

WELCOME to all who enter this place. Drink deeply of the living waters of God's grace as we worship together.

Visitors: Consider yourself at home while you are here! Please pick up a Visitor's Information Packet while enjoying refreshments just for you at our Visitor's Table in Fellowship Hall after our worship service.

***Simon Clark** is a young composer, organist, pianist and piano teacher. He lives in Ipswich, Suffolk, and divides his time between composing, playing the organ, and teaching the piano. He is well-known as a composer of choral and organ music and his music is published widely throughout England and the United States. His past positions as organist include St. George's Chapel and Windsor Castle. This morning's prelude, *Fantasia*, is a short piece for organ written in an improvisational style. Being a young composer, Clark's musical language can, at times, be rather adventurous!

Rev. Mark Medina is holding office hours on Wednesday mornings from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., at the Coyote Grill at San Ignacio Golf Club. Feel free to drop in for coffee or iced tea.

Pray Like Jesus - Rediscovering the Lord's Prayer: This class continues on Thursdays, through September 7th at 10:00 a.m. in Classroom 5. Come join our discussion, led by Judy Cunyngnam, as we re-examine the content of the Lord's Prayer.

Prayer Ministry: The Prayer Ministry group meets once a week to pray for our church, community, families, friends and the needs of the world. We are looking for a few more prayer warriors to join us in the Sweet Family Room every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m.

A New Discussion Group is being organized. It will center on discussions about Christian authors and the books they've written. If you are interested in this group, please contact Ruth Morris at 648-6302 or Rev. Phillips at 625-5023.

Interim Associate Pastor Search Committee: The Session has established an Interim Associate Pastor Search Committee to seek a pastor for Pastoral Care. The committee began its earnest work last week. The members in the Search Committee are: Katie Sayre, Chairperson; Linda Jorn, Betty Kiesle-Yoder, Helen Phillips, Sara Hennigar, Hazel Kern and Rev. Mark Medina, ex-officio. Please keep them in your prayers as they seek an Interim Associate Pastor of Care.

The Church Directories have been updated and are ready for distribution. Please feel free to stop by the church office to pick one up.

Patio Sale Sort: There will be a Patio Sale Sort on Thursday, August 17th at 8:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Please come and help out while enjoying fellowship. Thank you.

Thank you to our volunteers!

Coffee Fellowship

Jeff Babcock, Barbara Dittmer

Information Center

Pat Bruner

Owl Express

Jim Rusk

Medical Team

Doug Clark

Welcome Centers

Carol Peeler, Roy Romstad

Please remember those currently or recently hospitalized:

Robert Dalrymple, Lillian Deyerberg

Flowers given by: Anonymous

Thank You Pastor Paul!

Calling All Cooks! Please submit your favorite recipes for our 40th anniversary cookbook. See the July Valley Voice for details, or pick up instruction sheets at the Welcome Centers. All recipes must be submitted by September 15th.

The Nominating Committee is seeking names of potential Ruling Elders to serve on Session and Deacons to serve on the Deacon Board beginning January 1, 2018. Please find a Nominating Form at the Welcome Center or in the Church Office. You can also download the form from our website (www.valleypresbyterian.net>News & Events) or submit it directly online from there. Your input is welcome as we look ahead to future leadership. Thank you.

Please join us for Deacon Sunday on August 20th.



Each Wednesday evening at 5 p.m., *The Source* offers a unique experience of worship in the Spiritual Life Center.

Enter the church using the door by the fountain.

Wednesday, August 16—AWAKEN!

An uplifting service with a focus on God's Word; incorporating pastor reflections, prayer, and music.



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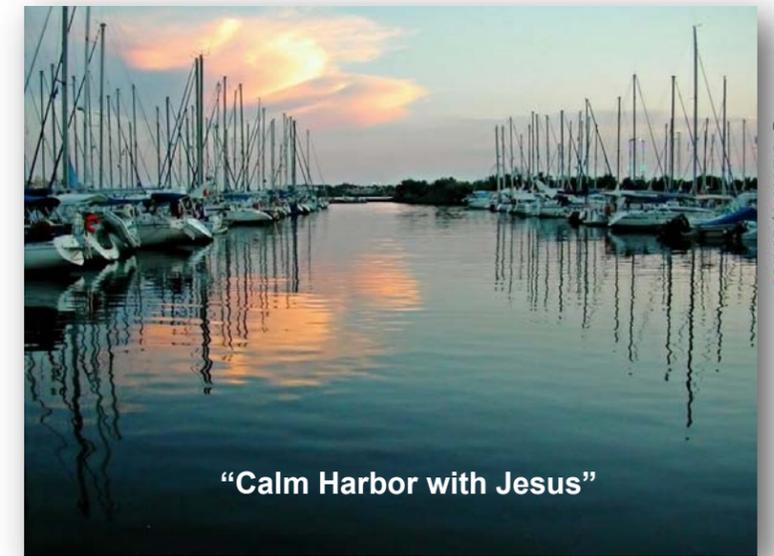
REV. PAUL PHILLIPS, *Pastor of Care*

REV. JOE HAWKINS, *Pastor Emeritus*

STEVE RODINE, *Church Administrator*

JOEL PIERCE, *Director of Music*

CHRISTINE ERICKSON, RN, *Parish Nurse*



"Calm Harbor with Jesus"

To know Christ and make him known through word and deed.

✠ All those who are able may stand.

9:30 a.m.

August 13, 2017

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Through the storms of life, O God, you are with your people in the person of Jesus your Son. Calm our fears and strengthen our faith that we may never doubt his presence among us, but proclaim that he is your Son, risen from the dead, living forever and ever. Amen.

WELCOME & NEWS OF THE CHURCH

Rev. Phillips

Please print your name in the Friendship Register provided in your pew.

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY

Elder Marie Valade

POURING OF THE WATER

L: *Jesus is the Living Water.*

P: **Praise be to God.**

PRELUDE

Fantasia

Simon Clark*

INTROIT

First Song of Isaiah

First Song

2030

**Surely, it is God who saves me;
I will trust in him and not be afraid.
For the Lord is my stronghold
and my sure defense,
and he will be my Savior.**

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP

re: Worship

Rev. Medina

L: *Here, in this place, God welcomes all the dreamers, as well as the doubters:*

P: **here the worries and wanderers can call on God by name.**

L: *Here, in this time, we can remember all the ways God has graced us:*

P: **here, in these moments, we are reminded that God is with us, always!**

L: *Here are gathered those daring enough to step out of comfort into the unknown:*

All: **here, in this faith space, we will find the courage to cry out, "God save us!" in every situation. Let us worship God.**

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Based on Matthew 14:22-33
O God, You call us to step out in faith, to place our lives in Your hands, and to wholeheartedly commit to following You. We confess that we find this difficult to do. It is not always easy to follow where You lead—to turn away from our own personal wants and desires, to let go of our safety nets and trust that You will provide for us in all things. Forgive us when we doubt You, God. Increase our faith. Open our eyes to see past our own interests and concerns, to Your broader vision for us and for our world. Hear us now, O God, as we bring our silent prayers of confession to you.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE TO ASSURANCE *Near to the Heart of God* (v.1) McAfee 527

**There is a place of quiet rest, Near to the heart of God.
 A place where sin cannot molest, Near to the heart of God.
 O Jesus, blest Redeemer, Sent from the heart of God,
 Hold us, who wait before Thee, Near to the heart of God.**

ANTHEM *The Peace of God* David Danner
 Sanctuary Choir

Take no thought for your life, take no thought for your life,
 what you eat, what you drink, what you wear.

See the birds as they fly, they do not sow or reap,
 But the hand of the Father cares for them.
 See the flowers in the field, they do not toil or spin,
 But their beauty is beyond compare.

Take no thought for your life, take no thought for your life
 But rejoice in the Lord, rejoice in the Lord, Let everyone
 know of your caring. The Lord is near.

Don't worry about anything, But with thankfulness,
 pray about everything! And the peace of God in Christ
 will dwell in your heart.

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.**

Please join the Choir in singing the Great Amen.



TIME WITH CHILDREN (June-August)

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Jim Bruner

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

1 Kings 19:9-18 (*Pew Bible p. 559*)
Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 14:22-33 (*Pew Bible p. 1520*)
Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“Calm Harbor with Jesus”

Rev. Medina

MOMENTS OF SILENT REFLECTION

✠HYMN *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind* Rest 345

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

**If you haven't already done so, please print your name in the Fellowship Register.*

OFFERTORY

Deep River/There is a Balm

arr. Bill Wolaver

✠DOXOLOGY

Old One Hundredth 592

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him,
 all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

✠PRAYER OF DEDICATION

✠HYMN *How Firm a Foundation* Foundation 361

✠BENEDICTION

✠CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Let There Be Peace on Earth*

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.
 Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.
 With God our Creator, children all are we.
 Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.
 Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now.
 With ev'ry breath I take, let this be my solemn vow,
 To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally,
 Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

✠POSTLUDE

Triumphant March

G.F. Handel

OUR WORSHIP NOW ENTERS THE WORLD!

Reception for Rev. Phillips: We need volunteers to help set up the reception for Rev. Phillips for Sunday, August 20th. Please come to Fellowship Hall on Friday, August 18th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. to help out. We also need people to bring desserts for the reception.

Technicians for Sustainability (TFS): Please join us on Tuesday, August 22nd, at 1:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary for a Solar Project Presentation. A Representative from TFS will be available to answer any questions you may have. Thank you.

Worship Aids/Sermon Notes

Sermon Title: *“Calm Harbor with Jesus”*

1 Kings 19:9-18 (NIV)

There he went into a cave and spent the night. And the word of the LORD came to him: “What are you doing here, Elijah?” He replied, “I have been very zealous for the LORD God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, broken down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too.”

The LORD said, “Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by.” Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper. When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave. Then a voice said to him, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” He replied, “I have been very zealous for the LORD God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, broken down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too.”

The LORD said to him, “Go back the way you came, and go to the Desert of Damascus. When you get there, anoint Hazael king over Aram. Also, anoint Jehu son of Nimshi king over Israel, and anoint Elisha son of Shaphat from Abel Meholah to succeed you as prophet. Jehu will put to death any who escape the sword of Hazael, and Elisha will put to death any who escape the sword of Jehu. Yet I reserve seven thousand in Israel—all whose knees have not bowed down to Baal and all whose mouths have not kissed him.”

Matthew 14: 22-33 (NIV)

Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it. During the fourth watch of the night Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. “It’s a ghost,” they said, and cried out in fear. But Jesus immediately said to them: “Take courage! It is I. Don’t be afraid.” “Lord, if it’s you,” Peter replied, “Tell me to come to you on the water.” “Come,” he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, “Lord, save me!” Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. “You of little faith,” he said, “why did you doubt?” And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”