



Village Church

FOLLOWING JESUS FOR LIFE

April 26, 2026

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

Abide With Me

arr. Clay Christiansen
Amber Dahlberg, guest organist

WELCOME

The Rev. Janice Y. Cook

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 5:1-3, 7-8, 11-12

Leader: Listen to my words, O Lord; attend to my sighing.

People: Listen to the sound of my cry, my King and my God, for to you I pray.

Leader: O Lord, in the morning you hear my voice; in the morning I plead my case to you and watch.

People: But I, through the abundance of your steadfast love, will enter your house;

Leader: I will bow down toward your holy temple in awe of you.

**People: Lead me, O Lord, in your righteousness because of my enemies;
make your way straight before me.**

Leader: But let all who take refuge in you rejoice; let them ever sing for joy.

People: Spread your protection over them, so that those who love your name may exult in you.

All: For you bless the righteous, O Lord; you cover them with favor as with a shield.

+ HYMN 450

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

+ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Jan Caldwell, liturgist

Loving Savior, you showed us how to be quiet, open, and receptive to your Spirit. Forgive us when we fear silence and fill our days with the world's noise. Forgive us when we leave no white space for our souls to rest and be renewed. Forgive us when the only voice we hear in our prayers is the echo of our own words. Forgive us and help us, Lord. We want to fall deeper into your arms, in the quiet and in the sheer silence.

+ 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

Offering Ourselves to God

OFFERTORY

Be Thou My Vision

arr. Dale Wood

+ RESPONSE: HYMN 606

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

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.

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

The Love We Long to See

Mark A. Miller

Chancel Choir

Dr. John Russell, guest conductor

THE WORD READ

Matthew 6:7-15 (NT pg. 9)

Paul Zellerbach, lay reader

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"Sermon on the Mount: The Disciples' Prayer"

The Rev. Janice Y. Cook

Responding to God's Word

+ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Philippians 4:4-9

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with you.

+ HYMN 177

I Will Come to You

YOU ARE MINE

+ **BENEDICTION**

+ **CHORAL BENEDICTION**

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

Peter C. Lutkin

POSTLUDE

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

arr. John Longhurst



The Deacon of the Day, Vicki Perry, 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.

We invite our first time visitors to stop by the Welcome Table on the Patio across from the main entrance to the sanctuary to receive their special welcome gift and packet.

We're glad you're here!

This service is being livestreamed.

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The Love We Long to See

We cry, "God, save us from the trouble of the world!"

Can we be the change we long to see?

We pray, "Lord, your kingdom come
to us upon the earth!"

Can we be the change we long to see?

Despair and hatred cloud our skies,
but strong and sure our voices rise.

We are the love we long to see!

Your love shines through us, and that's all we need.

Help us to trust and to believe,

Oh, we are the love we long to see.

Love is not jealous, love is not boastful.

Love is the very true nature of God.

Love is forgiving, love ever hopeful.

Love is the essence and true heart of God.

There's a joy in knowing El Shadai will light the way.

We are the change we long to see.

May we work for justice and for peace this very day,

Becoming the change we long to see.

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Despair and hatred cloud our skies,

But strong and sure our voices rise.

We are the love we long to see!

Your love shines through us, and that's all we need.

Help us to trust and to believe,

Oh, we are the love,

We are the love,

Oh, we are the love we long to see.

Help us to trust and to believe,

We are the love, we long to see!

Amen!

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!