

**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.

**Prayer Request Cards:** Anyone who would like the Prayer Ministry to pray for someone, please pick up a blue Prayer Request Card located in the Narthex next to the office and in the pews. All cards are kept confidential.

**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 on Fridays at 1:30 p.m. in Classroom 1.

**Turning the Gem Returns:** Pastor Diane's class will look at the Bible in all its layers. The class begins on Wednesday, October 2 at 1:00 p.m. in Classroom 5.

**Creating Inspirational Cards for Youth on Their Own (YOTO):**

**Prayers Answered:** Bob Rice is healing well from his accident having been "set aside for stillness!" He and Kristi plan to visit Valley Presbyterian Church for our Mission Breakfast on Saturday, November 2 at 8:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. They will present an inspiring picture of God ministry in South Sudan. This will be followed by an exciting message from our pulpit on Sunday, November 3 at 9:30 a.m.

**Noisy Offering:** The Mission Committee has designated the Noisy Offering today for Presbyterian Campus Ministry (PCM) at the University of Arizona.

**Taizé Worship** is this Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. in the Spiritual Life Center. Worship in an atmosphere of candles, quietness and beautiful music.

**Thank you to our volunteers!**

**Coffee Fellowship**

Bill & Nancy Sproul

**Information Center**

Kay & Mike Brouwer

**Medical Team**

Doug Clark

**Visitors Table**

Mark & Sue Horton

**Welcome Centers**

Carol Peeler, Roy Romstad

**La Posada Service of Worship**

Helen Phillips, Harvey Gile

Parker Long

**Please remember those currently or recently hospitalized:**

Doris Simmons Cissel

**Flowers given by:** Billie Youngblut

**In Memory of a Good Life with Stan**

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

Carol Blumer

August 9



**Music in the Valley Season Ticket**

October - Danny Gurwin & UA Music Theatre

November - UA's Symphonic Choir

December - Festival of Keys

January - UA Piano Trio

February - The Sanctuary Choir

March - UA Jazz

April - Caleb Collins - Gospel and Jazz

[www.valleypresbyterian.net/music-in-the-valley](http://www.valleypresbyterian.net/music-in-the-valley)

**Tickets are on sale today after the worship service in Fellowship Hall.**

**The cost is \$60 for season tickets or \$15 for individual concerts.**



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**We are a Stephen Ministry Church**



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CHRISTINE ERICKSON, RN, *Parish Nurse*  
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WES MOULTON, *Organist/Accompanist*  
REV. JOE HAWKINS, *Pastor Emeritus*



**RECONCILIATION:**

*Putting It All Together!*

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

♦All those who are able, please stand **September 29, 2019**

Creator and Ruler of the Earth, continue to form us into Your new creation, that we might welcome You to more fully become the ruler of our hearts and minds.

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

**NOISY OFFERING**

**POURING OF THE WATER**  
*Jesus is the Living Water. Praise be to God.*

**PRELUDE** *Nimrod* E. Elgar

**INTROIT** *In Christ There Is No East or West*

**In Christ there is no east or west,  
In Him no south or north;  
But one great fellowship of love  
Throughout the whole wide earth.**

♦**CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Some boast of their motor cars, and some of their mansions,  
but we boast of the name of the Lord of hosts!

**P: Should all else collapse in a heap, we shall stand up tall.**

L: Do not be impressed by the outward appearance of a person,  
for God does not see like we do, but looks into the heart.

**P: If anyone travels with Christ, there is a new creation, old things are obsolete, all things become new.**

L: Let us worship this God who looks into the human heart and  
through Christ Jesus who makes all things new.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy and gracious God, in Christ all things are made new, including us. Yet, we confess that the "old self" often has more sway than the "new self" your life offers. We want it to be otherwise, Lord! We want to live fully in the joy of your salvation. Through your forgiving love reconcile us to you and to one another, that we may trust in your goodness, and rest in your grace. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE TO THANKSGIVING *How Great Thou Art*

And when I think of God, His Son not sparing,  
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;  
That on the Cross, my burden gladly bearing,  
He bled and died to take away my sin;  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,  
How great thou art, how great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art.

ANTHEM *Passacaglia of Praise* Courtney  
Sanctuary Choir, Pan Coggins - oboe

I will praise Thee, O my Savior, I will magnify Thy name;  
Yea, my heart and tongue rejoicing, Thy salvation shall proclaim.  
I will praise Thee, O my Savior, And Thy wondrous love recall;  
Thou hast covered my transgressions By Thy off'ring once for all.  
For Thy gift by faith that saves me, Precious gift of grace so free,  
Shall my soul pour out a grateful song to Thee.  
Thou hast covered my transgressions With Thy righteousness divine.  
Through Thy mercy I was pardoned, Cleansed, and made a child of Thine.  
I will praise Thee, O my Savior, Till my mortal pow'rs shall fail;  
Then in nobler strains I'll praise Thee When I anchor in the vale,  
For Thy gift by faith that saves me, Precious gift of grace so free,  
Shall my soul pour out a grateful song to Thee.

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.

CHORAL AMEN

SCRIPTURE READINGS Colossians 3:12-17, 2 Corinthians 5:16-19  
Esther Grimsley

*This is the Word of the Lord.* Thanks be to God

SERMON Reconciliation: Putting It All Together Pastor Diane

◆AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed p. 14

◆HYMN *All Those Who Live in Christ Jesus* Carolyn Winfrey Gillette  
(to the tune of "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty")

All those who live in Christ Jesus are God's new creation;  
This is from God who has given the gift of salvation.  
We are God's own — pardoned, made whole and brought home;  
Join in the great celebration!

This is the good news that we in the church have been given:  
Everything old has made way for God's new gift from heaven.  
Life is restored! We are made new in the Lord!  
We have been freed and forgiven.

Therefore, in Christ, we are changed in the way we view others;  
No longer strangers, in church we are sisters and brothers;  
Dead to our sin, we're bound together in him  
Now that we've passed through the waters.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

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

OFFERTORY *In the Garden* Hayes/Gaspard

◆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 *Grace Alone* 2162

◆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 *Recessional in G* A. Fedak

OUR WORSHIP NOW ENTERS THE WORLD!

*Worship Aids/Sermon Notes*

Sermon Title: Reconciliation: Putting It All Together  
Scriptures:

**Colossians 3:12-17**

<sup>12</sup>Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. <sup>13</sup>Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. <sup>14</sup>And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. <sup>15</sup>Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. <sup>16</sup>Let 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. <sup>17</sup>And 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.

**2 Corinthians 5:16-19**

<sup>16</sup>So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. <sup>17</sup>Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come:  The old has gone, the new is here! <sup>18</sup>All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: <sup>19</sup>that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation.

**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.

**VPC FINANCIAL/ATTENDANCE UPDATE**

Week #38 (through 9/22/19)			
Church Weekly Operations Finances		Church Weekly Attendance	
Weekly Giving Income	\$9,325	2019 Attendance	235
Δ Weekly Giving Budget	\$8,025	2018 Attendance	207
*YTD Giving Income	\$519,761	*YTD 2019 Attendance	12,079
Δ*YTD Giving Budget	\$477,001	*YTD 2018 Attendance	12,304
(*) YTD: Year-to-Date			
(Δ) Based on Aug 2019 Budget Adjustment		2019 Per Capita is \$40.22 per member	