



# 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=OTFUQWJvU21MMmR6bkY5SitpelRlUT09>

**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 Edd Spencer

Valley Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

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# Valley Christian Church

## Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

August 7, 2022

### PRELUDE

*J.S. Bach's "Prelude in C" from the Well-Tempered Clavier Book One*

*John Neville  
Pianist/Organist*

### WELCOME

We welcome Rev. Jim Brooks to Valley Christian this morning. Jim has served the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) faithfully over many years. He is a neighbor of Edd and Mary Pat. Welcome Jim and God bless you as you bring the morning message.

*Jim Taylor  
Worship Leader*

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Jim Taylor  
Worship Leader*

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We gather to affirm that we are all united in God's sacred family;  
People: We are each different and unique, yet we are one as children of God.  
Leader: We gather to affirm that we are called to love and serve one another;  
People: We learn by Jesus' example to love our neighbor in all that we do.  
Leader: We gather to affirm that each of us has gifts to offer;  
People: We are members of the one body, each blessed with gifts for God's service.  
All: Let us celebrate and worship as a family of God.

*Jim Taylor  
Worship Leader*

### HYMN OF PRAISE

*"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"*

*Hymn 2  
Verses 1-4*

*Joyful, joyful, we adore You, God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee, Op'ning to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; Drive our fear and doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day!*

*All thy works with joy surround thee, Earth and heav'n reflect thy rays,  
Stars and angels sing around thee, Center of unbroken praise;  
Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,  
Chanting bird and flowing fountain Call us to rejoice in thee.*

*Thou art giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blest,  
Well-spring of the joy of living, Ocean-depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother, All who live in love are thine;  
Teach us how to love each other, Lift us to the joy divine.*

*Mortals, join the happy chorus, Stars of morning, take your part;  
Love divine is reigning o'er us, Binding those of tender heart;  
Ever singing, move we onward, Victors in the midst of strife;  
Joyful music leads us sunward In the triumph song of life.*

### OPENING PRAYER

*Jim Taylor  
Worship Leader*

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*Rev. Jim Brooks*

### SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

*Rev. Jim Brooks*

### PASTORAL PRAYER

*Rev. Jim Brooks*

### SCRIPTURE

Psalm 139

*Jim Taylor  
Worship Leader*

### MESSAGE

"The Irrational and Consistent Presence of God"

*Rev. Jim Brooks*

### 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

*"Lament" from For Children Book One by Bela Bartok*

*John Neville  
Pianist/Organist*

### 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**

*Rev. Jim Brooks*

**COMMUNION  
PRAYER**

Conclude by praying together the Lord's Prayer

*Judy Sellers  
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. Jim Brooks*

*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**

*"Take My Life"*

*Hymn 609  
Verses 1,5,6*

*Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee.  
Take my moments and my days;  
let them flow in ceaseless praise, let them flow in ceaseless  
praise.*

*Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.  
Take my heart it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne,  
it shall be thy royal throne.*

*Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store.  
Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee,  
ever, only, all for thee.*

**BENEDICTION**

*Rev. Jim Brooks*

**POSTLUDE**

*"Lento" from The Five Fingers by Igor Stravinsky.*

*John Neville  
Pianist/Organist*

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

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(DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)

*"People Serving God Serving People"*

## *August 7, 2022*



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## *Life in the Valley*

Sunday, August 7	10:30 am: Valley Worship (Sanctuary) Food Pantry Sunday – Dried Beans and Peas
Monday, August 8	8:00 am Manna Market Prep (Fellowship)
Tuesday, August 9	8:00 am Manna Market Sale (Fellowship) 11:30 am Men's Luncheon 6:30 pm Adult Sunday School Class by Zoom
Friday, August 12	10:00 am Evangelism Department Meeting (Sunday School Room) Jim Taylor's Birthday
Saturday, August 13	8:00 am ESQG Sit and Sew (Fellowship)
Sunday, August 14	10:30 am: Valley Worship (Sanctuary) 12:00 pm Elders' Meeting Ed Guindon's Birthday

*Our Disciples of Christ congregation to be in prayer for this week is  
Little Union Christian Church in Hayneville, Alabama*

*Please 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

WORSHIP LEADER: Jim Taylor ELDER: Judy Sellers GREETERS: Clarence and Judy Sellers DEACONS: Team 1 – Captain: Carolyn Nunnelly Members: Terry Nunnelly and Beth Collier OPEN: Pastor CLOSE: Ed Guindon COFFEE FELLOWSHIP: Jean Thrasher and Lola Kiser