



**January 22, 2023**

**PRELUDE**

*Lord, I Ring My Praise to Thee*  
Valley Ringers

H.F. Starks

**PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

Pastor Diane

**POURING OUT OF WATERS, PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

**RINGING THE BOWL**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Pastor Craig

Are you hungry? Come and worship.  
Are you thirsty? Come and worship.  
Are you weary, worn out and tired? Come and worship.  
Are you joyous? Come and worship.

Are you grateful? Come and worship.  
Are you full, expectant and hopeful? Come and worship.  
Let us come just as we are to worship.

✠ **OPENING HYMN**

*Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty*

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**CALL TO PRAYER**

It is in our confession where we realize our desire for God and our hope for God's mercy. It is in admitting the truth of our lives that we take the first step toward wholeness and healing. So let us make our confession.

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Gracious God, our many fears keep us distant from you and from one another. We hear Jesus inviting us to follow and become fishers of people, yet do not easily leave behind the things that seem important to our own welfare. We do not easily reach out to people whom we think are different from us. We do not easily embrace the One who does not promise material or social rewards. Have mercy upon us. Empower us by your Spirit to turn from our ways and walk with Jesus wherever he leads.**

*(Silent prayer) Amen*

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

"I am the light of the world," Jesus proclaimed. When we come to the Light in repentance, we are restored. Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel, 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:**

*A Place for Healing Grace*

H. Sorenson

There are ripples of grace as we mirror God's face  
To the ones who are scarred by sin.  
May we choose to embrace and humbly erase  
All the marks they have made within our hearts.  
Let forgiveness start.  
This is the place for healing grace.  
There are rivers of peace when to self we decrease,  
And we focus on those in need.  
Let us make this our creed: "Hungry souls we will feed,"  
As we strive to show Christ in unity.  
Help our eyes to see that through Your Son, we serve as one!

Let our beacon of Light blaze a pathway in spite  
Of the times we let You down.  
Take our flaws and mistakes, something new You'll create.  
A reminder of our call:  
To show Your oceans of loves, crashing waves from above  
To all people who thirst for more.  
Let our passion for You shine in all that we do,  
So the hope that You bring can't be ignored.  
Lives will be restored.  
This is the place for healing grace.  
Lord, may we show Your healing grace. 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**

Matthew 4: 12-23

When Jesus heard that John had been put in prison, he returned to Galilee. Leaving Nazareth, he went and lived in Capernaum, which was by the lake in the area of Zebulun and Naphtali— to fulfill what was said through the prophet Isaiah:

“Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali,  
the Way of the Sea, along the Jordan,  
Galilee of the Gentiles—  
the people living in darkness  
have seen a great light;  
on those living in the shadow of death  
a light has dawned.”

From that time on Jesus began to preach, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near”.

As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. “Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will make you fishers of men.” At once they left their nets and followed him.

Going on from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John. They were in a boat with their father Zebedee, preparing their nets. Jesus called them, and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues preaching the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness among the people.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

## “TURNING TOWARDS OR AWAY?”

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**                      The Apostles’ Creed                      35

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## ☩ HYMN

## *All to Jesus I Surrender*

All to Jesus, I surrender  
All to Thee I freely give  
I will ever love and trust You  
In Your presence daily live

Refrain:

I surrender all, I surrender all  
All to Thee, my blessed Savior  
I surrender all

All to Jesus, I surrender  
Lord, I give myself to Thee  
Fill me with Your love and power  
Let Your blessing fall on me  
Refrain

#### CALL FOR OFFERING

**OFFERTORY**            *10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)*  
Valley Ringers            M. Redman/Arr. P. Bettcher

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

*\*\* If you have a special prayer request, please fill out the blue card in front of you and place it in the offertory. Our Pastors and the Prayer Ministry Team will pray for your request. There is also a box in the Narthex you may place it in as well.*

#### ⌄ DOXOLOGY

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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 THANKSGIVING

✠ HYMN

*Jesus Calls Us*

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✠ CHARGE AND 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 as 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 step 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

*Aria*

William Lloyd Webber

✠ 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 honor of Ron's father, born this day, 1920.

**PLEASE REMEMBER THOSE HOSPITALIZED OR IN REHABILITATION:** David Luck

**THE ROSES ON THE BAPTISMAL FONT** are in memory of Neva Stegman and Bette Stevenson.

**THE GRACE OF LES MISÉRABLES**, Monday, January 23, at 10 a.m. in Classroom 5. Join Eloise Frederickson as she covers session 3, *“The Poor Are Always with You: Fantine”*.

**BIBLE REFLECTIONS—MONDAY, AT 1:00 P.M.** This week: Exodus 1

**VALLEY READERS:** Monday, January 23, at 2:00 P.M. in classroom 1.

**THE LIFE AND TIMES OF JESUS THE MESSIAH :** Tuesday January 24, at 11:00 A.M. in Classroom 5.

**YOGA IS BACK—** Tuesday, January 24 at 10:00 P.M.

**MEN’S BIBLE STUDY:** Wednesday, January 25, at 9:00 A.M. in classroom 1.

**CREATING INSPIRATIONAL CARDS FOR (YOTO):** Plan to join us on **Wednesday, January 25** from **1:00 -3:30 P.M.** in **Classroom 5** to make cards that are included with monthly stipend checks for YOTO students.

**THE BOOK: THE STORY OF GOD:** Thursday, January 26th at 1:00 P.M. This week: The book of Esther.

**KIRK’N THE TARTANS: SUNDAY, JANUARY 29:** Bring or wear your family tartans, kilt or whatever represents your family.

**JOURNEY THROUGH GRIEF:** February 2-February 27 Mondays and Thursday at 2:30 P.M. in classroom 5.

**MISSION BREAKFAST FEB 11 AT 8:30 A.M. FEATURING CASA VIDA NUEVA PARA NIÑOS (ORPHANAGE).** A breakfast and presentation on the orphanage highlighting successes and challenges will be given. The directors and some of the children will attend. For tickets and details, see Reed Olson in Fellowship Hall after church or visit the church office during the week or contact Reed: [reedolson5623@gmail.com](mailto:reedolson5623@gmail.com)

VPC Financial - Attendance / On-Line Viewing Metrics			
Monthly Giving Support Contributions		Weekly Attendance / Viewing	
December-2022		Through Week 3 (01/15/23)	
Monthly Giving Support	\$ 62,571	Weekly Attendance Sanctuary	335
Monthly Giving Budget	59,679	* YTD 2023 Attendance Sanctuary	929
*YTD Giving Support	714,324	** Weekly Viewing On-Line	147
*YTD Giving Budget	737,246	** YTD 2023 Viewing On-Line	410
		* YTD 2023 Attendance / On-Line	1,339
		* YTD 2022 Attendance Sanctuary	656
* YTD = Year to Date      ** Number of on-line devices tuned into Sunday service			
D. Brooks - VPC treasurer - <a href="mailto:dx38@cox.net">dx38@cox.net</a> - 520-399-3959      2023 Per Capita is \$41.50 per member			

**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](http://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.

We are glad you have joined us today.



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