

# Valley Community

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Sunday, June 15, 2025

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# GATHERING US IN

## PRELUDE

*Prelude in Db Op. 28, No. 15*  
by Frederic Chopin

Rachel Williams, piano

## LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

## GATHERING MUSIC

*You'll Never Walk Alone*  
by Rodgers and Hammerstein from *Carousel*

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: *Father, Son, and Holy Spirit:*

**All: Glory to you forever!**

Leader: *Speaker, Word, and Breath of Life:*

**All: Glory to you forever!**

Leader: *Font of Blessing, Living Water, Flowing River:*

**All: Glory to you forever!**

Leader: *Giver, Gift, and Giving:*

**All: Glory to you forever!**

Leader: *Loving Mother, Beloved Child, Life-Giving Spirit:*

**All: Glory to you forever!**

Leader: *God who was, God who is, God who is to come:*

**All: Glory to you forever!**

Leader: *Let us worship God!*

## † Hymn #26

### ***Earth and All Stars!***

vss 1,2,4

Earth and all stars! Loud rushing planets!  
Sing to the Lord a new song! Hail, wind, and rain!  
Loud blowing snowstorm! Sing to the Lord a new song!  
God has done marvelous things. We too sing praises with a new song!

Trumpet and pipes! Loud clashing cymbals!  
Sing to the Lord a new song! Harp, lute, and lyre!  
Loud humming cellos! Sing to the Lord a new song!  
God has done marvelous things. We too sing praises with a new song!

Knowledge and truth! Loud sounding wisdom!  
Sing to the Lord a new song! Daughter and son!  
Loud praying members! Sing to the Lord a new song!  
God has done marvelous things. We too sing praises with a new song!

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Sheila Sheldon, CRE

God of grace, love, and communion, we confess that we have failed to love you with all our heart, soul, and mind; and to love our neighbors as ourselves. We ignore your commandments, stray from your way, and follow other gods. Have mercy on us, O Lord, and forgive our sin to raise us to new life. In that life, may we serve you more faithfully and give honor to your holy name. In 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 #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

*Prodigal Son*  
by Robert Watkins

Rachel Williams, piano  
Matt Weiss, guitar/vocals

### SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 8; John 16:12-15

### SERMON

*The Glory of the Lord*

Rev. Jim Cochrane

# RESPONDING TO THE WORD

## † Hymn #451

### ***Open My Eyes, That I May See***

Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me.  
Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.  
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.  
Open my eyes; illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear.  
And while the wave notes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear.  
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.  
Open my ears; illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere.  
Open my heart, and let me prepare love with thy children thus to share.  
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.  
Open my heart; illumine me, Spirit divine!

## 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.

## MINUTE FOR MISSION

*The Father Project*

Andy Freeberg

## OFFERTORY

*Amazing Grace*

by John Newton

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found,  
was blind, but now I see.

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of justice and love, may our gifts be put to work, seeking your righteousness, and singing your praise. Lead us and guide us as we proclaim the good news of your reign, so that we may join our hearts together and live in peace, and abundance, and love. Amen.

# SENDING US OUT

† Hymn #757

## Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

Today we all are called to be disciples of the Lord,  
to help to set the captive free, make plowshare out of sword,  
to feed the hungry, quench their thirst, make love and peace our fast,  
to serve the poor and homeless first, our ease and comfort last.

God made the world and at its birth ordained our human race  
to live as stewards of the earth, responding to God's grace.  
But we are vain and sadly proud; we sow not peace but strife.  
Our discord spreads a deadly cloud that threatens all of life.

Pray justice may come rolling down as in a mighty stream,  
with righteousness in field and town to cleanse us and redeem.  
For God is longing to restore an earth where conflicts cease,  
a world that was created for a harmony of peace.

May we in service to our God act out the living word,  
and walk the road the saints have trod till all have seen and heard.  
As stewards of the earth may we give thanks in one accord  
to God who calls us all to be disciples of the Lord.

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

*I'll Fly Away*  
by Albert E. Brumley

### Chorus

I'll fly away, O glory, I'll fly away  
When I die, Hallelujah, bye and bye, I'll fly away

## The Worship Has Ended. The Service Begins.

**Chancel Flowers**  
Sunday, June 15  
Sponsored by Mariah Messer  
*In loving memory of our Great Kansas Nana, Betty Schwartzkopf.*  
*We love and miss you.*  
Sign up for Chancel flowers in Fellowship Hall!

# Joys and Concerns

Prayers of comfort for **Mary Wilkens** and family as they mourn the death of **Jerry Wilkens** on June 6. A memorial service will be held at Valley on Sunday, June 29 at 2:00 PM.

Prayers of joy for Valley's office administrator **Savannah Martinez.** and her fiancé **Luke** as they celebrate the birth of her son **Ezra Soler Dickinson** born June 7th. Mother and baby are doing great!

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:** <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](mailto:chelsie.larsen@valleychurch.net)  
to set up withdrawals directly from your account.  
You can always adjust the amount.

## **This Week at Valley**

### **Sunday, June 15**

9:30 am Worship Service

10:30 am Fellowship Hour

### **Monday, June 16**

7:00 pm 12-Step Meeting

### **Tuesday, June 17**

11:30 pm Valley's Men Luncheon Group

### **Wednesday, June 18**

### **Thursday, June 19**

Office Closed - Juneteenth

10:00 am Meals on Wheels

5:30 pm 12-Step Unity

### **Friday, June 20**

### **Saturday, June 21**

### **Sunday, June 22**

9:30 am Worship Service

10:30 am Fellowship Hour

**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**

The entire Valley Community!

### **Transitional Pastor**

#### **Head of Staff**

Rev. Jim Cochrane

### **Educational Ministries Director**

Sheila Sheldon, CRE

### **Office Administrator**

Savannah Martinez

### **Communications Director**

Mariah Messer

### **Music Coordinator**

Rachel Williams

### **Choral & Handbell Director**

Janet M.T. Carlson

### **Sunshine Room Leader**

Natalie Peña-Gallegos

### **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

### **SUNDAY WORSHIP ATTENDANCE**

June 1 : 230 (113 in-person)

June 8 : 224 (103 in-person)

ELDERS FOR CLIMATE ACTION TWIN CITIES & THIRD ACT MINNESOTA PRESENT

## An Evening with Kate Knuth 2025 Minnesota Climate Action Framework - Updating Our State's Climate Plan



Monday, June 16, 2025

7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Valley Community Presbyterian Church

Kate Knuth, Climate Director, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency  
Join us for Kate's presentation, Q&A, dessert & mingling!

Kate serves as the Climate Director for the MPCA. With a deep commitment to addressing climate change, she leverages her extensive background in public service, academic research, and community engagement to this role.

To learn more and register visit <https://tinyurl.com/yhfnwdwyj>

## Valley Brew Crew

SUNDAY, JUNE 29 | 4:00-10:00 PM

**AT THE PERRY'S HOUSE!**

**4 PM BOTTLING - 6PM DINNER**

Sara and Jay will provide the meat and have both alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks. Bring a side or dessert to share, as well as the family!

All ages and beverages of all kinds are always welcome.

**CONTACT JAY PERRY OR  
THE VALLEY OFFICE FOR DETAILS!**

**BBQ  
party**





# Dakota Plant Walk with Tanažidan To Win

SATURDAY, JULY 19 | 10:00 - 11:00 AM  
2522 MARSHALL ST. NE, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55418

Tanažidan To Win is a Dakota and Ojibwe mother, author, and plant medicine enthusiast. She is also a Water Protector who upholds the traditions of her relative, Háza Ínyanke Win (Woman Who Runs for Huckleberries or Betsey St. Clair). During the walk, Tanažidan To Win will share about her family's history and her connections with native plants and local waterways.

**SCAN TO  
REGISTER**



[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more and register.



## SUMMER PICNIC & YARD GAMES

**JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF FELLOWSHIP  
AND YARD GAMES!**

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23RD  
5:30-8:30 PM



# SUMMER GOLF EVENT

BRIGHTWOOD HILL GOLF COURSE OF NEW BRIGHTON

**Saturday, August 9, 2025**

**Tee Times start at 3:00 pm**

Golfers & Non-Golfers Welcome



## FELLOWSHIP & PIZZA

After golfing or just for dinner, join us for a slice at **Adagio's Pizza Factory**.  
2052 Silver Lake Rd., New Brighton

**SPONSORED BY FAMILY MINISTRIES.**

## TICKETS

**Adults \$20 | Kids 12 & under \$10**

A portion of each ticket supports the  
Y.E.S. Youth Education Scholarship Fund.

**SIGN-UP IN FELLOWSHIP HALL OR  
CONTACT THE VALLEY OFFICE TO SIGN-UP!**  
763-588-0831 [OFFICE@VALLEYCHURCH.NET](mailto:OFFICE@VALLEYCHURCH.NET)



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## CLEARWATER CHRYSALIS WOMEN'S RETREAT

AUGUST 14-17, 2025

OPTIONAL VOLUNTEER DAY - AUGUST 13

KEYNOTE: DR. KELLY SHERMAN-CONROY

THEME: WALKING THE GOOD ROAD:

EMBRACING SPIRITUAL WISDOM FOR THE JOURNEY

Visit <https://clearwaterforest.org/>  
for more information and to register

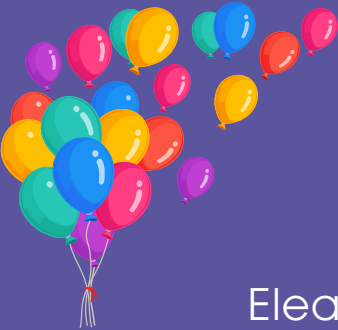
CLEARWATER FOREST

CONTACT CLEARWATER WITH QUESTIONS

218-678-2325

REGISTER IS NOW OPEN!





# 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  
Stacy Thompson  
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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AND OJIBWAY)

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