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**YOU**

Luke 6:38

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Valley Community Presbyterian Church  
8060 SW Brentwood, Portland, Oregon 97225  
February 15, 2009 at 10:00 AM

❖ *Please stand if you choose*  
**Bold Text is spoken by everyone**

## GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE *Adagio from The Church Cantata* Karg-Elert

ACOLYTES Natalie Lorati and Anna Lorati

### WELCOME AND COMMON CONCERNS

#### ❖ CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT

*Be Still and Know That I Am God* No. 2057  
(sing 3 times)

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP Liturgist, Warren Freeborg

One: Let us praise God, who gives living water,  
through whom the faithful flourish.

All: **Like trees planted by the water, God,  
are those who trust in you.**

One: Like trees with deep roots  
are those who place their faith in you.

All: **Like green trees in winter  
are those who receive their life from you.  
We praise you, God, for life that has no end,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord!**

#### ❖ PRAYER OF INVOCATION

❖ HYMN OF PRAISE *Grace Alone* No. 2162

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Compassionate God, we confess the times when we have closed ourselves to your love. We cling to our fear, our guilt, our self-hatred, rather than to let ourselves be warmed and healed by your love. We close our hearts, refusing to be channels of your love to others. We are frozen like winter ice and snow. Forgive us, and give us courage to trust you and to let your love flow through us to others; through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

## SILENT, PERSONAL PRAYER OF CONFESSION

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

- ❖ **RESPONSE OF PRAISE** *Gloria Patri* No. 579
- ❖ **THE PEACE**  
The peace of Christ be with you.  
And also with you!

## A TIME WITH THE YOUNG CHURCH

# PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

**ANTHEM** *Thou, O Jehovah* Copland

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**SCRIPTURE LESSONS** *Genesis 45:3-11; 15 and Luke 6:27-38*

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.  
**Thanks be to God!**

## SERMON

*You Intended It for Evil but G\_d Intends It for Good* Pastor Minshew

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** Gary Nelson, Deacon

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** (p.16)

## RESPOND TO THE WORD

**OFFERING** (Please sign and pass the friendship folder)

Call for the Offering

Offertory *Heart-felt Love Have I for Thee, O Lord* Karg-Elert

❖ Doxology

❖ Prayer of Dedication

**Holy One, you gave us the gift of life, you put us in a stunning world, and you made us free to choose. In Jesus Christ, the Light of the World, you gave us new life and new hope for knowing you. May that Light shine through our choices, our words, and our acts, so that others will praise you, source of Light and Love. Amen.**

## GO IN GOD'S NAME

❖ **HYMN**

*Loving Spirit*

No. 323

❖ **BENEDICTION**

❖ **CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

*O Laughing Light* (please join in singing with the choir)

No. 2093

*The time after the benediction is a time for hospitality. Please take this opportunity to make new friends and invite them to join you upstairs at coffee hour.*