

# 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, August 12, 2018

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

### Monday, August 13, 2018

7:00 p.m.	Valley UMC Foundation	Pommrehn Lounge
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### Tuesday, August 14, 2018

### Wednesday, August 15, 2018—Deadline for Sunday Bulletins

Please note: The Church Office will be closed on Wednesday.

4:00 p.m.	Prayer Group	Pommrehn Lounge
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### Thursday, August 16, 2018

### Friday, August 17, 2018

Noon	STIR	St. Andrews Hall
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### Saturday, August 18, 2018

7:30 a.m.	Men's Group	St. Andrews Hall
9:00 a.m.	STIR	St. Andrews Hall
5:00 p.m.	Contemporary Worship Service	Sanctuary
	Meal	

### Next Sunday, August 19, 2018

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

**70th Wedding Anniversary Card Shower:** Longtime Valley UMC members, Jerry and Shirley Peterson will be celebrating their 70th Wedding Anniversary on Wednesday, August 22. Help them celebrate this milestone by sending cards to Jerry and Shirley at 140 S. 52nd Street, West Des Moines, IA 50265.

**Name Tags:** Please remember to wear your nametag to worship. Request a new name tag on the Connect.

**Charge Conference:** A Charge Conference will be held on Sunday, August 26 at 1:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to vote on rental of the parsonage. All are encouraged to attend.

**August COG Item—Diapers (greatest need size 5 and 6)**

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

# “Gird Your Loins for Peace!”



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*Order of Worship*  
*Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost August 12, 2018*

Entrance and Gathering of Christ's People

Preludes "I Will Bow and Be Simple" arr. by Paxton  
"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" arr. by Chesterton

Announcements

Chimes and Ministry of the Acolytes

\*Call to Worship:

L: Rise up, o men and women of faith!  
P: **We stand, ready to praise, and serve, and spread the gospel of peace.**  
L: Our struggle is not with flesh and blood, but against the darkness of the heavens.  
P: **Although the struggle will be long, we have been equipped to endure!**  
All: **We have a strong faith in Christ; but more than that, Christ has faith in us.**

\*Opening Prayer:

**Christ, who rules the cosmos, you have called us into a cosmic struggle: we are to stand against the heavenly powers of darkness. We would surely be overwhelmed, if it weren't for the strength and the tools you've given us. You have endowed us with the means of truth, justice, faith, salvation, and the gospel of peace. May we trust that what you have given us is enough, so that we might endure through the many trials that yet lie ahead. Amen.**

\*Hymn of Praise "Let All Things Now Living" 2008 TFWS

\*Sharing of Greetings and Peace

L: Peace be with you.  
P: **Also with you!**

Witness in Music Johnathan Henn and Joyce Templeman  
"Take it Slow"

Children's Message Pastor Jeremy

\*Hymn "Forward Through the Ages" 555 UMH

Scripture Ephesians 6:10-20, 23 Pew Bible NT 238

Message "Gird Your Loins for Peace!" Pastor Jeremy Poland

Offertory "A Moment of Prayer" Wilson

\*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.**

\*Hymn "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go" 480 vss. 1,3,4 UMH

\*Benediction-"Shalom to You" UMH 666

\*Postlude "My Heart Rejoices" Paxton

\*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: Lynelle Meyer; Computer Operator/Sound: Nathan Henn; Worship Servants: John and Cyndee Johnson, Harold Templeman; Fellowship Host: Mike and Anita Canney; Nursery Attendant: Jaden Vega; Nursery Volunteer: Lorrie Hayes; Church open: Margaret Forster; Church close: Clare DeBoef.

**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: Lectionary Scriptures:** 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14, Psalm 111, Ephesians 5:15-20, John 6:51-58.

**Announcements:**

**Blessing of the Backpacks:** *Bring your backpacks to worship next weekend (August 18/19) so we can have a special blessing as everyone heads back to school!*

**Sunday School News:** *See the insert in today's bulletin to learn about our "Under the Sea" Back to Sunday School Event on **Saturday, August 25.** You will also see that we have a need for Sunday School teachers and helpers with classes beginning on **Sunday, August 26.** Please sign the Connect to RSVP for the kick off event and/or complete the form for helping with Sunday School. In addition to the Connect, please sign up for the potluck on the sheet in the Fellowship Hall. Contact Krystal McHenry or Margaret Forster if you have any 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**

**SS Kick-off (August 25)**

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

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

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

Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall for the potluck in addition to signing the Connect.

**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.