

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.**

May 19, 2019
5th Sunday of Easter

GATHERING TOGETHER IN THE SPIRIT

THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

WELCOME

SUNDAY SCHOOL QUOTE OF THE WEEK

PRELUDE

Savior, Lead Us

Bradbury/Hughes

OPENING PRAYER

All: Thank you, God, for the ability to sing out our faith. Of course, some of us are better singers than others. Accept our praise, from each and every tongue united in Jesus Christ. We know that all our voices together cannot even begin to convey the wonder and glory and majesty of who you are. Strangely enough, though, you make our song complete. To your gracious ears, the praise of a few is as great as the best chorus and symphony. We still find this hard to believe. You put a new song in our mouths. You set us free to sing! Thank you God. Receive the praise of these joy-filled hearts, in Jesus name. Amen.

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*SINGING

Hymn of Promise

No. 707

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

El Shaddai

No. 123, Sing twice

All: El Shaddai, El Shaddai, El Elyon na Adonai; age to age you're still the same by the power of the name. El Shaddai, El Shaddai, Erkahmka na Adonai; we will praise and lift you high, El Shaddai.

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

Gentle Shepherd

Gaither

OPENING OUR HEARTS AND MINDS

SCRIPTURE READING

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

OT Pg. 616

HYMN SING

*SINGING

Pass It On

No. 572

* THE LIGHT OF CHRIST GOES INTO THE WORLD

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

Austrian Hymn

Haydn/Carrier

Sing

Music of Life, sing in me.

Heavenly rhythm, dance in my heartbeat. Beautiful voice of the universe, sing in my breathing.

Every moment I listen for your love song, I move to it, I live in harmony with it.

I am a note in your music. Your whole symphony is in me.

In the dark places where singing is not heard I will sing.

Music of life, God in me,

sing.

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).