



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

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 25, 2021

PRELUDE

"In the Garden"

Margaret Cox
Pianist

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Shout joyfully to God, all the earth

People: Sing praises to the glory of God's name

Leader: Make glorious God's praise

People: We say to God, how awesome are your works

Leader: All the earth worships you

People: We sing praises to you, praises to your name

(Psalm 66:1-4, CEB)

Rev. John Gregory
Worship Leader

HYMN OF PRAISE

"When Love is Found"

Hymn 499
Verses 1, 2, 3, 5

*When love is found and hope comes home
Sing and be glad that two are one
When love explodes and fills the sky
Praise God and share our Maker's joy*

*When love has flowered in trust and care
Build both each day that love may dare
To reach beyond home's warmth and light
To serve and strive for truth and light*

*When love is tried as loved ones change
Hold still to hope though all seems strange
Till ease returns and hope grows wise
Through listening ears and opened eyes*

*Praise God for love, praise God for life
In age or youth, in calm or strife
Lift up your hearts, let love be fed
Through death and life in broken bread*

OPENING PRAYER

Rev. John Gregory
Worship Leader

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Tim Trussell-Smith

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Tim Trussell-Smith

SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 3:14-21

Rev. John Gregory
Worship Leader

MESSAGE

"Looking Forward"

Rev. Tim Trussell-Smith

ANTHEM

"Great is Your Love," Twila Paris and Dennis Allen

VCC 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.

Rev. John Gregory
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

"Wonderful Words of Life"

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

Rev. John Gregory
Worship Leader

**CALL TO
COMMUNION**

*Rev. Tim Trussell-
Smith*

**COMMUNION
PRAYER**

Conclude by praying together the Lord's Prayer

*Ed Guindon
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. Tim Trussell-
Smith*

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**

"My Jesus, I Love Thee"

*Hymn 349
Verses 1 – 3*

*My Jesus I love thee, I know thou art mine
For thee all the follies of sin I resign
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art thou
If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now*

*I love thee because thou hast first loved me
And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree
Love thee for wearing the thorns on thy brow
If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now*

*In mansions of glory and endless delight
I'll ever adore thee in heaven so bright
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow
If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now*

BENEDICTION

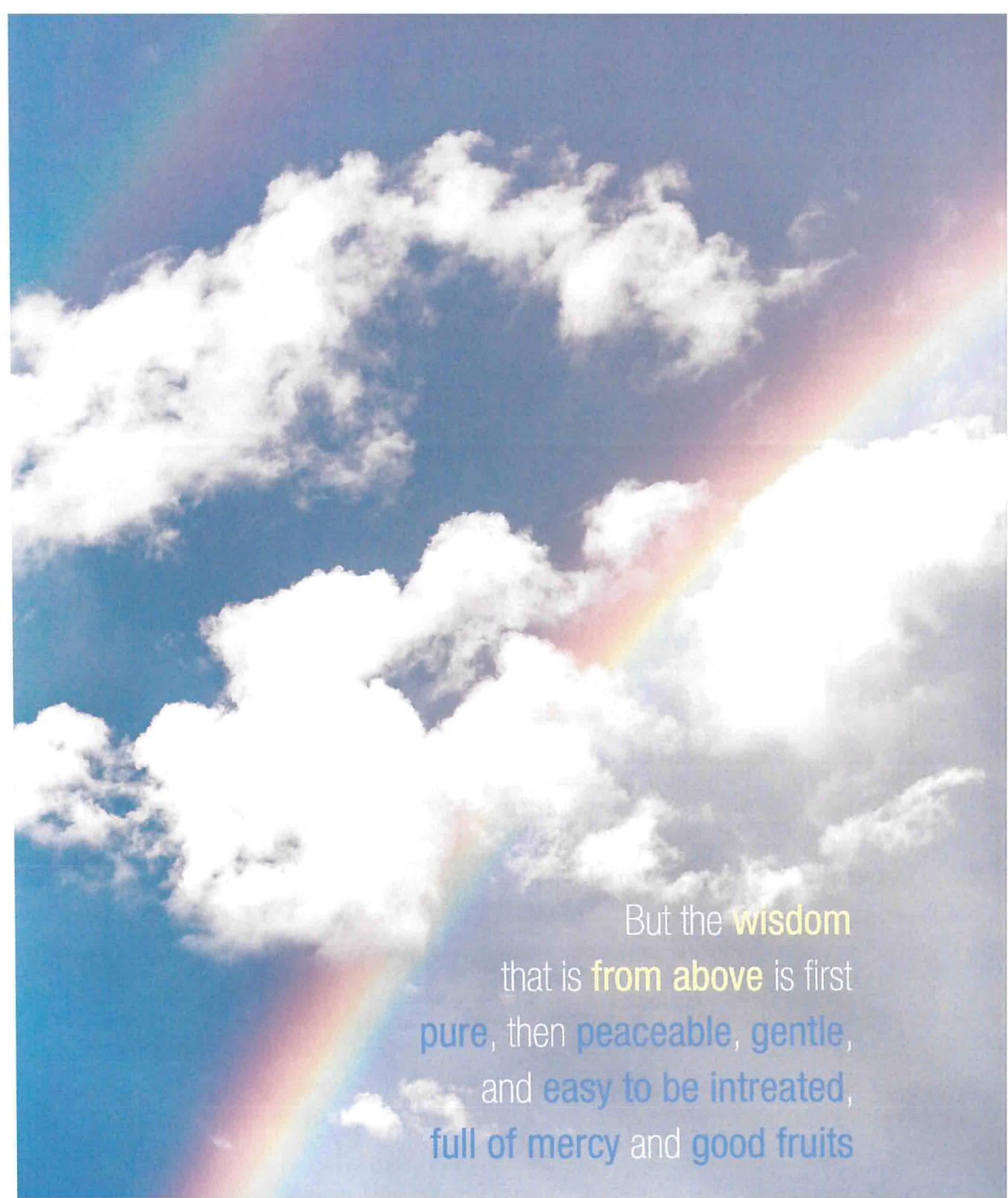
*Rev. Tim Trussell-
Smith*

POSTLUDE

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

*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.



But the **wisdom**
that is **from above** is first
pure, then **peaceable**, **gentle**,
and **easy to be intreated**,
full of mercy and **good fruits**

Life in the Valley

Upcoming Events

Monday, July 26	Pastor Eric on vacation through July 31 Valley Voice deadline David Childers' birthday
Tuesday, July 27	6:30 pm: Adult Sunday School class on Zoom (meeting room 1)
Wednesday, July 28	9:00 am: AAA field trip to Childersburg grist mill 6:30 pm: Valley Choir practice, choir room 7:00 pm: Primera Iglesia Bible Study, sanctuary
Thursday, July 29	Will Simon's birthday
Friday, July 30	Andrea Clark's birthday
Saturday, July 31	Tim Beiro's birthday
Sunday, August 1	10:30 am: Valley worship, sanctuary 11:30 am: Valley fellowship, parlor 2:00 pm: Primera Iglesia worship, sanctuary

Our Disciples of Christ congregation to be in prayer for this week is Arbol de Vida in Pensacola

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 25-31)

Today's Servers

ELDER: Ed Guindon WORSHIP LEADER: John Gregory GREETER(S): Jean Thrasher and Ted Stuckenschneider DEACONS: Team 2, Leader – Peggi Zinser Members – Jim Taylor, Ginny Guindon, Stewart Draper, Carol Speed COFFEE FELLOWSHIP: Jean Thrasher and Lola Kiser

Great is Your Love, by Twila Paris

"You are the Star of the Morning

Unending Hope in the night

One Righteous Prayer, from anywhere

Carries the promise of light.

Refrain

You are God on the highest mountain,

You are God in the deepest sea

You are awesome in pow'r and glory

Great is Your love for me

You give the wings of an eagle,

If we are willing to wait.

One single word, forever heard

Calls us to rise and not faint.

Refrain