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## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

**AS WE COME** together in worship and praise of God, we pray that each person present might experience the presence of Christ in a personal way. A warm welcome to one and all.

**Friendship Folder** - Please sign and pass the friendship folder. If you are a new or frequent worshiper, please sign in so that we will know you are here. The names in the book also allow you to greet those next to you by name.

**For the children** - Be sure to ask an usher for one of the "Rainbow Bags" which is full of appropriate activities for the worship hour. Parents, please don't retie the bow on the bag handles as we are using this method to figure out which bags have been used. Thank you!

**Prayer Concerns** - Valley's pastors and staff pray for needs in the church each week. Fill out a prayer request form found in the friendship folder and *place it in the offering plate or hand it to the pastor.*

**Nursery care** is available every Sunday from 9:30 AM until 11:30 AM.

**Please join the Nelson Family** as they welcome you upstairs in Davis Hall after the service for coffee, tea, juice, and goodies.

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**THE LECTIONARY TEXTS** for Sunday, January 3 at the 8:30 AM service are *Jeremiah 31:7-14; Psalm 147:12-20; Ephesians 1:3-14* and *John 1:(1-9) 10-18.*

**NO SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY** - All children are invited to worship with their parents in the Sanctuary. Nursery care is provided for infants through three years old.

**SOUP KITCHEN THANK YOU** - Many thanks to the Men's Bible Study for preparing, delivering and serving the December 17 meal at the Glisan Homeless Shelter.

**PLEDGE ENVELOPES** - All members and friends who donate may pick up your giving envelopes in the Fireside Room.

**ALL CONTRIBUTIONS** must be received in the church office before **12:00 noon, December 31, 2009** in order to be included on your 2009 annual report. Cash contributions must include your name and/or envelope number. Thank you.

**SORRY, NO ADULT EDUCATION CLASS** this Wednesday, December 30. Enjoy the holiday season.

**AHOY MARINER SHIPS!** Looking for a CARGO project idea for 2010? Consider re-painting one or more of the classrooms in the East Wing. Please contact Kay Hope Gold for details.

**INFORMATION GATHERING** - The church office will be converting to a new database system for 2010. Information forms have been sent to all available e-mails in the current database and will be available in the church office to fill out. You may also complete a form by visiting the church website at [www.valleycommunity.org](http://www.valleycommunity.org). If you did not receive a form via e-mail, please contact the church office with an updated address. Thank you.

## STUDENT MINISTRIES - 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade

### YOUTH MINISTRY MISSION STATEMENT

We are called by God to equip and inspire youth to become disciples of Christ, joyfully proclaiming and actively demonstrating the Good News of Jesus Christ our Lord!

**HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS VOLUNTEER** - Each and every week, regardless of how much homework they have, four very special high school students give up their Wednesday evenings to mentor to our middle school youth. Kate Baumgartner, Taryn Dee, Maria Freeborg and Taylor Rawlings are a valuable part of our L.I.F.E. program. Not only do they set up chairs, serve food and play games, they take an active role by leading small groups and getting to know the kids. Many thanks for all they do!

### MIDDLE SCHOOL - 6th through 8th grade:

- ◆ **SORRY, NO MIDDLE SCHOOL L.I.F.E.** this Wednesday, December 30. Have a Happy New Year!

### HIGH SCHOOL - 9th through 12th grade:

- ◆ **SORRY, NO HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP** this Tuesday, December 29. Have a Happy New Year!

### CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE COMING WEEK

December 27, 2009 - January 3, 2010

#### **SUNDAY, December 27**

8:30 AM Worship Service  
10:00 AM Worship Service  
10:00 AM Children's Sunday School  
11:15 AM Coffee Fellowship

#### **MONDAY, December 28**

8:00 AM Women's Aerobics  
6:00 PM Girl Scout Troop  
7:00 PM APNC

#### **TUESDAY, December 29**

7:15 PM Sanctuary Choir

#### **WEDNESDAY, December 30**

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study  
8:00 AM Women's Aerobics  
7:00 PM APNC

#### **THURSDAY, December 31**

10:00 AM Alanon  
10:00 AM Piecemakers

#### **FRIDAY, January 1**

New Year's Day - Building Closed

#### **SUNDAY, January 3**

8:30 AM Worship Service  
10:00 AM Worship Service  
10:00 AM Children's Sunday School  
10:25 AM Youth Sunday School  
11:15 AM Coffee Fellowship  
4:00 PM New Spirit Ringers  
5:00 PM Youth Choir

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