

October 20, 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

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

In a French Cathedral

Stefan Olesten Suzanne Shick, organ

The Rev. Janice Y. Cook

Psalm 66:1-9

ITALIAN HYMN

People: Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! Because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you. Leader: All the earth bows down before you, sings to you, sings out your Name. People: Come now and see the works of God, how wonderful he is in his doing toward all people. He turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot, and there we rejoiced in him. Leader: In his might he rules forever; his eyes keep watch over the nations; let no rebel rise up against him.

All: Bless our God, you peoples; make the voice of his praise to be heard;

Who holds our souls in life and will not allow our feet to slip.

+ HYMN 2

**Come, Thou Almighty King** 

### + PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Mighty God: by your power is Christ raised from death to rule this world with love. We confess that we have not believed in him, but fall into doubt and fear. Gladness has no home in our hearts, and gratitude is slight. Forgive our dread of dying, our hopelessness, and set us free for joy in the victory of Jesus Christ, who was dead but lives, and will put down every power to hurt or destroy, when your promised kingdom comes. 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.

As the congregation shares personal greetings, 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.

# Elder Jan Caldwell, liturgist

GREATOREX

**Gloria** Patri

#### VILLAGE LIFE

## MOMENT FOR MISSION

A Heart for Children Dr. Gary Gentzkow Vice President and Director of Organizational Development

## **Offering Ourselves to God**

#### OFFERTORY

Chant de Paix (Song of Peace)

Jean Langlais

### + RESPONSE: HYMN 606 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	Walk in the Light	arr. Brandon Waddles Chancel Choir
THE WORD READ	Matthew 22:15-22 (NT pg. 34) Romans 13:1-7 (NT pg. 211)	Joan Osborne, lay reader
Leader: The word of the Lord. <b>People: Thanks be to God.</b>		
THE WORD PROCLAIMED	"God, Government, and You: What's A Christian to Do?"	The Rev. Dr. Jack W. Baca

## **Responding to God's Word**

## **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. By whom we confess and believe all things on heaven and earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by his inscrutable providence for such end as his eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed, and to the manifestation of his own glory.

Scots Confession, 1560

+ HYMN 65

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

CWM RHONDDA

+ BENEDICTION

+ CHORAL BENEDICTION

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

Peter C. Lutkin

Jacques Lemmens

POSTLUDE

Fanfare



The Deacon of the Day, Nancy Driscoll, 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.

This service is being livestreamed.

### The Village Church Pastoral & Program Staff

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

Mary Thibodeau, Executive Administrator Adrian Narlock, Director of Media Ministry Christine Hecker, Director of Youth Ministry Michelle Yuen, Director of Children's Ministry Nancy Betts, Director of Preschool Ministry Gretchen Scruggs, Director of Missions Ministry The Rev. Janice Y. Cook, Interim Associate Pastor

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## SERMON NOTES

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Matthew 22:15-22 (NT pg. 34) Romans 13:1-7 (NT pg. 211)


### Walk in the Light

Walk in the light, beautiful light, come where the dew droops of mercy shine bright; Shine all around us By day and by night, Jesus, the light of the world.

> He's shining, He's shining, He's shining in my soul.

> He's shining, Jesus the King of glory: He's shining in my soul.

> He's shining, He's shining, He's shining in my soul.

> He's shining, Jesus the King of glory: He's shining in my soul.

### 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. The Lord make His face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you. Amen.