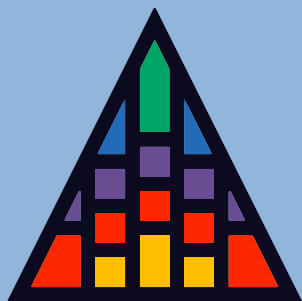




THE VALLEY

SEPTEMBER 2026 NEWSLETTER



Valley Community Presbyterian Church

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Community News

• MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- Chancel Choir Practice Begins - September 9 @ 7:00 PM (page 8)
- **Homecoming Sunday - September 13 @ 9:30 AM (page 8)**
 - It's Pastor Kyle's first Homecoming Sunday! Join us as we kick off a new program year in the Valley and show him how we celebrate Homecoming together.
- **Fridays in the Valley 16th Season! (pages 8, 10, 13)**
 - Friday, September 11 @ 7 PM | Chens and Marshalls
- **First Adult Ed of the Fall | Sunday, September 13 @ 11 AM (full schedule pages 6-7)**
 - *General Assembly Updates* with Rev. Anna Kendig Flores (PTCA- co-executive presbyter)
- **TEAMS & Youth Group Open House | Sunday, September 13 @ 1:00 PM (pages 9, 11)**
- Come learn about our programs and what is new this fall!
- **Men's Retreat | September 25-27 | Clearwater Forest (page 9, 14)**
- Valley Craft & Connect | September 19 | 10:00 am -2 pm (pages 9, 10)
 - Future Craft & Connect dates: October 24 and November 21
- **Fall Festival | Saturday, October 3 | 5 - 8:00 PM (pages 13, 14)**
 - Tickets on sale 8/30 in Fellowship Hall!
- **Trunk or Treat for PRISM | Sunday, October 25 | 4 - 5:00 PM (page 14)**
- **Read on!** Don't miss all of the opportunities to connect this month and beyond.

• MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

- **Land Acknowledgement Task Force updates (page 12)**
- Our community partners are on a roll this fall! Read the "Connect with Valley Mission Partners" section on **Page 13** to learn about several events in the coming weeks!
- **NEEDED Meals on Wheels Drivers - call the Church Office if you can volunteer (page 14)**

A LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

SEPTEMBER 2026

Dear Valley,

Hard to believe, but summer is wrapping up! As we turn toward fall and the program year ahead, I want to pause and offer gratitude to our God for all the ways God has been at work in and through us these past few months.

I'm grateful for the chance we had to celebrate Valley's 75th Anniversary. What a joy to mark the occasion with special musicians, representatives from each decade, and old friends, and to raise \$50,000 to jump-start Prism's campaign for a new food locker initiative.

We give thanks for the children at VBC, who taught us all over again how God has compassion for us, and how we can extend that same compassion to each other and to all living things. Our youth group enjoyed a local mission trip, serving both here at Valley and in our wider community. Valley Women spent a gorgeous weekend away at Clearwater as part of Chrysalis. And all summer long, we heard the stories of women in the Bible. We heard examples of women whose courage, wisdom, and faithfulness still have so much to teach us.

We give thanks, too, that God was present with us in our harder moments. We said goodbye to our beloved staff member Mariah and to the Messer family as they moved to Kansas City. We remembered the lives of longtime members and beloved children of God, Diane McCunn and Lois Schmidt. We prayed for fellow members walking through health challenges and grief. In each of these moments, we are grateful for God's loving presence.



Rev. Kyle Sandison

As we turn toward fall, I'm grateful, too, for the return of our well-established rhythms of life together. God calls us to live into what Eugene Peterson calls "the unforced rhythms of grace" (Matthew 11:28-30, The Message). So let me offer a preview of some of these rhythms here at Valley, and an invitation to come experience more fully the life of joy, peace, and love that God has for us.

Adult Education kicks off again on September 13 with a wonderful lineup of speakers, beginning with Co-Executive Presbyter Rev. Anna Kendig-Flores, who will share about General Assembly. The Valley Choir is starting back up under interim director Hsu-hui Wang. If you've ever thought about singing in the choir, consider this your invitation!

There are so many other ways to join in these rhythms of grace. Come on out for the Men's Retreat at the end of September, catch the full lineup at Fridays in the Valley, and watch for chances to share God's love through Meals on Wheels, Bridging, Prism, 21st Century Academy, and our other mission partners. I look forward to joining in these rhythms of grace together with you.

In Christ,

Kyle



Photos: Valley Youth and Mission Trip Chaperones were all smiles after completing the rain garden renovation, and visiting the Mississippi Water Management Organization office in NE Mpls. before heading over to the Greater Mpls. Crisis Nursery to volunteer with the kids and make them dinner.

Join us for
worship!

Sundays
at 9:30 AM
or anytime on our
YouTube Channel

We are worshipping in-person and via live-stream.

WORSHIP SERVICE OVERVIEW

- Prelude begins at 9:25 AM | Worship at 9:30 AM, followed by coffee and treats in Fellowship Hall.
- The Family Room located in the Sunshine Room is always available with a TV to watch the service for parents whose little ones need a break.
- Activity Bags and Children's Bulletins are available in the Narthex.
- The Sunshine Room provides **Sunday School for children age 3-3rd grade** and childcare for all ages during Adult Education classes.

Valley Connects - Summer 2026

GOLDEN VALLEY PRIDE - JUNE 2026



75TH ANNIVERSARY & PICNIC



Valley Connects - Summer 2026

VACATION BIBLE CAMP



LOCAL YOUTH MISSION TRIP



VALLEY NIGHT OUT



Adult Education - Fall 2026

- **Adult Ed classes will take place at 11 AM.**
- **Classes will be held in the Cornerstone Room, unless otherwise noted.**
- **Select classes will be available on our YouTube channel.**

September 13 - PCUSA General Assembly 2026,

Rev. Anna Kendig Flores, Co-Executive Presbyter of the PTCA

Rev. Anna Kendig Flores will provide an overview of the PC(USA) General Assembly—what it is, how it works, and why it matters. This session is especially helpful for those who are new to the denomination or want to better understand our polity. She'll also highlight key changes that came out of this year's General Assembly and discuss how they may impact the Church moving forward.

September 20 - 11:15 am - 1:30 pm | Lunch will be provided. Childcare available.

National Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition

Samuel Torres, Ed.D. | Deputy Chief Executive Officer

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Seeking truth through education and research, justice through advocacy and policy, and healing through Indigenous teaching and traditional gatherings, NABS recognizes that the historical and contemporary impacts of this history require intergenerational strategies and a collective approach that includes all of us.

This special presentation is sponsored by Valley's Indigenous Justice Taskforce.

September 27 - Minnesota Truth Council

Hanne Sandison, Director of Legal Services - The Advocates for Human Rights

The Minnesota Truth Council is an independent, non-partisan body that is creating a historical record of survivor and witness experiences. They will produce a report with recommendations for legislative and policy reform. The Advocates for Human Rights is the implementing partner of the Minnesota Truth Council and is responsible for the story collection. Hanne Sandison will share about this important work and why it will be a vital part of our history.

October 4 - Ĥaĥá Wakpádan (Bassett Creek)

with Cassandra Roy (Ojibwe)

Cassandra Roy (Anishinaabe), an Indigenous artist who's photographing Ĥaĥá Wakpádan (Bassett Creek) in all four seasons. This event will feature her landscape photography, portrait photography, and other artistic projects.

The creek photography project is supported by a Community Grant from the Mississippi Watershed Management Organization. Additional support is provided by Valley Community Presbyterian Church, Golden Valley Historical Society, Hennepin History Museum, The Loppet, and many others.

cont... Adult Education - Fall 2026

October 11 - Informed Food Security Initiative - Hennepin County

Kassy Nystrom, Hennepin County Food Security Coordinator

Abbie Zahler, Hennepin County Public Health Promotion Manager

Kassy Nystrom and Abbie Zahler, will share about Hennepin County's Community-Informed Food Security Initiative. They will describe the history of the initiative and the work being done to support food needs across the county. They will also be able to answer general questions on SNAP benefits and how current legislation impacts those who rely on these services.

October 18 | PROGRAMMING SABBATH

We will observe a Sabbath from programming this week.

October 25 - Voting Safety - Jackie Wells, MN League of Women Voters

Jackie will be here to discuss, voting safety in Minnesota, the checks and balances built into the system, and provide information on researching candidates to help you make an informed decision.

November 1 - Papua New Guinea - Jennie & Paul Minter

Jennie and Paul will share about their experience living as missionaries in Papua New Guinea. They will also talk about what is involved in a language program for the speakers of a previously unwritten minority language. They will show a slide show that chronicles the dedication of the Iyo New Testament in Papua New Guinea.

November 8 - Rooted Documentary - Stories From Minnesota's Farming Future

Directed and produced by Liz Tracy, this documentary short follows the day-to-day lives of two Minnesota farmers, offering an intimate portrait of small-scale agriculture in the Upper Midwest. Rooted is a love letter to land stewardship and climate resilience, reminding us that local solutions can respond to global challenges and model a more sustainable food future for all. (run time 25 minutes)

November 15 - Funeral Planning At Valley - Sheila Sheldon, CRE

Sheila Sheldon will walk you through the funeral planning process here at Valley. She will provide materials for you to fill out and leave for your family and the church. We will cover topics such as service planning and reception options

November 22 - Follow the Raindrop - Julie Westerlund

Every drop of rain or snow that falls from the sky goes somewhere.

Learn where it goes, how it gets there, and how our choices on the land determine the health of our lakes, rivers, streams, and groundwater.

**Trunk
or
Treat
for PRISM**

**Everyone is invited to participate in the
Trunk or Treat event beginning at
4:00 pm at Valley on Sunday, October 25!**



CHILDCARE WILL BE AVAILABLE

Valley's choir sings at the 75th Anniversary Celebration, joined by special guests, Emi Chen, Jean Ann & Richard Buller, Andrew Fleaser and Jamie Marshall.



All are welcome at the table. In faith formation our children learn about communion and many participate by coming forward to receive the elements.



September in the Valley

Fall back in step with life in the Valley this September! After a busy summer, now is the perfect time to reconnect and recommit to your favorite spiritual group, mission partner, or fellowship event.

There is something for everyone and new participants are always welcome.

Valley Choir Starting Up Again!

DATE: 9/9 | TIME: 7:00 PM

Interim Chancel Choir Director, Hsu-hui Wang will lead the choir through the end of the year. The choir will rehearse weekly on Wednesday evenings at 7:00PM and sing on the first and third Sunday each month, with the exception of September when they will sing on 9/13 & 9/20. Participants of all skill level are welcome.

Bell Choir Practice Paused

DATE: TBD

At this time rehearsals are paused and we hope to resume in October. Once they resume, the Bell Choir rehearses every Tuesday at 6:30 PM. **If you are interested in joining the handbell choir, please call the office.**

Homecoming Sunday

DATE: SUNDAY, 9/13 | TIME: 9:30 AM

Save the date for Homecoming Sunday! Join us as we kick off a new program year. Following a summer of adventures, be sure to come to Valley for worship on September 13 to reconnect with your Valley friends. The choir will sing during worship and there will be Funner Brothers donut holes during Fellowship Hour, followed by Adult Education at 11:00 AM. We can't wait to see you!

Fridays in the Valley Concert

DATE: FRIDAY, 9/11 | TIME: 7:00 PM

Join us for the return of Fridays in the Valley for the 2026-2027 Season! Join Richard and Melinda Marshall along with their dear friends Robin and Taichi Chen for an evening of beautiful classical music. We hope to see you there! Free-will offering will benefit Every Meal District 281.

Valley collected 85 backpacks along with a variety of materials for PRISM's Back to School Drive. Valley Youth then packed 300 with supplies for distribution.



TEAMS & Youth Group Open House

DATE: SUNDAY, 9/13 | TIME: 1:00 - 3:00 PM

Back to school time means the kick-off of another great year of TEAMS and Youth Group! Join us for an Open House to get the year started. We'll have snacks, give a short orientation and then enjoy a group game. If you have ever considered volunteering to help in TEAMS or Youth, this is a great chance to come and learn what it's all about!

Adult Education Fall Kick-Off

DATE: SUNDAY, 9/13 | TIME: 11:00 AM

The 227th General Assembly in Milwaukee is now in the history books. It was an incredible week of public action, worship, and discernment as the PC(USA) looks to the future. Rev. Anna Kendig Flores, co-executive presbyter of the Presbytery of The Twin Cities joins us to share about this biennial event, decisions made and how they may shape the future of the Church.

Valley Craft & Connect

DATE: SATURDAY, 9/19 | TIME: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Craft & Connect is for anyone who enjoys a day crafting, working on a puzzle or just chatting with friends. Come catch up on a project, start something new or see what others are working on for inspiration! There will be craft supplies, puzzles & cribbage boards available. Kids welcome with a parent.

Bring a dish to share for lunch at 12 PM.

Special Adult Ed Presentation

DATE: SUNDAY, 9/20 | TIME: 11:15 AM - 1:30 PM

Valley's Indigenous Justice Task Force has invited Samuel Torres, Ed.D., Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the National Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition to come speak about their national movement for truth, justice, and healing from the U.S. Indian boarding school system. NABS is a leading national organization dedicated to advocating on behalf of Native peoples impacted by the U.S. Indian boarding school federal policies and its collaboration with Christian faith communities. **Lunch is provided.**

Men's Retreat

DATE: 9/25 - 9/27 | TIME: ALL WEEKEND

Join Pastor Kyle and Valley men for a weekend away at the beautiful Clearwater Forest Camp & Retreat Center. Participants will enjoy fellowship and activities. There will also be time to explore topics related to our faith and spirituality through study and discussion. Sign up and additional information are available in the Fellowship Hall.

FALL FESTIVAL

BACK TO THE 50's
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3
5:00 - 8:00 PM

Silent Auction Items:

- Gopher sports & Timberwolves tickets
- Baskets for Valley mission partners
- Fun Theme Baskets
- Wide variety of services and experience
- AND MUCH MORE!

DJ!

Live Auction!

Gift Card Wall

Food

Kid's Activities

Bounce House • Games • Face Painting



Tickets On Sale 8/30!

\$15 ADULT

\$10 KIDS

On Sale in Fellowship Hall

Valley Lunch Bunch

MONDAY, AUGUST 31
11:30 AM

50s
GRILL

DATE CHANGE DUE
TO LABOR DAY!



CHANCEL CHOIR



Begins Wednesday
9/9/26

Love to sing?

Join the Chancel Choir!

Rehearsals: Meet weekly on
Wednesdays @ 7:00 PM & 8:30 am
on the Sundays we sing in worship.

Sing: 1st & 3rd Sundays in worship.



Hsu-hui Wang, interim director
Rachel Williams, piano



Fridays in the Valley Presents:

Taichi & Robin Chen, violin
Melinda Marshall, violin
Richard Marshall, viola



Friday, September 11, 2026
7:00 PM

FREE-WILL OFFERINGS BENEFIT
EVERY MEAL DISTRICT 281

Valley Community

HOME COMING SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER 13

HERE'S WHAT YOU HAVE TO LOOK FORWARD TO:

- **Blessing of the Backpacks** for Valley kids
- **Funner Brothers** donut holes and coffee
- **Bouncy House**
- **Directory Info Update Station**
- **Registration for Youth, Teams and Kids programs**
- **Sign-ups for fall activities and volunteer opportunities**



FUNNER BROTHERS
DONUT COMPANY



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SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 19, 2026
10 AM - 2:00 PM
LUNCH AT 12 PM



BLUE THUMB FALL NATIVE PLANT SALE

2026

SAT
19
SEPT

10 AM - 1 PM

VALLEY COMMUNITY
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
GOLDEN VALLEY, MN

WITH BLAZING STAR GARDENS,
ECOSCAPES NATIVE NURSERY, MNL,
NORTHERN HOLLER NURSERY





VALLEY NIGHT OUT PUPPET SHOW



LEARNING & GROWING TOGETHER!

The Valley Education Corner

FAITH FORMATION



Valley Kids Choir - Sundays in September

Choir director Hsu-hui Wang will be working with our children during faith formation to learn a song and then sing it in worship on October 4th. Kids in grades Kindergarten - 8th are welcome to join her. They will meet her in the Sunshine room following the Time with Young Worshippers.



Faith Formation Follows the Children's Message in the Sunshine room.

Illustrated Ministries creates all of the curriculum we use for Faith Formation and VBC and they are continuing their Invitation to Play curriculum. We will be integrating these lessons into Faith Formation to keep us playing, exploring, and learning!

Helpers are needed to assist Jameese with the kids. Please talk to Sheila to sign up.



Blessing of the Backpacks - Sunday, September 13; 9:30 AM

On Homecoming Sunday, September 13, Pastor Kyle and Pastor Sheila will be blessing backpacks during the Worship service as we celebrate the beginning a new school year!

YOUTH GROUP & TEAMS



TEAMS/YOUTH GROUP | Grades 4-12

Begins Sunday, September 13 and meets 1:00 - 3:00 PM

Join us at our new time on 9/13 for an open house. We'll meet our leaders, tour the TEAMS Room, share more about our plans for Youth Group, enjoy snacks, fellowship and a group game. **We're excited for the fall semester and can't wait to see you!**

- TEAMS Program is for kids entering 4/5 grades
- Youth Group- middle school 6-9 and senior high 10-12



VBC ART ON DISPLAY IN NARTHEX
UNTIL 9/6

Indigenous Justice Taskforce

Thank you, everyone! The Indigenous Justice Taskforce is grateful for a wonderful summer with Valley. Now we're looking forward to an exciting fall!

This fall, the Indigenous Justice Taskforce is preparing several events related to Indigenous Peoples' Day. Please join us in celebrating Native people and cultures!

- **Special Adult Ed Presentation** Sponsored by Valley's Indigenous Justice Taskforce.
Sunday, September 20 - 11:15 am - 1:30 pm |Lunch and childcare will be provided.

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- **Saturday October 17 - Ĥaĥá Wakpádan Loopet Loppet and 1-Loop Fun Run.** The Loppet Foundation has already opened registration [here](#).
- Fall 2026 - **Fourth Annual Ĥaĥá Wakpádan Water Blessing.** Time and location TBD

The Task Force is busy planning more educational events for 2026 - 2027.
Please check back next month to learn more!

Photos from the 2025 Ĥaĥá Wakpádan Water Blessing



Clockwise from above; 133 community members gathered for the third annual Ĥaĥá Wakpádan Water Blessing 2025; Cultural advisor Jim Rock (Dakota) shares a story, community members at the water's edge. *Photos by Tj Turner (Ojibwe)*



As always, thank you to the Endowment Committee for supporting Valley's Land Acknowledgement work!

If anyone is interested in joining the VCPC Indigenous Justice Taskforce, we would love to have you!
Reach out to Jen Biggs to learn more.



- LOOKING AHEAD - FRIDAYS IN THE VALLEY 16TH SEASON

FRIDAY, October 9 | 7:00 pm

Steve Lehto & John Wright

FRIDAY, November 13 | 7:00 pm

Pavel Jany & Dean Harrington

SUNDAY, Dec. 6 | 7:00 pm

Above Average Tuba Quartet

FRIDAY, January 8 | 7:00 pm

Bernstein Chamber Players
(Sue Ruby & friends)



FREE-WILL OFFERINGS
BENEFIT
LOCAL COMMUNITY
ORGANIZATIONS

Connect with Valley Mission Partners

• Clare Housing Supper Club

- New Opportunity! Join a **4 x 4 Dinner Group with Clare Housing**. Prepare, serve, share and cleanup up after the evening meal for 4 neighbors living in one of Clare Housing's Community Care Homes.
- **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Contact Sarah Fadell, call the church office for her contact info.

• Meals on Wheels

- **Drivers are needed for the third and fourth Thursdays of each month.**
- Sign up in Fellowship Hall or contact the church office at 763-588-0831

• Beacon Light the Way Home Luncheon

- Tuesday, September 15 - 12:00 pm
- Join Beacon as part of a community of support to give generously, introduce newcomers to supportive housing, and advance our vision that all people have a home.
- Register [HERE](#) and add Carolyn Anderson as your table host.

• PRISMPalooza

- Sunday, October 3 - 11:00 AM-3:00 PM
- With live music, food trucks, games, and a special Shop for Change Fall Preview Sale, it's a vibrant, joyful event that draws hundreds of attendees. But behind the fun is a deeper mission, to support local families through some of life's toughest challenges.

Learn More about the PC(USA)



If you are interested in learning more about actions, initiatives, and resources within our denomination, follow Valley on Facebook and Instagram:

- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/VCPCGoldenValley>
- Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/vcpcgoldenvalley/>

Every Wednesday is Wider-Church Wednesday when we share out news from the broader church!

• DRIVERS NEEDED •

Meals on Wheels

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

• SEPTEMBER 17 & 24 •
• OCTOBER 15 & 22 •

ROUTES INCLUDE:

Crystal
New Hope
Robbinsdale
Golden Valley



CONTACTS:

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



VALLEY MEN'S RETREAT 2026

Clearwater Forest
Camp & Retreat Center

September
25-27

Join other Valley men for a weekend away at Clearwater Forest Camp & Retreat Center — a highlight of the year for many.

The Valley Men's Retreat is a chance to connect with the VCPC community, explore Presbyterian faith and spirituality through study and discussion, and enjoy God's creation together.

Sign-Up in Fellowship Hall

-or-

Contact the Church Office

PRISM

- COMMUNITY BLOCK PARTY -

Saturday, October 3
11:00 am - 3:00 pm

JOIN US IN CELEBRATING THE POWER OF COMMUNITY

COMMUNITY VENDORS

GAMES

FOOD

MUSIC

FALL PREVIEW SALE

-1220 Zane Ave N, Golden Valley, MN 55422-

PRISM

Valley will be hosting a booth at PRISMPalooza!

If you are interested in volunteering for an hour (or two!), talk to Sheila or email her at sheila.sheldon@valleychurch.net

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Bring a dish to share for lunch at 12 PM.



SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 24, 2026
10 AM - 2:00 PM
12:00 PM LUNCH



STEWARDSHIP 2026

KICK-OFF SUNDAY
OCTOBER 25, 2026

Join us as we enter a new Stewardship season together!



DEDICATION SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 8, 2026

Valley Community
PC(USA)

Hosted by
Valley Youth

Oct
25
4-5 PM

Trunk
or
Treat
for PRISM



A
Community
Event
with a
Cause!



Bring pantry items for PRISM and help us fill the trailer at our annual Trunk or Treat for PRISM drive.
Can't wait to see you there!

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CALENDAR

BIRTHDAYS

Frankline Nyongkah	Evonne Kirchenwitz
Lennox Mead	Liam Bonner
Alan Wold	Sevdina (Nina) Bonner
Arik Sandison	SuAnn Bygd
Aaron Craven	Mark Freeman
Arnold Schellhaas	James Decker
Pius Nti	Tom Jenson
Jeff Soltau	Mariah Messer
Hayden Gautsche	Andrew Westerlund
Claire Reinert	Helmut Winter
Pete Messer	Peter Brant
Christine Phelan	Paul Minter
Jonathan Schellhaas	Emily Steffel
Ted Arneson	Sarah Gonsior
Steve Bauer	Deborah Poynter
Katie Decker	Jennifer Biggs
Gwen Rouleau	Bellinda Nti



Join us for coffee and donuts on Sundays following Worship in Fellowship Hall.

Sunday, September 6 with communion

9:30 am Worship Service

10:30 am Fellowship Hour

Monday, September 7 - Labor Day

Office Closed

Thursday, September 10

4:00 pm-8:00 pm Presbytery Meeting

Friday, September 11

7:00 pm Fridays in the Valley

Sunday, September 13

Homecoming Sunday

9:30 am Worship Service

10:30 am Fellowship Hour

11:00 am Adult Ed - PCUSA General Assembly 2026

1:00 pm TEAMS & Youth Group Open House

Tuesday, September 15

11:30 am Valley Men's Luncheon

12:00 pm-1:00 pm Beacon Light the Way Home Luncheon

1:30 pm Bible Fellowship *The time is different just this week due to the Beacon event.

Thursday, September 17

10:00 am Meals on Wheels

Saturday, September 19

10:00 am-1:00 pm Blue Thumb Native Plant Sale

10:00 am-2:00 pm Craft & Connect

Sunday, September 20

9:30 am Worship Service

10:30 am Fellowship Hour

11:15 am Adult Ed - National Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition

1:00 pm TEAMS & Youth Group

Tuesday, September 22

1:00 pm Bible Fellowship

Thursday, September 24

10:00 am Meals on Wheels

Friday, Sept 25 - Sunday, Sept 27

Men's Retreat at Clearwater Forest

Sunday, September 27

9:30 am Worship Service

10:30 am Fellowship Hour

11:00 am Adult Ed - Minnesota Truth Council

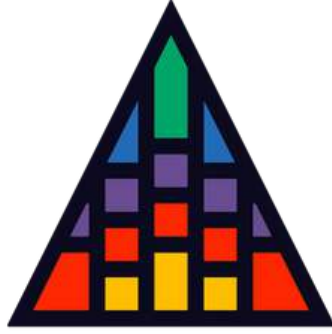
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Monday, September 28

6:30 pm Session Meeting

Tuesday, September 29

1:00 pm Bible Fellowship



Valley Community

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



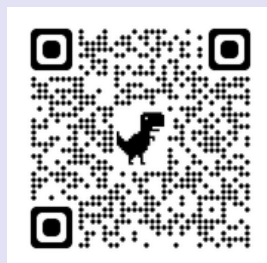
VCPC LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

As a faith congregation opening hearts, opening minds, and opening lives to God, Valley Community Presbyterian Church (VCPC) seeks to honor the important stories and lived experiences of its members and neighbors.

VCPC 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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