

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. New Member classes begin October 3rd. Contact Pastor Diane to register. (625-5023)

Music in the Valley: You may purchase tickets (\$10 in advance, \$15 at the door) for the first two performances of the *Music in the Valley* concert series today in Fellowship Hall after worship. The first two performances are The Radtke Sisters and The Redruth String Quartet. More information about the performances can be found at the table in Fellowship Hall or at the Information Center.

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.

Children's Sunday School: Children begin their morning in worship. After the Youth Chat, children grades 1-6 go to classroom 3 for a lesson by one of our wonderful teachers.

Presbyterian 101: Have you wondered how the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) goes about its life, worship, mission and work? A seven week class is offered starting on Monday, September 18th at 9:00 a.m., in the Spiritual Life Center. Rev. Medina and others will lead our time together.

The Inquisitors: The next class is scheduled for Friday, September 22nd at 1:30 p.m. in Classroom 1. The title of the class will be "Introduction to Judaism." For more information, please call Grant Stitt at 396-3549.

You Are Called—FOR HELP! Our Transportation Assistance Committee desperately needs more volunteers to aid our members who need transportation in our GV area for doctor appointments, to and from church, etc. Please call Pat McFarland at 625-4219 if you could occasionally transport a fellow member to help them out.

Grief Support Workshop: When we lose a loved one, we grieve. To help facilitate the grief process, VPC offers the Grief Support Workshop for five consecutive Wednesdays: October 4, 11, 18, 25 and November 1, 2017 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in Classroom 5. The facilitator is Jeannie North, BSN, MC, Bereavement counselor for 20 years. There is no charge, but participants need to pre-register with the church office (625-5023).

Presbyterian Campus Ministry (PCM) NEWS FLASH! By request of the Phantom, the date for the PCM Gaslight fundraiser "*Phantom of the Opera or A Pain in the Mask*," is Sunday, October 8th at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$30 (\$13 is tax deductible) and are available for sale today in Fellowship Hall.

Patio Sale Sort: There will be a Patio Sale sort on Thursday, September 21st at 8:00 a.m.

Thank you to our volunteers!

Coffee Fellowship

Barbara Dittmer, Marvin Clark
Bob & Fran Williams

Information Center

Pat Bruner, Donna Dufour

Owl Express

Mike Peake

Medical Team

Marvin Clark

Welcome Centers

Carol Peeler, Roy Romstad

La Posada Service of Worship

Gee-Gee Smith, Sonya Larsen

Please remember those currently or recently hospitalized:

Flowers given by: Margie McBride

My many blessings for 100 years on September 29, 2017



The Rose on the Baptismal Font Celebrates these
Witnesses to the Resurrection in Jesus Christ



Kären Williams-Jordan August 25
Kathryn Henderson September 7

Women's Ministries: Our opening Grand Gathering will be on Tuesday, Sept 19th at 11:30 a.m. Rev. Diane Christopher will be our speaker, introducing us to our new study, *Cloud of Witness*, and leading us in the first chapter study. The 2017-18 Yearbook and Kitchen Calendar, and the *Cloud of Witness* Bible study books will be available at the Women's Ministries Table in Charter Hall today. Bible study books are \$11 and the large print are \$16. You may also make reservations for the luncheon (\$11). Reservations are required as this is a catered event.

Fall Prevention Day! Join us on Friday, September 22nd, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., for an interactive day of local providers providing the latest information on healthcare, hearing specialists, vision screenings, and other health and balance screenings. You'll even receive a light lunch from our own Valley Galley chefs. Please call the office to register for lunch.

Wednesday, September 20 - Healing & Hope

A supportive service, with hymns of hope and encouragement, scripture, a short message, healing prayers and anointing of oil for those who choose it.



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REV. JOE HAWKINS, Pastor Emeritus
STEVE RODINE, Church Administrator
JOEL PIERCE, Director of Music
CHRISTINE ERICKSON, RN, Parish Nurse

SERVANT LEADERSHIP



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

✠ All those who are able may stand.

9:30 a.m. September 17, 2017

PRAYER OF PREPARATION Faith and Life

God be in my head, and in my understanding; God be in my eyes, and in my looking; God be in my mouth, and in my speaking; God be in my heart, and in my thinking; God be at my end, and at my departing. Amen.

WELCOME & NEWS OF THE CHURCH Rev. Medina
Please print your name in the Friendship Register provided in your pew.

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY Campus Ministry Fundraiser
Elder George Curtis

POURING OF THE WATER
L: Jesus is the Living Water. P: Praise be to God.

PRELUDE Pavane William Byrd

INTROIT Surely The Presence of the Lord is in This Place
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.
I can feel his mighty power and his grace.
I can hear the brush of angels' wings,
I see glory on each face;
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP Elder Charlie Ashton

L: Come let us praise the Lord! Let us sing for joy to the rock of our salvation! Let us come before God with thanksgiving and sing songs of praise.

P: For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all Gods, who rules over the whole earth, from the deepest caves to the highest hills.

L: Come, let us bow down and worship God; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

All: For this is our God, and we are the people of God's pasture, the well-tended flock. Let us offer to God our worship.

✠HYMN *Here I Am, Lord* Here I Am Lord 525

INVITATION TO CONFESSION Elder Tommy Calhoun

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Inspired by Mark 10

Oh God, we pray for forgiveness this day. For choosing power over service, forgive us. For seeking glory rather than humility, forgive us. For pushing ourselves to the front, when our presence is needed on the sidelines, forgive us. Help us know where we are needed and how best to serve you and your people. Guide us to your side, that we might be your hands of healing and compassion for a world in need. In Christ's name, we pray. O God, hear us now as we bring our silent prayers of confession to you.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: *Friends, let us proclaim the good news!*

P: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

L: *How do we respond?*

All: **We seek to follow Christ, who came to lead us into a life of servanthood. Amen.**

RESPONSE TO ASSURANCE *Hear the Good News of Salvation* Nettleton*

All the sins I have committed, to my Savior now I bring.

I bow down with tears of anguish; Christ forgives and so I sing:

Jesus Christ, how much I love you! Jesus Christ you save from sin!

How I love you! Look upon me, love me still and cleanse within.

ANTHEM 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord) arr. Heather Sorenson
Sanctuary Choir

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning, it's time to sing
Your song again. Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before
me, let me be singing when the ev'ning comes.

Refrain:

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; worship His holy name.

Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name.

You're rich in love, and You're slow to anger; Your name is
great, and Your heart is kind. For all Your goodness, I will keep on
singing ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

(Refrain)

And on that day when my strength is failing; the end draws near,
and my time has come; Still my soul will sing Your praise
unending ten thousand years, and then forevermore!

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; worship His holy name.

Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name.

I'll worship Your holy name. I'll worship Your holy name.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Elder Marcia MacDonald

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.

YOUTH CHAT (September-May) Diane Christopher

*Immediately following the message, youth in grades 1-6
will go to Classroom 3 for Sunday School.*

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Elder Don Brooks

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Numbers 11:10-17 (*Pew Bible p. 225*)

Reader: *This is the Word of the Lord.*

People: **Thanks be to God!**

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 20:20-28 (*Pew Bible p. 1530*)

Reader: *This is the Word of the Lord.*

People: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "Servant Leadership in the Church" Elder Marie Valade

MOMENTS OF SILENT REFLECTION

✠HYMN *Lord, Make Us Servants of Your Peace* Dickinson College 374

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

OFFERTORY *My Confession* Josh Groban
Peggi Briggs - soloist

✠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 Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord* Repton 419

✠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 *Postlude in D-major* Gilbert M. Martin

OUR WORSHIP NOW ENTERS THE WORLD!

*What is that word next to the title of the hymn? Well, that is the name of the tune, or musical melody we sing. Each hymn in our hymnal has a text and a tune. The text for the hymn *Hear the Good News of Salvation* is not in our hymnal, however the tune Nettleton is, and you are familiar with it! We sing the tune Nettleton when we sing the hymn *Come, Thou Fount of Ev'ry Blessing*. It can be a lot of fun mixing and matching texts and tunes, and it's a great way to gain a different perspective of a well-known and beloved hymn text.

Worship Aids/Sermon Notes

Sermon Title: *"Servant Leadership in the Church"*

Numbers 11:10-17 (NIV)

Moses heard the people of every family wailing, each at the entrance to his tent. The LORD became exceedingly angry, and Moses was troubled. He asked the LORD, "Why have you brought this trouble on your servant? What have I done to displease you that you put the burden of all these people on me? Did I conceive all these people? Did I give them birth? Why do you tell me to carry them in my arms, as a nurse carries an infant, to the land you promised on oath to their forefathers? Where can I get meat for all these people? They keep wailing to me, 'Give us meat to eat!' I cannot carry all these people by myself; the burden is too heavy for me. If this is how you are going to treat me, put me to death right now—if I have found favor in your eyes—and do not let me face my own ruin."

The LORD said to Moses: "Bring me seventy of Israel's elders who are known to you as leaders and officials among the people. Have them come to the Tent of Meeting, that they may stand there with you. I will come down and speak with you there, and I will take of the Spirit that is on you and put the Spirit on them. They will help you carry the burden of the people so that you will not have to carry it alone."

Matthew 20:20-28 (NIV)

Then the mother of Zebedee's sons came to Jesus with her sons and, kneeling down, asked a favor of him. "What is it you want?" he asked. She said, "Grant that one of these two sons of mine may sit at your right and the other at your left in your kingdom." "You don't know what you are asking," Jesus said to them. "Can you drink the cup I am going to drink?" "We can," they answered. Jesus said to them, "You will indeed drink from my cup, but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared by my Father."

When the ten heard about this, they were indignant with the two brothers. Jesus called them together and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave—just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."