



Village Church

FOLLOWING JESUS FOR LIFE

September 29, 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.*

PRELUDE

Autumn

Cécile Chaminade
Suzanne Shick, organ

WELCOME

The Rev. Dr. Jack W. Baca

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 37:1-6, 27-28

Leader: Do not fret because of the wicked; do not be envious of wrongdoers, for they will soon fade like the grass, and wither like the green herb.

People: Trust in the Lord, and do good; so you will live in the land, and enjoy security. Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart.

Leader: Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him, and he will act. He will make your vindication shine like the light, and the justice of your cause like the noonday.

People: Depart from evil, and do good; so you shall abide forever. For the Lord loves justice; he will not forsake his faithful ones.

Leader: Let us worship God!

+ HYMN 35

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

+ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

The Rev. Janice Y. Cook

Merciful God, you made us in your image with a mind to know you, a heart to love you, and a will to serve you. But our knowledge is imperfect, our love inconstant, our obedience incomplete. Day by day we fail to grow into your likeness; yet you are slow to be angry with your children. For the sake of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior, do not hold our sins against us, but in your tender love, forgive. And then, fill us with your Spirit, that we may follow you into abundant life. Amen.

+ MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION

+ ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

+ RESPONSE

Gloria Patri

GREATOREX

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,

+ PASSING THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

As the congregation shares personal greetings, children 5th grade and younger will meet their Sunday School leaders at the back of Sanctuary. Youth 6th grade and older will gather in the Youth Room.

VILLAGE LIFE

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Elder Michael Dyer, assisting

Leighton Jane Frye,
daughter of Dan and Akasha Frye

Offering Ourselves to God

OFFERTORY

Near to the Heart of God

Lloyd Larson
Village Ringers
Phyllis Graham, director

+ RESPONSE: HYMN 37

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

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

Cornerstone

Shawn Kirchner
Chancel Choir
Cole Tornberg, tenor
Emily Weinberg, mezzo-soprano
Sophia Perez, soprano
Juan Carlos Acosta, director

THE WORD READ

Psalms 127:1-2 (OT, pg. 723)

Twyla Arant, lay reader

Hebrews 3:1-6 (NT, pg. 291)

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

“At Home in the Heart of God:
Trust the Architect”

The Rev. Dr. Jack W. Baca

Responding to God's Word

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Adapted from Ephesians 1:3-4, 8-10

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. For by grace we have been saved through faith, and this is not our own doing; it is the gift of God. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

BENEDICTION

+ **CHORAL BENEDICTION**

Go Now in Peace

Don Besig

POSTLUDE

Built on a Rock

Edward Broughton



The flowers in worship today are from this weekend's memorial services celebrating the lives of Doris Kendall and Jim See.

The Deacon of the Day, Jennifer Berg-Wallish, can be found at the Welcome Table after service. If you desire prayer, prayer ministers are available after worship. Please inquire at the Welcome Table.

As is our tradition, the offering today - a 5th Sunday - will benefit the Deacons Benevolence Fund.

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

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Calieanne Grossheim, Asst. Director of Worship Ministry

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Barbara Haran, Contemporary Worship Team Leader

Nancy Betts, Director of Preschool Ministry

Phyllis Graham, Bell Choir Director

Gretchen Scruggs, Director of Missions Ministry

Suzanne Shick, Organist

Gustavo Coria, Facilities Manager



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BIBLE OR HYMNAL
DEDICATION**

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O the stone that the builders rejected
became the cornerstone of a whole new world.

A grain of wheat may be knocked to the ground
And suffer through the winter's cold
Only to rise right up again
And bear its seed a thousandfold.

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became the cornerstone of a whole new world.

Never shall our journey fail;
A little child shall lead the way
Whose eyes are filled with a shining light,
To whom the night is bright as day.

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became the cornerstone of a whole new world.

The love that rolls the stone away
Gives us life that we may sing
"Grave, where is thy victory?
Death, o death, where is thy sting?"

O the stone that the builders rejected
became the cornerstone of a whole new world.

Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.