

Valley Community

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, July 27, 2025

GATHERING US IN

PRELUDE

Prelude and Fugue in D Major
by Dietrich Buxtehude

Jane Nienaber, organ

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

GATHERING MUSIC

This is My Father's World
by Michael Burkhardt

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with songs of joy.

All: For the Lord is awesome, who reigns over all the earth.

One: God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

All: Sing praises to God, sing praises!

One: Let us worship God!

† Hymn #336

We Gather Together

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;
he chastens and hastens his will to make known;
the wicked oppressing now cease from distressing.
Sing praises to his name; he forgets not his own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,
ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine;
so from the beginning the fight we were winning;
thou, Lord, wast at our side; all glory be thine!

We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant,
and pray that thou still our defender wilt be.
Let thy congregation escape tribulation;
thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Sheila Sheldon, CRE

Eternal God, our rock and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors, and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy, forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

SUNG RESPONSE #647

Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One;
give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son.

And now let the weak say, "We are strong";
Let the poor say, "We are rich," because of what the Lord has done for us!"

Give thanks. Give thanks.

HEARING THE WORD

TIME WITH YOUNG WORSHIPPERS

Congregational Blessing:

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

SPECIAL MUSIC

Gavotte
by William Boyce

SCRIPTURE READING

Colossians 2:6-15

SERMON

We Need an Anchor

Pastor Dianne Haulcy

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

† Hymn #623

I've Got Peace Like a River

I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river;
I've got peace like a river, in my soul. (Repeat)

I've got joy like a fountain; I've got joy like a fountain;
I've got joy like a fountain, in my soul. (Repeat)

I've got love like an ocean; I've got love like an ocean;
I've got love like an ocean, in my soul. (Repeat)

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

Greetings From Liberty Church

Rev. Dr. Alike Galloway

OFFERTORY

Prelude and Fugue on Beautiful Savior
by Gordon Young

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Everything we have comes from you, gracious God. You fill us with good things and our hearts and lives overflow with your goodness. With thanksgiving we bring to you our time, talents, and tithes. Use these gifts you have given us to feed, serve, and bless others. Amen.

SENDING US OUT

† Hymn #27

In Times Like These

See sheet music

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune
by James Kimball

The Worship Has Ended. The Service Begins.

Chancel Flowers

Sunday, July 27

Sponsored by Peggy Neibling

Celebrating the wonderful Brooking Family

Sign up for Chancel flowers in Fellowship Hall!

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of healing for **Tom Magill** who had heart surgery on Monday, July 21 to place three stents. A recent PET scan has also showed his prostate cancer has returned to his right hip. He will begin radiation and medication soon. Prayers for **Pam** as well as she cares for him.

Prayers of comfort for the family of **Dr. William N. Dudley** who passed away in Greensboro, NC on July 6 after a short illness. His family will be holding a service for him in Greensboro on July 29th. Cards should be sent to Valley and we will forward them to the family. The family has indicated they would like memorials to go to the Liberty Scholars Endowment.

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>

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

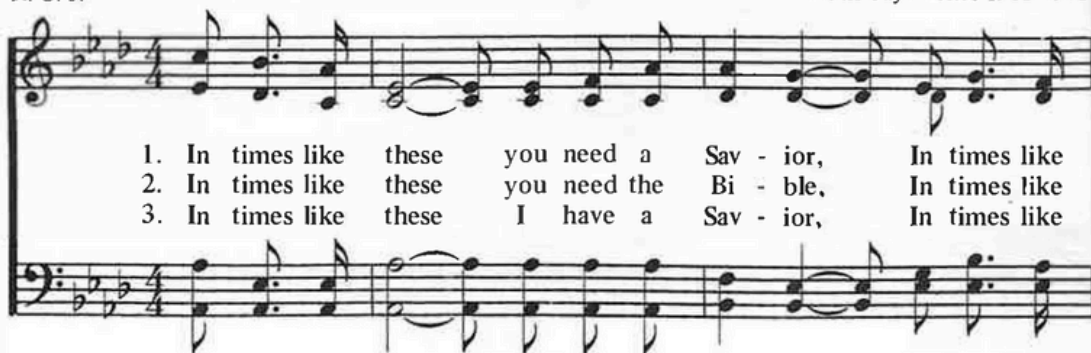
- Visit Valley's secured online giving by visiting:
<https://valleycommunitypresbyterianchurch.breezechms.com/give/online>
to make a one-time or recurring gift to Valley or our community partners.

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.

R. C. J.

Ruth Caye Jones 1902-1972



1. In times like these you need a Sav - ior, In times like
 2. In times like these you need the Bi - ble, In times like
 3. In times like these I have a Sav - ior, In times like

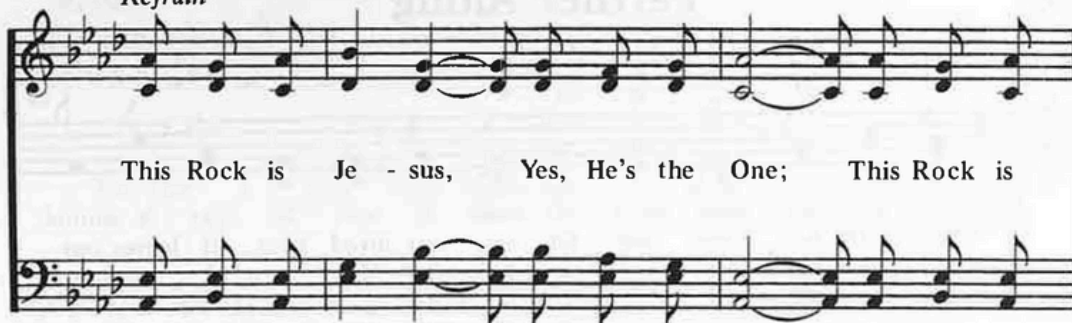


these you need an an - chor; Be ver - y sure, be ver - y
 these O be not i - dle; Be ver - y sure, be ver - y
 these I have an an - chor; I'm ver - y sure, I'm ver - y

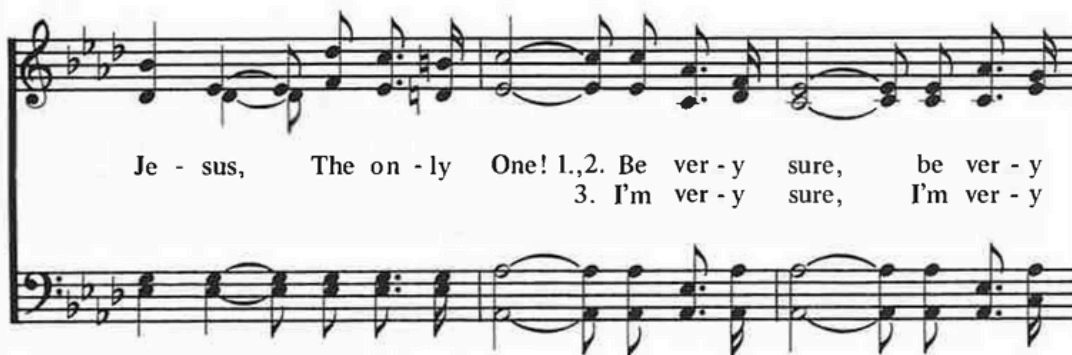


sure Your an - chor holds and grips the Sol - id Rock!
 sure Your an - chor holds and grips the Sol - id Rock!
 sure My an - chor holds and grips the Sol - id Rock!

Refrain



This Rock is Je - sus, Yes, He's the One; This Rock is



Je - sus, The on - ly One! 1., 2. Be ver - y sure, be ver - y
3. I'm ver - y sure, I'm ver - y



sure Your an - chor holds and grips the Sol - id Rock!
sure My an - chor holds and grips the Sol - id Rock!

This Week at Valley

Sunday, July 27

9:30 am Worship Service

10:30 am Fellowship Hour

12:00-3:30 Strat-O-Matic Baseball at Valley

Monday, July 28

6:30 pm Session Meeting

7:00 pm 12-Step Meeting

Tuesday, July 29

Wednesday, July 30

Thursday, July 31

5:30 pm 12-Step Unity

Friday, August 1

Saturday, August 2

Sunday, August 3

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!

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The entire Valley Community!

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Rev. Nancy Phillips

Rev. Rebecca Tollefson

SUNDAY WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

July 13: 235 (107 in-person)

July 20: 200 (75 in-person)

Back to School Drive 2025



It's Summertime.
That means it's time to
STOCK UP ON SCHOOL SUPPLIES, VALLEY!
Donation Deadline: AUGUST 4

SHOPPING LIST

Backpacks (high quality)

Crayola colored pencils

Crayola markers

Dry erase markers

Ticonderoga #2 pencils

Kleenex

Elmers glue sticks

Disinfectant wipes



CALL FOR FOOD DONATIONS!



This summer, confirmand Evan will be collecting food donations for the food shelf at PRISM!

He has set a goal of 5-6 bags/week, and needs your help to reach his goal. Fill up an extra grocery bag with pantry staples next time you are at the grocery store and bring it with you to church.

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



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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, August 18, 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/3ceckahx>



Happy Birthday Valley Family!



Renee Desarmeaux

Jeanne Ewald

Darrell Rathje

Rachel Tarbell

Ruth Tjaden

Denise Kara

Marcia Lubin

Roger Michael

Neal Gusek

Erin Kopischke

Scott Robinson

John Toering

Justin Toering

Bonnie Ulmer

Lisa Tarbell

Pete Zywicki

Jillene Hayes

Benjamin Marshall

Irene Williams

Henry Grosshuesch

Anthony Kovacovich

Nathanial Slack

Robin Chen

Cole Priem

Bill Keen

Don Kovacovich

Jessica Musta

Adrian Musta

Kathie Holman

Ty Miller

Peggy Oberfeld

Joel Freeberg

Peggy Neibling

Richard Martens

Charlotte Davnie

Drew Heinonen

Jill Toering

Wendy Bauer

Kaylee Deef

Mersiha (Dada) LaBelle

Mary Pukite Morrow

Sue Payne



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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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