



14TH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME
September 11, 2022

PRELUDE

Elegy

G. Thalben-Ball

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Pastor Craig

POURING OUT OF WATERS

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

RINGING THE BOWL

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Diane

There is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.

✠ **OPENING HYMN**

Open My Eyes, That I May See

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CALL TO PRAYER

May I never boast of anything except the cross of Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me and I to the world.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty God, you call your church to witness that in Christ we are reconciled to you. God of mercy: Help us to forgive, as you have forgiven us. Help us to trust you, especially when hope is failing. Help us to take up our cross daily and follow you in redeeming work. Undaunted you seek the lost, exultant you bring home the found. Touch our hearts with grateful wonder at the tenderness of your forbearing love. Grant us delight in the mercy that has found us, and bring all to rejoice at the feast of forgiveness. Help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may turn to you, through Jesus Christ our Savior.
(Silent prayer) Amen**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Jesus said: I give you a new commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Brothers and Sisters believe the good news, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

✠ **GLORIA PATRI**

581

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

Be Still

M. McDonald

Be still and know that I am God.
Be still and know that I am with you.
Be still and know that I will comfort you when you come to Me
In your hour of need.

Be still and know that I am God.
Be still and know that I am here for you;
and I will wipe your tears;
you will be renewed.

Come unto Me, My child, be still,
and know that I will give you rest.
I am present in your pain
and I always will remain your Comforter and Friend.

Peace I leave with you;
My peace, I give unto you.
Peace.

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

Jeremiah 4: 24-27

I looked at the earth,
and it was formless and empty;
and at the heavens,
and their light was gone.
I looked at the mountains,
and they were quaking;
all the hills were swaying.
I looked, and there were no people;
every bird in the sky had flown away.
I looked, and the fruitful land was a desert;
all its towns lay in ruins
before the LORD, before his fierce anger.
This is what the LORD says:
“The whole land will be ruined,
though I will not destroy it completely.

Luke 15: 1-12

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Jesus. But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, “This man welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

Then Jesus told them this parable: “Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn't he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.' I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.

“Or suppose a woman has ten silver coins and loses one. Doesn’t she light a lamp, sweep the house and search carefully until she finds it? And when she finds it, she calls her friends and neighbors together and says, ‘Rejoice with me; I have found my lost coin.’ In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

Jesus continued: “There was a man who had two sons. The younger one said to his father, ‘Father, give me my share of the estate.’ So he divided his property between them.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“YOU NEED ONLY BE STILL”

✠ **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** *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound* 649

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY

The Trumpet Shall Sound
Soloist: Ron Bell

G.F. Handel

**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.

✠ **HYMN**

Be Thou My Vision

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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

Psalm 150

D. Wagner

✦ All those who are able, please stand

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FLOWERS FOR THE SANCTUARY PROVIDED BY: Ron and Sherry Darrah in honor of their 42nd Wedding Anniversary.

UPCOMING EVENTS

BIBLE REFLECTIONS—MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2022, AT 1:00 P.M.

We invite you to join Pastor Craig in a discussion of what the Bible means. Chapter by chapter each week; in-person in Classroom 5 and on Zoom.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY- Wednesday September 14, at 9:00 A.M. in classroom 1. We are beginning a new study of Paul's Second letter to the Corinthians. For more information contact Larry Phillips (520-777-8027).

FALL WRITING SERIES- Starting Monday, September 19 at 9:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M. in classroom 5. This is a 6-week course. Class is limited to 10 people. Linda Piotrowski will facilitate. To register for the class email Linda at giraffe109@gmail.com.

WOMEN’S GATHERING LUNCHEON- September 20, at 11:30 A.M. in the Fellowship Hall. Introduction to this year’s lesson *Celebrating Sabbath*. Pastor Diane Christopher will be our guest speaker leading us in our first Bible study lesson. Tickets are \$11 and available in the Fellowship Hall at the Women’s Ministries table September 11 and 18.

MOVIE MINISTRY– A RIVER RUNS THROUGH IT.

Wednesday, September 21, 2022, at 1:00 PM in the Spiritual Life Center. Your host will be Pastor Craig Lindsey.

THE BOOK: The Grand Story of God, at 1:00 P.M. Thursday, September 15. We cover the book of Exodus. This class is recorded and available on the VPC website.

VPC Financial - Attendance / On-Line Viewing Metrics			
Monthly Giving Support Contributions		Weekly Attendance / Viewing	
August-2022		Through Week 36 (09/04/2022)	
Monthly Giving Support	\$ 43,274	Weekly Attendance Sanctuary	159
Monthly Giving Budget	37,602	* YTD 2022 Attendance Sanctuary	7,805
*YTD Giving Support	485,864	** Weekly Viewing On-Line	-
*YTD Giving Budget	521,774	** YTD 2022 Viewing On-Line	6,081
		* YTD 2022 Attendance / On-Line	13,886
		* YTD 2021 Attendance Sanctuary	4,873
* YTD = Year to Date ** Number of on-line devices tuned into Sunday service			
D. Brooks - VPC treasurer - dxb38@cox.net - 520-399-3959 2022 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 [www. valleypres.net](http://www.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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