



**Zacchaeus in the Sycamore Tree**

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

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

May 17, 2009 at 10:00 AM  
Sixth Sunday of Eastertide

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

## GATHER IN G\_D'S NAME

### PRELUDE

### ACOLYTES

Allison and Lindsay Kurtz

### WELCOME AND COMMON CONCERNS

### INTROIT

*How Can I Keep From Singing*  
Youth Choir

arr. Herrington

### ❖ CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist, Dan Rueff

One: *The Christ said, "This is my commandment: Love one another."*

**Many: We come to worship the G\_d who is love, that we may learn to love one another.**

One: *The Christ said, "No longer do I call you servants; but now I call you my friends."*

**Many: We come to worship the G\_d whose friends we are through Christ.**

**All: Let us sing praise to G\_d, and live in love and friendship toward the human family, through Jesus our Christ. Amen.**

### ❖ HYMN OF PRAISE

*As The Deer*

No. 2025

### ❖ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious Source of Life, we do not always accept the new growth within us. We confess that often we

—do not see the beauty that is in this world for us to enjoy.

—do not recognize the love that is offered to us each day.

—are too busy with our own tasks to see if they fit into G\_d's plan.

—do not want the newfound joy, for then we may no longer pity ourselves.

—are afraid to risk, to turn the corner, to empty the cup, to dance.

Forgive us, O G\_d, and help us to accept your gift of resurrection. Amen.

❖ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

❖ RESPONSE OF PRAISE

*Gloria Patri*

No. 579

❖ THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you!**

## PROCLAIM G\_D'S WORD

ANTHEM

*I'm Goin' Up a Yonder*

Hawkins

Youth Choir with senior soloists: Kelsey Killian-O'Neal and Hayley Rea  
Mark Kemball, piano

A TIME WITH THE YOUNG CHURCH and CENTS-ABILITY OFFERING

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

*Exodus 34:4-9 and Luke 19:1-10*

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

*The Man Out On a Limb*

Pastor Minshew

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Ron Leland, Deacon

THE LORD'S PRAYER (p.16)

HYMN

*Here I Am, Lord*

No. 525

## RESPOND TO THE WORD

OFFERING (Please sign and pass the friendship folder)

Call for the Offering

Offertory

*Gavotte*

Hayley Rea, Maria Freeborg, Amy Rheingans,  
Kegan Derting, Scott Russell

❖ Doxology for Eastertide

(sung to the tune "Praise G\_d From Whom All Blessings Flow")

**O Jesus, risen now to bless,**

**Do thou thyself our hearts possess,**

**That we may give you all our days**

**The willing tribute of our praise! Amen.**

❖ Prayer of Dedication

One: As Christ was offered in obedience to you, O G\_d,

**All: So we offer ourselves and our gifts to be used in your service.**

One: As you took Christ's sacrifice and filled it with your life and power,

**All: So use our gifts and transform our lives, that we may be the living presence of your reign on earth, now and always. Amen.**

## GO IN G\_D'S NAME

❖ HYMN

*Seek Ye First*

No. 333

❖ BENEDICTION

❖ BENEDICTION RESPONSE

*El Cielo Canta Alegria!*

Sosa and Bergs

Youth Choir

\* From René: I learned from my Rabbi friends that the name of G\_d is so holy that it is not to be written, only pointed to. I have adopted that tradition in my own writing.