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And a highway shall be there, and it shall be called The Holy Way.

Isaiah 35:8

The Holy Way Presbyterian Church brings the good news of Jesus Christ to all God's people and faithfully follows the Lord's holy way.

THE HOLY WAY

Presbyterian Church



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A Stephen Ministry Congregation

January 15, 2017

“Rabbi, you are God’s Son. You are the king of Israel.” John 1:49

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS — WELCOME

PRELUDE *A Heart Takes Flight* Catherine Rollin

INTROIT *Come All You People* Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 40:1-4)

LEADER: I put all my hope in the Lord. He leaned down to me;
he listened to my cry for help.

PEOPLE: **He lifted me out of the pit of death, out of the mud
and filth, and set my feet on solid rock. He steadied
my legs.**

LEADER: He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise for
our God. Many people will learn of this and be
amazed; they will trust the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Those who put their trust in the Lord, who pay no
attention to the proud or to those who follow lies,
are truly happy!**

***HYMN** *Holy, Holy, Holy!* #1

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord God, our eyes are still learning to see Your light. Forgive
our blindness. Where we focus on brokenness, You cultivate seeds of
reconciliation. Where illness and disease steer the road ahead, You
open alternative paths to healing and well-being. When disaster strikes,
You release a bounty of helpful servants.

Open our eyes that we may see: forgiveness that wipes out sin,
peace that stills the storm, life that overcomes death. We turn to the
Light of the world, Jesus Christ, Our Lord, our Savior. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***RESPONSE** *Glory Be to the Father* #581

A TIME OF GREETING

ANTHEM *Built on a Rock* Chancel Choir

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE (After the message, children entering the 5th
grade and younger are invited to attend Sunday School in the Ranch House.)

SCRIPTURE (OT p. 679) Isaiah 49:1-7

HYMN *God of Our Life* #686

SCRIPTURE (NT p. 92) John 1:35-49

SERMON “Lost Identity”

OUR CARES AND CELEBRATIONS

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER *Amen* #601

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY *Star Gazer* Melody Bober

***DOXOLOGY** #606

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***HYMN** *The Holy Way* (*see insert*)

***BENEDICTION**

***RESPONSE** *Let There Be Peace on Earth*

POSTLUDE *Energetic Etude* Melody Bober

*Please stand if you are able

Calendar

PRAYER CONCERNS



Sun.	Jan. 15	9:30 am 10:30 am After Worship 6:00 pm	Worship, & Sunday School Annual Cong. Meeting Pop-Up Sunday School Alanon/Alateen
Mon.	Jan. 16	9:30 am 1:00 pm	Yoga Book Club
Tues.	Jan. 17	9:00 am 10:30 am 1-3:30 pm 6:00 pm 6:00 pm	Bible Study PSM Stephen Minister Training Session Meeting Alanon Meeting
Weds.	Jan. 18	1:00 pm 4:00 pm	Violence Divine Class Girl Scouts
Thurs.	Jan. 19	8:00am 5:00 pm 5:30 pm 6:15 pm	Men's Breakfast Bell Choir Rehearsal AA Choir Rehearsal
Fri.	Jan. 20	9:00 am	Peer Supervision Group
Sun.	Jan. 22	9:30 am 6:00 pm	Worship, & Sunday School Alanon/Alateen

SESSION:

Class of 2017	Karl Allen	Christian Education, Worship
Class of 2017	Barbara Armbruster	Congregational Life
Class of 2017	Carol Hearn	Finance, Mission
Class of 2017	Dennis Toresdahl	Buildings & Grounds, Cong Life
Class of 2018	Tom Bernardo	Admin./ Buildings & Grounds
Class of 2018	Ellen LaCroix	Mission, Nominating
Class of 2018	Marcus Mattias	Christian Education
Class of 2018	Dudley Williams	Buildings & Grounds, Finance
Class of 2019	Phil Hollis	Admin, Finance, Nominating
Class of 2019	Marv Knittel	Worship, Deacons
Class of 2019	Marquita McCrone	Clerk
Class of 2019	Gerry Pearson	Cong. Life, Treasurer

Soldiers, Peacemakers, Police, & First-Responders – for their physical, mental, and spiritual health.

For a positive and faithful resolution to our broken immigration system.

Andy Thomas – our YAV serving in Asheville, NC

All the unspoken prayer concerns.

Your prayers this week will give them the sustaining power we all need. Please pray for them!

Barbara Armbruster – Health Concerns

Janet Borne– Health Concerns

Marci Cary (friend of Toni Rivers) – Health Concerns

Russell Criswell (Gwen's son) – Health Concerns

Alex Diaz – Health Concerns

T.R. Ellis – Health Concerns

Julie Gonet – Health Concerns

Rachel (friend of Don Kimball) – Health Concerns

Laurie LaCouture – Health Concerns

Dave Malmberg – Health Concerns

Wendy Mattias' friend, Toni – Health Concerns

Peter McNew (son-in-law of Madeline Cokeley) – Health Concerns

Doug Myers – Health Concerns

Lyle Olmstead – Health Concerns

Betty Reichlein– Health Concerns

Betty Reichlein's son, Keith Gaston– Health Concerns

Mooneen Ringenberg's daughter, Carol – Health Concerns

Janie Saxton – Health Concerns

Charles Sayers – Health Concerns

Dionicio Valenzuela (Alfonso's Brother) – Health Concerns

Our Prayer Chain is always available – contact Phyllis Crouthers at 578-8369 or Anita Parsil at 578-2410. If unable to reach Phyllis or Anita, you can email the church office at office@holywaypc.org.

Announcements & Opportunities

January 15, 2017

Welcome to our Worship Celebration this morning!

We worship every Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. and offer Sunday School for school age children. **Help us get acquainted with you by filling out our attendance pad and our guest card!** Please join us for **refreshments** and fellowship at our Coffee Social Time in the Ranch House **following our service.** You will find sign-up sheets on the bulletin board in the Ranch House for our upcoming events and volunteer opportunities.

Next Week's Scriptures:

Isaiah 9:1-4

Matthew 4:12-23

Personal Receivers are available in the AV Room for those needing hearing assistance. **Any chair in our sanctuary can be moved** to make room for persons in **wheelchairs**—our ushers are ready to help. Recorded Audio Tapes are available in the AV Room after each service, and you can **read our sermons** online at www.holywaypc.org.

*****Remember the church in your will*****

- ✦ **The Session has called for the annual meeting of the congregation** and corporation today, at 10:30 a.m. in the sanctuary. The purpose of the meeting is to receive annual reports, elect members to the Nominating Committee, receive the 2017 budget, approve the change in terms of call for the pastor, elect officers of the corporation, and to attend to any other matters that can properly come before the meeting.
- ✦ **Pop-Up Sunday School is today after worship and the annual meeting.** This month we will hear from our own Greg Hershberger who will be sharing about his recent mission trip to Kenya. This was Greg's third trip in four years and his group worked alongside a Methodist church in Kenya. After worship, grab a quick cup of coffee or a yummy snack then head back into the sanctuary for Pop-Up!
- ✦ **Book Club** will meet Monday at 1 p.m.
- ✦ **The Session** will meet Tuesday at 6 p.m.

- ✦ **Wednesday Class: "Violence Divine"**
We are studying a series called "Violence Divine: Overcoming the Bible's Betrayal of Its Non-Violent God." Each session includes a video presentation by theologian John Dominic Crossan and a discussion afterwards. Crossan will help us "rise above the greatest of Christian treasons: that everlasting peace can only be achieved through the onslaught of divine violence." Classes meet every Wednesday at 1 p.m. (final class is March 1).
- ✦ **Men's Breakfast** is Thursday at 8 a.m. at Little Mexico Restaurant. (Cardinal/Valencia).
- ✦ **Peer Supervision** will meet Friday at 9 a.m.
- ✦ **The Congregational Outing** is next Tuesday, 1/24 to the Mirror Lab. **TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED ONLINE BEFORE FRIDAY 1/20.** There is information on the Narthex table for purchasing tickets. Tours are limited to 20 people so don't wait! We will leave the church parking lot at 10:15 a.m. for a tour scheduled at 12:30 p.m.
- ✦ **Lunch & Games is back!** Join us Wednesday, 1/25, at noon for hot turkey sandwiches, mashed potatoes and gravy and dessert! \$7 suggested donation but don't let that stop you—all are welcome, even if you don't stay for the games! Sign-up in the Ranch House today!
- ✦ **On Sunday, January 29**, after worship, a representative from the Presbyterian Foundation will present a program on estate planning, wills, and bequests. A lunch will be served in the Ranch House following the program. Please sign up for the lunch if you plan to attend.
- ✦ Dust off your cowboy boots and hats and join us for an **'Old West' Fund Raiser** coming up on Sunday, February 19th! After worship, we'll gather in the Ranch House for chili, cornbread, and dessert. Then at noon, we'll mosey over to the sanctuary for the hour-long program! There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex so get signed up today folks!
- ✦ **Thanks to all who bring goodies for coffee hour.** If you drop things off before church on Sunday morning, please place them on the serving table in the large room of the Ranch House so they don't get overlooked. If the choir is practicing, please go through the kitchen. Leaving things in the kitchen or other places sometimes leads to them being discovered too late to use while they are still fresh, which is a shame.
- ✦ **Per Capita**—the amount our church is requested to pay for each active member to help defray administrative costs in presbytery, Synod, and GA— is \$37 in 2017. Mark "Per Capita" on your contribution.