

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 just for you at our Visitor's Table in Fellowship Hall after our worship.

*Gerald Near is one of the finest composers of church music today. He studied theory and composition at the American Conservatory of Music in Chicago with Leo Sowerby, and he studied orchestral conducting with Gustav Meier. Does his name sound familiar to you? Gerald Near is a music director right down the road from us! He also led the Green Valley Community Chorus for many years. This morning we'll hear his chant tune arrangement of "Veni, Creator Spiritus."

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.

Rev. Mark Medina will be holding office hours this Wednesday morning from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., at Posada Java, 665 S. Park Centre Ave., at La Posada.

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.

Cookbooks: We still have some 40th Anniversary Cookbooks available. Get yours at the Women's Ministries table every Sunday after worship. \$18.00 each or 2 for \$35.00.

Changing the Conversation: Thursdays from 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in Classroom 5. Based on the book *Changing the Conversation*, this class discusses the issues facing mainline Protestant churches today.

Soul Feast: continues on Mondays at 1:00 p.m. in Classroom 5. Are you looking for food for your soul? Join Pastor Diane as we take a look at the spiritual disciplines of the Christian faith whereby "we place ourselves where God can bless us." The book *Soul Feast* can be purchased (\$13) in class.

Why Evil Exists: During the month of May, the Inquisitors will view and discuss selected lectures from one of the Great Courses, entitled, "Why Evil Exists." Specifically we will look at lectures on ideas from the Hebrew Bible, Christian Scriptures, the ideas of Irenaeus and Saint Augustine. These should be fascinating discussions. Come join us on Fridays at 1:30 p.m. in Classroom 1.

RISE Scholastic Achievement, Inc. "Come and See" how RISE is making a difference in the educational lives of abused/abandoned children in Nogales, Mexico, by taking a trip on Saturday, June 2. To sign up, see Reed Olson in Fellowship Hall after the worship service today to secure your seats or contact him directly at 269-7829.

Thank you to our volunteers!

Coffee Fellowship

Herman & Peggy Klap,
Barbara Dittmer, Carol Wilking,

Information Center

Gayle Tompkins

Medical Team

Marvin Clark

Visitors Table

Mike & Kay Brouwer

Welcome Centers

Carol Peeler

La Posada Service of Worship

Rudy Sweisfurth,

Sonya Larsen

Please remember those currently or recently hospitalized:

Brenda Hait

Flowers given by: Jim & Pat Bruner

In memory of a special mom.

Joyce Lambert

In memory of mother.

The Grapevine will be held on Tuesday, May 22 at 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary to hear about and see the new staff design for the future by Ruling Elder Tommy Calhoun and Rev. Medina.

The Valley Galley Crew would like to invite everyone to a brunch in Fellowship Hall after the service on Sunday, May 27. This is to thank everyone for their support of the Valley Galley this past year. We hope you can join us for good food and fellowship.

Montlure Camp Director Here! Kellie von Borstel is visiting us today to talk about the Travelling Day Camp she and her staff will be bringing to VPC the week of June 25 through June 29. If you are already signed up to help that week or would like to know more, please join us after worship in Classroom 1 to ask Kellie questions. Our Fund Raiser: A Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, May 26 at 8:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall, along with a Silent Art Auction and Plant Sale is coming up next Saturday. Bring any plants or items for the Art Auction to church before Friday this week. The Plant Sale and Art Auction will continue through Sunday, May 27. Registration for K-5th grade and pre-school Day Camp is available on our church website: www.valleypresbyterian.net. Cost per child is \$25. See you at breakfast next Saturday!



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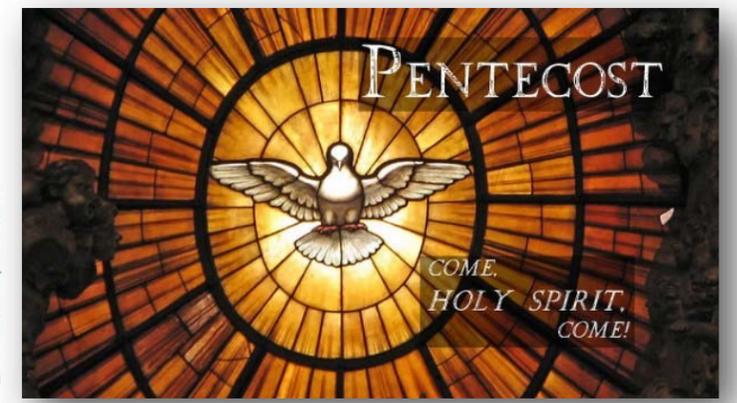
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REV. DIANE CHRISTOPHER, *Pastor of Discipleship*
REV. DR. LINDA LLOYD, *Interim Pastor of Care*

REV. JOE HAWKINS, *Pastor Emeritus*
STEVE RODINE, *Church Administrator*
JOEL PIERCE, *Director of Music*
CHRISTINE ERICKSON, RN, *Parish Nurse*



To know Christ and make him known through word and deed.

✦ All those who are able, please stand

May 20, 2018

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

re: Worship

Gentle Spirit, breathe on us your life. Strong Spirit, open our closed doors to your compassion; Universal Spirit, inspire us to sing and sigh for justice; Spirit of Jesus, teach us to walk, to work, to pray, to live, to love, your way. Awaken our dreams, expand our visions, heal us for hope, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

9:20 A.M. WELCOME & NEWS OF THE CHURCH Rev. Dr. Lloyd

Please print your name in the Friendship Register provided in your pew.

MINUTE FOR MISSION VBS

Kellie von Borstel

POURING OF THE WATER

L: *Jesus is the Living Water.*

P: **Praise be to God.**

PRELUDE

Veni, Creator Spiritus

*Gerald Near

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**

Spacious Faith

Rev. Medina

L: *Come, Holy Spirit,*

P: **The wind of God, the breath of Life.**

L: *Come, Holy Spirit,*

P: **Our Advocate, our Counselor.**

L: *Come, Holy Spirit,*

Men: **Teacher of Wisdom, Reminder of Christ.**

L: *Come, Holy Spirit,*

Women: **Granter of forgiveness, giver of peace.**

L: *Come, Holy Spirit.*

All: **May we feel God breathing through our worship. May we receive the Holy in this**

place. Let us worship God the Holy Spirit.

✠HYMN *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* Hyfrydol 376

INVITATION TO CONFESSION Rev. Christopher

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Spirit of God, you move around us and we wave you away as if you are a fly getting too close to our heads. You move among us, but we all have different ideas; different ways of doing things; and so your perfectly chilling harmonics are drowned out by our chaotic dissonance. You move within us, but sometimes we just aren't willing to risk our own reputations to embrace your radical vision. But, deep down, we know that we need to move beyond ourselves; we know that the church needs to move beyond itself. So keep moving - keep moving around us, among us, and within us and keep moving us so that we can be creators of movement in the world. O God, we now bring our silent prayers to you.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: *Gracious and merciful God, grant us your forgiveness and your love so that we may truly care for one another.*

All: **Yes, we are forgiven.**

RESPONSE TO ASSURANCE *Spirit of the Living God* 322

**Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me;
Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me.**

ANTHEM *Sweet, Sweet Spirit* arr. Stan Pethel
Sanctuary Choir

There's a sweet, sweet spirit in this place,
and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord.
There are sweet expressions on each face,
and I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

Refrain:
Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavn'ly Dove,
stay right here with us, filling us with Your love.
And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise.
Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived
when we shall leave this place.

There are blessings you cannot receive,
till you know Him in His fullness and believe.
You're the one to profit when you say,
"I am going to walk with Jesus all the way."
(refrain)

There's a sweet, sweet spirit in this place.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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.

YOUTH CHAT (September - May)

Following the message, grades 1-6 will go to Classroom 3 for Sunday School.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Ruling Elder Charlie Ashton

GOSPEL LESSON

John 15:26-27

Reader: *This is the Word of the Lord.*

People: **Thanks be to God!**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Acts 2:1-21

Reader: *This is the Word of the Lord.*

People: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON *"Many Voices of Pentecost"* Triologue

Rev. Medina, Rev. Christopher, Rev. Dr. Lloyd

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

✠AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed (Traditional) p. 14

✠HYMN *Holy Spirit, Come to Us* Veni Sancte Spiritus 2118

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

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

OFFERTORY *By the Waking of Our Hearts* Ricky Manalo
Linda Freeman - soloist

✠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 *Spirit* Manley 319

✠BENEDICTION

✠CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* Trentham
(v. 1, 3) 316

**Breathe on me, Breath of God, Fill me with life anew,
That I may love what Thou dost love,
And do what Thou wouldst do.
Breathe on me, Breath of God, Till I am wholly Thine,
Until this earthly part of me Glows with Thy fire divine.**

✠POSTLUDE *Excerpt from "Athalie"* E. Mendelssohn

OUR WORSHIP NOW ENTERS THE WORLD!

Worship Aids/Sermon Notes

Sermon Title: *"Many Voices of Pentecost"*

John 15:26-27

"When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father—the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father—he will testify about me. And you also must testify, for you have been with me from the beginning."

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from Heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans? Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"

Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine."

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: "In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke. The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

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