

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 at our Welcome Centers located at our two main entrances, or at the Visitor Center in Fellowship Hall.

*Heather Sorenson (b. 1975) began her ministry in music as a pianist, but is now known as a leading choral anthem composer, and a composer of solo piano music. She has appeared multiple times at Carnegie Hall, the Lincoln Center, and Constitution Hall. Although her career takes her to big stages, her heart is in leading worship and she describes it as her greatest calling. This lead her to compose many anthems and piano solos to be used in a worship setting. Today's offertory is her exciting arrangement of the contemporary song, *How Majestic is Your Name*. Composed in 1981, the text proclaims: "O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!"

The Journey Ahead Group: A presentation on the Journey Ahead Group (JAG) will be held tomorrow, July 31st at 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary. This is the time to ask your questions about the process ahead.

Vacation: Rev. Paul Phillips will be on vacation July 31st through August 5th.

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 ice tea.

Pray Like Jesus - Rediscovering the Lord's Prayer: This new class starts Thursdays, August 3rd through September 7th at 10:00 a.m. in Classroom 5. Come join our six week discussion, led by Judy Cunnyngham, as we re-examine the content of the Lord's Prayer. Books (\$10) will be on sale at the Faith Formation Kiosk on Sundays in July.

Database Change: The office will be changing to another database effective August 31, 2017. Please make sure the office has all your up-to-date information such as address, telephone/cell numbers and e-mail addresses. If you are aware of someone who has moved or relocated, please remind them to notify the office. Thank you.

Carpet Replacement: The new carpet for the Spiritual Life Center, Robe Room, Hallway and Sweet Family Room will start on Tuesday, August 1st. It will be a three day process. We apologize for the inconvenience this may cause. Thanks again to the Foundation for the funds to do this.

VPC Art Gallery: Our art gallery features Vacation Bible School pictures taken by Joyce Lambert, Danielle Pacheco, and Bob and Georgia Puttock on different days of the week. Bible stories, music, crafts, snacks, and recreation were all about Bee a Blessing with the Bee-Attitudes in God's Garden. Friends of Madera Canyon joined us on the last day to talk about bees, butterflies, and flowers. Please stop by and look at what took place during VBS.

Thank you to our volunteers!

Coffee Fellowship

Barbara Dittmer, Steve Larson,
Cheryl & Dave Stepp

Owl Express

Dave Stepp

La Posada Service of Worship

Rudy Sweisfurth

Information Center

Lois Blacker, Bonnie Fleming

Please remember those currently or recently hospitalized:

Mabel Acri, Louise Ehinger

Noisy Offering! Thank you for your coins (and quiet bills) for the Noisy Offering today for Hands of a Friend. They have received all the money needed for the building addition! Their immediate need now is to raise funds to purchase three stacking washer/dryer sets, 10 bunk beds/mattresses, light fixtures, window coverings, etc. for the new dormitory and senior suite. Today's offering will help with these expenses in addition to the prevention materials they are developing. Thanks for your support!

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.

Plant Sale for God's Bee-utiful Garden: During Coffee Hour, the leaders of this year's Vacation Bible School program **Bee-Attitudes in God's Bee-utiful Garden**, will hold a plant sale in Fellowship Hall to help off-set costs. Please come and purchase one of our beautiful plants. The prices range from \$1.00 to \$15.00. Thank you.

The Gifts and Memorial Committee: is in need of an additional member. If you are interested, contact George Curtis at 625-2394, or leave a note at the church office.



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.

**THE SOURCE IS CANCELLED THIS WEDNESDAY,
AUGUST 2ND, DUE TO THE CARPET
BEING REPLACED!**

Thank you.



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STEVE RODINE, *Church Administrator*
JOEL PIERCE, *Director of Music*
CHRISTINE ERICKSON, RN, *Parish Nurse*



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

✠ All those who are able may stand.

9:30 a.m.

July 30, 2017

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Lord, we give you thanks. We give you praise and glory.
We give you honor. We also come humbly before you
admitting our great need for you. Not simply a partial need, Lord,
but a comprehensive, deep, constant, and daily need.

WELCOME & NEWS OF THE CHURCH

Rev. Medina

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

PRELUDE

He Giveth More Grace

Mark Hayes

INTROIT

Holy Ground

Holy Ground

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**We are standing on holy ground,
and I know that there are angels all around;
let us praise Jesus now;
we are standing in his presence on holy ground.**

✠ **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Rev. Phillips

L: Return to the Lord your God,
P: **for God is gracious.**
L: Confess to the Lord your God,
P: **for God is merciful.**
L: Repent to the Lord your God,
P: **for God is slow to anger.**
L: Praise the Lord your God.
P: **for God abounds in steadfast love.**
L: Worship the Lord your God.
P: **Together, let us worship God!**

✠ **HYMN**

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

St. Denio

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INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and merciful God, the apostle Paul proclaims peace, hope, and grace are your gifts to us. And yet there are times when grief overwhelms us, anxiety holds us captive, and suffering leaves us numb with despair. Forgive us for doubting you and wondering how this happens, even if you are at work in our lives. We long for you to show us another way, O God. Hear now our silent prayers of confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE TO ASSURANCE Change My Heart, O God 2152

Change my heart, O God, make it ever true.
Change my heart, O God, may I be like you.
You are the Potter, I am the clay.
Mold me and make me, this is what I pray.
Change my heart, O God, make it ever true.
Change my heart, O God, may I be like you.

ANTHEM Grace Alone arr. James Koerts
Sanctuary Choir

Ev'ry promise we can make, ev'ry prayer and step of faith,
ev'ry difference we will make is only by His grace.

Ev'ry mountain we will climb, ev'ry ray of hope we shine,
ev'ry blessing left behind is only by His grace.

Grace alone which God supplies, strength unknown He will
provide. Christ in us, our Cornerstone; we will go forth
in grace alone.

Ev'ry soul we long to reach, ev'ry heart we hope to teach,
ev'rywhere we share His peace is only by His grace.

Ev'ry loving word we say, ev'ry tear we wipe away,
ev'ry sorrow turned to praise is only by His grace.

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in grace alone. We will go forth in grace alone.

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 Deacon Jean Hein

SCRIPTURE READING
Hebrews 11:1-3 (Pew Bible p. 1874)
Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

SCRIPTURE READING
Romans 5:1-6, 8, (Pew Bible p. 1752)
Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON "Standing in Grace" Rev. Phillips

MOMENTS OF SILENT REFLECTION

HYMN I Danced in the Morning Simple Gifts 302

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS
If you haven't already done so, please print your name in the Fellowship Register.

OFFERTORY How Majestic is Your Name Heather Sorenson*

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 Spirit (v. 1, 2) 319

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 Trumpet Tune on: Wayne Wold
God of Grace and God of Glory

OUR WORSHIP NOW ENTERS THE WORLD!

Congregational Meeting: The Session has called for a Congregational Meeting after Worship today, for the purpose of requesting the Presbytery of de Cristo to Dissolve the Pastoral Relationship between the Rev. Paul Phillips and Valley Presbyterian Church effective September 4, 2017.

Worship Aids/Sermon Notes

Sermon Title: "Standing in Grace"

Scriptures

Hebrews 11:1-3 (NIV)

Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. This is what the ancients were commended for. By faith we understand the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.

Romans 5:1-6, 8 (NIV)

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us.

You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Notes:

Three horizontal lines for notes.

PATIO SALE DATES
Patio Sale Sorting: Thursdays at 8:00 a.m.
August 17, September 21,
October 26, December 14
Holiday Sale Set-Up: November 8-9
Holiday Sale! November 10-11