



# Village Church

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FOLLOWING JESUS FOR LIFE

**July 20, 2025**

**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

*Be Still, My Soul*

arr. Douglas E. Bush  
Amber Dahlberg, guest organist

## WELCOME

The Rev. Janice Y. Cook

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 67

Leader: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us.

**People: So that your way may be known upon earth, your saving power among all nations.**

Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God, let all the peoples praise you.

**People: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth. Selah.**

Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

**All: The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, has blessed us.**

**May God continue to bless us. Let all the ends of the earth revere him.**

## + HYMN 401

**Here in This Place**

GATHER US IN

## + PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Oh God who gathers us as a nesting hen gathers her chicks. Forgive us when we accuse you of abandoning us. Forgive us when we resent being a voice to the poor, an ambassador of peace and a messenger of hope. Heal us from our tendency to wallow in our opinions and alienate others to be right. We live to serve you wonderful Savior, let us put aside our fears and serve you joyfully and with our whole heart.

## + 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 may meet their Sunday School leaders at the back of Sanctuary. Youth 6th grade and older will gather in the Youth Room.*

## VILLAGE LIFE

## MOMENT FOR MISSION

Alliance for African Assistance

Walter Lam

## ANTHEM

*You Do Not Walk Alone*

Elaine Hagenberg

Summer Choir

Juan Carlos Acosta, director

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## Offering Ourselves to God

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### 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.

### OFFERTORY

*If Ye Love Me*

Thomas Talli

Section Leaders

### + 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.

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## Receiving God's Word

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### THE WORD READ

I Peter 1:1-12 (OT pg. 309)

Suhail Khalil, lay reader

Leader: The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"Elected, Exiled, Scattered"

The Rev. Dr. Jerry Andrews

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## Responding to God's Word

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### + AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Philippians 2:1-11

If, then, there is any comfort in Christ, any consolation from love, any partnership in the Spirit, any tender affection and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or empty conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, assuming human likeness. And being found in appearance as a human, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death — even death on a cross. Therefore, God exalted him even more highly and gave him the name that is above every other name, so that at the name given to Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

+ BENEDICTION

+ CHORAL BENEDICTION

*Peace I Leave With You*

Amy Beach  
Chancel Singers  
Calieanne Grossheim, conductor

POSTLUDE

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

arr. John Longhurts



The Deacon of the Day, Bob Heintz, 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.

*The flowers in worship today are given by Gena Wilson  
in celebration of her brother Dan's earthly birthday.*

*This service is being livestreamed.*

**The Village Church Pastoral & Program Staff**

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

The Rev. Janice Y. Cook, Executive Associate Pastor

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Gretchen Scruggs, Director of Missions Ministry

Phyllis Graham, Bell Choir Director

Gustavo Coria, Facilities Manager

Suzanne Shick, Organist



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### **You Do Not Walk Alone**

May you see God's light on the path ahead

When the road you walk is dark.

May you always hear,

Even in your hour of sorrow,

The gentle singing of the lark.

When times are hard may hardness

never turn your heart to stone,

May you always remember when the shadows fall

You do not walk alone.

### **If Ye Love Me**

If ye love me, keep my commandments.

And I will pray the Father,

And He shall give you another comforter,

That He may bide with you forever;

E'en the spirit of truth.

### **Peace I Leave With You**

Peace I leave with you,

I leave with you my peace, I give unto you.

Not as the world giveth, give I unto you.