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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

July 30, 2017

“Jesus spoke all these things to the crowd in parables; he did not say anything to them without using a parable. So was fulfilled what was spoken through the prophet.” *Matthew 13: 34-35*

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS — WELCOME!

PRELUDE

*INTROIT *Holy God, We Praise Your Name* (v. 1) #4

*CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Brothers and sisters, fellow seekers, come and discover treasure the likes of which the world has never known.

PEOPLE: **Lead us to your kingdom, O God.**

LEADER: There is a country beyond this world, that is like a pearl of great value, worth all we have and all we are.

PEOPLE: **Open our eyes, Jesus, to the kingdom that you bring near.**

LEADER: There is a kingdom that catches all but keeps only the good, and discards the bad.

PEOPLE: **Holy Spirit, catch us with such a kingdom, and let us worship our God.**

*HYMN *Standing on the Promises* #838

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God our Father: You have put within our reach the blessings of your Kingdom, but we prefer to live in the here and now. Lord, so often as we toil at the tasks of daily life we tend to make You, like us, a part of the world, instead of making ourselves more like you. Forgive us, Lord, and help us to have the courage to hear Your call and not think so small. Forgive us when we take for granted our entrance into your Kingdom while we invest in what this world sees as necessary and attractive, thinking we can have the best of both worlds. We pray through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE *Glory Be to the Father* #581

A TIME OF GREETING

ANTHEM *God Will Take Care of You* Duet, Joan & Harry

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. 556) Psalm 105: 1-11

HYMN *See Ye First* #175

SCRIPTURE (NT p. 14) Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

SERMON *“Reach Me, Teach Me!”* Rev. Larry Biehl

OUR CARES AND CELEBRATIONS

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER *Amen* #601

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY #606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN *Be Thou My Vision* #450

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE *Let There Be Peace on Earth*

POSTLUDE

Calendar

PRAYER CONCERNS



Sun.	July 30	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School
		6:00 pm	Alanon/Alateen
Tues.	Aug 1	9:00 am	Bible Study Today
		6:00 pm	Alanon
Wed.	Aug 2	9:00 am	SM Peer Supervision Group
Thurs.	Aug 3	5:30 pm	AA
Sun.	Aug 6	9:30 am	Worship, Communion, SS & Food Bank
		6:00 pm	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.

For all the Students, Teachers, and Staff returning to school this week.

All the unspoken prayer concerns.

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

Karl Allen's uncle David – Health Concerns
 Barbara Armbruster – Health Concerns
 Marci Cary (friend of Toni Rivers) – Health Concerns
 Betty & Willis Iron's daughter-in-law, Roxanne – Health Concerns
 Lila Jean Jensen (Joan Valenzuela's sister) – Health Concerns
 Rachel (friend of Don Kimball) – Health Concerns
 Wendy Mattias' friend, Toni – Health Concerns
 June Meola – Health Concerns
 Doug Myers – Health Concerns
 Lyle Olmstead – Health Concerns
 Anita Parsil – Health Concerns
 Laura Penton-Williams' daughter, Roma – Health Concerns
 Betty Reichlein's son, Keith Gaston – Health Concerns
 Mooneen Ringenberg – Health Concerns
 Mooneen Ringenberg's daughter, Carol – Health Concerns
 Janie Saxton – Health Concerns
 Charles Sayers – Health Concerns
 Judy Stauch (Rosalie Baumrucker's Sister) – Health Concerns
 Kevin Sterner – 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

July 30, 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.

Next Week's Scriptures:

Genesis 32:22-31 Matthew 14:13-21

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*****

- ✦ **Rev. Ray and Rev. Elizabeth** will be returning this week from attending a preaching event in Ghost Ranch. Today, we welcome Rev. Larry Biehl here at Holy Way.

- ✦ **Bible Study** will resume Tuesday at 9 a.m.
- ✦ **Stephen Ministry Peer Group** will meet Wednesday at 9 a.m.
- ✦ **Next Sunday**, we celebrate the sacrament of Communion and receive food items for Food Bank Sunday. Thank you for your donations.
- ✦ **School is restarting this week!!** With your donations, Altar Valley Middle School, in Three Points, west of Holy Way, can not only prepare for the new school year, but we can hopefully inspire the kids to want to do well in school. Our teachers greatly appreciate your generous donations, and our kids are thrilled to begin the school year with new supplies. Please bring any supplies you would like to donate and place them in the bin in the Narthex. Thank you to those who have already donated!

Items we are collecting include:

notebooks
pencils
Kleenex
hand sanitizer
Crayola crayons
colored pencils
2 pocket folders
filler paper
pencil sharpeners (with catchers)
expo markers
backpacks
colored Xerox paper