



ALL SAINTS' DAY & REFORMATION

October 31, 2021

23rd Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE: *Tocatta and Fugue in D Minor* J.S. Bach

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP Pastor Craig

PASSING THE PEACE

RINGING OF THE BOWL

POURING OUT THE WATERS Pastor Diane

CALL TO WORSHIP

After this I looked, and lo, there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes, peoples and languages, standing at the gates of heaven, before the throne, before the Lamb, all robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out with one voice, singing:

P: Salvation belongs to God, seated upon the throne and to the Lamb of God, our Christ!

✦ **OPENING HYMN** *For All the Saints*

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CALL TO PRAYER

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight of baggage and the sin that clings so closely. May we run with perseverance the race that is set before us in this time.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Spirit, who alone can probe the depth of the human heart, You hear the prayers of the humble and redeem the repentant sinner. Grant us the gift of humility, that we may see our own sins clearly and refrain from judging our neighbor. Eternal God, neither death nor life can separate us from Your love. Grant that we may serve You faithfully, and in heaven rejoice with the saints who ceaselessly proclaim Your glory. We confess that we are indifferent to Your will. You call us to proclaim Your name, but we are silent. You call us to do what is justice, but we remain idle. You call us to faithfully live as witnesses, but we are afraid. Savior, you have knit together Your elect in one communion and fellowship, as the mystic body of Christ our Lord. Grant us grace

to follow Your blessed saints, in virtuous and godly living that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for all who love You.

(Silent prayer) Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

In Christ Jesus, God was reconciling the world to Godself, not counting persons' trespasses against them, but entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Brothers and Sisters, 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

Be Still

H. Frombach, 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 your God.
Be still and know that I am here for you; and 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 will always will remain your Comforter and Friend.
Peace I leave with you; My Peace, I give unto you.

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. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME

SCRIPTURE READING

Ruth 1:1-18

In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land. So a man from Bethlehem in Judah, together with his wife and two sons, went to live for a while in the country of Moab. The man's name was Elimelech, his wife's name was Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem, Judah. And they went to Moab and lived there.

Now Elimelech, Naomi's husband, died, and she was left with her two sons. They married Moabite women, one named Orpah and the other Ruth. After they had lived there about ten years, both Mahlon and Chilion also died, and Naomi was left without her two sons and her husband.

When Naomi heard in Moab that the LORD had come to the aid of his people by providing food for them, she and her daughters-in-law prepared to return home from there. With her two daughters-in-law she left the place where she had been living and set out on the road that would take them back to the land of Judah.

Then Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, “Go back, each of you, to your mother’s home. May the LORD show kindness to you, as you have shown to your dead and to me. May the LORD grant that each of you will find rest in the home of another husband.”

Then she kissed them and they wept aloud and said to her, “We will go back with you to your people.”

But Naomi said, “Return home, my daughters. Why would you come with me? Am I going to have any more sons, who could become your husbands? Return home, my daughters; I am too old to have another husband. Even if I thought there was still hope for me—even if I had a husband tonight and then gave birth to sons— would you wait until they grew up? Would you remain unmarried for them? No, my daughters. It is more bitter for me than for you, because the LORD’s hand has gone out against me!”

At this they wept again. Then Orpah kissed her mother in law goodbye, but Ruth clung to her.

“Look,” said Naomi, “your sister-in-law is going back to her people and her gods. Go back with her.”

But Ruth replied, “Don’t urge me to leave you or to turn back from you. Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God. Where you die I will die, and there I will be buried. May the LORD deal with me, be it ever so severely, if even death separates you and me.” When Naomi realized that Ruth was determined to go with her, she stopped urging her.

SERMON SHOULD WE HAVE HOPE?

THE AFFIRMATION OF OUR SAINTS

COMMENDED TO GOD in 2020

June Broviack	Nancy Langsdale	Parker Long	Brenda Hait
Ruth Bishop	Oliver Heller	Tesh Hanson	Margaret Kuhn
Gordon Page	Charles Watt	Shirley Paschal	Donna Frisch
Milo Burnham	John Vold	Cynthia Krantz	Dorothy Barker
Jeanne Truitt	Grant Stitt	LaVicie Runkle	Charlene Campbell
Lillian Reber	Jo Hudson	Doris Cissel	Royce Lambert
Don Moses	David Nutting	Edie Allan	Jane Hillsenhoff

WE COMMEND TO GOD in 2021

Elizabeth Johnson	John Gentry	Connie Snow	Darlene Feil
Glenn Lundell	Muriel Wagner	Punky Griggs	Ruth Doeblter
Dorothy Sturz	Russell Hartley	Joan Larson	Sue Poppaw-Bowers Kathryn Gnau

‡HYMN *All Creatures of Our God and King* 15

CALL FOR OFFERING Pastor Craig

OFFERTORY *Deep River/Going Home* Anonymous/Dvorak arr. Lau

‡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

✦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

Elegy

G. Thalben-ball

✦All those who are able, please stand

All Worship Services are available for replay on our website:

www.valleypres.net

Sanctuary Flowers provided by: Dale & Jana Honermann in
memory of their grandparents

**Please remember those currently or recently hospitalized or in
rehabilitation:** Roy Romstad, Dick Barney.

The Rose on the Baptismal Font is for Kitty Gnau.

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!

We are glad you have joined us today.

VPC Financial - Attendance / On-Line Viewing Metrics			
Monthly Giving Support Contributions		Weekly Attendance / Viewing	
September-2021		Through Week #43 (10/24/21)	
Monthly Giving Support	\$ 51,888	Weekly Attendance Sanctuary	209
Monthly Giving Budget	\$ 33,913	* YTD 2021 Attendance Sanctuary	6,089
*YTD Giving Support	\$ 501,941	** Weekly Viewing On-Line	142
*YTD Giving Budget	\$ 476,357	** YTD 2021 Viewing On-Line	6,092
		* YTD 2021 Attendance / On-Line	12,181
		* YTD 2020 Attendance Sanctuary	5,486
<small>* YTD = Year to Date ** Number of on-line devices tuned into Sunday service</small>			
<small>D. Brooks - VPC treasurer - dxb38@cox.net - 520-399-3959 2021 Per Capita is \$41.50 per member</small>			

HISTORY OF CHURCH MUSIC WITH WES MOULTON -This class on the History of Music will meet Tuesday, at 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary (*note location change*). No need to register.

STEPHEN MINISTRY INFORMATION TABLE

To ask question you have wondered about and to learn things that you haven’t thought about, visit the SM table.

GOSPEL HYMN SING! - October 31st at 4:00 p.m. in the Spiritual Life Center.

SUPPER CLUSTERS! It’s time to sign up for Supper Clusters. Stop by the Supper Cluster table following worship.

TAIZE WORSHIP This Thursday Nov. 4th, at 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. We celebrate the Psalms.

PATIO BIG SALE Thursday Nov. 4th & Friday Nov. 5th at 8:00a.m. - 3:00 p.m. and Sat. Nov. 6th 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Our **FALL MISSION BREAKFAST** will be held on Saturday, November 13 at 8:30 am in Fellowship Hall. **YOUTH ON THEIR OWN** will be the featured Mission! Bethany Neuman, Director of Development and Communications will tell how YOTO supports homeless youth in the greater Tucson Metropolitan Area! Tickets (\$5) will be sold after church on October 31 and November 7! Hope to see you there!!!

ANNUAL HOLIDAY SALE...PLUS MUCH, MUCH MORE!, November 4, 5 & 6 with set-up happening Nov 1, 2 & 3 and our volunteers enjoy both sweet and savory snacks when they take time for a break. This is a great way for you to be involved with the Sale. Beginning Monday the 1st, you can bring those snacks to the church and leave them in the “Kids Room” (Break Room). Due to COVID, we are requesting snacks that can be poured out of a bag or container or individually picked up using a napkin. Suggestions include cookies, donut holes, pretzels, nuts, individual veggie or fruit packages (no dips). Thank you for supporting our hard working volunteers.

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