

SENIOR ADULT LUNCHEON - Come celebrate the beginning of 2011 with friends old and new for lunch on Wednesday, January 26 at noon. Connie Brenner will be sharing her mission trip experience in Bolivia with us. Please join us!

WREATH RINGS FOR NEXT YEAR: The Advent Fair committee wants your plastic/metal rings from your Christmas wreath. There is a labeled box in the church office to drop them off. If you have any questions, please contact Marie Bird.

CHRISTMAS DÉCOR: If you have any holiday decorations you no longer want, please donate them to the Youth Mission Project: *Reuse, Repurpose, Recycle* to be used for next year's Advent Fair. Please contact Marie Bird to make arrangements.

CALLING ALL BASKETBALL FANS! The Upward Basketball season starts on Saturday, January 22. If you would like to volunteer to help on game days please see Allison Carlson at Coffee Hour today. She will have the volunteer sign up sheet and we would be happy to have you join in the fun!

LITURGY WORKSHOP: All are invited to a workshop on Saturday, January 22, 9:00-11:00 AM to learn more about our worship, our liturgy, and serving as a liturgist in Sunday morning worship. If you have questions or would like to RSVP, contact Rebecca in the church office.

PRAYER CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS: Our 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 a pastor.*

THE BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP is currently reading *The Lacuna* by Barbara Kingsolver. You are invited to read the book and join the group on Friday, January 28 at 10:00 AM.



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CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE COMING WEEK

January 9 - January 16, 2011

SUNDAY, January 9

8:30 AM Worship Service
10:00 AM Worship Service
10:25 AM Children's and Youth Sunday School Classes
11:15 AM Coffee Fellowship
11:30 AM Capital Improvement Committee Meeting
2:00 PM Cub Scouts 592 Den 7
5:00 PM Youth Choir
6:00 PM New Spirit Ringers
7:30 PM Scout Troop 592

MONDAY, January 10

8:00 AM Women's Aerobics
4:00 PM Upward Basketball Practice
6:00 PM Girl Scout Troop Mtg.

TUESDAY, January 11

10:00 AM Tai Chi Class
4:00 PM Upward Basketball Practice
6:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 40168
7:00 PM High School FAMILY Session
7:00 PM Session

WEDNESDAY, January 12

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study
8:00 AM Women's Aerobics
12:00 PM Wednesday Adult Education
4:15 PM Royal Ringers
5:00 PM Cherub Choir
5:00 PM King's Kids Choir
5:00 PM Non-Rush Hour
5:30 PM Upward Basketball Practice
6:30 PM Middle School LIFE
7:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 1486

THURSDAY, January 13

10:00 AM Alanon
10:00 AM Piecemakers
10:00 AM Tai Chi Class
4:00 PM Upward Basketball Practice
6:15 PM English Handbell Choir
7:00 PM Tai Chi Class
7:15 PM Sanctuary Choir

FRIDAY, January 14

8:00 AM Women's Aerobics
4:00 PM Upward Basketball Practice

SUNDAY, January 16

8:30 AM Worship Service
10:00 AM Worship Service
10:25 AM Children's and Youth Sunday School Classes
11:15 AM Coffee Fellowship
2:30 PM Cub Scouts 592 Den 7
4:00 PM Eagle Scout Ceremony
5:00 PM Youth Choir
6:00 PM New Spirit Ringers
6:00 PM Confirmation Meeting

THE LECTIONARY TEXTS for Sunday, January 16 are *Isaiah 49:1-7; Psalm 40:1-11; 1 Corinthians 1:1-9* and *John 1:29-42.*

TREASURER'S REPORT

(52 weeks ended 12-31-10)

	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Pledged	\$508,046	\$508,046	\$506,147*
Non-pledge	\$40,954	\$40,954	\$51,131
Total	\$549,000	\$549,000	\$558,313

*The actual pledged receipts include \$34,888 from 59 families who exceeded their pledge commitments for 2010. We thank you.



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Valley Community Presbyterian Church
8060 SW Brentwood, Portland, Oregon 97225

BAPTISM OF THE LORD
January 9, 2011 ☩ 10:00 AM

❖ *Please stand as you are able*
Bold Text is spoken by everyone

GATHER AROUND GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE SENTENCES

Arise, shine, for your light has come;
and over you the glory of God has dawned.

Ben Paroulek

MUSIC TO BEGIN WORSHIP

How Brightly Shines the Morning Star
If you must whisper, let it be into the ear of God.

Pachelbel

ACOLYTES

Morgan Presson and Sierra Presson

❖ **PROCESSIONAL HYMN** *O Christ, the Great Foundation* No. 443

❖ **CALL TO WORSHIP**

All who thirst, come to the water and drink deeply of these living streams.
Come, all who are weary; come, all who yearn for forgiveness.
As the waters of the Jordan washed over Jesus,
so the Holy Spirit washed over you and me.
Our gracious God beckons and blesses us.
Let us give praise for new life in Christ.
Come, let us worship God.

WELCOME & COMMON CONCERNS

PURPOSE IN ACTION - Upward Basketball

David Searce

CALL TO CONFESSION
PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Liturgist, Allison Kurtz

O God our sustainer, we have not always lived up to our baptismal promises. We find it too easy to carry grudges, to ignore our neighbors, to act unkindly toward family, friends, or strangers. We find it hard to listen with interest, to forgive each other, to care more about the needs of others than our own comfort and security. We are sorry. We need your mercy. O Christ, baptized in the Holy Spirit, you are the fountain of life, the cleansing spring, the well from which we drink and never thirst again. Refresh us, heal us, and fill us, we pray.

...*Silence is kept...*

KYRIE

Adam Steele



ASSURANCE OF PARDON

...that we are transformed.

God will work transformation in us. In Jesus Christ, God grants us mercy and peace. Thanks be to God!

- ❖ **RESPONSE OF PRAISE** *Out of the Depths* No. 2136
God of the loving heart, we praise your name. Verse 3 only
Dance through our lives and loves; anoint with Spirit flame.
Your light illumines each familiar face.
Here in this community, meet us with your grace.

- ❖ **THE PEACE**
The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you!

CHURCH OFFICER INSTALLATION Marilyn Conforti, Elder

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Rebecca Chancellor

TIME WITH THE YOUNG CHURCH

ANTHEM *Pure Baptismal Fire Divine* Rawson

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON *Isaiah 42:1-7*

- ❖ **PSALM HYMN** *As the Deer* (Psalm 42:1) No. 2025

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON *Mark 1:9-14*
Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.
Thanks be to God!

SERMON *A Moment of Truth* René Minschew

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER (p.16)

OFFERING AND SIGNING THE FRIENDSHIP REGISTERS

Offertory *Whence Comes this Lovely Fragrance* Manz
(Note: After the offertory, rise as the ushers pass your pew to present the offering for dedication.)

- ❖ **DOXOLOGY** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* No. 592
- ❖ **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

SHARE GOD'S WORD

- ❖ **SENDING HYMN** *Lord, When You Came to Jordan* No. 71

- ❖ **CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

- ❖ **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** *We Are Baptized in Christ Jesus* No. 2251
We are baptized in Christ Jesus, we are baptized in his death.
For as Christ was raised victorious, we might live a brand new life.
And if we have been united in a dreadful death like his,
we will all be reunited, for he lives.

In the water and the witness, in the breaking of the bread,
in the waiting arms of Jesus, who is risen from the dead,
we have found a new beginning. In the ashes of our past,
in the losing and the winning, we hold fast.

Glory be to our creator, glory be to Christ, the Son;
glory to the Holy Spirit, ever three and ever one.
As it was in the beginning, glory now resounds again
in a song that has no ending. Amen!

MUSIC TO CONCLUDE WORSHIP *In Thee is Gladness* J.S. Bach

You are invited to remain seated to conclude worship with the postlude or exit after the benediction.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

A SPECIAL WELCOME to all newcomers: we greet you in the name of Jesus Christ.

COFFEE HOUR - Please join the Sanderman Family as they welcome you upstairs in Davis Hall after the service for coffee, tea, juice, and goodies.

FOR THE CHILDREN: Be sure to ask an usher for one of the "Rainbow Bags" which is full of appropriate activities for children to use during worship.

NURSERY CARE is available every Sunday from 9:30 AM until 11:30 AM on the lower level behind the narthex in room 7.

PLEDGE ENVELOPES are available in the Fireside Room today for all members and friends who give money to the operating budget of the church.

NON-RUSH HOUR FOR PARENTS will be in the Fireside Room on Wednesday, January 12 from 5:00 - 6:00 PM! Parents may chat with Pastor Ben, munch on hors d'oeuvres and enjoy a free hand or neck massage from Shannon, our Massage Therapist. Kay Hope Gold will care for the little ones in the Nursery so the adults may totally relax!

BOX TOPS AND LABELS FOR EDUCATION: Please continue to clip your box tops & labels from soups, etc. Collection boxes are on the bookcases in the Narthex.

CREATIVE CLASSROOM CIRCUIT (Kindergarten through Fifth Grade) Baptism of Jesus Kindergarten - Royal Blue Flag

Computer with Tim Kurtz in the Computer Lab.

First Grade - Green Flag

Computer with Tim Kurtz in the Computer Lab.

Second Grade - Yellow Flag

Games with Kay Hope Gold in Room 16.

Third Grade - Orange Flag

Games with Kay Hope Gold in Room 16.

Fourth Grade - Red Flag

Cooking with Claudia Askew in the Fireside Kitchen.

Fifth Grade - Maroon Flag

Discovery with Pastor Ben in Room 17.

YOUTH MINISTRIES - Following the Time with the Young Church, Sunday School will be offered today for all youth in 6th-12th grades in the Youth House.

MIDDLE SCHOOL: 6th-8th grade youth meet Wednesday evenings in the Youth House, 6:30 - 8:30 PM, for Middle School LIFE. See you this Wed., Jan. 12!

HIGH SCHOOL: 9th-12th grade youth meet on Tuesday evenings in the Youth House, 7:00 - 9:00 PM. Join our High School FAMILY. Pizza Night is Tuesday!

CONFIRMATION CLASS OF 2011 MEETING: If you missed the first informational meeting regarding the confirmation class this spring, you are invited to the next one on Sunday, January 16 at 6:00 PM in the Youth House. All interested High School youth and their parents are welcome!