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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

March 12, 2017
Second Sunday in Lent

"I assure you, unless someone is born anew, it's not possible to see God's kingdom."
John 3:3

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS — WELCOME

PRELUDE *Lord, Be Glorified* arr. Mark Hayes

INTROIT *God is Here!* (vs. 1) Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 121)

LEADER: I lift up my eyes to the hills-from where will my help come?

PEOPLE: **My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**

LEADER: He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

PEOPLE: **He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.**

LEADER: The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand.

PEOPLE: **The sun will not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.**

LEADER: The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

PEOPLE: **The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.**

***HYMN** *There Is Now a New Creation* #774

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord our God, keeper of covenant, keeper of all creation, keeper of goodness and love, keep Your patience with us. We let go of Your commands and our promises to You, but we hold on to worry, regret, and fear. We stray from daily prayer and we test how far we can drift from You, but we hold tight to out-dated thinking and damaging habits. You keep sending us grace; we keep taking it for granted.

Open our eyes to Your daily wonders. Spur our hearts to release darkness and sin and receive Your mercy and love. Keep us abundantly alive, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

A TIME OF GREETING

ANTHEM *O Come, Let Us Sing to the 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 (OT p. 10) Genesis 12:1-4a

HYMN *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* #829

SCRIPTURE (NT p. 93-94) John 3:1-17

SERMON "There's a Keeper"

OUR CARES AND CELEBRATIONS

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER *Amen* #601

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY Breathe On Me, Breath of God
O, How I Love Jesus Bell Choir

***DOXOLOGY** #606

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***HYMN** *O Jesus, I Have Promised* #724

***BENEDICTION**

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

POSTLUDE *Boogie Blast* Robert Randall

Calendar



PRAYER CONCERNS

Sun.	March 12	9:30 am After Worship After Worship 6:00 pm	Worship & Sunday School Board of Deacons Meeting Agua Prieta Meeting Alanon/Alateen
Mon.	March 13	11:00am 2:00 pm	The Way Class Serendipity
Tues.	March 14	9:00 am 1-3:30 pm 6:00 pm	Bible Study Stephen Minister Training Alanon Meeting
Weds.	March 15	4:00 pm 1:00 pm	Girl Scouts SM Peer Supervision
Thurs.	March 16	8:00 am 5:00 pm 5:30 pm 6:15 pm	Men's Breakfast @ Little Mexico Bell Choir Rehearsal AA Choir Rehearsal
Fri.	March 17	8:00 am	Building & Ground Work Day
Sun.	March 19	9:30 am After Worship After Worship 6:00 pm	Worship & Sunday School Pop-Up Sunday School "A Step Back in Time" Video 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

Carol Ann Harris – Health Concerns

Lila Jean Jensen (Joan Valenzuela's sister) – 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'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

March 12, 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 for our upcoming events and volunteer opportunities.

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.

- ✦ **The Board of Deacons** will meet today after worship.
- ✦ **There will be a short meeting** after worship today, in the sanctuary, for those who will be participating in the trip to Agua Prieta, March 25 & 26.
- ✦ **The Way: Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus** Lent class will meet Monday at 11:00 a.m.
- ✦ **Serendipity** will meet Monday at 2:00 p.m. at the home of Carol Hearn. (3370 S. White Clay Loop).
- ✦ **The Men's Breakfast** will meet Thursday morning, 8 a.m. at Little Mexico Steakhouse on Valencia near Cardinal.
- ✦ **Building & Grounds Work Day** is this Friday. Meet here at the church at 8 a.m. ready to work!
- ✦ **“A Step Back in Time” Video Presentation.**
For those who missed seeing the February 19th show “A Step Back in Time”, the video recording will be shown after church, next Sunday! So, grab a cup of coffee in the Ranch House and join us in the sanctuary. You're all welcome!

- ✦ **The Session** will meet next Tuesday, March 21, at 6:00 p.m.
- ✦ **Thank you, Jennifer Monroe, for taking over the Prayer Shawl Ministry.** These shawls have brought comfort to many in our congregation, and they represent the care and concern of our community. If you or someone you know has a new baby, new grandchild, is in the hospital or dealing with hard times and could use a prayer shawl, please contact Jennifer @ 520-578-8723.
- ✦ **This Month's Pop-Up Sunday School** will be next Sunday after worship, in the Ranch House! The Scam Squad of the Green Valley Sheriff Auxiliary Volunteers was developed by Lou Sampson the no-nonsense leader of the fraud-fighting team. After working to establish an effective Neighborhood Watch Program Lou turned her sights on those criminals not so readily seen in the community - those who CON, LIE and PREY on trusting citizens. The Scam Squad is a relatively new program for the Sheriff's Department. Since May of 2012 she has presented this program to over 7,000 people in our area bringing awareness to everyone interested in this important issue.
- ✦ **On March 21st, Valley Presbyterian Church's Women's Ministries** is offering a **day-long Women's Retreat**. Neta Jackson and Pamela Sullivan Harvey will lead us in a day of prayer, worship and learning on Tues., March 21, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 a.m. in Green Valley. The cost is \$15 including lunch and snacks. The deadline to register is March 15th! You can register online @ www.valleypresbyterian.net/news—events.html. You can also mail a check (made out to: VP Women's Ministries) to Gee-Gee Smith, P.O. Box 4709, Tubac, AZ 85646 (Must be postmarked by Mar 13, 2017). * Let Kathy know here in the Holy Way church office if you are going and would like to carpool so arrangements can be made.
- ✦ **Thrift Shop Show & Tell!** On Saturday, April 1, at noon, everyone is welcome to come for lunch in the Ranch House to see what your friends found on their recent thrift store shopping trip! We will enjoy lunch, a fashion show, Barbara Armbruster will share poems from her new book “Letters from the Borderland” and Betty Irons will give a scarf tying demonstration. Bring your friends and don't miss the fun! Sign up in the Narthex today.