

Joy

to the

World

Valley Community Presbyterian Church

Christmas Eve 2023 | 4:30 pm

GATHERING MUSIC

Two French Carols
Brant Adams

Rachel Williams, piano
Peter Buller, saxophone

WELCOME

Rev. Richard Buller

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Lilianna Schellhaas, Arnold Schellhaas, Elsie Grosshuesch,
Jack Perry, Miles Rudeen, Walter Messer, and Luc & Lillie LaBelle

MUSICAL REFLECTION

Still, Still, Still
Arr. Tiffany Hobson

CHILDREN ANNOUNCE THE COMING OF CHRIST

Gabe Gottschalk, Mae Rudeen, Anna Parks, and Aurora Messer

CAROL #133

O Come, All Ye Faithful

*O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant;
O come ye; O come ye to Bethlehem!
Come, and behold him, born the King of angels!
O come, let us adore him; O come, let us adore him;
O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!*

THE BIRTH OF JESUS

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Sheila Sheldon

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 2:1-7

Henry Grosshuesch

CAROL #114

Away In A Manger (verses 1 & 2)

*Away in a manger, no crib for his bed,
the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.
The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,
the little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.
The cattle are lowing; the poor baby wakes,
but little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes.
I love thee, Lord Jesus; look down from the sky,
and stay by my side until morning is night.*

THE SHEPHERDS & THE ANGELS

MUSICAL REFLECTION

A Baby Just Like You
John Denver & Joe Henry

Donna Philippot

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 2:8-14

Leo Kummer
Grace Perry

CAROL #147

The First Nowell

*The first Nowell the angel did say
was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay,
in fields where they lay keeping their sheep,
on a cold winter's night that was so deep.
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,
born is the King of Israel.*

MUSICAL REFLECTION

O Little Town of Bethlehem
Lewis Redner

Peter Buller

THE WORD BECAME FLESH

MEDITATION

For Unto You is Born

Rev. Richard Buller

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Jim Cook

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Cate Parks

OFFERTORY

In the Bleak Midwinter/Here Comes the Son
Holst & Rossetti and Harrison, arr. D. Philippot

AT THE MANGER

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 2:15-20

John & Justin Toering

CAROL #122

Silent Night (verses 1-3)

Arr. Lloyd Larson

*Silent night, holy night / All is calm, all is bright
'Round yon virgin mother and child / Holy infant so tender and mild
Sleep in heavenly peace*

*Silent night, holy night! / Shepherds quake at the sight!
Glories stream from heaven afar / Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!
Christ the Savior is born!*

*Silent night, holy night / Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from Thy holy face / With the dawn of redeeming grace
Jesus, Lord at Thy birth*

TOLLING OF THE BELLS

Sam Sheldon

THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

John 1:1-5, 14

Connor Gottschalk

CAROL #134

Joy to the World (verses 1 & 4)

*Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her king;
let every heart prepare him room, and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing, and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.*

*He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness and wonders of his love,
and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Go, Tell It on the Mountain
Jochen Rieger

Peter Buller



Two Christmas Offering Opportunities

Valley's Christmas Offering will be split between our mission partner **PRISM** and **Every Meal**. Our gifts at this time are critical for many, and we are grateful that the Valley family always responds with generosity! Checks should include "VCPC Christmas Offering" in the memo line, or you can use our online giving platform and select "Christmas Offering."

The PC(USA)'s Christmas Joy Offering is a denomination-wide undertaking that supports retired clergy and their families, as well as educational opportunities for Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC). Those who receive offering boxes from Valley can find a designated envelope for this offering. Checks sent to Valley should include "PCUSA Christmas Joy" in the memo line, or you can use our online giving platform and select "Christmas Joy."

Click [HERE](#) to give online or scan the QR code!





2023 Poinsettia Tree



Peggy Neibling & Brooking Family
Betsy Nichols
Janet & Len Biggs
Roger Michael

Greg & Mary Rom

Ruth & Aron Wilterding
Ben & Lisa Kummer
Margie Deutsch
Carole & Rick Martens

Jill Toering
Thomas & Stacy Ondov
Jan & Joe Sacco

Sharon & Brad Pleimling
Barb & Tom Wasmoen

Richard & Jean Ann Buller
Roger Graphenteen

Mandy Lund
Jim Parks & Family

Jim & Diane Cook
Lyn Boyd & Family
Mark & Shirley Toering
Juliana Vogel
Rick & Janet Carlson

Becky Grosshuesch
Valerie Robinson
Mark Freeman

In memory of Betty Brooking
In memory of Doug & Trudy Nichols
In memory of our parents
In memory of Marian Michael
Fred & Blanch Benner, and Earl & Dorothy Michael
In memory of Michael Hnatko, Elizabeth Hnatko Hicks
Ray & Barbara Rom, and Paul Hicks
In memory of our daughter JoAnna
In memory of Dave Turany
In memory of Manfred Deutsch
In honor of our Martens, Schmidt,
and Wendorf family
In memory of Richard Hegle
In honor of our loving parents
In memory of Carol & Jack Rock
In memory of Jean & Tom Sacco
In honor of a peace-loving world
In memory of Patricia & Lu Wasmoen
In honor of John & Patricia Ingmand
In honor of our beloved Valley Community
In memory of my parents Palmer & Dorothy Graphenteen
and Daughter Allyson Rose
In memory of Donovan & Julie Lund
In memory of Karla Parks, Delbert & Lorraine Parks,
and Melbert & Shirley Holzer
In honor of Friendship Group
In memory of Arvel & Marilyn Koehn
In honor of our children & grandchildren
In memory of Juliana's mother Carolyn Habert
In honor and gratitude of everyone who
prayed and continues to pray for the Carlson family
In memory of Betty Allabough
In honor of Sheila's birthday
In memory of Eldon Mastin, Donald Freeman,
and Karen Pratt-Freeman



2023 Poinsettia Tree



Rachel, Brian & David Hole

In memory of Tyler Hole, Rev. Howard Skulstad,
and Bob Kreutzian
In honor of Richard, Jean Ann, Peter, & Martin Buller

Mary & Larry Dunham

In memory of Kenny & Janet Fox,
Ray Fox, Terry Fox, and Dale Dunham

Gwyn Lang

In honor of my mom Margaret Faber

Mary Ann Winter

In honor of my grandchildren

In memory of Isabel Leaf

Jerry & Chris Phelan

In memory of Chris' parents
John & Helen Kromel

Bonnie Nelson

In memory of Vicki Wheeler and Violet & Harold Nelson

Les & Arlene Freeberg

In honor of our grandchildren

Deb Poynter

In memory of my parents Rev. & Mrs. William Niles
In honor of Valley youth

Karen Harms

In memory of my heavenly family celebrating Valley Church

Gwen Rouleau & John Zieska

In honor of our parents and grandparents

Todd & Katie Decker

In memory of our grandparents

Jay & Sara Perry

In memory of Steve Copenhaver

Gail & Doug Smith

In memory of Gail's parents
Dr. & Mrs. F. W. Lanand, and Gail's sister Nancy Warner

Terry & Bonnie Goslinga

In memory of Terry's sister Sharon Swanson

Becky Brooking

In honor of Peggy Neibling

Susie Potter

In memory of my parents Jan & George Potter

Lois Robinson

In memory of Gordon Robinson

Lynn Thier

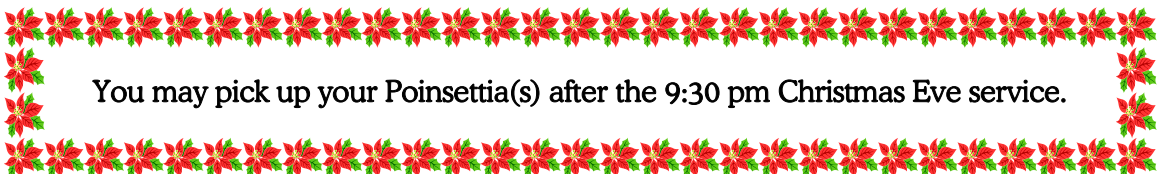
In memory my dad Lloyd Pedersen, my sister Kristy Oakley,
and grandpa George Spencer

Jackie & Bennett Goiffon

In memory of Bennett's grandparents
Marie & Lorrin Bullberg

Valley Community Presbyterian Church

In memory of Barbara Johnston




You may pick up your Poinsettia(s) after the 9:30 pm Christmas Eve service.



Sunday, January 7, 2024 | 3:00pm

ORGAN CONCERT

In honor of **CHUCK MEYER'S** 86th Birthday
Celebration at Valley

- ☀️ Enjoy organ music from Jane & Bob Nienaber!
 - ☀️ Enjoy cake and coffee after the music!
 - ☀️ Donations fund PRISM Birthday Supplies for kids!
- 

Rev. Richard Buller's Last Sundays in the Valley

Valley 
Community
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2024:

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TO END THE PASTORAL RELATIONSHIP WITH
REV. RICHARD BULLER

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14, 2024:

REV. RICHARD BULLER'S LAST SUNDAY IN THE VALLEY



2024 OFFERING ENVELOPES

PICK UP AT CHURCH

Help the church save on postage by picking up your envelope box
and another member's box who lives near you!

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 2024: MLK JR. DAY



8-12 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

**1605 Douglas Drive North
Golden Valley, MN 55422**

Contact **Andrew Pitan** or **Valley**
for sign-up instructions.



Chancel Flowers Sign-up



* SPONSORS * PURCHASERS * ARRANGERS *

SUGGESTED \$30 MINIMUM

Sign-up in Fellowship Hall
or click this ad!



THESE DAYS

Daily Devotions for Living by Faith



JANUARY | FEBRUARY | MARCH | 2024

Physical copies of *These Days* can be mailed upon request.

Contact the office: office@valleychurch.net | 763 588 0831

WELCOME TO VALLEY COMMUNITY

We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate in worship, programs, and mission at Valley Community Presbyterian Church.

*Please join us for worship
Sunday, December 31 at 9:30 am*

Rev. Richard Buller Preaching
"An Old Man and a Baby"

Welcoming 3 New Members
3 Adult Baptisms | 2 Children Baptisms

Musicians

Kaia Sand, oboe

Rachel Williams, piano

Lots of Christmas carols!

Coffee, tea, hot chocolate, apple cider, and Christmas treats!

*Have a blessed Christmas season
from your friends at Valley*

(763) 588-0831

VALLEYCHURCH.NET

3100 NORTH LILAC DRIVE

GOLDEN VALLEY, MN 55422