

Valley Community

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, June 1, 2025

GATHERING US IN

PRELUDE

Les Adieux
Franz Strauss

Rachel Williams, piano
Alana Brenny, horn

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

GATHERING MUSIC

Intermezzo" Op. 35, No. 11
Reinhold Gliere

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The God of heaven has made home here on earth.

Two: Christ dwells among us and is one with us.

One: He journeys with the rejected and welcomes the weary.

Two: Come now, all who thirst, and drink the water of life.

One: Come now, all who hunger, and be filled with good things.

Two: Come now, all who seek, and be warmed by the fire of love.

One: Let us worship God!

† Hymn #744

Arise, Your Light Is Come!

Arise, your light is come!
The Spirit's call obey;
show forth the glory of your God,
which shines on you today.

Arise, your light is come!
Fling wide the prison door;
proclaim the captives' liberty,
good tidings to the poor.

Arise, your light is come!
All you in sorrow born,
bind up the brokenhearted ones
and comfort those who mourn.

Arise, your light is come!
The mountains burst in song!
Rise up like eagles on the wing;
God's power will make us strong.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Sheila Sheldon, CRE

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart, mind, and strength, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. 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 #654

In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful;
in the Lord I will rejoice!

Look to God; do not be afraid.
Lift up your voices, the Lord is near.
Lift up your voices; the Lord is near.

HEARING THE WORD

TIME WITH YOUNG WORSHIPPERS

Congregational Blessing: You are God's beloved child.
With you God is well pleased.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Romance
Camille Saint-Saens

Rachel Williams, piano
Alana Brenny, horn

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 16:16-34

SERMON

Bound to be Free

Rev. Jim Cochrane

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

† Hymn #462

I Love to Tell the Story

I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true;
it satisfies my longings as nothing else could do.

Refrain:

I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story; 'tis pleasant to repeat
what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet!
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard
the message of salvation from God's own holy Word. (Refrain)

I love to tell the story, for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it, like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
'twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long. (Refrain)

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Valley Pride

Samantha Schellhaas

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

MUSICAL REFLECTION

Rainbow
Musgraves, McAnally, and Hemby

Rachel Williams

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

You have fed us, Lord, and we are grateful. Empower us to respond to your generosity today, and in the days to come, with hearts made ready, eyes made open, hands made strong, and feet made willing. Amen.

SENDING US OUT

† Hymn #353

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain:

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
all other ground is sinking sand;
all other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness seems to hide his face, I rest on his unchanging grace;
in every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil. (Refrain)

His oath, his covenant, his blood support me in the whelming flood;
when all around my soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay. (Refrain)

When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found,
dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne. (Refrain)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

O How I Love Jesus
Arr. by Carol Tornquist

Rachel Williams

The Worship Has Ended. The Service Begins.

Chancel Flowers

Sunday, June 1

Sponsored by Kurt Wheeler
In memory of my wife, Vicki Wheeler.

Sign up for Chancel flowers in Fellowship Hall.

† Please rise in body or spirit.

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of healing for **Gail Smith** who had shoulder surgery at Methodist on May 29.

Prayers for **Jerry Wilkens** who moved to a care center in Plymouth this week. Prayers also for his wife **Mary** and their family as they help Jerry make the transition.

Continued prayers for **Valley Members** in their ongoing health journeys. Updates can be found here as they are made. To stay up-to-date be sure to follow their Caring Bridge profiles here:

Taichi Chen: <https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/taichichen>

Rick Carlson: <https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/rickcarlson101>

Chelsea Gusek: Recent scans show that cancer has spread to lymph nodes in her stomach, however the treatment plan stays the same. The Mayo team agrees with her local team on the treatment plan and recommends that she complete six rounds of chemo. Despite some bumps in the road she remains positive with a big smile.

<https://www.caringbridge.org/site/81a19644-2489-11f0-9b0d-15ed645a936d>

Susie Potter: <https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/susiepotter>

Phillip Robinson: <https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/philliprobinson>

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 | chelsie.larsen@valleychurch.net
to set up withdrawals directly from your account.
You can always adjust the amount.

This Week at Valley

Sunday, June 1

Communion Sunday

9:30 am Worship Service

10:30 am Fellowship Hour

Monday, June 2

11:30 am Lunch Bunch

7:00 pm 12-Step Meeting

Tuesday, June 3

1:00 pm Bible Fellowship

Wednesday, June 4

Thursday, June 5

5:30 pm 12-Step Unity

Friday, June 6

Saturday, June 7

Golden Valley Pride Fest

Sunday, June 8

9:30 am Worship Service- Pentecost

10:30 am Fellowship Hour

5:00 pm Church Picnic

7:00 pm Fridays in the Valley

Notice of Recording: Please note that services are broadcasted via live stream and digitally recorded on our YouTube Channel.

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 the services!

Valley Staff

Ministers

All 381 members of this congregation.

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Rev. Bill Davnie

Rev. Kate O'Brien Soltau

Rev. David Phillips

Rev. Nancy Phillips

Rev. Rebecca Tollefson

SUNDAY WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

May 18: 234 (124 in-person)

May 25: 157 (73 in-person)

WE'LL BE GETTING CRAFTY AT VBC...
DO YOU HAVE ANY

“BUILDING” MATERIALS?



- plastic bottles of all sizes
- egg cartons
- toilet paper & paper towel rolls
- milk cartons (please rinse)
- packing/shipping materials
- cardboard boxes
- shoe boxes
- styrofoam

Bring your donations to church
and drop them in the wagon by
the info center downstairs

Valley Lunch Bunch

MONDAY, JUNE 2ND
11:30 AM

50^s
GRILL

First Monday of every month!



7th ANNUAL GOLDEN VALLEY PRIDE FESTIVAL!

SATURDAY, JUNE 7TH
12:00 - 6:00 PM
BROOKVIEW PARK

200 Brookview Pkwy N,
Golden Valley, MN 55426

The festival is family-friendly with music, food vendors, bounce houses, inflatable obstacle courses, games, and MORE!

Mark your calendars and come support this amazing event in our GV community.



PENTECOST SPECIAL OFFERING

A significant portion of the Pentecost Offering supports educational and inspirational events for our youth on a national level.

Seeking to unify in service those who attend these events has the aim of making our church stronger at the earliest possible generation.

In addition, our gifts will reach a helping hand and heart to children at risk, who struggle just to survive and often make it because of a simple, "we can help."

May your giving be as generous as possible as you mark your contribution PENTECOST to be received June 8, 2025.

Remember to wear your RED!



ALL-CHURCH PICNIC & FITV CONCERT

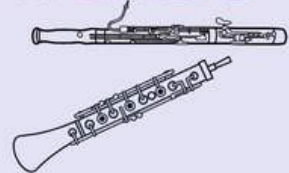
SUNDAY, JUNE 8 | 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

We're trying something new! Join the Fellowship Committee in celebrating the start of summer by attending the **Valley Church Picnic & FITV Concert!** This is a family friendly event & all are welcome. **Fellowship** will provide **hotdogs/brats** & **Education** will provide dessert, **you bring a side dish/salad to share.**

Please join us rain or shine to welcome the summer!



DOLCE WINDS



Fridays in the Valley Sunday Edition:



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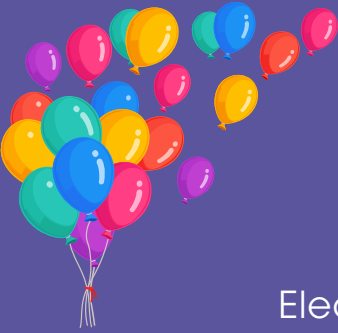


Sunday, June 8, 2025 | 7:00 PM

FREE-WILL OFFERINGS BENEFIT
THE FATHER PROJECT



Valley Community



Happy Birthday Valley Family!



Eleanor Kopischke
Connor Gottschalk

Ryne Nichols

Alice Zieska

Carol Bright

Tom Magill

Margo Morrow

Jackie Graham

Odin Willey

Christy Smith

Mike Vogel

Lucy Feneis

Ella Halverson

Dan Marshall

Bonnie Carlson

Ann Roach

Beth Carlson

Catherine Parks

Dawn Schuldt

Steve Wasmoen

Rick Carlson

Taichi Chen

Jean-Luc LaBelle

Duncan Fadell

Marit Willey

Kaden Craven

Lia Mayer

Larren Boyd

Sam Malecha

Tom Day

Craig Michael

Tim Grosshuesch

Kate Reinert

Lois Schmidt

Jay Tarbell

Ben Kummer

Merlyn Mayer

David Toering



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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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