

# 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.**

June 9, 2019

Pentecost

**GATHERING TOGETHER IN THE SPIRIT**

THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

WELCOME

PRELUDE

*According to Thy Gracious Word*

Montgomery

OPENING PRAYER

**All:** O God of the still, small voice quiet our inner spirit. Help us to focus upon you, and you alone, to hear your voice within. There are so many other voices demanding our attention. But we cannot attend to them without you.... "Be still and know that I am God," you say to us as you said to Elijah.... May your voice speak through us. In weakness, be our strength. In poverty, be our wealth. In depression, be our joy. In apathy, be our love. We cannot sing Love's song, O Lord, unless it be your voice singing in us. Take this heart, and with this mouth make your praise and thanksgiving a reality here and now. Because of, and in the name of our Messiah, Jesus. Amen.

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\*SINGING

*Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness*

FWS No. 2120

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!**

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**

*\*All who are able, please stand.*

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

*Holy Spirit, Truth Divine*

No. 465, v. 1 & 2

**All: Holy Spirit, Truth divine, dawn upon this soul of mine; Word of God and inward light, wake my spirit, clear my sight.**

**Holy Spirit, Love divine, glow within this heart of mine; kindle every high desire; perish self in thy pure fire.**

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

*Come and Find the Quiet Center*

Murray/White/Nelson

### OPENING OUR HEARTS AND MINDS

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 2:1-21

NT. Pg. 119

MESSAGE

Holy Spirit Weird

Katherine Mitchell

\*SINGING

*Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

No. 420

*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

*Go Forth in Triumph*

Ritter

**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](mailto:pastorkatherinem@gmail.com)) or on her cell phone (401.683.8445).

## *Spoken to*

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Walking by the sea  
you listen to the language of the waves,  
you wish you knew what they were saying,  
their foreign tongue,  
sonorous, untranslated,  
the sibilants so smoothly pronounced,  
their vowels so nuanced,  
priestly chants, blessings, perhaps,  
and for you, for you.

Standing still in woods,  
the wind in trees is a different dialect,  
the accents in other places,  
but prayers, you are sure,  
of the same liturgy,  
you want to pray the prayer.

Birdsong, unexpected, on a city street,  
desert quiet, deep as sleep,  
the tick of a patient clock,  
the beat of your heart,  
a voice without language  
in the swaying of subway riders,  
beloved, and what they mean,  
voice without words that comes  
and goes like prayer, like dreams.  
The voice in the pure song of silence.

Sometimes, as with a kiss,  
you needn't know the words,  
only that you are being spoken to.