

We Are
Valley –
100%



STEWARDSHIP 2025



DEDICATION SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 10, 2024

Dear Valley,

2024 has been a consequential year in Valley's life. In January, we bid farewell to Richard Buller as he moved into retirement and gave thanks to God for his over 20 years of service to this congregation. Then in the summer we entered a "creative" time when we moved worship downstairs into Fellowship Hall as work was done to renovate the sanctuary as carpeting and tile was replaced and much-needed work was done to restore the beautiful wooden ceiling. And through all these transitions, Valley experienced a series of member deaths unheard of in recent years.

But we still come together to sing with joy every Sunday morning. Children and youth still gather every week to learn the stories of our faith. The Valley Community still rolls up its sleeves to serve the community in which we live. Valley lives on, and congregation's welcoming spirit remains even in a season of transition.

Amid all the tumult of this year, the Stewardship Team wrestled with the question, "what holds our church steady in the midst of new dimensions?" First and foremost, God leads and guides Valley in everything it does. Secondly, it is the power of the congregation that keeps our feet anchored to the ground. God still walks with our congregation – especially now – and the Spirit continues to blow her renewing wind through Valley's rooms and hallways. And just as we rely on God's constant presence in the life of the church, we also rely on one another for support and care. As we have celebrated, grieved, and lifted our voices to God, we have done so as a community united by love.

As Stewardship reflected on this, we recognized that no matter what happens in the world or in our lives, We are Valley – 100%. Especially now in this season of transition, we want to encourage everyone who counts Valley as their faith home to consider how you will support this faith home in the coming year. We hope you will respond with gratitude for everything God has given by offering of your time and talents in service to the congregation, as well as by making a pledge of some amount to support Valley's ongoing operations.

As Valley looks to its future, things remain bright: relationships with our mission partners are strong, our membership remains engaged and enthusiastic about service, and the building is ready for another 75 years of service to the community. We hope you will consider making your pledge this year to ensure that Valley has the resources it needs to respond to the ways God calls us to live in the world. All of us at Valley are grateful for the steady presence of the Spirit at work in the church and for the joyful faces that greet us whenever we step foot in our church home. Let us begin this next chapter in Valley's story with joy and gratitude for all God has given us!

“ Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. ”

2 Corinthians 9:7-8

Joyfully and gratefully,

Valley 
Community

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Jim Cochrane, Transitional Pastor

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WORSHIP

- Liturgy and prayer presented by all generations
- Musical offerings by guests and Valley members
- Thematic sermons that broaden our perspectives
- Enhanced equipment for member outreach and to encourage new visitors

EDUCATION

- TEAMS & Youth Group meet weekly
- Regular virtual Faith Formation email
- Confirmation classes and Bible study groups
- Regular Family and Faith Formation in-person events
- Adult Education programming with intergenerational events

MISSION

- Studying Land Acknowledgment
- Matthew 25 Congregation
- Earth Care Congregation
- Supporting numerous community partner organizations such as: PRISM, Clare Housing, Liberty Church, Crisis Nursery

FELLOWSHIP

- Fall Festival
- Men's Monthly Lunch
- Scholarship Tea
- Gardening Group
- Brew Crew
- Lunch Bunch
- Golf Outings
- Adult Retreats



Worship, education, mission, fellowship and more - **we are Valley, 100%.**

As change happens, we will explore new ways to worship, learn, reach out and gather.

A new pastor will be found and still, **Valley remains Valley, 100%.**

To continue reaching our vision, we need all members to support Valley financially.

Any amount helps, but what helps most is to have a commitment - a pledge - from 100% of us.

We can do this!

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service



Haha Wakpadan Water Blessing



Bridging Dresser Build

I look forward to a sermon that challenges me to critically think about stories from the Bible or issues that are important for our congregation as it is involved with our community outside of the church.

Children give Valley a special energy! The programs for youth are great and allow for inter-generational relationship building.

The way we simply do what we can to help those in our community who need it. We wash the feet of the poor. We reach outside our walls to the marginalized in order to love and support them.

Valley is family for us. We live, laugh, and pray together! Our friends mean so much to us and we are there for each other.



TEAMS kid at work



Habitat for Humanity work day



Worship in the Valley Sanctuary

ABOVE EXCERPTS TAKEN FROM MEMBER RESPONSES TO THE RECENT MINISTRY & MISSION STUDY CONGREGATIONAL SURVEY.



Youth Mission Week

GIVING FROM THE HEART



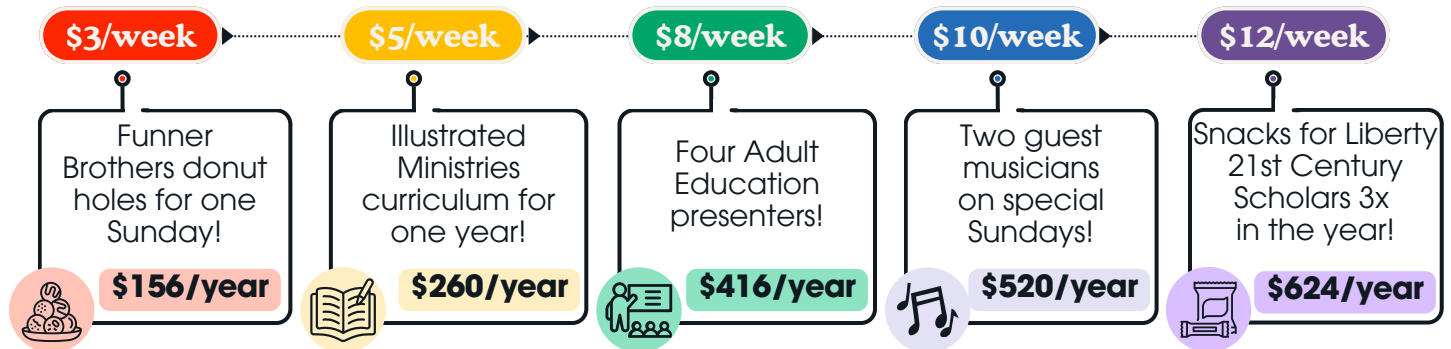
We give of ourselves - our time, talents, and treasures - in many ways to keep Valley thriving. The reasons to pledge are tangible and intangible. It's about paying the bills and it's about nurturing our community and personal faith journey.

Pledging is a personal decision that reflects our priorities. We transition from youth group to young adulthood to nurturing a family and career to the adventures of retirement and beyond. In the end, our decision is about investing in our Valley community and nurturing our individual faith journey.

Collectively, the decision to pledge, at whatever amount, helps ensure that Valley is there for us so we can be there for each other throughout our lifetime. Joys come--births, baptisms, wedding, fellowship, and mission activities - and Valley celebrates. Challenges come--and Valley is there to give and receive love, support and sometimes grieve. Making a pledge, finding a place within your budget, at whatever level, is an investment in today and in our future.

YOUR PLEDGE IN ACTION

IF I PLEDGE:



IF MY/OUR 2024 PLEDGE WAS:	AND MY/OUR INCREASED COMMITMENT THIS YEAR IS:							
	1%	2%	3%	4%	5%	6%	7%	8%
	THEN MY/OUR PLEDGE FOR 2025 WILL BE:							
\$100	\$101	\$102	\$103	\$104	\$105	\$106	\$107	\$108
\$300	\$303	\$306	\$309	\$312	\$315	\$318	\$321	\$324
\$500	\$505	\$510	\$515	\$520	\$525	\$530	\$535	\$540
\$700	\$707	\$714	\$721	\$728	\$735	\$742	\$749	\$756
\$1,000	\$1,010	\$1,020	\$1,030	\$1,040	\$1,050	\$1,060	\$1,070	\$1,080
\$2,000	\$2,020	\$2,040	\$2,060	\$2,080	\$2,100	\$2,120	\$2,140	\$2,160
\$4,000	\$4,040	\$4,080	\$4,120	\$4,160	\$4,200	\$4,240	\$4,280	\$4,320
\$6,000	\$6,060	\$6,120	\$6,180	\$6,240	\$6,300	\$6,360	\$6,420	\$6,480
\$8,000	\$8,080	\$8,160	\$8,240	\$8,320	\$8,400	\$8,480	\$8,560	\$8,640
\$10,000	\$10,100	\$10,200	\$10,300	\$10,400	\$10,500	\$10,600	\$10,700	\$10,800

Guide to Giving & Growth Charts

The guide above has been developed to illustrate how a pledge in any amount can greatly impact the annual budget. The chart to the left can be used as you prayerfully consider your increase for the upcoming year.

A family or household can choose to be represented as one pledging unit, or expand into individual units. Units may even include children who live elsewhere but are still considered part of the household. Please contact the church office if you would like additional pledge cards.

Your Stewardship Team

- Pat Daily, Chair
- Andy Freeberg
- Craig Gottschalk
- Nancy Husnik
- Mariah Messer
- Rev. Jim Cochrane, ex officio

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