



# Village Church

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FOLLOWING JESUS FOR LIFE

**THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT**

**March 3, 2024**

**10:30 AM**

THE VILLAGE COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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# Approaching God in Praise and Prayer

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+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.*

## PRELUDE

*Arioso*

J.S. Bach  
arr. Diane Bish  
Suzanne Shick, organ

## WELCOME

The Rev. Dr. Jack W. Baca

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 16:7-11

Leader: I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.

**People: I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.**

Leader: Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure.

**People: For you do not give me up to Sheol, or let your faithful one see the Pit.**

**All: You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy;  
in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.**

## + HYMN 260

**Alleluia! Sing to Jesus** (vv. 1, 2, 4)

HYFRYDOL

## + PRAYER OF CONFESSION

The Rev. Janice Y. Cook

Holy God, giver of light and grace, we have sinned against you and against our fellow men and women, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We have belittled your love, and betrayed your trust. We are sorry and ashamed, and we repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past, and lead us out from darkness to walk as children of light. Amen.

## + MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION

## + ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

## + RESPONSE: HYMN 223

**When I Survey the Wondrous Cross** (vv. 1 & 2)

HAMBURG

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,  
my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God;  
all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

## + 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

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## Offering Ourselves to God

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### OFFERTORY

*O Rest in the Lord (from Elijah)*

Felix Mendelssohn  
Elly Roseberry, mezzo-soprano

### + RESPONSE: HYMN 223

**When I Survey the Wondrous Cross** (vv. 3 & 4)

HAMBURG

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down;  
did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;  
love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

### 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.

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## Receiving God's Word

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### ANTHEM

*Abide with Me*

arr. B. Wayne Bisbee  
Chancel Choir  
Juan Carlos Acosta, director

### THE WORD READ

John 15:1-11 (NT pg. 145)

Elder Francie Murphy, lay reader

Leader: The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### THE WORD PROCLAIMED

“The Savior's Love: Living in Us”

The Rev. Dr. Jack W. Baca

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## Responding to God's Word

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### THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*We are the body of Christ and individually members of it.*

*We share one bread and one cup in remembrance of the body and blood of Jesus that was given for us.*

Invitation

Words of Institution

Bread & Cup

Thanksgiving

*Our communion bread is gluten free, and grape juice is in the cup.*

### COMMUNION MUSIC

*Bist Du Bei Mir (Be Thou With Me)*

J. S. Bach  
arr. David Drinkwater

*All Through the Night*

arr. Diane Bish

+ BENEDICTION

+ CHORAL BENEDICTION

*The Lord Bless You and Keep You*

Peter C. Lutkin

POSTLUDE

*If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee*

J. S. Bach



The Deacon of the Day, Kathy Collins, can be found at the Welcome Table on the patio.

*This service is being livestreamed.*

**The Village Church Pastoral & Program Staff**

The Rev. Dr. Jack W. Baca, Senior Pastor

The Rev. Janice Y. Cook, Interim Associate Pastor

Mary Thibodeau, Executive Administrator

Juan Carlos Acosta, Director of Worship Ministry

Adrian Narlock, Director of Media Ministry

Twyla Arant, Worship Coordinator

Christine Hecker, Director of Youth Ministry

Barbara Haran, Contemporary Worship Team Leader

Michelle Yuen, Director of Children's Ministry

Phyllis Graham, Bell Choir Director

Nancy Betts, Director of Preschool Ministry

Calianne Grossheim, Children's Choir Director

Gretchen Scruggs, Director of Missions Ministry

Suzanne Shick, Organist

Gustavo Coria, Facilities Manager



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WITH CHANCEL FLOWERS

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### **Abide with Me**

Abide with me: fast falls the eventide;  
the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

I need thy presence every passing hour.  
What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power?  
Who like thyself my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.

I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless,  
ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.  
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes;  
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies;  
Heav'n's morning breaks and earth's vain shadows flee;  
in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

### **O Rest in the Lord (from Elijah)**

O rest in the Lord, wait patiently for Him,  
and He shall give thee thy heart's desires;

Commit thy way to Him, and trust in Him;  
and fret not thyself because of evil doers.

O rest in the Lord, wait patiently for Him,  
and He shall give thee thy heart's desires.

O rest in the Lord, O rest in the Lord,  
and wait, wait patiently for Him.

### **The Lord Bless You and Keep You**

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord lift his countenance upon you,  
and give you peace,  
and give you peace.  
The Lord make his face to shine upon you,  
and be gracious unto you, be gracious;  
the Lord be gracious, gracious unto you.

Amen.

