



AUGUST 13, 2023

PRELUDE

Old Time Religion
Maureen Ramsay, Pianist

Arr. Teresa Wilhelmi

PASSING THE PEACE

Pastor Craig

RINGING THE BOWL, POURING OUT OF WATERS

INTROIT

Spirit of the Living God

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Spirit of the living God fall afresh on me.

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Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God fall afresh on me.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Diane

After feeding the 5,000, Jesus made the disciples get into a boat and go ahead of him to the other side. After he dismissed the crowd, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, Jesus was alone and the boat was buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it. During the fourth watch of night, Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. When the disciples saw him, they were terrified, believing it was a ghost, they cried out in fear. But Jesus immediately said to them, "Take courage, here I am, do not be afraid."

✠ OPENING HYMN

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

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CALL TO PRAYER

Peter replied to Jesus, "Lord, if it is you, tell me to come to you on the water." Jesus said, "Come." Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. But when Peter saw the wind, he was afraid and began to sink, crying out: "LORD, save me!" Immediately, Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "O you of little faith," Jesus said, "why did you doubt?"

THE UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Grant, O LORD, that we may see in you the fulfillment of all our need, turning from false satisfaction to be nurtured with the true and living sustenance given in Jesus Christ. Open our hearts to your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love, joy and peace. Left to our own we argue and compete, unable to exist on our own without you, may we be empowered to live according to your love, forgiveness and compassion.

(Silent prayer) Amen.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

When Jesus and Peter climbed into the boat, the wind subsided, and those in the boat worshipped, saying “Truly this is the Son of God.” Brothers and Sisters believe the good news: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

✠ GLORIA PATRI

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end.
Amen, Amen.

ANTHEM: *Total Praise* R. Smallwood/Arr. J. Raney

Lord, I will lift my eyes to the hills,
Knowing my help is coming from you.
Your peace you give me in time of the storm.
You are the source of my strength,
You are the strength of my life.
I lift my hands in total praise to you.
Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty.
Early in the morning my song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty.
God, in three persons, blessed Trinity.
Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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.

CHORAL AMEN

CHILDREN'S TIME

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 37: 1-4; 12-14; 18-28

Jacob lived in the land where his father had stayed, the land of Canaan.

This is the account of Jacob's family line.

Joseph, a young man of seventeen, was tending the flocks with his brothers, the sons of Bilhah and the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives, and he brought their father a bad report about them.

Now Israel loved Joseph more than any of his other sons, because he had been born to him in his old age; and he made an ornate robe for him. When his brothers saw that their father loved him more than any of them, they hated him and could not speak a kind word to him.

Now his brothers had gone to graze their father's flocks near Shechem, and Israel said to Joseph, "As you know, your brothers are grazing the flocks near Shechem. Come, I am going to send you to them."

“Very well,” he replied.

So he said to him, “Go and see if all is well with your brothers and with the flocks, and bring word back to me.” Then he sent him off from the Valley of Hebron.

But they saw him in the distance, and before he reached them, they plotted to kill him.

“Here comes that dreamer!” they said to each other. “Come now, let’s kill him and throw him into one of these cisterns and say that a ferocious animal devoured him. Then we’ll see what comes of his dreams.”

When Reuben heard this, he tried to rescue him from their hands. “Let’s not take his life,” he said. “Don’t shed any blood. Throw him into this cistern here in the wilderness, but don’t lay a hand on him.” Reuben said this to rescue him from them and take him back to his father.

So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe—the ornate robe he was wearing— and they took him and threw him into the cistern. The cistern was empty; there was no water in it.

As they sat down to eat their meal, they looked up and saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead. Their camels were loaded with spices, balm and myrrh, and they were on their way to take them down to Egypt.

Judah said to his brothers, “What will we gain if we kill our brother and cover up his blood? Come, let’s sell him to the Ishmaelites and not lay our hands on him; after all, he is our brother, our own flesh and blood.” His brothers agreed.

*** If you have a special prayer request, please fill out the blue card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. There is also a box in the Narthex you may place it in. Our Pastors and the Prayer Ministry Team will pray for your request.*

⌄ **DOXOLOGY** 606

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.

⌄ **HYMN** *Abide with Me* 836

⌄ **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

⌄ **POSTLUDE** *Prelude in Classic Style* G. Young

⌄ **All those who are able, please stand.**

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All Worship Services are available for replay on our website.

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FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY PROVIDED BY: Ron and Sherry Darrah, in memory of Sherry's parents.

**PLEASE REMEMBER THOSE RECENTLY HOSPITALIZED OR IN
REHABILITATION:**

THIS WEEK:

PARKINSON’S CHAIR EXERCISES—Meets 3 days a week, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in the Charter Hall at 9:00 a.m.

BIBLE REFLECTIONS — Monday at 1:00 p.m. They will be studying Luke 11. Previous weeks are available on our website: valleypres.net.

CARDIO DRUMMING— Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

PRAYER MINISTRY— Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. in the Sweet Family Room.

CHAIR EXERCISE CLASS—Wednesdays, at 10:00 a.m. in Charter Hall.

LINE DANCING—Wednesdays at 3:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

JESUS EATS—Thursdays, August 17th and 24th at 10:00 a.m. in classroom 1. Jesus ate a lot of meals in the Bible. Why are these stories there? Your teacher is Pastor Diane, with food provided by Anne Morrison.

FUN FRIDAYS—Friday at 1:00 p.m. in Charter Hall.


ARE YOU A REGULAR ATTENDER? If you would like to receive our newsletter electronically and daily email blasts (which contain a devotion and announcements), contact the church office: 520-625-5023.

VPC Financial - Attendance / On-Line Viewing Metrics			
Monthly Giving Support Contributions		Weekly Attendance / Viewing	
July-2023		Through Week 32 (08/06/23)	
Monthly Giving Support	\$ 61,506	Weekly Attendance Sanctuary	200
Monthly Giving Budget	45,973	* YTD 2023 Attendance Sanctuary	9,060
*YTD Giving Support	490,605	** Weekly Viewing On-Line	108
*YTD Giving Budget	504,350	** YTD 2023 Viewing On-Line	4,535
		* YTD 2023 Attendance / On-Line	13,595
		* YTD 2022 Attendance Sanctuary	7,177
<small>* YTD = Year to Date ** Number of on-line devices tuned into Sunday service</small>			
<small>S. Ginader - VPC treasurer - steveginader@gmail.com - 952-687-1879 2023 Per Capita is \$41.50 per member</small>			

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

VISITORS: Consider yourself at home while you are here! Please enjoy a cup of coffee, lemonade and a cookie while visiting the Visitor’s Table in Fellowship Hall after the church worship service. You can pick up a Visitor’s Information Packet at the Visitor’s Table or the Welcome Centers. If you would like to receive more information about us, visit us at valleypres.net where you can sign up for our daily email blasts and monthly newsletter.

Children are invited to worship in the sanctuary then attend Sunday School after Children’s Time.

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