

Valley Community

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, September 8, 2024

GATHERING US IN

Great Things He Has Done

Chorale from "Finlandia"

Rachel Williams, piano

Jane Nienaber, organ arr. by Martha P. Setchell

Rachel Williams, piano

arr. Victor Labenske

GATHERING MUSIC

CALL TO WORSHIP One:

All:

One:

t Hymn #12

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

PRELUDE

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; God's steadfast love endures forever!

One: Let Israel say: All: God's steadfast love endures forever!

All: God's steadfast love endures forever! One: Let those who fear the Lord say:

Let the house of Aaron say:

All: God's steadfast love endures forever!

One: Let us worship God!

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might: thy justice, like mountains high soaring above;

thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life thou givest, to both great and small. In all life thou livest, the true life of all. We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,

then wither and perish; but naught changeth thee. Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light.

Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight.

All praise we would render; O help us to see 'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!

† Please rise in body or spirit.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Sheila Sheldon Merciful God, you made us in your image with a mind to know you, a heart to love you, and a will to serve you. But our knowledge is imperfect, our love inconsistent, and our obedience incomplete. We find complicity in powers of this world that harm our neighbors and pollute your creation. Forgive us, we pray. Bring us closer to you, and strengthen us to love just as you have first loved us. Through Christ we pray. Amen. MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS Pastor: Friends believe the Good News of the Gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE TO THE GOOD NEWS #659

Know That God Is Good

Know that God is good. Know that God is good.

Know that God is good; God is good; God is good.

Halle, hallelujah. Halle, hallelujah. Halle, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah.

HEARING THE WORD TIME WITH YOUNG WORSHIPPERS

SERMON

Congregational Blessing: You are God's beloved child.

With you God is well pleased.

SPECIAL MUSIC Called by the Spirit

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 118:21-29

In Every Age

Valley Choir Allen Pote

Rev. Jim Cochrane

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

t Hymn #315

In the Midst of New Dimensions (vs. 1,2,3,5)

In the midst of new dimensions, in the face of changing ways, who will lead the pilgrim peoples wandering in their separate ways?

(Refrain)

God of rainbow, fiery pillar, leading where the eagles soar, we your people, ours the journey now and ever, now and ever, now and evermore.

Through the flood of starving people, warring factions, and despair, who will lift the olive branches? Who will light the flame of care? (Refrain)

As we stand, a world divided by our own self-seeking schemes, grant that we, your global village, might envision wider dreams. (Refrain)

Should the threats of dire predictions cause us to withdraw in pain, may your blazing phoenix spirit resurrect the church again. (Refrain)

Homecoming

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Tom Wasmoer

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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 THE TABLE SHARING OF THE BREAD & CUP

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

MUSICAL REFLECTION

Sanctus

by Charles Gounod arr. Martha P. Setchell

Loving God, from whom comes everything that is good, we give you thanks for all your gifts: for the wondrous work of your creation, the blessing of your Spirit, and the saving mystery of faith. Help us share our gifts with others, to serve your mission in the world, and to tell the Good News day to day. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

† Please rise in body or spirit.

SENDING US OUT

† Hvmn #634

To God Be the Glory

To God be the glory; great things he has done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Refrain:

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice! O come to the Father through Jesus the Son, and give him the glory: great things he has done!

Great things he has taught us; great things he has done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; but purer and higher and greater will be our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. (Refrain)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

† BENEDICTION RESPONSE #611 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Ludwig Van Beethoven

Jane Nienaber, organ

The Worship Has Ended. The Service Begins.

Joyful Recessional

Rosalie Bonighton

Chancel Flowers

Sunday, September 8

Carole & Rick Martens In honor of all our grandchildren's birthdays.

Sign up for Chancel flowers in Fellowship Hall.

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Joys and Concerns

A memorial service will be held for **Aron Wilterding** at Valley on Saturday, September 7th at 11:00am with a luncheon reception to follow. Prayers for **Ruth Wilterding** and all those who love Aron as we remember Aron and give thanks to God for his years of service to Valley as a parish associate.

Prayers of comfort for **Peggy Meyer** and family as they grieve the loss of **Chuck Meyer**. A memorial service for Chuck will be held at Valley on September 16th at 2:00pm.

Prayers of comfort for **Renee Desarmeaux and family** as they grieve the loss of their beloved mother & grandmother, Sharon who recently passed.

Prayers of comfort for **Tim Grosshuesch and family** as they grieve the sudden loss of their beloved mother & grandmother, Maggie who passed away last week.

Continued prayers for **Mary and Greg Rom's brother-in-law Paul** in Knoxville, TN who was recently diagnosed with rheumatoid arthritis. He is now on medication and relief is slowly coming.

Prayers for **Mark Freeman** who is underwent surgery on Tuesday. This procedure decompressed the sensitive nerves causing pain in his leg. Please send prayers to the Freeman's grandson, **Tanner** as well. He has been experiencing seizures and all tests have been inconclusive.

Prayers for **Susie Potter** who has colon cancer and will have surgery on Friday, September 27th.

Continued prayers for **Taichi Chen** whose had a scan on Thursday, August 29th and the results continue to be positive. They express their gratitude for all the love and care from everyone. To visit Taichi's Caring Bridge site go to: https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/taichichen

Continued prayers for **Rick Carlson**. Who is back to work and continuing to get stronger. To visit Rick's Caring Bridge site go to: https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/rickcarlson101

EASY WAYS TO GIVE TO VALLEY AND/OR COMMUNITY PARTNERS GIVE ONE TIME OR RECURRING

1. MAIL YOUR CHECK TO VALLEY

 In the memo of the check, indicate what your donation is for (i.e. Pledge, PRISM, etc.)

2. ONLINE GIVING

 Visit Valley's secured online giving by visiting: https://valleycommunitypresbyterianchurch.breezechms.com/give/online to make a one-time or recurring gift to Valley or our community partners.

3. AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWALS FROM YOUR BANK ACCOUNT

Contact Chelsie Larsen: 507-272-1914 | <u>chelsie.larsen@valleychurch.net</u> to set up withdrawals directly from your account.
You can always adjust the amount.

7:00 pm 12-Step Meeting Tuesday, September 10 1:00 pm Bible Fellowship 6:30 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal Wednesday, September 11 Thursday, September 12 5:30 pm 12 Step Meeting Friday, September 13 7:00 pm Fridays in the Valley Saturday, September 14 1:00 pm Brew Crew Sunday, September 15 9:30 am Worship Service 10:30 am Fellowship Hour 4:00 pm Youth Group & TEAMS Notice of Recording: Please note that services are broadcasted via live stream and digitally recorded on

Special thanks to our Stream Team: Katie Decker, Roger Graphenteen, Myron Jones, Larry Johnson, Joel

Larsen, Brandon Novy, Janet Triplett,

and Kurt Wheeler for broadcasting

our YouTube Channel.

the services!

This Week at Valley

Sunday, September 8

Homecoming Sunday

9:30 am Worship Service

Monday, September 9

10:30 am Fellowship Hour/Potluck

Program & Communications Coordinator **Music Coordinator** Rachel Williams **Choral & Handbell Director Sunshine Room Leader** Jamese Decker Custodian **Hunter Sheldon PARISH ASSOCIATES** Rev. Jim Cook Rev. Bill Davnie Rev. Kate O'Brien Soltau Rev. David Phillips Rev. Nancy Phillips Rev. Rebecca Tollefson August 25: 221 (119 in-person) September 1: 160 (85 in-person)

Valley Staff Ministers

All 385 members of this

congregation. **Transitional Pastor**

Head of Staff Rev. Jim Cochrane

Educational Ministries Director Sheila Sheldon, CRE

Office Administrator

Savannah Martinez

Mariah Messer

Janet M.T. Carlson

SUNDAY WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 10 TUESDAYS AT 1:00 PM IN THE LIBRARY

Bible Fellowship

Join us as we explore Biblical practices for Faithful Living!

Join other Valley members for fellowship and lectionaryguided discussion.

New members are always welcome!

DRIVERS NEEDED •

Meals on Wheels

3RD & 4TH THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

SEPTEMBER 19 & 26 •

ROUTES INCLUDE:

Crystal New Hope Robbinsdale Golden Valley

NEW DAY

& TIME!



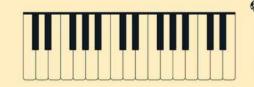
CONTACTS:

Gail Smith Marge Thurston use your directory or call the office.



Valley Community





Momoko Tanno, soprano & Valerie Hennig, piano

music composed by Yarison Ishaya Friday, Sept 13, 2024 | 7:00 PM

FREE-WILL OFFERINGS BENEFIT

DISTRICT 281 EVERY MEAL



A Valley Community

Valley Brew Crew

SATURDAY, SEPT 14 | 1:00-6:00 PM

PAT DAILY'S HOUSE REFERENCE YOUR DIRECTORY

IT'S CIDER TIME!

Bring apples, pears, peeling & cutting equipment

PIZZA & POTLUCK

Pat will be firing up her spectacular pizza oven. Bring sides or snacks to share and your appetite! Beverages of all kinds | Kids Always Welcome

Contact the church office for more information, 763-588-0831







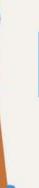
Valley Craft Club!

Spend the day crafting without distractions! Come catch up on a project, start something new or come see what others are working on for inspiration! There will be make and take crafts available. If crafting isn't your thing, come for the fellowship or bring a book to catch up on your reading.

Bring a dish to share for lunch at 12 PM.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2024 10 AM - 2 PM LUNCH AT 12 PM





NAMI WALK

National Alliance on Mental Health

5k Walk (3.1 miles)

SIGN-UP TO WALK/DONATE IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

All together for mental health for all!

It's not how far we walk.
It's how far we have come.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Minnehaha Falls Regional Park

1:00pm - 3:00pm

Optional carpool from Valley at 10:30am



Frankline Nyongkah Lennox Mead Alan Wold Agron Craven **Arnold Schellhaas** Pius Nti Jeff Soltau Hayden Gautsche Claire Reinert Pete Messer Christine Phelan Jonathan Schellhaas Ted Arneson Steve Bauer Katie Decker Gwen Rouleau

Evonne Kirchenwitz Jeffrey Lund SuAnn Bygd Mark Freeman Jamese Decker Jameson Johannsen Tom Jenson Mariah Messer Andrew Westerlund Helmut Winter Peter Brant **Paul Minter Emily Steffel** Sarah Gonsior Deborah Poynter Jennifer Biggs Bellinda Nti



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Open Hearts • Open Minds • Opening Lives to God

-Established May 20, 1951-

Land Acknowledgement Statement

Valley Community Presbyterian Church sits on the ancestral and contemporary land of the Dakota people, for whom the land holds historical, spiritual, political, and cultural significance.

We acknowledge the ongoing injustices that we have committed against the Dakota people and pledge to interrupt this legacy. We will educate ourselves about Indigenous history and recognize, support, and advocate for our Native neighbors.



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