

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.

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. Coffee and cookies will be provided.

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.

Join the Inquisitors as we watch and discuss "The Spiritual Brain: Science and Religious Experience," one of the Great Courses. Here, award-winning scholar and practicing neuroscientist Dr. Andrew Newberg, Director of Research at the Myrna Brind Center of Integrative Medicine at Thomas, Jefferson University Hospital, presents lectures that explore the new and exciting field of neurotheology, a discipline aimed at understanding the connections between our brains and different kinds of religious phenomena. Join us for this fascinating course which begins Friday, September 20, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. in Classroom 1. It will be an exciting experience!

Women's Ministries: Our table is now open for the fall schedule. We will continue accepting school supplies for Valley Assistance Services and Youth on Their Own (YOTO). This is the last week we are accepting reservations for the Synod Triennial on October 4 and 6 in Tucson. The 2019-2020 New Bible Study Books, Refrigerator Magnet Calendars, and Women's Ministries Calendar and Directory Booklets are available today.

Medical Minute: Watch Where you Walk! Many of us may walk in the evening as the sun is going down. Keep a flashlight with you and always watch where you walk. Snakes like the heat of sidewalks and roads.

Taizé is Back! Wednesday, September 11 at 5:00 p.m. in the Spiritual Life Center. We invite you to this beautiful worship service which includes simple songs, scripture and silence in an atmosphere of candlelight.

Next Visit to Casa Vida Nueva para Niños: Sign up for the Sep 14 trip down to Nogales, MX. and witness how our children are progressing with our support. To sign up, see Reed Olson in Fellowship Hall today after worship. To secure your seats faster, contact him directly at olsonr1@cox.net or call him at #269-7829.

SHiM Event at VPC: Come and join us on Monday, September 23 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. We are having lots of speakers, tables of information, exercise demonstrations and lunch.

Thank you to our volunteers!

Coffee Fellowship
Mary & Bob Lillie
Information Center
Roxy Blair
Medical Team
Marvin Clark

Visitor's Table
Mike & Kay Brouwer
Welcome Centers
Carol Peeler, Roy Romstad
La Posada Service of Worship
Rev. John Dunham, Freda Krauss
Marti & Parker Long

Please remember those currently or recently hospitalized:
Gerry Appleton
Flowers given by: Rudy & Susie Sweisfurth
In Honor of Bunny & Rudy Sweisfurth
Pat & Don Marquette

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

Margaret "Peg" Fite August 27

Hunger Walk: We are forming a VPC team for the Hunger Walk on September 14 at 8 a.m. If you can't walk, please find someone on our team and sponsor them. Brochures will be in the office. Betty Kiesle-Yoder will be your Captain.

Week #34 (through 8/25/19)			
Church Weekly Operations Finances		Church Weekly Attendance	
Weekly Giving Income	\$4,785	2019 Attendance	210
Δ Weekly Giving Budget	\$8,025	2018 Attendance	207
*YTD Giving Income	\$477,281	*YTD 2019 Attendance	11,116
Δ*YTD Giving Budget	\$445,056	*YTD 2018 Attendance	11,480
(*) YTD: Year-to-Date			
(Δ) Based on Aug 2019 Budget Adjustment		2019 Per Capita is \$40.22 per member	



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REV. JOE HAWKINS, Pastor Emeritus



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

✦ All those who are able, please stand September 1, 2019

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Gracious and loving God, we rejoice in this day — a day you have made! Open our hearts that we might worship you with joyful abandon. Open our eyes so that we might revel in the glory of your creation. Open our mouths to sing your praises. Open our ears to hear your Word anew. Renew us and fill our entire beings with your Spirit. Amen.

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

PASSING OF THE PEACE

POURING OF THE WATER

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

PRELUDE *Holy Manna* arr. D. Laskey

INTROIT *Surely the Presence of the Lord*

**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,
surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.**

✦ **CALL TO WORSHIP** Deacon Jim Nelson

L: If you are spiritually weary and in search of rest; if you are mourning and you long for comfort; if you are struggling and you desire victory; if you recognize that you are a sinner and need a Savior—

P: God welcomes you here in the name of Christ.

L: To the stranger in need of fellowship, to those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, and to whoever will come—

P: We open wide our doors and welcome all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *Come Share This Feast of Love*
(Sung by the Choir)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE TO ASSURANCE *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

**Come, Thou Fount of every blessing,
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the Mount! I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of God's unchanging love!**

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS Colossians 3:12-17, Romans 12:13

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

SERMON *Untamed Hospitality* Pastor Diane

COMMUNION HYMN *We Come as Guests Invited* 517

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

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

OFFERTORY *Come, Share this Feast of Love*

Here is my body that's broken for you.
Come share this feast of love.
Here is the blood that I shed for you.
Come, share this feast of love.

Here is the life that I lived for you.
Come, share the feast of love.
Here is the life that I gave, I gave for you.
Share this feast of love.

Come, come, come in prayer.
Bring your pain; bring your care.
Come, come, come in prayer.
Come, my child, and share.

Here is the peace that your soul has sought.
Come, share the feast of love.
Here is the peace that my dying, dying bought.
Share this feast of love.
Come, share this feast of love.

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

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

MEANING OF THE SACRAMENT

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

L: The Lord be with you.
P: And also with you.
L: Lift up your hearts.
P: We lift them up to the Lord.
L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
L: Eternal God, it is truly right and our great joy to give you thanks and praise...As we feast at Jesus' table as members of one household, you prepare us to be your light in the world.
P: Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name. Amen.

SINGING THE LORD'S PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

BREAKING THE BREAD AND POURING THE CUP

Worshippers are invited to come forward to receive the bread and cup. Take a piece of bread and dip it into the cup. Anyone wishing to remain seated and be served may so indicate to an usher.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

✦HYMN *I'll Fly Away* 2282

✦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 *Fugue in D Minor* J. Pachelbel

OUR WORSHIP NOW ENTERS THE WORLD!

Worship Aids/Sermon Notes

Sermon Title: Untamed Hospitality

Scripture Readings:

Colossians 3:12-17

¹²Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. ¹³Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.¹⁴ And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. ¹⁵Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. ¹⁷And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Romans 12:13

¹³ Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

VPC's mission statement:

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

The principles to accomplish this are:

- Worship that glorifies God
- Growing our faith in love, hope and the peace of Christ
- Caring for the children of God
- Reaching out to the community and the world
- Seeking an attitude of servant-hood.