



Valley Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Dear Friend in Christ,

We would be very pleased to have you join our Sunday morning worship on Zoom by using the following instructions.

Please use these phone numbers and links between 10:15am and 10:30am Central Time. You can join in one of two ways:

By computer, smart phone or tablet:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86757133623?pwd=OTFUQWJvU21MMmR6bkY5SitpelR1UT09>

By Phone: 1 (312) 626 6799 ID 867 5713 3623, Passcode 205879

(If you need a live link to the Worship link, you can go to the homepage of our website at www.vccbhm.org and click on “Links to Zoom” then click on the Sunday Worship link.)

I look forward to seeing you on Sunday!

Christ's and yours,

Pastor Eric Atcheson

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Valley Christian Church

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 18, 2021

PRELUDE

"Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

Margaret Cox
Pianist

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: I find rest in God only, my hope is from God

People: Only God is our rock and our salvation

Leader: My deliverance and glory depend on God, my strong rock and my refuge

People: Our refuge is in God, we will not be shaken

Leader: All people, trust in God at all times, pour out your hearts before God

People: God is our refuge

(Psalm 62:5-8, CEB)

Clarence Sellers
Worship Leader

HYMN OF PRAISE

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

Hymn 5
Verses 1, 3, 4

*O for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise
The glories of my God and King
The triumphs of God's grace*

*My loving Savior and my God
Assist me to proclaim
To spread thru all the earth abroad
The honors of thy name*

*Glory to God and praise and love
Be ever, ever given
By saints below and saints above
The church in earth and heaven*

Clarence Sellers
Worship Leader

OPENING PRAYER

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

Reassuring and ever-knowing God, you understand what we do not, and what we comprehend is a drop in the sea of your wisdom. Grant us a surer course in navigating that sea as we come to you in prayer—that you would guide our course and still the stormy waters.

Rev. Dr. Eric Atcheson

In these holy and sacred moments with you and before you, we pray to you for the people we have named aloud and the people and places that are in the silence of our souls. We lift them to you at this time...

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Dr. Eric Atcheson

SCRIPTURE

Nahum 1:12-15

Clarence Sellers
Worship Leader

MESSAGE

"Nahum"

Rev. Dr. Eric Atcheson

ANTHEM

"Deep River"
A Spiritual Performed by the Valley Ringers

VCC Bell Choir
directed by
Mary Ellen Caughran

CALL TO OFFERING

Share your financial offering with the church by offering plate, by mail or bring it by the church office. Thank you for your love gifts.

Clarence Sellers
Worship Leader

Our deacons will come by each pew to collect the offering. Simply place your offering and any contact/prayer cards into the plate when it is offered to you. Please do not pass the plate.

OFFERTORY

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

Margaret Cox
Pianist

DOXOLOGY

*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*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Clarence Sellers
Worship Leader

CALL TO COMMUNION

Making Christ's presence tangible to us is a gift that for children also makes Christ accessible. May we come to this meal as a child, at the table of our heavenly parent.

Rev. Dr. Eric Atcheson

COMMUNION PRAYER

Conclude by praying together the Lord's Prayer

*Sarah Draper
Elder*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Hear the words of Jesus when He said, "Take and eat, this is my body, broken for you. Take and drink, this is the cup of the covenant poured out for you."

Rev. Dr. Eric Atcheson

Our deacons will come by each pew to serve you individually wrapped communion elements. Please do not unmask to partake of communion during the Words of Institution until asked to do so. Place your mask back fully over your nose and mouth immediately afterwards.

HYMN OF INVITATION

"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

*Hymn 431
Verses 1 – 3*

*Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone
Waking, sleeping I am with you, you are my own
In my love's baptismal river
I have made you mine forever
Go my children, with my blessing, you are my own*

*Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure
Here you heard my Son's dear story
Here you touched Him, saw His glory
Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure*

*God my children, fed and nourished, closer to me
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free
Here my Spirit's power filled you
Here its tender comfort stilled you
Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free*

BENEDICTION

May the God who gave you life give you the spirit to go forth now to be the Good News to one another, and may the blessing of God be with you on this day and on all days. Amen.

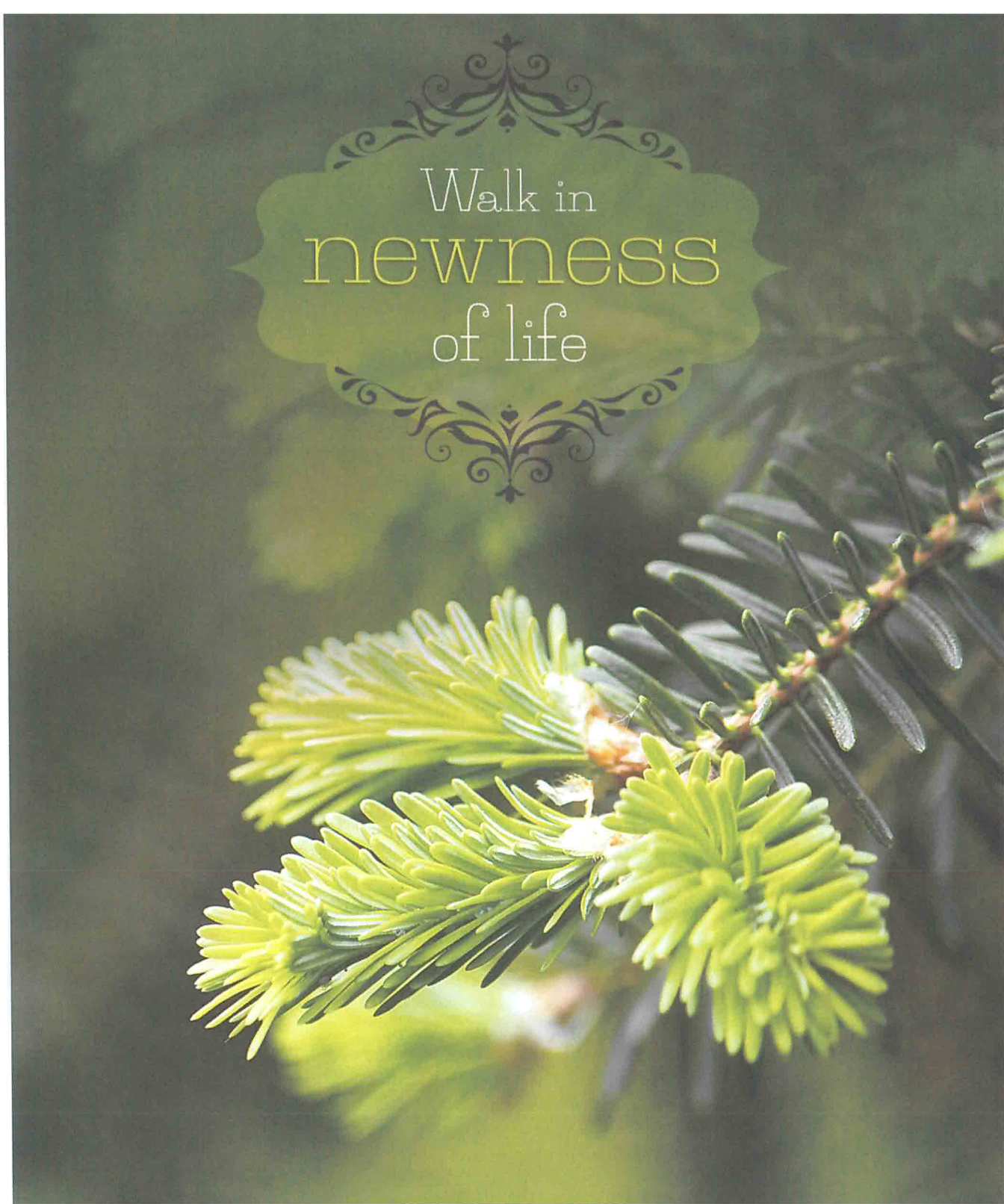
Rev. Dr. Eric Atcheson

POSTLUDE

"To God Be the Glory"

*Margaret Cox
Pianist*

You are warmly invited to join us for light refreshments in the church parlor. We ask that you please continue to socially distance and wear masks as much as possible after worship has concluded.



Life in the Valley

Upcoming Events

Monday, July 19	All day: Manna Market preparations John & Beth Gregory's anniversary
Tuesday, July 20	All day: Manna Market 6:30 pm: Adult Sunday School class on Zoom (meeting room 1) 7:00 pm: Barony Group
Wednesday, July 21	9:00 am: Birmingham Quilting Guild, fellowship hall 6:30 pm: Valley Choir practice, choir room 7:00 pm: Primera Iglesia Bible Study, sanctuary Beth Gregory's birthday
Friday, July 23	All day: Evening Star Quilting Guild
Saturday, July 24	All day: Evening Star Quilting Guild All morning: Huntsville FCC youth group workday Madyson Johnson's birthday
Sunday, July 25	10:30 am: Valley worship, sanctuary 11:30 am: Valley fellowship, parlor 2:00 pm: Primera Iglesia worship, sanctuary

Please also be in prayer for our sister congregation, Macedonia Christian Church, and our neighbors at Primera Iglesia Cristiana

Our international mission partner, Elena Huegel, is currently stateside from her mission in Mexico

Church office hours: 8:00 am – noon, Monday – Friday

Pastor Eric's office hours: 9:30 am – noon, Monday – Thursday (on vacation July 23-31)

Today's Servers

ELDER: Sarah Draper WORSHIP LEADER: Clarence Sellers GREETER(S): Ted Stuckenschneider and Jean Thrasher/Lola Kiser DEACONS: Team 2, Leader – Peggi Zinser Members – Jim Taylor, Ginny Guindon, Linda Reeves, Carol Speed COFFEE FELLOWSHIP: Katelyn Clark and Whitney Devine

Deep River
a Spiritual performed by
the Valley Ringers

“Deep river, my home is over Jordan.

Deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into campground.

Oh, don't you want to go to that Gospel-feast?

That Promised Land, where all is peace?”