

January 28, 2024

10:30 AM

THE VILLAGE COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# **Approaching God in Praise and Prayer**

+All who are able may stand

As you enter this holy space and sacred time, please quiet your mind, meditate on the Scriptures. and pray for the Holy Spirit to prepare you to worship the Living God.

Cesar Franck Suzanne Shick, organ

The Rev. Janice Y. Cook

Psalm 145:1-5, 8, 9

Leader: I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name for ever and ever.

# People: Every day I will bless you and praise your name for ever and ever. Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable.

Leader: One generation shall laud your works to another and shall declare your mighty acts

People: On the glorious splendor of your majesty, and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Leader:

All: The Lord is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made.

+ HYMN 41 **O** Worship the King, All Glorious Above (v. 1, 3, 4, 5) LYONS

### + PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God who occupies our thoughts and disturbs our dreams, who moves us to cry out on behalf of others, forgive us. Forgive us when we judge the worth of others by their circumstances. Forgive us when we feel superior to those who are poor and in need. We are impoverished in compassion and grace and so we are the poorest of all! Help us to see, serving Lord, that we are all your children, equally loved, equally valued. Humble us, O God, that we would bow our heads and praise your holy name our whole life long! Amen.

## + MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION

### + ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

+ RESPONSE: HYMN 581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

### + PASSING THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

### People: And also with you.

At this time, children 5th grade and younger may meet their Sunday School leaders at the back of Sanctuary. Youth 6th grade and older will gather in the Youth Room.

### VILLAGE LIFE

## **Gloria** Patri

GREATOREX

The Rev. Dr. Jack W. Baca

Cantabile

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

# **Offering Ourselves to God**

#### OFFERTORY

I Will Lift Mine Eyes Unto the Hills

Cathy and David Moklebust Village Ringers Elly Roseberry, soloist Phyllis Graham, director

#### + RESPONSE: HYMN 606 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDRETH

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.

#### 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

## **Receiving God's Word** ANTHEM What Does the Lord Require? Stephen Sturk Chancel Choir Calieanne Grossheim, soprano Juan Carlos Acosta, director THE WORD READ Micah 6:1-8 (pg. NT 1094) Margot Wallace, lay reader Leader: The word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God. "Pillars of Life: Humility" THE WORD PROCLAIMED The Rev. Janice Y. Cook **Responding to God's Word**

#### + AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross.

Philippians 2:1-8

### + CHORAL BENEDICTION

A Blessing to Service

Joseph Martin

POSTLUDE

Trumpet Voluntary

John Stanley arr. Diane Bish

The Deacon of the Day, Brenda Meredith, can be found at the Welcome Table on the patio.



This service is being livestreamed.

### The Village Church Pastoral & Program Staff

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#### I Lift Mine Eyes Unto the Hills

I lift mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh, cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth, he will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber. Behold he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is thy keeper: The Lord is thy shade: The sun shall not smite by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: He shall preserve thy soul, preserve thy soul. The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth and even for evermore.

#### What Does the Lord Require?

He has told you, O mortal, what is good; And what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

My heart is steadfast, O God, my heart is steadfast: I will sing and make melody. Awake, my soul! Awake, O harp and lyre! I will awake the dawn. I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples, and I will sing praises to you among the nations.

For your steadfast love is higher than the heavens, and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds. Be exalted, O God, above the heavens, and let your glory be over all the earth.

#### **A Blessing to Service**

May the Lord bless and keep you. May the Lord make His face shine upon you. May the Lord be gracious unto you. May God give you grace to dance through your tears. May God give you grace to sing through every storm.

> May God grant you grace to remember that with hope, all things are possible, with faith your dreams can soar; With love, you touch the heart of God.

Now may God take your minds and think through them. May God take your lips and speak through them. May God take your hands and work through them, May God take your hearts and set them on fire. Amen!

# **SERMON NOTES**

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"Pillars of Life: Humility" The Rev. Janice Y. Cook

Micah 6:1-8