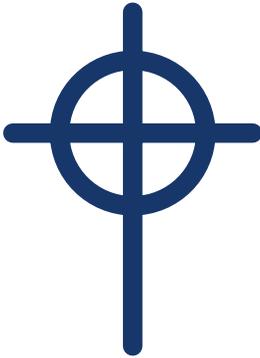




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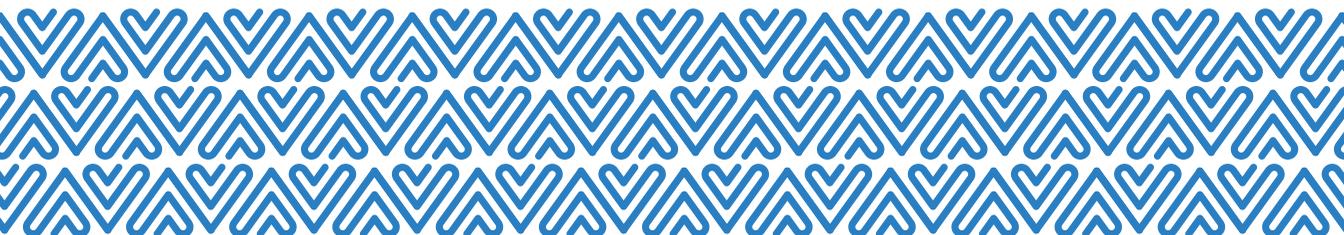


Service of Worship

October 16, 2022 • 9 and 11 a.m.

About Today's Service

We close the series, "Sometimes We Need to Ask for Directions," with a focus on friendship. We have said many times: Our faith shows up in our relationships. Like the other practices we have considered in this series, friendship is also something we practice. Friendship shows up not only in your heart, but also on your calendar.



GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

Prelude

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
arr. Ruth Elaine Schram; Amy Jantz, clarinet,
Bob Abbott, oboe; Ruth Abbott, piano

Words of Welcome

Rev. Tom Are, Jr.

Call to Worship

Rev. Dr. Dionne Boyice

Your grace is all around us.

Your love is our home.

**We come as your children and take comfort in the promise of Jesus
who said, "I call you friends."**

*Hymn, No. 35

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

*Prayer of Confession

Merciful God,

we are children of dust, frail and feeble,

at least when it comes to doing the things you taught us:

to go the second mile,

to turn the other cheek,

to bear one another's burdens.

And still, you remain faithful.

You have not given up on us,

so we will remember we are not only children of dust,

but also children of God. (Silent prayer)

*Assurance of God's Grace

*Response

Let every instrument be tuned for praise!

Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!

And may God give us faith to sing always: Alleluia!

*Passing the Peace of Christ

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Time with the Children

Call to Prayer

**Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!**

Prayers of the People and 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Anthem

Deep River (9 a.m.)
by Duane Funderburk; Jenny Hull, cello
Gavotte in D Major from *Cello Suite No. 6* (11 a.m.)
by J.S. Bach; Reagan Solenberger and Destiny Ann Mermagen, violin duet

Prayer for Illumination

Sarah Dornbusch (9 a.m.)
Rachel Priest (11 a.m.)

Scripture

2 Timothy 4:9-22 (pg. 1086)

Sermon

Holy Friendship

Rev. Tom Are, Jr. &
Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishioka

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*Hymn, No. 837

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine

Call for the Offering

Offertory Anthem

Come Christians, Join to Sing
by Randall Kempton and Paul Busselberg;
Destiny Ann Mermagen, Bruce Williams (9 a.m.)
and Reagan Solenberger (11 a.m.), violinists;
Dr. Elisa Bickers and Chris Leaver, piano duet; Village Choir

*Sung Response

**Great God of every blessing, of faithful, loving care,
you are the fount of goodness, the daily bread we share.
How can we hope to thank you? Our praise is but a start:
sincerely and completely I offer you my heart.**

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn, No. 326 (v. 1,2,4,5)

For All the Saints

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

*Fellowship Divine
Village Choir*

O blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle; they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Postlude

Xacara
by Martin y Col; Dr. Elisa Bickers, organ

**All who are able may stand
© A-705103 for all hymns*

ABOUT TODAY'S MUSIC

Today we welcome instrumentalists of all ages from our Village Players chamber music program. If you or someone you know is interested in participating, please contact Destiny Ann Mermagen at destiny.mermagen@villagepres.org.

TODAY IS FAMILY WORSHIP SUNDAY

Children are always invited to worship here at Village, but we give an extra welcome to kids on "Family Worship Sundays" when we don't have our usual Lighthouse programming. We love kids in worship. We think Jesus does, too. Our only expectation is that they behave like...kids. Wiggling and giggling is normal and welcome. Parents, if your 0-4 year-old is less pleased with us than we are with them, our nursery is open during our 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. services, and will receive your kiddo any time. Kids and families, we're glad you're here!

WELCOME TO VILLAGE CHURCH

Whether this is your first time at Village, or you come so often you call it “home,” we are blessed that you are with us today. No matter where you are in your faith journey or life stage, no matter what questions or burdens you carry, Village takes seriously the call to be welcoming; we are glad you are here. Every Sunday we gather to read the old story, sing hymns (some of which our grandparents sang), while also engaging the world in which we live this minute through sermons and prayer. By connecting the story of our lives to the story of Christ’s life, we discover hope and even joy.

If you are new to us, stick around after the service. Introduce yourself to one of our pastors. We have tons of programs to expand your spirit and enrich your life. We would love to tell you more. Give us a try; soon you might also be calling this place “home.”



Rev. Tom Are, Jr.
Senior Pastor

The Gathering – Join us for an alternative style of worship at Village Church offered 5 p.m. Sundays in Friendship Hall at our Mission Campus. Learn more at vpcthegathering.org.

Get Village Church news & updates – Sign up to receive the weekly eNews, Rev. Tom Are Jr.'s weekly eNote and Daily Devotionals emails at villagepres.org/subscribe.

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New baby births – We want to meet your little one and give them a gift. Come by the Children & Family Ministry office or email kidsinfo@villagepres.org.

Prepare for baptism – For infants and children, contact kate.ruecker@villagepres.org. For adults, contact dionne.boyice@villagepres.org.

Plan your wedding – Contact weddings@villagepres.org.

Add someone to the prayer list – Contact pastoral-care@villagepres.org.

Join the church – Contact dionne.boyice@villagepres.org.

Giving – Please consider setting up a recurring gift online at villagepres.org/giving.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Register for Fall Village U Classes – See full course listings and register at villagepres.org/village-u-community-classes.

Upcoming Classes Include:

Make Learning Fun for Young Children – Led by Marilyn Pattison, 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 19, Room 230. Make learning fun for children from birth to six years of age. You'll receive Marilyn's "ABC" book which has been a helpful tool for children with special needs and English language learners.

Redlining Exhibit – Join us from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, for a tour of the exhibit, lunch (provided) and discussion. This helps us understand how redlining shaped and continues to shape our neighborhoods. Contact Elizabeth Doyle for more information at 913-484-6869. Email laura.hobbs@villagepres.org to register. Cost for the museum: adults \$11, seniors \$10.

Intermediate Apple Computer – Taught by Dee Couch, 1-2:30 p.m. & 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 25, Room 316. This class is designed to explore some of the little-known features found in Notes and Numbers. Registration is required. Child care is not provided.

Climate Change, Earth Care and Village Church – Taught by Chick Keller, 7-8 p.m. Monday, Oct. 31, Room 133. We'll discuss the causes of climate change, the impacts of climate change, solutions to climate change and the key players in the effort to stop climate change.

Pneumatology 101: A Guide to the Holy Spirit – Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishioka, 6:30-7:45 p.m. Wednesdays, Nov. 2-30 (no class Nov. 23), Rooms 132 & 133. From the Pentecostal tradition of speaking in tongues and being "seized by the Spirit" to the experience of the Holy Spirit as comforter in times of crisis, we will come to understand the work of the Spirit, animating our lives and calling us to new ways of faithfulness.

CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRY

Family Worship Sunday – No Lighthouse today; children are encouraged to worship with their families.

MISSION & ENGAGEMENT

Community Blood Drive – Donate between noon and 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 25, in Rooms 132 & 133. Sign up at donate.savealifenow.org/donor/schedules/zip and enter the zip code 66208 and Oct. 25. Walk-ins are also welcome. Contact Ann Colston at 913-461-1791 for more information.

Walk-In Flu Shot Clinic – Healthy Solutions will be offering flu shots from 1-3 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 3, in Rooms 132 & 133. Vaccines are self-pay but can be billed to insurance. Participants need to bring their insurance card. Cost is \$35 for ages 5-64 and \$75 for seniors 65+. Vaccines are self pay but can be billed to insurance.

The Food Pantry will be serving more than 400 families in the week prior to Thanksgiving. A \$35 donation will "adopt" a family of four for a traditional Thanksgiving dinner. Make check payable to "Village Church Food Pantry," and mail it to 9960 Mission Road, Overland Park, KS 66207; or go online at villagepres.org/thanksgiving. The Clothes Closet needs sheets, pillowcases and blankets.

Wednesday Family Dinners – Self-serve, buffet-style dinners in Friendship Hall-Mission Campus from 5-6 p.m. Dine in before your Village U class or take it home. Activities for kids. \$9 for adults and \$4 for children. Purchase online by noon Mondays at villagepres.org/wednesday-family-dinners.

MUSIC

Voz, Viol Y Vihuela: Renaissance Songs And Dances – 2 p.m. today, Mission Campus Chapel. Soprano Victoria Botera, will sing Renaissance songs, supported by Stephanie Hunt on viola da gamba and Jeffrey Noonan on vihuela. Free will offering.

Duke Ellington's Sacred Service with the Hannover Big Band, Village Church & KCK Community College Choirs – 7:30 p.m., Oct. 22 & 23 in the Mission Campus Sanctuary. Hear this lively work with soprano and bass soloists, tap dancing, singing and the world-renowned Hannover Big Band from Germany. Tickets are \$25 at villagepres.org/music, and all proceeds go directly to offset travel costs for the Hannover Big Band.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Young Adult Ministry is for all people in their 20's and 30's.

Wednesday Night Bible Study – 6 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 19. We'll use Layton Williams' book, "Holy Disunity," as our road map. All young adults welcome! Schedule online: VillagePresYA.org/fall.

GloWild at the KC Zoo – 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 29. This fall the zoo is hosting a nighttime lantern festival that "glows." Tickets have been pre-purchased. Sign up required: VillagePresYA.org/fall.

YOUTH MINISTRIES

Join Us for Any of Our Weekly Activities – No sign-up required; all weekly activities below meet in the Youth Loft (Room 333).

MS Mornings–Sundays, 9-10 a.m. **SNL** (HS youth group)–Sundays 6:30-8:30 p.m. **Lofternoons** (MS after school program)–Tuesdays, 4-5:30 p.m. **GPS** (MS youth group)–Wednesdays 6:30-8 p.m. **Early Table** (HS morning devotional)–Thursdays 7:30-8:15 a.m.

Trunk or Treat for Everyone! 4:30-6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 29, in the Mission Campus south parking lot. Open to the community so everyone is welcome. If you'd like to host a trunk, contact the youth department at youth@villagepres.org.

Leftover Halloween Candy? You can donate leftover Halloween candy to the youth department. We will again be sending care packages to our college students; extra candy will go to a good home while also reminding our college students we love them. Candy can be dropped at the south reception desk, labeled for the youth department.

Learn More About the Ballot Issues in the Nov. 8 General Election

Social Justice Ministry will be staffing a voter information table in Friendship Hall in between morning services at the Mission Campus and following 9:30 a.m. worship at the Antioch Campus on Sundays, Oct. 23-Nov. 6.

Boy Scouts Holiday Greenery Sales

Troop 91 will be selling Sherwood Farms Greenery from 8:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Sundays, Oct. 23 & 30, at both the north and south church entrances. Cash or check is accepted; credit card orders can be placed online at sherwoodfundraiser.com/Troop91. Pickups will be Nov. 20 & 27. Email stacytigger@hotmail.com with questions.

UPCOMING SERMON SERIES

The Good That is Ours to Do

There was a time when the church was convinced that we would conquer the world. Maybe whoever Luke was, who wrote the book of Acts, had such a confidence. Western Christianity certainly did as recently as 100 years ago. But we are different now. We know that, in our time, there are more conversations about the church's irrelevance. While we at Village are blessed with remarkable strengths, we know that we often feel that our strength can seldom match the demands and needs of the world in which we live. The gift of such a position is that it reminds us of our dependence on God. We choose to do the good that is ours to do and see what God will do with that.

- Oct. 23 Sense Making by Faith - Rev. Tom Are, Jr.
- Oct. 30 Love—It's a Good Choice - Rev. Tom Are, Jr.
- Nov. 6 Forgiveness - Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishioka
- Nov. 13 Hope, Glimpse by Glimpse - Rev. Tom Are, Jr.
- Nov. 20 Gratitude - Rev. Hallie Hottle

MINISTERS

All members of the congregation

MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Tom Are, Jr., senior pastor • Dr. Elisa Bickers, principal organist
Rev. Dr. Dionne T. Boyice, director of mission & engagement • Will Breytspraak, director of music
Brooke Brundige, director of children & family ministry • Laura Davis, director of marketing & communications
Rev. Melanie Hardison, pastor of pastoral care • Rev. Hallie Hottle, pastor of young adult ministry
Dr. Joshua Maize, associate director of music • Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishioka, senior associate pastor
Robert Rumold, director of information technology • Bob Sperry, director of giving & endowment
Sandra Stephens, director of child care • Jim Tilden, senior director of business operations
Rev. Zach Walker, pastor of youth ministries • Alice Whitson, director of media ministry
Rev. Sally S. Wright, pastor of pastoral care • Rev. Dr. Robert H. Meneilly, founding pastor, 1947-1994

Large print bulletins are available in the Narthex. Ask an usher to bring you one.

Streaming video of Sunday services is available at villagepres.org/online.

You may call in to listen to a week-delayed broadcast of our Sanctuary service on our worship service phone line: 913-203-1301. You can opt-in to be called automatically at 9:30 a.m. Sundays.

We kindly request that cell phones be turned off during worship

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