

SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Worship and Sunday School at 9:30 AM

Office Hours: Monday through Thursday, 9:00 AM to 12:00 NOON

VISION STATEMENT

**We are a multi-generational Christ community
seeking to sing God's spirit into the world
by inviting all, serving all, loving all.**

March 10, 2019
1st Sunday in Lent

GATHERING TOGETHER IN THE SPIRIT

THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

WELCOME

SUNDAY SCHOOL QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Try to be a rainbow in someone's cloud!

Abigail Summerville

PRELUDE

Peace to My Soul

Barnett

OPENING PRAYER

All: O God, we are gathered here under the shelter of your wings, nurtured by your motherly love, and encouraged, then, to fly by faith on the wind of your spirit. You have spoken to us, saying "They that wait upon the Lord, shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings as eagles." Teach us how to wait, then, that we may learn how to fly. May this nest we call "family" be built with sturdy materials. Don't let us forget, though, that this nest was not created as a fortress behind which to hide, but as a perch from which to take off. And strengthen us with the assurance that we do not fly alone. This we pray, in Jesus' name. Amen.

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*SINGING

I Surrender All

No. 354

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES TO GOD

PRESENTING OUR OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY

No. 94

All: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts. Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**All who are able, please stand.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All: Lord, this money is not payment for services rendered. These aren't our dues necessary for us to belong to this church. We know you made us with a purpose, and so now we give ... on purpose, freely offering to you the best of who we are. Continue to work out your purpose in us. Make us your hands, outstretched, on purpose. Amen.

PREPARING TO PRAY

Prayer Is the Soul's Sincere Desire

No. 492, v. 1 & 2

All: Prayer is the soul's sincere desire unuttered or expressed, the motion of a hidden fire that trembles in the breast.

Prayer is the burden of a sigh, the falling of a tear, the upward glancing of an eye, when none but God is near.

(Tune of Amazing Grace)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass 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.

CHOIR RESPONSE

Amazing Abundance

Zelman/Miller

OPENING OUR HEARTS AND MINDS

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 9:43-48

The Message

MESSAGE

It's a Pinterest World

Katherine Mitchell

*SINGING

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

FWS No. 2153

*During the hymn communion will be offered by intinction to all those who wish to participate.
Please follow the Worship Team leaders.*

* THE LIGHT OF CHRIST GOES INTO THE WORLD

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

Rise Up and Serve the Lord

Harris/Walter

The flowers on the altar are from Al Albrektson in loving memory of his wife Evelyn.

Perfect Your Love In Me

God help me to see myself truly with your eyes of love.

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Let me see all in me that is of love, and give thanks.

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Let me see all in me that is not of love, and allow you to heal it.

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I trust your complete forgiveness, your perfect grace.

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God of love, perfect your love in me.

Amen.

Steve Garnaas-Holmes, *Unfolding Light*, www.unfoldinglight.net

CONTACTING PASTOR KATHERINE: Is there something that Pastor Katherine needs to know? Please write it down in *Pastor Katherine's Reminder Book* on the credenza in the hallway so that it will not get forgotten in the rush and confusion of Sunday morning!

Pastor Katherine can always be reached by e-mail (pastorkatherinem@gmail.com) or on her cell phone (401.683.8445).