



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=OTFUQWJvU2lMMmR6bkY5SitpelR1UT09>

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 Edd Spencer

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Valley Christian Church

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 29, 2022

*Once again the night is near
Dine with us and share your wisdom.
Free our hearts from every fear
In the calm of each new evening,
In the freshness of each dawn,
If you hold us fast in friendship We will never be alone*

PRELUDE

"C major by Bach"

*John Neville
Pianist*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Whitney Devine
Worship Leader*

CALL TO WORSHIP FOR MEMORIAL SUNDAY

Leader: You, Lord, have said that those who mourn shall be blessed.

People: Bless us, Lord.

Leader: You have promised that whoever lives and believes in you shall never die.

People: Enable us to live eternally, Lord.

Leader: Your light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome this light.

People: Help us to see your light, Lord.

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made.

People: We will rejoice and be glad in it as we remember the lives of those dear to us who now rest from their labors.

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord!

*Whitney Devine
Worship Leader*

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Sing of One Who Walks Beside Us"

*Hymn 231
Verses 1-3*

*Sing of one who walks beside us And this day is living still,
One who now is closer to us
Than the thoughts our hearts distill,
Christ who once upon a hilltop
Raised against the power of sin,
Died in love as his own creatures
Crucified their God and friend.*

*We have walked with him as strangers
Through the journey of the day,
And have told him of the violence
That has swept our hope away.
He has offered words of comfort, Words of energy and light,
Did our hearts not blaze within us
As he broke the bread this night?*

Risen one, stay with us, raise us,

OPENING PRAYER

*Whitney Devine
Worship Leader*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

"Consider the Flowers"

Rev. Edd Spencer

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

Rev. Edd Spencer

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Edd Spencer

SCRIPTURE

Luke 24:13-35

*Whitney Devine
Worship Leader*

MESSAGE

"The Road to Emmaus"

Rev. Edd Spencer

ANTHEM

*"Whispering Hope"
Arranged by Alice Hawthorne*

*Choir directed by
MaryEllen
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.

*Whitney Devine
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

"Gymnopedie #1 by Satie"

*John Neville
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**

*Whitney Devine
Worship Leader*

**CALL TO
COMMUNION**

Rev. Edd Spencer

**COMMUNION
PRAYER**

Conclude by praying together the Lord's Prayer

*Stewart 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. Edd Spencer

Our deacons will come by each pew to serve you individually wrapped communion elements. Please partake of communion together when the pastor says "take eat and take drink"

**HYMN OF
INVITATION**

"I Want Jesus to Walk With Me"

*Hymn 627
Verses 1-3*

*I want Jesus to walk with me.
I want Jesus to walk with me.
All along my pilgrim journey,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.*

*In my trials, Lord, walk with me.
In my trials, Lord, walk with me.
When my heart is almost breaking,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.*

*When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me.
When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me.
When my head is bowed in sorrow,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.*

BENEDICTION

Those who die in the Lord are blessed. They shall receive eternal life. May we go forth from this place with the full assurance that we will all one day be reunited in our Father's house with many rooms. Blessed are those who die in the Lord. They will receive their reward.

Rev. Edd Spencer

POSTLUDE

"Vivo by Stravinsky"

*John Neville
Pianist*

You are warmly invited to join us for light refreshments in the church parlor after worship.

IN GOD
WE TRUST



God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear.

Psalms 46:1-2

Life in the Valley

Sunday, May 29	10:30 am: Valley Worship (Sanctuary) Pentecost Offering Margaret Cox – leave Jan Watts' Birthday
Monday, May 30	Memorial Day - Office Closed
Tuesday, May 31	6:30 pm Adult Sunday School Class by Zoom Sarah Draper's Birthday Jessica Guindon's Birthday
Wednesday, June 1	6:30 pm: Choir Practice (Choir Room) 7:30 pm Bell Choir Practice (Choir Room) Margaret Cox - leave
Thursday, June 2	1:00 pm District II Ad Hoc Meeting (Parlor) 6:30 pm ESQG Meeting (Fellowship)
Friday, June 3	9:00 am – 12:00 noon Valley Work Day (moved to Friday because of the Education Seminar)
Saturday, June 4	9:00 am The Church and Senior Adults Seminar (Fellowship)
Sunday, June 5	Pentecost Food Pantry Sunday Pentecost Offering 10:30 am: Valley Worship (Sanctuary) 11:30 am Dove Release

*Our Disciples of Christ congregation to be in prayer for this week is
Mt. Zion Christian Church in Hayneville, Alabama*

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

Church office hours: 8:00 am – noon, Monday – Friday
Pastor Edd's office hours: 8:00 am – noon, Monday – Wednesday

Today's Servers

ELDER: Stewart Draper WORSHIP LEADER: Whitney Devine GREETERS: Carolyn Nunnelly and Beth Collier DEACONS: Team 2 – Captain: Ginny Guindon Members: Carol Speed, Ed Guindon and Tim Devine OPEN: Pastor CLOSE: John Gregory COFFEE FELLOWSHIP: Ginny Guindon

Anthem

“Whispering Hope” Arranged by Alice Hawthorne

Soft as the voice of an angel, Breathing a lesson unheard,
Hope with a gentle persuasion Whispers her comforting word;
Wait till the darkness is over, Wait till the tempest is done,
Hope for the sunshine tomorrow, After the shower is gone,

Chorus:

Whispering hope, O how welcome thy voice
Making my heart in its sorrow rejoice.

If in the dusk of the twilight, Dim be the region afar,
Will not the deepening darkness Brighten the glimmering star?
Then when the night is upon us, Why should the heart sink away?
When the dark midnight is over, Watch for the breaking of day.

Chorus

Hope as an anchor so steadfast rends the dark veil for the soul,
Whither the Master has entered, Robbing the grave of its goal;
Come then, O come, glad fruition, come to my sad weary heart;
Come, O Thou blest hope of glory, never, O never depart.

Chorus