



THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

March 20, 2022

Neighbors Sunday

PRELUDE

When Jesus Wept
Valley Ringers

W. Billings/
Arr. L. Larson

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Pastor Craig

PASSING THE PEACE

RINGING THE BOWL

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Diane

As human beings, our job in life is to help people realize how rare and precious each one really is. Each of us has something that no

one else has, or ever will have, something inside that is unique to you for all time. God gives us the job of encouraging each other person to discover their uniqueness and to provide ways of developing the expression of that gift.

✠ **OPENING HYMN**

Go to Dark Gethsemane

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CALL TO PRAYER

Forgiveness is a strange thing. Sometimes it can be easier to forgive our enemies than our family and friends. The hardest things of all can be to forgive people we love, and to forgive ourselves. Like all of life's important coping skills, the ability to forgive and our capacity to let go of resentments most likely took root very early in our lives. Knowing we can be loved, exactly as we are, gives us all the best opportunity for growing into the healthiest of people.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Savior Jesus, you know that love is not a state of perfect caring. Love is an active word like struggle. To love someone is to strive to accept that person, exactly the way he or she is, right here and now. We have not lived mutual caring relationships. Those best relationships require kindness and patience, tolerance, optimism, joy in the other's achievements, confidence in one's self, and the ability to give without undue thought of gain. Lord, we know that The Kingdom of God is the best place for the broken hearted. We know that the only thing, the only thing, evil cannot stand is forgiveness. You have shown us that we cannot really love someone else, unless we really love ourselves also. Dear God, help us to forgive ourselves as you forgive us. Being in a state of grace, being forgiven, help us to really forgive our sisters, brothers and neighbors, as we have been forgiven.

(Silent prayer) Amen

POURING OUT THE WATERS/ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Some days, 'doing the best you can' may still fall short of what we would like to be able to do, but life is not perfect on any front, and doing the best we can with what we have is all God expects of us or anyone else. If Brothers and Sisters, believe the good news of the Gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

KYRIE

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Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Amen, Amen.

ANTHEM *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* G.M. Martin

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died, My richest gain I count but loss and pour contempt on all my pride. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the death of Christ, my God! All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood. See, from his head, his hand, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down! Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown? Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; Love, so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all!

Amen!

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

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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)

CHILDREN'S TIME

SCRIPTURE

Luke 10: 25-37

On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

"What is written in the Law?" he replied. "How do you read it?"

He answered, "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind'; and 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'"

"You have answered correctly," Jesus replied. "Do this and you will live."

But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

In reply Jesus said: "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii^[c] and gave them to

⌄ **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

⌄ **HYMN** *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded* 221

⌄ **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

⌄ **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** *No End There Is!*

No end there is!
We depart in peace.
He loves beyond our uttermost:
In every room in our father's house
Christ will be there, as Lord and Host.

⌄ **POSTLUDE** *Won't You Be My Neighbor?* F. Rogers

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

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All Worship Services are available for replay on our website:

www.valleypres.net

FLOWERS FOR THE SANCTUARY ARE PROVIDED BY: Tommy & Lee Ann
Calhoun, In memory of both their fathers

PLEASE REMEMBER THOSE HOSPITALIZED OR IN REHABILITATION:

Mike Peake

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 pick up a Visitor’s Information Packet, if you would like more information about our church, 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.

We are glad you have joined us today.

VPC Financial - Attendance / On-Line Viewing Metrics			
Monthly Giving Support Contributions		Weekly Attendance / Viewing	
February-2022		Through Week #11 (03/13/22)	
Monthly Giving Support	68702	Weekly Attendance Sanctuary	321
Monthly Giving Budget	85878	* YTD 2022 Attendance Sanctuary	2,988
*YTD Giving Support	162944	** Weekly Viewing On-Line	191
*YTD Giving Budget	185481	** YTD 2022 Viewing On-Line	2,099
		* YTD 2022 Attendance / On-Line	5,087
		* YTD 2021 Attendance Sanctuary	1,097
* YTD = Year to Date ** Number of on-line devices tuned into Sunday service			
D. Brooks - VPC treasurer - dx38@cox.net - 520-399-3959 2022 Per Capita is \$41.50 per member			

LENTEN TAIZÉ WORSHIP SERVICE, THURSDAYS AT 5:00 PM.

Spend time in meditation and song during the Lenten Taizé service, at 5:00 p.m. in the Spiritual Life Center.

HOLY SOLITUDE, MONDAYS AT 10:00 A.M.

We invite you to join us as we discuss our reading and our experiences of fasting and giving. This book may be purchased for \$12 from Pastor Diane.

UKRAINIAN REFUGEE RELIEF

Those wishing to make an additional offering to support Ukrainian refugee Relief can simply write that in the memo line of checks made out to the church, or with a notation on your giving envelope.

LINES, CURVES AND COLORS, YOUR GUIDE LINDA FREEMAN:

Mondays at 1:00pm—1:30pm. Classroom 5. This Lenten Class is for the visual in you. Listening to music and coloring an image.

SNACK BAGS FOR THE HOMELESS:

The Mission Committee will be sponsoring Snack Bags for the Homeless during Lent. We will be collecting 13 different items to fill each bag. Check out the flyer located on the Welcome Centers and visit us after worship in the Fellowship Hall.

MISSION BREAKFAST:

The Mission breakfast will be Saturday, March 26, at 8:30 am. The guest speaker will be Laura Romero, Executive Director of the St. Andrew's Children's clinic. Tickets are \$5.00 and will be available after worship in the Fellowship Hall.

MUSIC IN THE VALLEY CONCERT SERIES PRESENTS:

Sunday April 3rd at 3:00 P.M. The Tucson Boys Chorus. Director Dr. Julian Ackerley, Accompanist Elena Miraztchiyska and the Boys Chorus consist of Five Groups of singers in first grade through college. Tickets are \$20.00.

THIS WEEK

<p>Monday 21</p> <p>9:00 am Parkinson's Chair Exercises 9:00 am Mission Quilters 10:00 am Holy Solitude 1:00 pm Lines, Curves & Colors 2:30 pm Journey Through Grief 4:00 pm Ruth Circle</p>	<p>Wednesday 23</p> <p>9:00 am Men's Bible Study 9:00 am Parkinson's Chair Exercises 10:00 am Chair Exercises with Mia 1:00 pm YOTO Card Making 2:00 pm Bell Rehearsal 3:15 pm Choir Rehearsal</p>
<p>Tuesday 22</p> <p>9:00 am Cardio Drumming 9:30 am Prayer ministry 11:00 am Joyful Spirits Ensemble 4:00 pm FaithWorks-Zoom Class</p>	<p>Thursday 24</p> <p>8:30 am Session Meeting 2:30 pm Journey Through Grief 5:00 pm Lenten Taizé</p>
Friday 25	
<p>9:00 am Parkinson's Chair Exercises 9:00 am SM CE Meeting 9:00 am Stephen Ministry Training (Supervision) 21-22</p>	<p>10:00 am SM Peer Groups 9:00 am Stephen Leaders Training 7:00 pm True Concord Voice & Orchestra</p>

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