

# CONNECT

## We're Glad You're Here!

We want to know who we are connecting with so we can serve you better. Please complete the front and back of this slip and drop it in the offering plate. If you have filled one out before, simply write your name and any new information.

Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Children: \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (h) \_\_\_\_\_

(w) \_\_\_\_\_

(cell) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

This is an address change

This is your:  First Time  Second Time

Third Time  Fourth Time

Reg. Attender  Member

Are you:  Married  Single

Single again  Widowed

Age Group:  Under 18  18-22

23-30  31-35

36-40  41-50

51-60  60+

How did you hear about Valley?

Drove by  Newspaper

Yellow Pages  Friend

Website

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Visiting with \_\_\_\_\_

Please contact me about a visit from the Pastor.

## Calendar

### Today, Sunday, February 24, 2019

9:00 a.m.	Worship Service	Sanctuary
10:00 a.m.	Fellowship Time	St. Andrews Hall
10:30 a.m.	Children's Sunday School	Downstairs
10:30 a.m.	Adult Sunday School	Downstairs-Yth Rm
10:45 a.m.	thrive UMC Worship	Sanctuary

### Monday, February 25, 2019

7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts	St. Andrews Hall
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### Tuesday, February 26, 2019

### Wednesday, February 27, 2019-Deadline for Sunday Bulletins

4:00 p.m.	Prayer Group	Pommrehn Lounge
5:30 p.m.	Bell Choir	Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m.	Adult Choir	Sanctuary

### Thursday, February 28, 2019

### Friday, March 1, 2019

### Saturday, March 2, 2019

5:00 p.m.	Contemporary Worship Service	Sanctuary
	Meal	

### Next Sunday, March 3, 2019

9:00 a.m.	Worship Service	Sanctuary
10:00 a.m.	Fellowship Time	St. Andrews Hall
10:30 a.m.	Children's Sunday School	Downstairs
10:30 a.m.	Adult Sunday School	Downstairs-Yth Rm
10:45 a.m.	thrive UMC Worship	Sanctuary
11:45 a.m.	Fellowship Brunch	St. Andrews Hall

**Ash Wednesday Service 6:30 p.m. March 6**

**Lenten Study: See the insert in today's bulletin to learn more about this year's Lenten Study.**

**February COG Item: Toilet Paper**

**March COG Item: Laundry Detergent**

**Place your items in the Mission Corner of St. Andrews Hall**

# "Fool's Pardon"



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*Order of Worship*  
*Seventh Sunday After Epiphany*      *February 24, 2019*

Entrance and Gathering of Christ's People

Preludes                      *"If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee"*                      Boehm  
    *"Allegro, from Organ Concerto III"*    Handel

Announcements

Chimes and Ministry of the Acolytes

\*Call to Worship:

L:      God, we rave to celebrate your abundant goodness.

**P:      We shout joyfully about your righteousness!**

L:      The LORD is merciful and compassionate...

**P:      Very patient and full of faithful love.**

**ALL:    The LORD is good to everyone; God's compassion extends to all his handiwork.**

\*Opening Prayer:

**God over both our friends and enemies: we know you are merciful, compassionate, patient and full of faithful love. But most of the time, we are not. We prefer to keep a record of wrongs against us, and we often take our blessings for granted. Few things are more difficult for us than forgiveness. You are moved by grief and humility—no matter how shallow or fake it may seem to our eyes. We, however, tend to see grief and humility as signs of weakness or opportunities to exploit. Your ways are not our ways. Your knowing is higher than our knowing. May we take another look so that our hearts might reflect your own. Amen.**

\*Hymn of Praise                      *"This Is My Father's World"*    144 *UMH*

\*Sharing of Greetings and Peace

L:      Peace be with you.

**P:      Also with you!**

Witness in Music                      *"The Power and the Glory"*    Adult Choir

Children's Time    Pastor Jeremy

\*Scripture Hymn                      *"Give to the Winds Thy Fears"*    129 *UMH*

Scripture    Jonah 4:3-10    Pew Bible OT 1054

Message    *"Fool's Pardon"*    Pastor Jeremy Poland

Offertory    *"O Heavenly Grace"*    Hill

\*Doxology

Life in the Spirit

*(Please note: In an effort to make sure everyone can share in our Life in the Spirit moments, please remember to stand up and face the congregation when speaking.)*

The Lord's Prayer: **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

\*Closing Hymn                      *"A Charge to Keep I Have"*    413 *UMH*

\*Benediction- *"Sent Forth by God's Blessing"*      664 v.1 *UMH*

\*Postlude    *"Lord of All Power and Might"*    Smith

\*Please stand as you are able.

**Worship has ended...now the service begins!**

**Welcome, Visitors!**

Nursery care, large print hymnals, large print bulletins are available by contacting an usher.

**Today's Worship Servants:** Organist: Karen Hutzell; Choir Director: David Rozendaal; Hand Bell Director: Lynelle Meyer; Announcements: David Rozendaal; Computer Operator/Sound: Starr Himes; Worship Servants: Jan Meek, Carolyn Lancaster, Max Meier; Fellowship Hosts: John and Cyndee Johnson; Nursery Attendant: Kim Tyrell; Nursery Volunteer: Anita Canney; Church open: John Johnson.

Flowers for worship are provided by Dean and Debbie Brown.

**Children in Worship:** We welcome your children and are glad you have chosen to bring them to church! Childcare is provided for infants and toddlers up to 5 years of age. After the Children's Message, our nursery attendant, Ms. Tyrrell, will be at the back of the sanctuary to lead the children to the nursery for their special time. If your child is over 5 years of age, there are activity bags located at the back of the sanctuary or pick up one of the Children's Bulletins.

**Next Week: Holy Communion. Lectionary Scriptures:** Exodus 34:19-34; Psalm 99; 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:12; Luke 9:28-36.

**Announcements:**

**March Fellowship Brunch:** Join us for brunch on **Sunday, March 3** at noon as we enjoy a great meal and raise funds for the Youth Mission Trip to Winchester, Kentucky. Les and Cindy will be cooking up a delicious meal of: Jersey breakfast sandwiches, Manhattan clam chowder, roasted potatoes, green salad, fruit, cinnamon rolls and Jersey crumb cake. Please sign the Connect.

**Women for Women's Needs:** The Valley UMC United Methodist Women invite you to **help them help women** in need this February and March. They will be collecting women's **feminine hygiene products and body & hand lotions** for the clients at Bidwell Riverside in Des Moines. Items can be brought to the church anytime during February and March. Contact Rose Donati from the Searchers Circle if you have questions.

**Ministry Opportunities  
 @ Valley UMC**

**Pastoral Needs:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ I would like information concerning membership or baptism.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I would like to speak with the Pastor concerning accepting Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior.

**I would like prayer for:**

\_\_\_\_\_ ***This prayer request is for Pastor only.***  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ***Please share this request with the Grapevine Prayer ministry so others may pray with me.***

**MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AND  
 ATTENDANCE AT EVENTS**

**Fellowship Brunch (March 3):**

\_\_\_\_\_ # attending

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**I Need a Name Tag:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

All are encouraged to complete the Connect portion of the bulletin. Please place your form in the offering plate.