SERVICE OF WORSHIP
August 4, 2019 • 9:30 and 11 a.m.

ABOUT TODAY’S SERVICE
After you’ve lived it for a while, you come to know that following Jesus puts you on a path with unexpected ups and downs. That’s how St. Peter’s life was. When he got it right, he got it right, but when he got it wrong…oh, boy. The “Saint” in St. Peter often causes us to think of him as wholly (or holy) different than the rest of us. Today we’ll see just how much we have in common with the man on whom Jesus builds his church – the same man who tries to deter Jesus from his mission.
In the beginning, God built a place for us to call home.

**Earth, sky and sea were spoken into being; the sun and moon were set in the sky.**
Jesus Christ dwelt among us, building a world of righteousness, peace and justice.

**The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.**
The Spirit continues to build us up as temples of the Living God.

**We praise the God who is always making a new thing.**

*Hymn, No. 664

**Prayer of Confession**

**Almighty God, You have called us to be Christ’s disciples,**
   to continue his ministry to the lonely and hurting.
Yet, like Peter we often try to change Your plans,
   sometimes out of fear,
   sometimes out of the desire to rein in Your love for Your creation.
**We confess that we struggle to follow You.**

Gracious Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive our sins.
Remove those desires that keep us from faithfully following You
   and caring for our broken world.
**Align our desires and hopes with Yours**
   so that we may embrace our calling. (Silent prayer)

*Assurance of God's Grace
*Response

Halle, halle, halle-lu-jah!
Halle, halle, halle-lu-jah!
Halle, halle, halle-lu-jah! Hallelujah! Hal-le-lu-jah!

*Passing of the Peace

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination               Fred Logan (9:30 a.m.)
                                      Elizabeth McKell (11 a.m.)

Scripture Reading                    Matthew 16:13-23 (pg. 893)

Sermon                              Peter: A Person Like Us  Rev. Dr. Brandon Frick

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*Hymn, No. 720

Jesus Calls Us
GALILEE

Offertory                          Sanctuary at 3 AM
by Rick Sowash; Amy Jantz, clarinet and Chris Leaver, piano

*Response (from Hymn, No.692)

Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.
As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving.
    Spirit, open my heart.

*Prayer of Dedication
The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving 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.

Words of Institution

Sharing the Elements

(At the indication of the pastor, we will all be invited to partake of the bread together, giving visible expression to the unity we share as Christ’s body.
You are invited to partake of the cup as it is served to you.)

Prayer of Response

*Hymn, No. 546 (v. 1,2)

Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing
SICILIAN MARINERS

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

Savior, when your love shall call us, from our struggling pilgrim way,
let no fear of death appall us, glad your summons to obey.
May we ever, may we ever reign with you in endless day.

*Postlude

The Trumpet Shall Sound from Messiah
arr. Lani Smith

*All who are able may stand
© A-705103 for all hymns
ABOUT TODAY’S MUSIC

Clarinetist Amy Jantz loves the power music has to break through barriers and universally connect with the human heart. She is currently a member of the Kansas City Wind Symphony, as well as an avid handbell ringing enthusiast and member of one of Village Church's two handbell choirs, the Village Ringers. Thank you, Amy!

Organist Chris Leaver holds degrees in music from William Jewell College and the University of Missouri, Kansas City. Chris is a frequent guest organist at Village on Mission, Village on Antioch and Southminster Presbyterian. Thank you, Chris!
THE CHURCH’S BOOK  (Week of August 5, 2019)

The following daily Bible readings were written by Rev. Sally Wright and are offered for your own personal devotion. You are invited to read the text, think about the reflection and questions and allow these to lead you in a time of prayer. Pray for your own journey of faith, pray for Village Church, pray for the community around you, and pray for all of creation.

Monday, Aug. 5  Psalm 127
The title in the Bible I am using titles this psalm, "God's Blessing in the Home." After reading it, I am wondering if this psalm would be a blessing for a home in the 21st Century. If you were to write a blessing for your home life, what would you include?

Tuesday, Aug. 6  Colossians 3:18-4:1
How do you feel reading this text? Verse 18 is a common notion in the Greco-Roman Era. Is this passage an instance where we try to separate this text from its historical and cultural context?

Wednesday, Aug. 7  Luke 12:22-31
On the one hand, I find this passage so very comforting, reminding me of God’s provision for me. Yet, on another hand, I carry my To Do list. How do you reconcile the promise that God provides for all our needs with the very real responsibilities and demands that we face every day?

Thursday, Aug. 8  Psalm 50:1-6
An image I use for God often is that of shepherd, provider, comforter (Psalm 23). Yet, verse 3 describes God as one who comes in a "devouring fire" with a "mighty tempest all around." These are seemingly opposite ways to see God. How do you see God in both of these roles?

Friday, Aug. 9  Psalm 33:10-22
The Harper Collins Study Bible annotated this whole Psalm with, "A hymn of Praise of God as creator of the world and Lord of history." We commonly refer to God as creator of the world. What does it mean if God is the Lord of history too?

Saturday, Aug. 10  Psalm 32:1-8
The psalmist has written a song of thanksgiving for God. What would you include in your own song of thanksgiving to God?

SIGN UP TO RECEIVE DAILY BIBLE READINGS EMAILS
Subscribe now at www.villagepres.org/subscribe. Emails arrive first thing in the morning Monday through Saturday.
The Fall Village U Catalog is Here!

The Fall 2019 Village U Catalog is now online at villagepres.org/village-u-community-classes

A handful of printed copies will also be available throughout Village Church on Mission.

Registration opens at 9 a.m. Monday, Aug. 19, for church members and 9 a.m. Monday, Aug. 26, for the community.

Join Us for the
Single Adult Ministry Summer Speaker Series

“Understanding More About Social Media Platforms”
Presented by Dee Couch

6-8 p.m.
Wednesday, Aug. 14
Room 232 at Village on Mission
TODAY AT VILLAGE

WELCOME TO VILLAGE CHURCH! Please join us every week. Refreshments are available in Friendship Hall following the worship service.

JOINING VILLAGE CHURCH – Village welcomes new members every other month at a special Sunday luncheon. Village will receive seven new members today. Join us Sept. 29 and Dec. 8. Contact cindy.wilcox@villagepres.org for information.

DISCOVER VILLAGE KIOSKS – Located at the North Welcome Center entrance and in Friendship Hall, Discover Village is a place where people can share conversation, ask questions of our hosts and enjoy a cookie. Whether you are newer to Village or a long-time member and have an interest in serving, connecting, or growing, come to the Discover Village kiosk. I hope to see you soon! (Cindy Wilcox, director of connectional ministries)

NEW TO US? Village Presbyterian Church is a family of faith actively shaped by the life of Christ to love one another, providing leadership for the transformation of our communities and serving the world. We are a Presbyterian (USA) family of faith that is inclusive, generous and welcoming of all people. Village is one church worshiping at two campuses: Village on Mission (6641 Mission Road in Prairie Village) and Village on Antioch (14895 Antioch Road in Overland Park). If you would like a tour of Village on Mission, contact Cindy Wilcox at cindy.wilcox@villagepres.org or 913-671-2331.

WORSHIP BAGS are available for children to enjoy during worship. Please return the bags to the baskets located in the Narthex at the end of the worship service.

ADULT EDUCATIONAL MINISTRY

SUMMER ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS – 10:45-11:45 a.m. Sundays, through Aug. 18, Rooms 126 & 127. Join us as we gather to explore and reflect on the Bible passage that is preached each Sunday. We will look at the context for the passage, how our preacher proclaimed the passage and how others have interpreted the passage. Today, our guest speaker is Dr. Darren Kennedy. Next Sunday, the guest speaker will be Rev. Dr. John Borden.

TECH TALK WITH TONY – 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 6, in Room 316. Tony Liu will lead a discussion of ways to use your Smart TV “smarter.” Learn how to access “over the air” free TV programs. Explore alternatives moving from cable or satellite TV to Netflix, Amazon Prime, YouTube or other internet streaming services. Discover how streaming players such as Roku can make a “smarter” TV experience.

FALL VILLAGE U – The Fall Village U Catalog is now available. Registration for church members begins at 9 a.m. Monday, Aug. 19, and for the community at 9 a.m. Monday, Aug. 26. Online registration is encouraged. Some of the upcoming classes are:

VILLAGE WORDSMITHS – 4:15-5:15 p.m. Mondays, Aug. 26-Oct. 7, in Room 132. Village Wordsmiths is an afterschool creative writing program for seventh and eighth graders. The goal is to have fun, make friends, boost creativity, critical thinking, and analysis through prompted and free writing drills. Cost is $85. Payment is due to the instructor on the first day of class. Scholarships are available. Class will not meet on Sept. 2.

ITALY IN TRANSLATION – 6:30-8 p.m. Thursdays, Sept. 5, 12, 19, 26, and Oct. 3, 10, in Room 232. This fall, we will examine the culture and character of Italy through a variety of different mediums, culminating in a trip to Rome and Tuscany in 2020 for interested participants. Our exploration will begin with an overview of films from and about Italy from the mid-20th century, with particular attention paid to the work of Italian Neorealists.
MONDAY HANDWORKS AND E-WORKS – 9:30-11:30 a.m. Mondays, Sept. 23-Dec. 9, in Room 127. Enjoy community and fellowship while doing projects you want to finish but can never find the time. Everything from crocheting to recipe organizing to catching up on phone calls and emails while your children enjoy making new friends and participating in fun, creative activities in a wonderful child care setting.

WEDNESDAY HANDWORKS AND E-WORKS – 9:30-11:30 a.m. Wednesdays, Sept. 25-Dec. 11, in Room 233 (Room 15 for Sept. 25-Oct. 23). Enjoy community and fellowship while doing projects you want to finish but can never find the time. You will see everything from crocheting to recipe organizing to catching up on phone calls and emails while your children enjoy making new friends and participating in fun, creative activities in a wonderful child care setting.

FRIDAY HANDWORKS AND E-WORKS – 9:30-11:30 a.m. Fridays, Sept. 27-Dec. 13, in Room 127. Enjoy community and fellowship while doing projects you want to finish but can never seem to find the time. Everything from crocheting to recipe organizing to catching up on phone calls and emails while your children enjoy making new friends and participating in fun, creative activities in a wonderful child care setting.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY

TODAY IS FAMILY WORSHIP SUNDAY – Children are invited to worship with their families.

ALL SERVICES–CHILD CARE – Infants to 4-year-olds are welcome in Rooms 114, 111 and/or 107.

BAPTISMS and NEW BABIES – The next baptism dates are Sept. 15 and Nov. 10. An education class is offered for all members who are planning to baptize their children at Village. Share news of your new baby so we can welcome your new arrival with a gift. Call 913-671-2350 or email kate.ruecker@villagepres.org.

MOPS (MOTHERS OF PRESCHOOLERS) registration is now open at bit.ly/vpcmops. MOPS meet the first and third Tuesday mornings of the month at Village Church on Mission September through May. We gather for breakfast, coffee, and connecting with each other while hearing and discussing topics relevant to our mom life. We host monthly play dates and Mom’s Nights Out to connect with each other outside our meetings. Fees for the 2019-20 MOPS year are $60. The child care fee is $25 per child per semester (child care spots are limited).

CONNECTIONAL MINISTRIES

UNDERSTANDING MORE ABOUT SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS – 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 14, in Room 232 at Village on Mission. Join long-time Village Church member and computer ministry volunteer/leader Dee Couch for a general overview of social media. Dee will offer a presentation on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and LinkedIn. There will also be time for questions/answers. RSVP to Cindy Wilcox at 913-671-2331.

ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION COMMITTEE

BIPARTISAN CLIMATE SOLUTION IN CONGRESS – 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 5, Room 127 at Village on Mission. Tony Schmidt (Kansas coordinator for the Citizens Climate Lobby) will explain the current bipartisan bill in Congress known as the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act, a plan to reduce carbon emissions 40% while creating two million jobs. Known as Fee & Dividend, it will be revenue neutral.

MISSION

THE FOOD PANTRY – Hearty soups for lunch or for dinner is what the Food Pantry is requesting. The shelves for hearty soups are very sparse, and the Pantry is hoping you will alleviate that situation. Please pick up a few extra cans while grocery shopping. The Clothes Closet is thinking about the clients' children and their need for new socks and underwear in all sizes to start the new school year. Please be generous. Thank you.
**BLOOD DRIVE** – Village will host a blood drive from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 13, in Rooms 132 and 133. To make an appointment online, visit esavealifenow.org and use sponsor code of “villagepres” or stop by our registration table in Friendship Hall from 9 a.m.-noon today and Aug. 11. For additional details, contact Ann Colston at 913-722-0165 or acolston1113@gmail.com.

**TOURS OF KANSAS CITY NONPROFITS** – The Mission Committee and any interested Village members are invited to tour several agencies this fall to learn more about the organizations’ work in our community. The dates and times are as follows: Literacy KC - 9 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 22; SAVE, INC - 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 22; After the Harvest - 12:45 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 22; House of Hope - 9 a.m. Friday, Aug. 23; River of Refuge - 9:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 6. RSVP to Deborah White at deborah.white@villagepres.org or 913-671-2369 if you are interested in joining the tour.

**PASTORAL CARE AND COUNSELING**

**SPEAKER CATHY DYKMAN-ACINGER HERE THIS TUESDAY** – Come to the Faith and Grief lunch this Tuesday, Aug. 6, when Cathy Dykman-Acinger will talk about life going on after suffering an aching loss. If you are grieving or know of someone who is, join us from noon-1 p.m. in Friendship Hall at Village on Mission. Lunch is provided. While registration is always helpful, come even if it’s last minute. To find out more, contact Linda Alley at 913-671-2327 or linda.alley@villagepres.org.

**WHY HAVEN’T YOU TRIED TAIZE?** – Village has been offering Taizé worship for several years now – have you gone? Modeled after worship from the Taizé community in France, the service includes song, silence, scripture candlelight and communion — all experienced at a quiet, reflective pace. Try Taizé at 6:30 p.m. next Tuesday, Aug. 13, in the Chapel.

**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BECOMING A STEPHEN MINISTER** and providing caring support to those in need, training sessions start in September. Sessions are September-January and focus on the art of listening; confidentiality; prayer, substance and practice; feelings; process vs. results; crisis theory and practice; and how to help those who are aging, lonely, experiencing divorce, death of a loved one, or other life challenges. Contact Rev. Becky Chamberlain at 913-671-2367 by Aug. 5 to apply.

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN**

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN FALL EVENT: "Reflect and Connect"** – 10 a.m. - noon Wednesday, Sept. 11, in Friendship Hall at the Village on Mission Campus. Women of all ages are invited. Together we'll reflect upon our hopes and dreams for this coming year and infuse our lives with hope and courage as we reflect God's light! To register, email sunny.battin@villagepres.org by Aug. 20. Contact Kathy Ray at kathydray@gmail.com or Susan Satterlee at sgsatterlee@sbcglobal.net for more information.

**MISSION SEWING** – Mission Sewing needs Christmas fabric. Minimum one-yard pieces, please. Drop-offs at the switchboard, marked Mission Sewing or on Tuesdays in Room 115, the sewing room.

**YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**

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

**FAMILY DINNER NIGHTS** – 5:30-7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 14, Young Adults with Kids. Every second and fourth Wednesday this summer we’re giving you a reason to not cook or clean. Come have dinner with us, then take kids downstairs for child care while parents connect with each other. Sign up required. VillagePresYA.org/parents
**Village Cup Summer Break**

**Aug. 5-9**

The Village Cup will be closed for summer break Aug. 5-9.

The Cup will be open for its regular business hours on Sunday, Aug. 11.

We will return to our full schedule on Monday, Aug. 12.

**BOULEVARD BREWING CO. TOUR** – 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 24. Come tour our city’s biggest brewery. We’ll enjoy the beer hall together after the tour. $5/each. Child care provided! Sign up required. VillagePresYA.org/saturdays.

**YOUTh MINISTRY**

**WEEKLY SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMS**

**Sunday School** – 9:30 a.m. – All summer long youth are invited to attend worship with their families (Sanctuary) or assist with children’s Sunday Funday (Room 307).

**HS Gathersaurus** – 5 p.m. Sundays – Join us Sunday evenings at the Gathering worship service and then walk down to the Village shops with us to talk about what we just heard. Can’t make the Gathering? That’s okay! Meet us at the Village and we’ll catch you up. Dinosaur accessories encouraged.

**MS Evenings** – 7-9 p.m. Mondays – Middle school adventure night. Sometimes we’ll play games at the church, sometimes we’ll go places. Always meet in the Youth Loft.

**HS Late Nite** – 8-10 p.m. Tuesdays – High school fellowship night. Different activities each week, sometimes at Village and sometimes out. Always meet in the Youth Loft.

**MS Service Day** – 12:30-4:30 p.m. Wednesdays – Come serve our city in a different way each week.

**HS Run Club** – 8-9 a.m. Thursdays – Come get a morning run in. Any level of experience is welcome with longer and shorter runs (and walks) each week.
UPCOMING SERMON SERIES

People Like Us

June 16-Aug. 18

The Bible is filled with stories of people. Some of them are of amazing and inspiring folks. Others’ stories tell of folks in desperate need. Many tell of ordinary times. These people we discover in pages of sacred scripture are, however, people like us. They endeavored to live as God’s children amidst the realities of their place and time. Some of them provide inspiring examples of faith. Some walk paths we should avoid. Many were mixtures of belief and unbelief. This summer we will meet – or meet again – a collection of people who can serve as examples as we seek to live as God’s children amidst the realities of the world in our time and place.

June 16  Joseph: A Man of Righteousness - Rev. Tom Are preaching
June 23  Miriam - Rev. Hallie Hottle preaching
June 30  Hannah - Rev. Sally Wright preaching
July 7    A Woman Known Only By Her Illness – Rev. Tom Are preaching
July 14  Remembering Names – Rev. Becky Chamberlain preaching at VOM;
        Esau – Rev. Dr. Brandon Frick preaching at VOA
July 21  Cain: More than He Could Handle – Rev. Tom Are preaching
July 28  Gideon: Signs and Numbers – Rev. Zach Walker preaching
Aug.  4  Peter: A Person Like Us – Rev. Dr. Brandon Frick preaching
Aug. 18  The Stranger – Rev. Hallie Hottle preaching
Aug. 25  Youth Sunday Sunday at VOM; Rev. Dr. Brandon Frick preaching at VOA

MINISTERS

All members of the congregation

MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Tom Are, Jr., senior pastor ▲ Dr. Elisa Bickers, principal organist
Will Breytspraak, director of music ▲ Rev. Becky Chamberlain, interim pastor of pastoral care
Rev. Dr. Brandon Frick, site pastor of Village on Antioch ▲ Rev. Hallie Hottle, pastor of young adult ministry
Brooke Latas, director of children and family ministry ▲ Marjean Lindquist, director of child care
Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishioka, senior associate pastor ▲ Matthew C. Shepard, associate director of music
Molly Sirridge, director of stewardship and endowments ▲ Bob Sperry, interim director of finance
Rev. Zach Walker, pastor of youth ministries ▲ Deborah White, director of mission
Cindy A. Wilcox, director of connectional ministries ▲ Rev. Sally Wright, interim pastor of pastoral care
Rev. Dr. Robert H. Meneilly, pastor emeritus

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

Streaming video of all the Sunday morning Sanctuary services is available at villagepres.org.
Click the home page link “Live Sermon and Sermon Archives.”

Today’s Sanctuary worship service will be re-broadcast at 8 a.m. next Sunday on 1660 AM KMBZ, The Business Channel.
We kindly request that cell phones be turned off during worship.

Please note that additional parking is available across Mission Road in the Prairie School parking lots.
If you are not taking your bulletin with you, please hand it to an usher so it may be recycled.