



# 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](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

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## Second Sunday after the Epiphany

January 15, 2023

### PRELUDE

*"Fill My Cup, Lord"*

Margaret Cox  
Pianist

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Love circles around,  
People: Joining hands, linking hearts,  
Leader: From parent to child,  
People: From friend to friend.  
Leader: Love circles around,  
People: Never giving up,  
Leader: Always reaching out,  
People: Saying I am sorry.  
Leader: Love circles around,  
People: And God's love embraces all.

Peggi Zinser  
Worship Leader

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### HYMN OF PRAISE

*"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"*

Hymn 517  
Verses 1, 2 & 4

*Love divine, all loves excelling,  
Joy of Heaven to earth come down;  
Fix in us thy humble dwelling; All thy faithful mercies crown!  
Jesus, Thou art all compassion,  
Pure unbounded love Thou art;  
Visit us with Thy salvation, Enter every trembling heart*

*Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit  
Into every troubled breast!  
Let us all in Thee inherit; Let us find Thy promised rest,  
Take away our love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;  
End of faith, as its beginning, Set our hearts at liberty*  
*Finish, then, Thy new creation; Pure and spotless let us be;  
Let us see Thy great salvation Perfectly restored in Thee;  
Changed from glory into glory,  
Till in Heaven we take our place,  
Till we cast our crowns before Thee,  
Lost in wonder, love, and praise.*

### OPENING PRAYER

Peggi Zinser  
Worship Leader

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*"I Love You"*

Rev. Edd Spencer

### SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

Rev. Edd Spencer

### PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Edd Spencer

### SCRIPTURE

John 13:21-26  
John 19:17-18; 25-27

Peggi Zinser  
Worship Leader

### MESSAGE

*"John – the Beloved Disciple"*

Rev. Edd Spencer

### HYMN

*"Jesus Loves Me"*

Hymn 113  
All Verses

*Jesus loves me! This I know, For the Bible tells me so.  
Little ones to Him belong; They are weak, but He is strong.*

*[Refrain] Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*

*Jesus loves me! This I know, as He loved so long ago,  
Taking children on His knee,  
Saying, "Let them come to Me." [Refrain]*

*Jesus loves me still today, Walking with me on my way,  
Wanting as a friend to give  
Light and love to all who live. [Refrain]*

### 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.

Peggi Zinser  
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

*"I Surrender All"*

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**

*Peggi Zinser  
Worship Leader*

**CALL TO  
COMMUNION**

*Rev. Edd Spencer*

**COMMUNION  
PRAYER**

Conclude by praying together the Lord's Prayer

*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. 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**

*"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"*

*Hymn 560  
All Verses*

*What a fellowship, what a joy divine,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms;  
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms.*

*[Refrain] Leaning, leaning, Safe and secure from all alarms;  
Leaning, leaning, Leaning on the everlasting arms.*

*Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms;  
Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, [Refrain]*

*What have I to dread, what have I to fear,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms?  
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms [Refrain]*

**BENEDICTION**

We are loved by one God; we are redeemed by one savior; we are empowered by one spirit. This week, as the people of God, let us love the unloved and unwanted, redeem the battered and tattered, empower the weak and powerless, that God may be glorified in this world. Amen.

*Rev. Edd Spencer*

**POSTLUDE**

*"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"*

*Margaret Cox  
Pianist*

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

# *Valley Christian Church*

(DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)

*"People Serving God Serving People"*

*January 15, 2023*



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## *Life in the Valley*

Sunday, Jan 15	10:30am Worship (Sanctuary) 12:00pm Board Meeting
Monday, Jan 16	Martin Luther King Day (office closed) 6:00pm Embellishments Bell Choir Group (Yellow Room)
Tuesday, Jan 17	6:30pm Adult Sunday School Class by Zoom
Wednesday, Jan 18	9:00am New Horizons Group (Fellowship) 9:30am AAA Jemison-Van de Graaff Mansion (Tuscaloosa)
Thursday, Jan 19	9:00am New Horizons Group (Fellowship)
Friday, Jan 20	9:00am New Horizons Group (Fellowship)
Saturday, Jan 21	8:00am ESQG Workshop (Fellowship)
Sunday, Jan 22	10:30am Worship (Sanctuary) Laity Sunday – Ed Guindon Preaching Hal Clark's Birthday

*Our Disciples of Christ congregation to be in prayer for this week is  
Village Christian Church in Auburn, 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: Peggi Zinser ELDER: John Gregory GREETERS: Carolyn Nunnally  
and Beth Collier DEACONS: Team 2 – Captain: Ginny Guindon Members: Carol Speed and  
Ed Guindon OPEN: Pastor CLOSE: Ed Guindon COFFEE FELLOWSHIP: To be Announced

## Scripture

### John 13:21-26

21 When Jesus had said these things, He was troubled in spirit, and testified and said, "Most assuredly, I say to you, one of you will betray Me." 22 Then the disciples looked at one another, perplexed about whom He spoke.

23 Now there was leaning on Jesus' bosom one of His disciples, whom Jesus loved. 24 Simon Peter therefore motioned to him to ask who it was of whom He spoke.

25 Then, leaning back on Jesus' breast, he said to Him, "Lord, who is it?"

26 Jesus answered, "It is he to whom I shall give a piece of bread when I have dipped it." And having dipped the bread, He gave it to Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon.

### John 19:17-18; 25-27

17 And He, bearing His cross, went out to a place called the Place of a Skull, which is called in Hebrew, Golgotha,

18 where they crucified Him, and two others with Him, one on either side, and Jesus in the center.

25 Now there stood by the cross of Jesus His mother, and His mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene.

26 When Jesus therefore saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing by, He said to His mother, "Woman, behold your son!"

27 Then He said to the disciple, "Behold your mother!" And from that hour that disciple took her to his own home.