372</u>	<u>\$30,372</u>	<u>\$35,980</u>
Total	<u>\$428,877</u>	<u>\$428,877</u>	<u>\$422,104</u>



VALLEY COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

JANUARY 6, 2019 † 10:00 AM

❖ Please stand as you are able

Bold Text is spoken by everyone

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please pass and sign the friendship folders.

PRELUDE	<i>The Church's One Foundation</i>	Blake/Cooman
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ACOLYTES Katie Craig and Ryan Smyth

❖ WORDS OF PRAISE Ty Searce, Liturgist

Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.
 Nations shall come to your light
and rulers to the brightness of your rising.

❖ OPENING HYMN *We Three Kings of Orient Are* № 151

❖ OPENING PRAYER

Today we honor the Christ Child, Emmanuel; God with us. Let us lift up our prayers to God who dwells among us.

Lord God of the nations, we have seen the star of your glory rising in splendor. The radiance of your incarnate Word pierces the night that covers the earth and signals the dawn of justice and peace. May his brightness illumine our lives and beckon all nations to walk as one in your light. We ask this through Jesus Christ your Word made flesh.

🌸 *Silence is kept* 🌸

❖ KYRIE

“Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy”

Musical score for Kyrie in 4/4 time. The score consists of five staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: Ky - ri - e Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Chri - ste, Chri - ste, e - le - i - son. Chri - ste, Chr - ste e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. E - le - i - son.

❖ ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS & 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

Glory to God

Nº 583

PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

TIME WITH THE YOUNG CHURCH

Donna Carlson

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 2:1-12

New Testament, p. 2

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE

Look at the Stars, How They Shine

Rev. Jeff Binder

RESPOND TO GOD’S GRACE

❖ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God, the creator of all things, the giver of life and breath. We believe in Jesus Christ, born Emmanuel, God with us, baptized and revealed the most beloved Son of God; he sought to heal humanity by taking our brokenness upon himself, suffering for us, dying for us and being raised from the dead for our sake and for the sake of all the world. We believe in the Holy Spirit, continually poured out refreshing our lives, leading us into a new day, ever-birthing the church, the body of Christ in the world. This Spirit is our soul companion and counselor of truth reminding us of the gift of faith, the ever presence of God and the promise of eternal life.

CHORAL OFFERTORY

Set Thy Love

Fred Bock

❖ Congregation rising, row by row, as ushers pass ❖

❖ DOXOLOGY

Nº 606

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.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION

God is with you!

And also with you.

People of faith, let us offer our prayers of joy and thanksgiving to God.

Let us gladly celebrate with praise the presence of Christ.

Let us pray.

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Cantor, Adam Ramaley

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Please join in singing as you are able

SHARING OF THE GIFTS OF BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

❖ CLOSING HYMN

As with Gladness Men of Old

Nº 150

❖ CHARGE & BENEDICTION

By your Spirit,

may peace descend upon us that we may follow Christ with grateful hearts.

Take us and all we have to be useful in your service,

in the gracious name of Jesus Christ, your Son,

by the power of your Holy Spirit,

Alleluia! Amen.

POSTLUDE

Voluntary

Blake/Cooman

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 Valley Deacons upstairs in Davis Hall/Gym. Enjoy coffee, tea, juice, and conversation!

ADULT EDUCATION CLASS in Armitage Hall on Sundays at 9:00 AM. Join us for a series on the DVD course, *The Cathedral*. In this course, noted medieval historian and award-winning Professor William R. Cook has crafted an exciting, immersive, and multidimensional experience that will bring you closer to cathedrals like Notre Dame in Paris and those in Amiens, Chartres, and Canterbury than any on-site tour could hope to do. All are welcome to attend!

TODAY’S COMMUNION BREAD: By following the Julian calendar, which predates the Gregorian calendar, countries such as Russia, the Ukraine, and Serbia celebrate Christmas on or near January 7 each year. In recognition of this, today’s communion bread is a traditional black bread enjoyed by people in Russia and Eastern European countries. It is a dark, hearty, dense, and flavorful mix of rye and wheat. A dark gluten-free bread is available in the red bowls.

ALL ARE INVITED TO CICELY, ALASKA! Join us on Wednesdays from 5:00-6:00 PM beginning January 9 in the Fireside Room as we cozy up by the fire, drink some hot beverages, and discuss one of our favorite television shows of the 1990’s, ‘Northern Exposure!’ This class will run for five weeks and cover some of the episodes of season 1 as we relate various biblical and spiritual themes to the show and to our lives. Not familiar with the show? No problem! We will be watching an episode each class and Pastor Jeff will be sure to give us the background needed to properly enjoy. This will be a lot of fun and is appropriate for all ages.

MEMORIAL GARDEN UPDATE: Progress is being made on the Memorial Garden located just outside the Fireside Room. A large, inviting patio is surrounded by serene gardens and a peaceful bubbler rock. Due to the generosity of so many of you, we have purchased beautiful plants. If you signed up to make a contribution for plants or would like to make a donation, checks may be made out to Valley Community Presbyterian Church (VCPC). Please indicate ‘Memorial Garden’ in the memo line. If you have questions, please contact Karen Mitchell-Yakymi at 503.449.4036 or Carol Powers at 503.568.6466.

THANK YOU for sending your check of \$35.50 for the 2019 Per Capita (for wider church expenses) for each Valley member.