

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 at our Visitor's Table in Fellowship Hall. The next new member class begins February 5. Contact Pastor Diane for more information. (625-5023)

Music in the Valley Tickets are available in Fellowship Hall after the service this morning. The next concert will feature pianist Nino Bakradze on January 25 at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Adult Sunday School: Adult Sunday School Class meets in Classroom 5 at 8:30 a.m. before worship. Each Sunday's discussion topic will be the day's sermon scriptures.

Prayer Ministry: The Prayer Ministry group meets once a week to pray for our church, community, families, friends and the needs of the world. We are looking for a few more prayer warriors to join us in the Sweet Family Room every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m.

Empty Bowls: Tickets are available for \$20 in advance and will be sold after Sunday worship today through February 10. Join us and participate in Empty Bowls, Saturday, February 16 at Valley Presbyterian Church. Call Valley Assistance Services at 625-5966 for more information.

The Inquisitors: Last Spring, with "Living the Questions," we started examining our faiths in an environment where participants could interact with each other and fine tune our beliefs to make them more worth having and living. Join us on Fridays at 1:30, starting on January 25 in Classroom 1, to continue discussing this topic. For further information contact: Grant Stitt (396-3549 or email stitt@unr.edu).

Youth on Their Own (YOTO): Come join us as we write notes of encouragement to YOTO students. We will meet this Wednesday, January 23 at 2:00 p.m. in Classroom 5. We have brightly colored paper, inspirational sayings, markers and stickers in abundance to help us create inspiring notes to accompany YOTO monthly student stipend checks. Hope to see you there!

Peace and Justice Committee: will meet tomorrow, January 21, at 9:00 a.m. in Classroom 5.

Blood Pressure Screening is today in the Sweet Family Room after the worship service.

Mission Quilters will meet in Fellowship Hall tomorrow morning from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. A Potluck Salad Lunch will follow in Classroom 1.

Presentation on Immigration: Sponsor: Peace and Justice Committee. Please join us for a non-political presentation on Immigration by Alyson Ball, VPC choir member. Alyson is eager to provide the inquisitive public with an overview of this topic on Monday, January 28 from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. This non-political presentation explains the history of US immigration, and our current laws and procedures.

Thank you to our volunteers!

Coffee Fellowship

Barbara Dittmer,
Kathy Rusk, Jim Rusk,
Mike Yoder, Bettie Kiesle-Yoder

Information Center

Jim and Shelley Belloty

Visitor's Table

Rick and Pat Nau

Welcome Centers

Carol Peeler, Roy Romstad

La Posada Service of Worship

Gee-Gee Smith, Darlene Herrick,
Parker Long

Please remember those currently or recently hospitalized:

Charlie Ashton, Kylene Joplin

The Rose on the Baptismal Font Celebrates this Witness to the Resurrection in Jesus Christ

Mary Lou Harper December 13

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. Children who remain in the service can obtain an activity bag in the sanctuary.

Emotionally Healthy Spirituality: Begins Monday, February 4 at 1:00 p.m. in Classroom 5. Books will be available after worship today at the Faith Formation kiosk in Fellowship Hall.

Annual Reports are due no later than Thursday, January 31. All groups and committees are being asked to email their reports to Carla Goings (carla@valleypres.com). Thank you!

Movement & Exercise:

Parkinson's Support/Exercise meets Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. For more information, contact instructor Mia Cooper at 204-5264.

Chair Exercise classes are on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. There is a fee. For more information, contact instructor Mia Cooper at 204-5264.



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CHRISTINE ERICKSON, RN, *Parish Nurse*



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

☩ All those who are able, please stand January 20, 2019

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

To you, O God, we lift up our souls. To you we offer our praise and prayer, our worship and thanksgiving, even our very lives. Make your ways known to us. Show us the path on which we should walk. Lead us in your truth and teach us. For you alone are the God who saves, the God in whom we trust; and the One on whom we wait. Amen.

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

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY PNC Update Carmen Nylund

POURING OF THE WATER

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

PRELUDE "New World" Symphony A. Dvorak
Pam Coggins - English Horn

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** Larry Craft

Leader: Here we have come as people of faith.

People: To celebrate the good news of Jesus Christ.

Leader: Here we have come to follow the Prince of Peace and

People: To celebrate a life lived with compassion and forgiveness.

Leader: Here we have come to live in a hurting world and

People: To witness to a new way of living that celebrates the power of God's love.

♠HYMN *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!* 142

INVITATION TO CONFESSION Janice Potter

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, so much of life is spent saying "I can't." Lord, forgive us our shortcomings, and awaken a sense of hope in us. Redeem us from our limitations, and help us to know that all things are possible in you. (silent confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE OF THANKSGIVING *Bless the Lord*

Bless the Lord, my soul and bless God's holy name. Bless the Lord, my soul who leads me into life.

ANTHEM *I Feel the Spirit* arr. Don Besig

There's a little wheel, little wheel, little wheel a-turn-in'; there's a little wheel, little wheel, turnin' in my heart. there's a little wheel, little wheel, turnin' 'cause the Spirit of the Lord is in my heart!

I've found the Spirit, I'll never let it go. I've found the Spirit, I need to let it show. I've found the Spirit, I want the world to know that the Spirit of the Lord is in my heart!

Ev'ry time I feel the Spirit movin' in my heart, I sing with praise! Yes, ev'ry time I feel the Spirit movin' in my heart, I sing with praise!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Betty Kiesle-Yoder

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.



YOUTH CHAT (September-May) Pam Lovett

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 1:4-8 Dave Lovett

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

SERMON "Discovering God's Destiny for Your Life"

♠HYMN *Living for Jesus* (vs. 1-2) 2149

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

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

OFFERTORY *Idillio, Op. 49* Heinrich Molbe Pam Coggins - English Horn

♠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 *I Love to Tell the Story*

I love to tell the story of unseen things above Of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love I love to tell the story because I know 'tis true It satisfies my longings as nothing else can do

Chorus:

I love to tell the story 'twill be my theme in glory To tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love

I love to tell the story for those who know it best Seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest And when in scenes of glory I sing the new, new song 'Twill be the old, old story That I have loved so long

Chorus

♠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 *Lead On, O King Eternal* arr. Ellen Foncannon

OUR WORSHIP NOW ENTERS THE WORLD!

Worship Aids/Sermon Notes

Sermon Title: Discovering God's Destiny for Your Life

Scripture: Acts 1:4-8

On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

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