



# 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=OTFUQWJvU21MMmR6bkY5SitpeIR1UT09>

**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](http://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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## Third Sunday of Easter

May 1, 2022

### PRELUDE

*"My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"*

Margaret Cox  
Pianist

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Be patient as you await the Lord

People: We will wait patiently and strengthen our resolve

Leader: Take as your example the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord

People: They lived steadfastly by patient resolve

Leader: You've seen what the Lord has accomplished

People: For the Lord is full of compassion & mercy

(James 5:7-11, CEB)

Jim Taylor  
Worship Leader

### HYMN OF PRAISE

*"Jesu, Jesu"*

Hymn 600  
Verses 1, 4, 5

*Refrain*

*Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve  
The neighbors we have from you*

*Kneels at the feet of his friends silently washes their feet  
Master who acts as a slave to them  
Refrain*

*Loving puts us on our knees  
Serving as though we are slaves  
This is the way we should live with you  
Refrain*

*Kneel at the feet of our friends  
Silently washing their feet  
This is the way we should live with you  
Refrain*

### OPENING PRAYER

Jim Taylor  
Worship Leader

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Dr. Eric Atcheson

### SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

#### PASTORAL PRAYER

Loving God, in such 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...

Rev. Dr. Eric Atcheson

#### SCRIPTURE

John 21:15-19

Jim Taylor  
Worship Leader

#### MESSAGE

"Feed My Sheep"

Rev. Dr. Eric Atcheson

#### ANTHEM

*"He's Got the Whole World in His Hand"*

Solo 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.

Jim Taylor  
Worship Leader

*Our deacons will come by each pew to receive 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

*"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"*

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

Jim Taylor  
Worship Leader

#### CALL TO COMMUNION

Much as we may have a tendency to reduce Jesus down only to a teacher or only to a sacrifice, we must resist the temptation to reduce this meal down to a snack.

Rev. Dr. Eric Atcheson

#### COMMUNION PRAYER

Conclude by praying together the Lord's Prayer

Rev. John Gregory  
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**

*"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"*

*Hymn 614  
Verses 1 – 4*

*I'm gonna live so God can use me  
Anytime and anywhere*

*I'm gonna live so God can use me  
Anytime and anywhere*

*I'm gonna work so God can use me  
Anytime and anywhere*

*I'm gonna work so God can use me  
Anytime and anywhere*

*I'm gonna pray so God can use me  
Anytime and anywhere*

*I'm gonna pray so God can use me  
Anytime and anywhere*

*I'm gonna sing so God can use me  
Anytime and anywhere*

*I'm gonna sing so God can use me  
Anytime and anywhere*

**BENEDICTION**

May the God who has called you to feed sheep, make disciples, and raise up giants send you forth with the strength with which to do all these things, and may the blessing of that God be with you now and always, amen

*Rev. Dr. Eric Atcheson*

**POSTLUDE**

*"When Morning Gilds the Skies"*

*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.*

**O SING**  
unto the **LORD**



*a new*  
**SONG**

## *Life in the Valley*

- Sunday, May 1 Food Pantry Sunday (Canned Fruit – Peaches, Pears, Mixed Fruit, etc.)  
10:30 am: Valley Worship (Sanctuary)  
Stephanie Edge's Birthday
- Tuesday, May 3 6:30 pm Adult Sunday School Class by Zoom  
7:00 pm Barony Group (Fellowship)
- Wednesday, May 4 6:30 pm: Choir Practice (Choir Room)  
7:30 pm Bell Choir Practice (Choir Room)
- Thursday, May 5 Marilyn – leave
- Friday, May 6 Marilyn – leave
- Saturday, May 7 9:00 am Valley Work Day
- Sunday, May 8 Blankets of Hope Offering  
10:30 am: Valley Worship (Sanctuary)  
12:00 pm Elders' Meeting  
Mother's Day

*Our Disciples of Christ congregation to be in prayer for this week is  
Harrison Street Christian Church in Greenville, Alabama*

*Please also be in prayer for our sister congregation, Macedonia Christian Church*

Church office hours: 8:00 am – noon, Monday – Friday  
Pastor Eric's office hours: 9:30 am – noon, Monday – Thursday

### Today's Servers

ELDER: John Gregory WORSHIP LEADER: Jim Taylor GREETERS: Carolyn Nunnally and  
Beth Collier DEACONS: Team 2 – Captain: Ginny Guindon Members: Carol Speed, Ed  
Guindon and Tim Devine OPEN: Pastor CLOSE: John Gregory COFFEE FELLOWSHIP:  
Fellowship Committee

## Anthem

Solo by Mary Ellen Caughran

“He's Got the Whole World in his Hand”

He's got the whole world in His hand, He's got the whole world in His hand,  
He's got the whole world in His hand. He's got the whole world in His hand.

He's got the woods and the waters in His hand,  
He's got the woods and the waters in His hand,  
He's got the sun and the moon right in His hand,  
He's got the whole world in His hand.

He's got the birds and the bees right in His hand  
He's got the birds and the bees right in His hand,  
He's got the beasts of the field right in His hand,  
He's got the whole world in His hand.

He's got you and me right in His hand,  
He's got you and me right in His hand,  
He's got ev'rybody in His hand,  
He's got the whole world in His hand.