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And a highway shall be there, and it shall be called The Holy Way.
Isaiah 35:8

January 18, 2015

“Speak, Lord. Your servant is listening.”

1 Samuel 3:9

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS — WELCOME

PRELUDE

INTROIT *Shall We Gather at the River (vs.3)* Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: The Lord draws us to this place, not to be seen but to truly see.

PEOPLE: **The Lord brings us to this time, not to speak idle words but to hear life-giving words, spoken by our Savior.**

LEADER: We come to express our praise, to proclaim our gratitude, and to live as faithful servants of Jesus Christ.

PEOPLE: **“Visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.”**

***HYMN** *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* #366

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord of heaven and earth, how our spirits yearn to be free, while our feet of clay hold us down. Our hearts hunger for love that is genuine and unconditional, while our best intentions falter and fall short. Our church prays and hopes to be holy and generous, and to live by Your mercy. But we are flawed and overly judgmental of others and of ourselves.

May Your transforming word open the path to abundant life. May Your extraordinary love guide our words and deeds, our thoughts and our dreams. Forgive our sins and guide us in the way that is everlasting, in Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

A TIME OF GREETING

ANTHEM *Take My Life, Lord* 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 (NT p. 92-93) John 1:43-51

HYMN *Come Sing, O Church, in Joy* #634

SCRIPTURE (OT p. 247) 1 Samuel 3:1-10

SERMON “More Than the I Can See”

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** A Brief Statement of Faith (3) pg. 37

OUR CARES AND CELEBRATIONS

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER *Amen* #601

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY** #606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***HYMN** *May the God of Hope Go with Us* #765

*BENEDICTION

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

POSTLUDE

* Please stand if you are able.

Announcements & Opportunities
January 18, 2015

Welcome to our Worship Celebration this morning!

We worship every Sunday morning at 9:30 am and offer Sunday School for 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 Sunday's Scripture Readings	Jonah 3:1-5, 10 Mark 1:14-20
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Our church strives to be fully accessible to all persons. The **first four rows** on the pulpit side of the sanctuary are designated "**Fragrance-Free.**"

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 for your convenience or you can read our **sermons online at www.holywaypc.org**.

Bible Study is held every Tuesday. You are invited to join us for coffee and homemade snacks in the Conference Room at 9:00 a.m. We will begin our study of the **Book of Proverbs.**

Remember the church in your will

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‡ The Deacons and Elders are sponsoring a continental breakfast today at 10:30 am for our **Pastor's 20th Anniversary with Holy Way Presbyterian Church!**

‡ **Yoga** meets on Mondays, at 9:30 am, in the Ranch House.

‡ The **Book Club** meets on Monday at 1:00 pm. They are currently reading *The Giver* by Lois Lowry. Library copies are available; see Barbara Armbruster if you need a copy!

‡ **Girl Scouts** meet in the Ranch House on Tuesdays at 2:30 pm.

‡ **Session** meets Tuesday at 6:00 pm.

‡ **Beginning Writing Class** meets on Wednesday at 10:00 am in the Conference Room.

‡ The **Love Your (Muslim) Neighbor as Yourself** study group, meets on Wednesday, at 7:00 pm in the Conference Room.

‡ **No Kids Bible Study** this week.

‡ Every year, Presbyterian churches are assessed a "**Per Capita**" payment, which is then distributed to the regional councils of our denomination – Presbytery, Synod, General Assembly – to cover our share of the administrative costs of those bodies. The **annual payment** is based on active membership. The assessment for 2015 is \$35 per active member. The Session invites all active members to contribute their **\$35** to help offset this cost to the church (\$4,794 in 2015) which will be paid the end of February.

‡ The Session has called for the **Annual Meeting** of the congregation and corporation for Sunday, **January 25th at 10:30am**, in the sanctuary. The purpose of the meeting is to receive annual reports, elect members to the Nominating Committee, receive the 2015 Budget, and to attend to any other matters that can properly come before the meeting.

‡ For our first **Mortgage Reduction Special Event** in 2015, Joel Mattson, along with his special guest, his father, Lloyd Mattson, will present "The Songs and Legends of Alaska" in our Sanctuary, on Sunday, **January 25, at 1:30 p.m.** Invite your friends and family to this excellent show! A free will offering will be received to free the church from a mortgage.

‡ Our **Mission Project, *Warming up Sells***, continues to collect coats, gloves, hats, scarves, and blankets for the Presbyterian Church at Sells. Boxes for these items can be found in the Ranch House during the month of January. Anything you can give helps so much!

‡ The **2nd Annual Holy Way Women's Retreat** will be at the Amado Territory Ranch, from **February 27th through March 1st**, in the hope that winter visitors will be able to participate this year. The fee for the weekend (including lodging and food) will be about \$130 per person, based on double occupancy. Registration forms are available in the narthex; if you'd like more information, please contact Carol Hearn (395-0381) or Jennifer Monroe (618-306-5573).

CALENDAR

Sun.	Jan. 18	9:30 am 10:30 am 6:00 pm	Worship & Sunday School 20th Anniversary Breakfast for Pastor Ray Alateen & Al-anon Meetings
Mon.	Jan. 19	9:30 am 1:00 pm	Yoga Book Club
Tue.	Jan. 20	9:00 am Noon 2:30 pm 6:00 pm 6:00 pm	Bible Study Ladies Lunch @ Coyote Pause Girl Scouts Al-anon Meeting Session
Wed.	Jan. 21	10:00 am 7:00 pm	Writing Class Islam Study Group
Thur.	Jan. 22	5:00 pm 5:30 pm 6:15 pm	Bell Choir AA Meeting Chancel Choir
Fri.	Jan. 23	9:00 am 1:00 pm	Holy Way Elves Women's AA Meeting No Kids Bible Study Today
Sun.	Jan. 25	9:30 am 10:30 am 1:30 pm 6:00 pm	Worship & Sunday School Congregational Meeting Joel Mattson Musical Program Alateen & Al-Anon

SESSION

Class of 2015	Gerry Pearson	Congregational Life/Memorial
Class of 2015	Wendy Mattias	Administration
Class of 2015	Dougald McIntyre	Administration
Class of 2015	Dudley Williams	Buildings/Grounds/Finance
Class of 2016	Sherri Atleson	Mission/Worship
Class of 2016	Dee Ellis	Christian Education/Deacons
Class of 2016	Sharon Groves	Clerk//Welcome
Class of 2016	Mooneen Ringenberg	Mission/Welcome
Class of 2017	Karl Allen	Christian Education/Worship
Class of 2017	Carol Hearn	Congregational Life/Finance
Class of 2017	Dennis Toresdahl	Buildings/Grounds
Class of 2017	Barbara Armbruster	Congregational Life/Mission

PRAYER CONCERNS

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

Soldiers & Peacemakers—for their physical, mental, & spiritual health.

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

Myles & Margaret Agee – Health Concerns

Barbara Armbruster – Health Concerns

Helen Denman – Health Concerns

George Hearn – Health Concerns

Phyllis Hyldburg – Health Concerns

Toni (Jane Hosler's daughter) – Health Concerns

Toni, (Wendy Mattias' friend) – Health Concerns

John Mello – Back Surgery on January 15th

Judy Miller – Recovering from Surgery

Doug Myers – Health Concerns

Margaret Polley (Linda Jones' friend) – Health Concern

Charles Sayers – Health Concerns

Hazel Schaff – Health Concerns

Kevin Sterner – Health Concerns

Chris Toresdahl – Health Concerns

All the unspoken prayer concerns

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