

# 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, March 15, 2020-Third Sunday in Lent

9:00 a.m.	Worship Service	Sanctuary
10:00 a.m.	Fellowship Time	St. Andrews Hall
10:30 a.m.	Children and Youth SS	Downstairs
10:30 a.m.	Adult Sunday School	Pommrehn Lounge

### Monday, March 16, 2020

### Tuesday, March 17, 2020

6:30 p.m.	Admin Leadership Team	St. Andrews Hall
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### Wednesday, March 18, 2020—Deadline for Sunday Bulletins

4:00 p.m.	Prayer Group	Pommrehn Lounge
5:15 p.m.	Bell Choir	Bell Room
6:00 p.m.	Choir	Sanctuary

### Thursday, March 19, 2020

5:30 p.m.	Enneagram Study	Pommrehn Lounge
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### Friday, March 20, 2020

### Saturday, March 21, 2020

### Next Sunday, March 22, 2020-Fourth Sunday in Lent-UMCOR Sunday

9:00 a.m.	Worship Service	Sanctuary
10:00 a.m.	Fellowship Time	St. Andrews Hall
10:30 a.m.	Children and Youth SS	Downstairs
10:30 a.m.	Adult Sunday School	Pommrehn Lounge

**Lenten Missions: UMCOR and Larry Kies, UMC Missionary**  
**UMCOR Sunday is March 22**

**Small Groups are Forming!** You won't want to miss the excitement here at Valley UMC this spring! The trend in churches is moving to "Small Groups" again and we're putting together our very own small groups to encourage connection and relationships. **Would you be a host for one of our small groups? Would you like to join one of our small groups?** Sign the Connect or contact Margaret Forster or Lynne Henn if you would like more information.

**Valley UMC Neighborhood Spring Party 2020:** Mark your calendars for **Saturday, May 16!** Watch for more information in the coming weeks.

Please note: Debbie Sychra shared that there are no visitors allowed at On With Life. Thank you to all who have visited Rich over the past month.

**March COG Item: Laundry Detergent**  
**Place your items in the Mission Corner of St. Andrews Hall**

# "Blessing Back"



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*Order of Worship  
Third Sunday in Lent      March 15, 2020*

Entrance and Gathering of Christ's People

Preludes                      *"Prelude in E Minor"*                      Walmisley  
  *"It Is Well With My Soul"*                      arr. by Koury

Announcements

Chimes and Ministry of the Acolytes

**\*Call to Worship**

L: Jesus, the Christ, calls us to gather and to heal.

**P: On bended knee, with hands outstretched, we yearn for grace.**

L: But Christ's work doesn't stop at healing. Once we have been restored, he sends us to pass the healing on to others.

**P: He sends his disciples with power, but few provisions—like sheep amidst the wolves.**

**All: May we find the courage and the compassion needed to heed our call.**

Opening Prayer

**Lord of blessings, you have graced us with more than we need. You gave us life, and healing when we're hurt. You gave us a call to love, and forgiveness when we failed. You have healed us so that we might be a healing presence in a broken world. Empower us with courage and compassion to share your good news of the kingdom with those we meet, trusting that you have already provided us with everything we need. In the name of the Christ, Jesus, we pray. Amen.**

\*Opening Hymn                      *"This Is a Day of New Beginnings"*                      383 vss. 1-3 UMH

**\*Sharing of Greetings and Peace**

L: Peace be with you.

**P: Also with you!**

Witness in Music                      *"Jesus, the Very Thought of You"*                      Adult Choir

Children's Time    Pastor Jeremy

\*Scripture Hymn                      *"For the Healing of the Nations"*                      428 vss. 1,2,4 UMH

Scripture    Matthew 10:1, 5-15                      Pew Bible NT 12

Message    *"Blessing Back"*                      Pastor Jeremy Poland

Offertory    *"Sarabande"*                      Handel

**\*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                      *"Jesus Calls Us"*                      398 vss. 1,2,4 UMH

\*Benediction—*"Go Forth for God"*                      670 v. 1 UMH

\*Postlude                                      *"Gethsemane"*                      Binckes

\*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; Announcements: Phyllis Pearson; Computer Operator/Sound: Emory Cleveland; Worship Servants: Vi Darsee, Rose Donati, David and Charity Coates; Fellowship Hosts: Mentzers and Bruckshaws; Nursery Attendant: Kim Tyrrell; Nursery Volunteer: Sherry Robinson; Church open: Emory Cleveland.

Flowers for worship are provided by Annabelle Chamberlin in celebration of Jane Hartman's Birthday!

**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: UMCOR Sunday. Fourth Sunday in Lent.** Lectionary Scriptures: 1 Samuel 16:1-13, Psalm 23, Ephesians 5:8-14, John 9:1-41.

#### **Announcements:**

**Easter Egg Hunt:** See the insert in today's bulletin to find out how you can be a part of this year's Easter Egg hunt.

**Good Friday Readers:** Pastor Jeremy is looking for readers to assist him in the Good Friday worship service. Please sign the Connect if you would like to help out with this request.

**Get Connected:** The church office sends out prayer requests and announcements throughout the week via email. If you are not getting these regularly, and would like to, please sign up with your name and email address on the Connect. Please contact the church office 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:**

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\_\_\_\_ **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**

#### **Good Friday Reader:**

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

Phone/Email: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Valley UMC Small Groups:**

\_\_\_\_ I would like to host

\_\_\_\_ I would like to join

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

Phone/Email: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Church Email List:**

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

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **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.*

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