



Village Church

FOLLOWING JESUS FOR LIFE

March 23, 2025

Third 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

Prelude and Fugue in E minor

J. S. Bach
Suzanne Shick, organ

WELCOME

The Rev. Dr. Jack W. Baca

CALL TO WORSHIP

Adapted from Psalm 25

Leader: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

People: O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame;

Leader: Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths.

People: Lead me in your truth, and teach me,

Leader: For you are the God of my salvation,

People: For you I wait all day long.

Leader: Let us worship God!

+ HYMN 299

You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

HANOVER

+ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

The Rev. Janice Y. Cook

Holy Jesus, in body, mind, and soul you faced every temptation of our common humanity. Throughout this sacred season help us to lean on you and learn from you. May we do nothing to defile our body, the temple of the Holy Spirit. May we think nothing to displace the mind of Christ in us. May we admit nothing into our souls except the goodness of God our Father. In Christ we pray. Amen.

+ MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION

+ ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

+ RESPONSE: HYMN 581

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. 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.

Offering Ourselves to God

OFFERTORY

Jesus Calls Us

Karen Thompson
Village Ringers
Phyllis Graham, director

+ 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

Greater Love Hath No Man

John Ireland
Malachi Marshall, baritone
Calieanne Grossheim, soprano
Chancel Choir
Juan Carlos Acosta, director

THE WORD READ

Mark 1:16-20 (NT pg. 48)
John 15:12-17 (NT pg. 145)

Twyla Arant, lay reader

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"Jesus Christ: Head of the Church -
His Plan for Us"

The Rev. Dr. Jack W. Baca

Responding to God's Word

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Adapted from Romans 8:12-17

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh - for if we live according to the flesh, we will die; but if by the Spirit we put to death the deeds of the body, we will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For we did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but we have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ - if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

+ BENEDICTION

+ CHORAL BENEDICTION

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

Peter C. Lutkin

POSTLUDE

If You But Trust in God to Guide You

J. S. Bach

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
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 Barbara Haran, Contemporary Worship Team Leader
 Phyllis Graham, Bell Choir Director
 Suzanne Shick, Organist



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Greater Love Hath No Man

Many waters cannot quench Love,
Neither can the floods drown it.

Love is strong as death.

Many waters cannot quench Love.
Greater love hath no man than this,
That a man lay down his life for his friends.

Who His own Self bare our sins
in His own Body on the tree,
That we, being dead to sins,
Should live unto righteousness

Ye are wash'd, ye are sanctified,
Ye are justified,
In the Name of the Lord Jesus;

Ye are a chosen generation,
A royal priesthood,
A holy nation.

That ye should shew forth the praises
Of Him who hath call'd you out of darkness,
Out of darkness into His marvelous light.

I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God,
That ye present your bodies, a living sacrifice,
Holy holy, acceptable unto God.
Which is your reasonable service.

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.