LENTEN PRAYER OPPORTUNITY: The Deacons are providing an opportunity for extended prayers on the Sundays during Lent through April 14. A Deacon will meet briefly following the Postlude in the Prayer Room with anyone who would like to participate. A purple Lenten Prayer Form is available in the pews and will be collected during the offering.

**SENIOR LUNCHEON** on Thursday, April 25 at noon. All are invited to a \$5 lunch followed by a tour of the new Valley patio and gardens. Hope to see you!

**ACORNS TO OAKS:** The King's Kids will present their spring musical during worship on Sunday, April 28. Join in the fun and plan to leave worship with a smile on your face and a lively tune in your heart!

**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 28 following the Spring Musical. More details soon!

#### **LENT AND EASTER AT VALLEY**

- Palm Sunday, April 14: Children are invited to walk in the Palm Processional. Arrive at 9:30 AM to practice. A simple breakfast will be offered.
- Maundy Thursday, April 18: A light meal will be served at 6:00 PM. Following the meal, we will remain in Davis Hall/Gym to celebrate the Lord's Last Supper in scripture and music.
- Good Friday, April 19: The sanctuary will be open from 12:00-7:00 PM to view the Stations of the Cross and for personal reflection. A short service will be offered at 6:00 PM.
- Community Easter Egg Hunt and Earth Day Activities, April 20 - 10:00 AM: All children welcome! Pre-registration appreciated to anticipate the number and ages of children, donna@valleycommunity.org. See website for more details.
- Easter Sunday, April 21 10:00 AM: Adult, youth, and children's choirs will sing. Easter activities for all ages afterwards.

#### **Valley Community Presbyterian Church Staff**

Jeff Binder	Pastor
Chuck Falconer and Jenny Hale	Pastoral Associates
David Jimerson	Minister of Music
Bob Hinson	Organist/Pianist
Donna Carlson	Director of Children's Ministry
Preston Russell	Director of Youth Ministry
Amy RheingansDir	ector of Youth & Children's Music
Anne Scearce	Preschool Director
Angela Graham	Publication & Office Administrator
AmyAnn Green	Business Manager
Alex Mendoza	Building Custodian

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE COMING WEEK
April 7-14, 2019

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SUNDAY,	•	TUESDAY, April 9	FRIDAY, April 12
	Adult Education Class	10:15 AM Tai Chi Class	8:00 AM Women's Aerobics
9:15 AM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	11:00 AM Women's Bible Study 12:00 PM Staff Meeting	SATURDAY, April 13 9:00 AM All-Church Spring
10:00 am	Worship	3:00 рм Holy Nine Patch	Clean-up
11:00 am	Coffee Fellowship	4:00 PM Girl Scouts	Clean-up
11:00 AM	Mariners Meeting	5:30 рм Earth Day Meeting	SUNDAY, April 14
11:30 AM	Canoeing the	6:00 рм Cub Scouts	Palm Sunday
	Mountains Class	6:00 рм Pack 592 Den 2	9:00 AM Adult Education Class
11:30 AM	Youth Choir	6:30 PM Session	9:15 AM Sanctuary Choir
1:00 PM  MONDAY 6:30 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM	Calvary Presbyterian Worship Service Calvary Presbyterian Fellowship Time  7, April 8 Cub Scout Meeting Finance Committee Girl Scouts Troop 592 Parent Mtg Boy Scouts Troop Parent Meeting	WEDNESDAY, April 10 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 8:00 AM Women's Aerobics 9:00 AM Building Use Comm. 5:00 PM King's Kids 6:00 PM Middle School Youth 7:00 PM Canoeing the Mountains Class  THURSDAY, April 11 4:00 PM Worship and Music 5:00 PM Music Selection Team 6:30 PM Bear Den Pack 592	Rehearsal  10:00 AM Worship  11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship  11:30 AM Communications  11:30 AM Dining for Women  11:30 AM Youth Choir  12:00 PM Calvary Presbyterian Worship Service  1:00 PM Calvary Presbyterian Fellowship Time  3:00 PM Holy Nine Patch
		7:00 PM High School Youth 7:15 PM Sanctuary Choir	

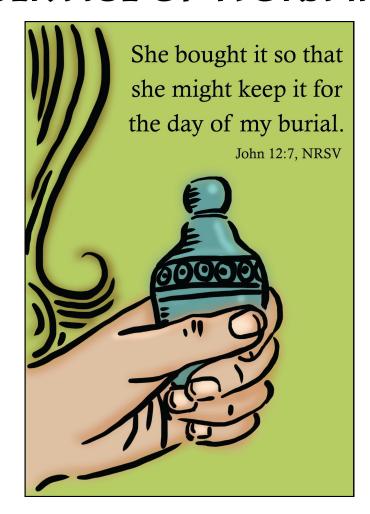
#### TREASURER'S REPORT FOR ADULT GIVING

(Through March 31, 2018)

#### Year to Date

	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Pledged	\$409,600	\$77,129	\$88,132
Non-pledge	\$55,05 <u>0</u>	<u>\$13,763</u>	<u>\$14,144</u>
Total	\$464,650	<u>\$90,891</u>	\$102,275

## SERVICE OF WORSHIP



# VALLEY COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH APRIL 7, 2019 # 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 The Voice of God is Calling

Lani Smith

**ACOLYTES** 

Georgia Hoffbeck and Lars Hoffbeck

❖ WORDS OF PRAISE

Psalm 126

When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream. Then our mouths were filled with laughter, and our tongues with shouts of joy.

Then it was said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them."

The LORD has done great things for us, and so we rejoice.

8060 SW Brentwood Street, Portland, Oregon 97225 503.292.3537 www.valleycommunity.org OPENING HYMN

*In the Cross of Christ I Glory* 

Nº 213

#### OPENING PRAYER

Glenys Craig, Liturgist

Loving Father, all the fancy words in the world, expressed in eloquent prose, decorated with emotion, spoken with conviction, cannot compete with a heartfelt 'sorry' when all other words fail. There are times when we are all too aware of our limitations, conscious of sin, and the distance it creates between us. Sometimes 'sorry' is all the heart can bear to say aloud, or in silence.

Silence is kept

❖ CONFESSIONAL RESPONSE

Holy Lamb of God

Nº 602

#### \* ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS & PEACE

It is only you who can read and understand the language of our hearts, only you who can translate our 'sorry' into the prayer we would have prayed, if we had the words within us.

Then you forgive, and having forgiven surround us in an embrace of love, drawing us close to your heart, as it was always meant to be. Thank you, Loving Father, that you listen to hearts, as well as voices. Thank you.

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 Be to the Father (Gloria Patri)

Nº 581

## PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

TIME WITH THE YOUNG CHURCH

Lizz Brown

**SCRIPTURE** 

MESSAGE

John 12:1-8

New Testament, p. 106

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Our Spiritual Journey: Presence

Rev. Jeff Binder

## RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

❖ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from A Brief Statement of Faith In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still. CHORAL OFFERTORY

None Other Lamb
Bob Rasmussen, keyboard

Jane Marshall

❖ 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, Luke Smith Malotte

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

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

Nº 216

#### CHARGE & BENEDICTION

We go from this place fed from the bread of life.

We go from this place nourished by the cup of salvation.

We go from this place, out of the church, yet into God's presence with the world around us.

We are called, we are sent, we are nourished for the journey ahead.

POSTLUDE

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

L.S. Tourjee

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. Enjoy coffee, tea, juice, and conversation!

ADULT EDUCATION CLASS in Armitage Hall on Sundays at 9:00 AM. Join us for a series, facilitated by our very own Brad Carlson. Next week's topic is "Covenant Relationships." This is open for all ages every Sunday morning.

VALLEY KIDS in 1st through 5th grade (middle schoolers welcome as well) are invited to music time in Armitage Hall after Time with the Young Church. Children will then return to the sanctuary to celebrate the sacrament communion with their families.

IN RECOGNITION OF THIS MONTH'S EASTER AND PASSOVER CELEBRATIONS, communion includes gluten-free matzo, challah, and hot cross buns. Matzo, an unleavened flatbread, is an integral part of the Passover festival. Challah, which is usually braided, also comes from the Jewish traditions and is served on major Jewish holidays. Spiced, sweet hot cross buns are marked with a white cross on top, representing Christ's crucifixion; the spices remind us of the spices used at His burial.

canoeing the Mountains: All are invited to learn about the Vital Congregations Program we will be embarking on! Please note that there are two separate offerings for the final class: Sunday, April 7 at 11:30 AM, OR Wednesday, April 10 at 7:00 PM this week in the Fireside Room. Please join us!

JOIN THE WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY on Tuesday, April 9 at 11:00 AM in the lower conference room (near the library), as we continue with the study of God's assurance that He will be with us. We will be moving from all His assurances in the Old Testament that He will be with us to the "God with us" person of Jesus Christ. All women are welcome!

ORDER LILIES FOR EASTER: Lilies will grace the sanctuary on Easter. If you would like to order a lily in honor or memory of a loved one, you may make a donation of \$15 for each lily ordered. Please indicate "lilies" on your check with the name you wish to honor, and place the envelope in the offering plate, or send it to the church office. Names will be printed in the Easter bulletin. Donations and names must be in the office by Monday, April 15.

**GARDEN PLANTS AND BASKET FUNDRAISER:** The youth will have a table set up during coffee fellowship today and April 14. Plants will be delivered on May 5 in time for Mother's Day.