

A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

April 30, 2023

THE BLESSING OF GATHERING

PRELUDE

“His Eye Is on the Sparrow”

Margaret Cox
Pianist

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

Sarah Draper
Worship Leader

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We come here today because God is worthy of our praise and adoration.
We worship today because we are grateful for all God has done for us.
We come here to sing, pray, confess, listen and give.
We come here to share our faith with each other.
Let us worship God wholeheartedly.
Let us rejoice for what God will do in us today.

Sarah Draper
Worship Leader

*HYMN OF PRAISE

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

Hymn 2
Verses 1-3

*INVOCATION

Sarah Draper
Worship Leader

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sarah Draper
Worship Leader

THE GIFT OF THE WORD

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Rev. Edd Spencer

SCRIPTURE

Mark 14:32-36 (NT p.52)

Sarah Draper
Worship Leader

SERMON

“The Serenity Prayer”

Rev. Edd Spencer

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*HYMN OF DEDICATION

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

Hymn 67
Verses 1 & 6

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayer cards are in the pews

Rev. Edd Spencer

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Edd Spencer

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

Giving of Tithes, Offerings

Sarah Draper
Worship Leader

Offertory

“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

Margaret Cox
Pianist
Hymn 48

*Doxology

*Offertory Prayer

THE GIFT FROM JESUS

INVITATION 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.”

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”

SHARING GOD’S LOVE WITH OTHERS

*CLOSING HYMN

“There’s Something About That Name”

Hymn 115

*BENEDICTION

Hold hands with the person near you.

Rev. Edd Spencer

POSTLUDE

“Then Sings My Soul”

Margaret Cox
Pianist

*Congregation standing – as able or willing

We welcome all our guests who are worshipping with us today at Valley Christian Church. We hope that you find it a meaningful experience and that you will come our way again soon. Please join us in the parlor after the service for a time of coffee and fellowship.

Life in the Valley

Sunday, Apr 30	10:30am Worship
Monday, May 1	6:00pm Embellishments Bell Choir Group (Yellow Room)
Tuesday, May 2	9:00am Manna Market Sale 6:30pm Adult Bible Study Class by Zoom
Wednesday, May 3	9:00am New Horizons (Fellowship)
Thursday, May 4	9:00am New Horizons (Fellowship)
Friday, May 5	9:00am New Horizons (Sanctuary) 9:00am ESQG Workshop (Fellowship)
Saturday, May 6	9:00am ESQG Workshop (Fellowship)
Sunday, May 7	Food Pantry Sunday – Canned Meats 10:30am Worship (Sanctuary)

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: Sarah Draper ELDER: Stewart Draper DEACONS/GREETER: Team 1 –
Captain: Beth Collier Members: Terry Nunnelly, Jean Thrasher, and John Gregory OPEN:
Pastor CLOSE: Terry Nunnelly COFFEE FELLOWSHIP: Beth Collier

Valley Christian Church

(DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)

“People Serving God Serving People”

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