



# Village Church

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FOLLOWING JESUS FOR LIFE

**May 5, 2024**

**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

*Morning Has Broken*

arr. Fred Bock  
Suzanne Shick, organ

## WELCOME

The Rev. Dr. Jack W. Baca

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 19:1-6

Leader: The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

**People: Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.**

Leader: There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;

**People: Yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.**

Leader: In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun, which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy, and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

**People: Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them;  
and nothing is hid from its heat.**

Leader: Let us worship God!

## + HYMN 664

**Morning Has Broken**

BUNESSAN

## + PRAYER OF CONFESSION

The Rev. Janice Y. Cook

Almighty God: In love you made us and the world in which we live. You sustain our lives in every moment by your redeeming power, yet we fail to acknowledge your attention. We abuse your good gifts of creation. We focus on the little we do not have and are blind to the much that fills our lives every day. We expend our energy trying to get for ourselves rather than give for the good of others. But still you are generous with your love and extravagant with your forgiveness. Heal us and set us free from our self-worship, that we might find our true freedom in following you, and then make us again into worthy servants who work with you in healing your whole creation. In Christ we pray. Amen.

## + MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION

## + ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

## + RESPONSE: HYMN 581

**Gloria Patri**

GREATORIX

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

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### Offering Ourselves to God

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#### OFFERTORY

*Softly and Tenderly*

arr. Alex Guebert  
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.

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### Receiving God's Word

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#### ANTHEM

*For the Beauty of the Earth*

John Rutter  
Chancel Choir  
Juan Carlos Acosta, director

#### THE WORD READ

Deuteronomy 8:7-17 (OT pg. 219)

Dee Silver, lay reader

Leader: The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

#### THE WORD PROCLAIMED

“A Good Land from A Good God”

The Rev. Dr. Jack W. Baca

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### Responding to God's Word

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#### THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*We are the body of Christ and individually members of it.*

*We share one bread and one cup in remembrance of the body and blood of Jesus that was given for us.*

Invitation

Words of Institution

Bread & Cup

Thanksgiving

*Our communion bread is gluten free, and grape juice is in the cup.*

#### MUSICAL MEDITATION

*Largo (from Spring, The Four Seasons)*

Antonio Vivaldi, arr. S. Drummond Wolff

*The Lord's My Shepherd*

arr. Fred Bock

+ BENEDICTION

+ CHORAL BENEDICTION

*A Gaelic Blessing*

John Rutter

POSTLUDE

*Allegretto (from Spring, The Four Seasons)*

Antonio Vivaldi  
arr. S. Drummond Wolff



The Deacon of the Day, Nancy Driscoll, can be found at the Welcome Table after service.

*This service is being livestreamed.*

**The Village Church Pastoral & Program Staff**

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

The Rev. Janice Y. Cook, Interim Associate Pastor

Mary Thibodeau, Executive Administrator

Juan Carlos Acosta, Director of Worship Ministry

Adrian Narlock, Director of Media Ministry

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Phyllis Graham, Bell Choir Director

Nancy Betts, Director of Preschool Ministry

Calieanne Grossheim, Children's Choir Director

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Suzanne Shick, Organist

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Gustavo Coria, Facilities Manager



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## **For the Beauty of the Earth**

For the beauty of the earth,  
for the glory of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth  
over and around us lies:  
Lord of all, to Thee we raise  
this our joyful hymn of praise.

For the beauty of each hour  
of the day and of the night,  
hill and vale and tree and flow'r,  
sun and moon and stars of light:  
Lord of all, to Thee we raise  
this our joyful hymn of praise.

For the joy of human love -  
Brother, sister, parent, child,  
friends on earth and friends above,  
for all gentle thoughts and mild:  
Lord of all, to Thee we raise  
This our joyful hymn of praise.

For each perfect gift of Thine  
to our race so freely given,  
graces human and divine,  
flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n:  
Lord of all, to Thee we raise  
this our joyful hymn of praise.

## **A Gaelic Blessing**

Deep peace of the running wave to you  
Deep peace of the flowing air to you  
Deep peace of the quiet earth to you  
Deep peace of the shining stars to you  
Deep peace of the gentle night to you  
Moon and stars pour their healing light on you  
Deep peace of Christ the light of the world to you  
Deep peace of Christ to you