

Welcome to all who enter this place. Drink deeply of the living waters of God's grace as we worship together. **Guests are invited to stop by our Guest Table in Fellowship Hall** to receive a small gift and pick up more information about our faith family. We welcome all who worship with us today as friends; you do not need to be a member to participate in the activities of this congregation.

**Children:** Children up through 2nd grade are invited to "The Kids Room," Room #4, during the worship service. Children 3rd grade and up remain in the worship service.

**Photo Directory:** Make your appointment for our Community Connection Directory by going to our website and clicking on the link. Volunteer to help after the worship service today.

**SNACK BAGS for the HOMELESS!** Today will be our last day collecting items to fill Snack Bags for the needy. Monetary Donations are very welcomed! We will fill the bags on Tuesday, February 11 at 10:30 am in Classroom 1. Please join us!

**Empty Bowls:** Tickets will be available to purchase today in Fellowship Hall. Tickets are \$20 in advance for seating times of 11:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., and 1:00 p.m.

**Women's Ministry Style Show** is coming up on Tuesday, February 18. We need models and gently used clothing for them. Bring garments to the Women's Ministry Table on Sundays. If you have any questions, please contact Pat Nau at 417-830-3589 or Cheryl Stepp at 805-551-3512.

**Friendship Kettle Dinner:** Sunday, February 16, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. Join us for a Chicken with Garlic Parmesan Cream Sauce dinner, then at 6:00 p.m. a program by Bob Smith, songwriter and producer with songs celebrating life under God's influence. Tickets (\$13) will be available in Fellowship Hall today.

**Crossroads Nogales Mission Breakfast:** Valley Presbyterian Church is blessed to welcome and host the Wenkes and Lopez for the Mission Breakfast on February 22. Tickets go on sale today (\$5) after the worship service.

**Patio Sale News:** The big Patio Sale will be here before you know it, so now is the time to clean out all those things you don't want or no longer need—clothing, furniture, jewelry, artwork, housewares, electronics, lamps, tools and books. We'll even pick up your larger items if you notify the church at 625-5023.

**Fat Tuesday (Mardi Gras) Supper:** Come celebrate the beginning of the Lenten Season on Fat Tuesday at a Church-wide Pancake Dinner in Fellowship Hall on February 25 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The Fellowship Committee will have a sign-up table today, and on the 16 and 23, so we can know how many will be attending. There will be no charge for the pancakes, just a free will offering. So come and enjoy fellowship and GOOD food!

**Thank you to our volunteers!**

**Coffee Fellowship**  
Marilyn & Dick Barney  
Barbara Dittmer  
**Information Center**  
Mike & Kay Brouwer  
**Medical Team**  
Marvin Clark

**Guest Table**  
Dave & Cheryl Stepp  
**Welcome Centers**  
Carol Peeler, Roy Romstad

**Flowers given by:** John Bentley  
Family

**The Way:** Our Lenten Study begins the week of Feb 24. We will offer 4 classes per week. Sign up for classes and to purchase the book (\$10) begins today in Fellowship Hall after the worship service.

**Check out our weekly classes**

**Sundays: *Forming Your Faith***

8:30 a.m. in Classroom 5

Discuss the scripture reading for the worship service that day.

***What the Heck Do I Believe***

1:00 p.m. in Classroom 5

Learn to put into words what you believe in your heart.

**Tuesdays: *Emotionally Healthy Relationships***

10:00 a.m. in Classroom 1

Discover eight practical relationship skills to develop mature and loving relationships.

***Being Mortal***

1:00 p.m. in Classroom 5

Learn and discuss how to live out the last years or months of your life.

**Wednesdays: *Turning the Gem*, 1:00 p.m. in Classroom 5**

Discover the Bible in all its surprises and layers.

**Fridays: *Early Christianity: the Experience of the Divine***

1:30 in Classroom 1



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**To make Christ known through reconciliation while communicating respect and love to all people.**

✠ All those who are able, please stand February 9, 2020

**PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

Courage is in the small things. A child's first step as awesome as an earthquake. The first time riding a bike, wallowing up the sidewalk. The first spanking, when your heart went on a journey all alone. When others called you a crybaby, or poor or fat or crazy, making you into an alien, you swallowed their acidic words, concealing the pain. Later, enduring a great despair alone, you got a transfusion from the fire of courage, picking scabs from your heart, wringing out courage like a sock. Then, powdering your sorrows, giving them a backrub, covering pain with a blanket, and after rest waking to the wings of roses, being transformed. Later, facing life's natural conclusion, your courage will be shown in little ways: each spring will be a sword you will sharpen, those you love will live in a fever of love, and we will bargain with the calendar, then when death opens the back door we will put on our carpet slippers and stride out.

**9:20 A.M. WELCOME & NEWS OF THE CHURCH** Pastor Craig  
*Please print your name in the Friendship Register provided in your pew.*

**MINUTE FOR MINISTRY**

**PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**POURING OF THE WATER**

L: Jesus is the Living Water. P: Praise be to God.

**PRELUDE** "Abide With Me" with "Two Part Invention #14"  
Bach/McKechnie

**INTROIT** *Sweet Hour of Prayer* arr. Eithun

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,  
the joys I feel, the bliss I share  
of those whose anxious spirits burn  
with strong desires for thy return!  
With such I hasten to the place where  
God my Savior shows his face,  
and gladly take my station there,  
and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.

Valley Ringers

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Pastor Diane

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are You... Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so men persecuted the prophets who were before you.

## ✦HYMN

*Seek Ye First*

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**CALL TO CONFESSION**

God spoke all these words, saying I AM the Lord your God. You shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself a graven image, or any likeness of anything in heaven or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth, you shall not bow down or worship them. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain. Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy. Honor your father and mother. You shall not kill. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house, or spouse or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Almighty God: you love us, but we have not loved you. You call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped up in our own concerns. We have gone along with evil, condoned prejudice, enabled warfare and greed. God our Father, help us face up to ourselves, that as you move toward us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, lower our defenses and receive forgiveness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Jesus said: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. A second is like it, You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

## ✦GLORIA

*Gloria Patri*

Creatorex

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***I Am No Longer My Own*

McDonald

I am no longer my own, but yours!  
Put me to what you will, rank me with whom you will;  
Put me to doing, put me to suffering.  
Let me be employed for you, laid aside for you,  
Be exalted for you, or brought low for you.  
Let me be full, let me be empty, Let me have nothing; I yield all things.  
And now glorious blessed God, Father and Son and Holy Spirit,  
You are mine and I am yours, So be it!

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER** Pastor Diane

**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.**

**CHORAL RESPONSE****CHILDRENS MOMENT****SCRIPTURE READING** Matthew 5:13-20

Reader: *This is the Word of the Lord.* People: **Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON** A Grain of Salt and a Spark of Light Pastor Craig✦AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed* 35✦HYMN *Come to Me, O Weary Traveler* 183**PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS**

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

**OFFERTORY** *On Eagle's Wings* arr. Honore Valley Ringers

## ✦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.**

## ✦PRAYER OF DEDICATION

✦HYMN *God of Grace and God of Glory* 307

## ✦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 *"CWM Rhonda"* arr: A.L. Page**OUR WORSHIP NOW ENTERS THE WORLD!****Worship Aids/Sermon Notes**

Sermon Title: A Grain of Salt and a Spark of Light

**Scripture: Matthew 5:13-20**

**<sup>13</sup>You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot. <sup>14</sup>“You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. <sup>15</sup>Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. <sup>16</sup>In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven. <sup>17</sup>Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. <sup>18</sup>For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished. <sup>19</sup>Therefore anyone who sets aside one of the least of these commands and teaches others accordingly will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever practices and teaches these commands will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup>For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.**

**VPC FINANCIAL/ATTENDANCE UPDATE**

VPC Financial / Attendance Metrics			
Church Giving Support Contributions		Church Weekly Attendance	
January-2020		Through Week # 5	
Monthly Giving Support	\$ 72,479	2020 Attendance	485
Monthly Giving Budget	\$ 76,064	2019 Attendance	440
*YTD Giving Support	\$ 72,479	*YTD 2020 Attendance	2463
*YTD Giving Budget	\$ 76,064	*YTD 2019 Attendance	2182
<small>*YTD = Year-to-Date</small>			
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