



Village Church

FOLLOWING JESUS FOR LIFE

March 9, 2025

The First Sunday in Lent

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

Largo

G. F. Handel
Suzanne Shick, organ

WELCOME

The Rev. Dr. Jack W. Baca

CALL TO WORSHIP

Revelation 15:3a-4

Leader: Great and amazing are your deeds, Lord God the Almighty!

People: Just and true are your ways, King of the nations!

Leader: Lord, who will not fear and glorify your name? For you alone are holy.

People: All nations will come and worship before you, for your judgments have been revealed.

Leader: Let us worship God!

+ HYMN 265

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

DUKE STREET

+ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

The Rev. Janice Y. Cook

God of all seasons, in your pattern of things there is a time for keeping and a time for losing, a time for building up and a time for pulling down. In this holy season of Lent, as we journey with our Lord to the cross, help us to discern in our lives what we must lay down and what we must take up; what we must end and what we must begin. Give us grace to lead a disciplined life, in glad obedience and with the joy which comes from a closer walk with Christ, in whom we offer this prayer to you. Amen.

+ MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION

+ ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

+ RESPONSE: HYMN 465

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

CONVERSE

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!

What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!

O what peace we often forfeit; O what needless pain we bear,

all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!

+ 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.*

VILLAGE LIFE

Offering Ourselves to God

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Ubi Caritas

Victor Johnson
Youth Choir, Choral Scholars, and Section Leaders
Juan Carlos Acosta, director

+ RESPONSE: HYMN 708

We Give Thee but Thine Own

SCHUMANN

We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from Thee.
May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive,
And gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our first-fruits give.

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

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Michael McCabe
Chancel Choir

THE WORD READ

Philippians 2:5-11 (NT pg. 258)

Joan Osborne, lay reader

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"Jesus Christ: Head of the Church -
His Authority Over Us"

The Rev. Dr. Jack W. Baca

Responding to God's Word

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Nicene Creed, A.D. 381

We believe in one God the Father, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

+ BENEDICTION

+ CHORAL BENEDICTION

Song of Simeon

Juan Carlos Acosta

POSTLUDE

Minuet Finale (from Royal Fireworks Music)

G. F. Handel



*The flowers in worship today are given by Ursula Kuster
in memory of her husband, Dieter Kuster.*

The Deacon of the Day, Kathy Collins, 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

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Suzanne Shick, Organist



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BIBLE OR HYMNAL
DEDICATION**

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TO GIVE ONLINE**



Ubi Caritas

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.
Exsultemus, et in ipso jucundemur.
Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.
Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.

Where charity and love are, God is there.

The love of Christ has gathered us into one.

Let us rejoice in Him and be glad.

Let us fear; and let us love the living God.

And from a sincere heart let us love one another.

Where charity and love are, God is there.

Song of Simeon

Lord lettest thou thy servant depart in peace
According to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation
Which thou hast prepared before all people.
A light to lighten the gentiles
And the glory of thy people Israel.

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

All hail the power of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown him Lord of all!
Crown him, ye martyrs of our God,
Who from his altar call;
Praise him whose way of pain ye trod,
And crown him Lord of all!
Hail him, the Heir of David's line,
Whom David Lord did call,
The God incarnate, Man divine,
And crown him Lord of all!
Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,
Ye ransomed of the fall,
Hail him who saves you by his grace,
And crown him Lord of all!
Go spread your trophies at his feet,
And crown him Lord of all!
Go spread your trophies at his feet,
And crown him Lord of all!
Let every kindred, every tribe,
On this terrestrial ball,
To him all majesty ascribe,
And crown him Lord of all!