

VALLEY COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OCTOBER 4, 2020 † 10:00 AM
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
Bold Text is spoken/sung by everyone

PASTORS: Rev. Jeff Binder, Rev. Chuck Falconer
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VIDEO/SOUND: Greg Russell, Donna Russell, Steve Rees, Dan Rueff

GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE AND ELEMENTS

WORDS OF PRAISE (Psalm 19)

The heavens are telling the glory of God;

And the firmament proclaims God's handiwork.

Day to day pours forth speech,

And night to night declares knowledge.

There is no speech, nor are there words;

Their voice is not heard;

Yet their voice goes out through all the earth,

And their words to the end of the world.

OPENING HYMN No. 756 (O God of Every Nation)

Verse 1: ***O God of every nation, of every race and land, redeem the whole creation with your almighty hand. Where hate and fear divide us and bitter threats are hurled, in love and mercy guide us and heal our strife-torn world.***

Verse 2: ***From search for wealth and power and scorn of truth and right, from trust in bombs that shower destruction through the night, from pride of race and station and blindness to your way, deliver every nation, eternal God, we pray.***

Verse 3: ***Lord, strengthen those who labor that all may find release from fear of rattling saber, from dread of war's increase; when hope and courage falter, your still small voice be heard; with faith that none can alter, your servants undergird.***

Verse 4: ***Keep bright in us the vision of days when war shall cease, when hatred and division give way to love and peace, till dawns the morning glorious when truth and justice reign and Christ shall rule victorious o'er all the world's domain.***

OPENING PRAYER

Lord God of the nations, you have revealed your will to all people and promised us your saving help. May we open our ears and hearts to you at this time, to hear and do what you command, that the power of evil may be overcome by the gift of your healing grace, as the world together seeks peace in your presence; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

CONFESSIOAL RESPONSE No. 288 (Spirit of the Living God)

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS AND PEACE

God accepted us simply because of our faith in Christ, through whom our sins were forgiven.
May God help us to continue to preach peace to those who are near and far.

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

RESPONSE OF PRAISE No. 583 (Glory to God)

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest! Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE (Matthew 21:33-46)

MESSAGE ("Tugging of Collar..." by Rev. Jeff Binder)

RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Apostles' Creed)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

OFFERTORY ("Then Shall the Righteous Shine Forth" from "Elijah" by Mendelssohn; Luke Smith, tenor)

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www.valleycommunity.org)

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.***

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SANCTUS No. 559 (Holy, Holy, Holy)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

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 No. 516 (For the Bread Which You Have Broken)

Verse 1: *For the bread which you have broken, for the wine which you have poured, for the words which you have spoken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.*

Verse 2: *By this promise that you love us, by your gift of peace restored, by your call to heaven above us, hallow all our lives, O Lord.*

Verse 3: *With the saints who now adore you seated at the heavenly board, may the church still waiting for you keep love's tie unbroken, Lord.*

Verse 4: *In your service, Lord, defend us; in our hearts keep watch and ward; in the world to which you send us let your kingdom come, O Lord.*

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you,
the Lord make his face shine upon you
and be gracious to you,
the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with you all from now and forevermore.

Alleluia! Amen.

POSTLUDE