SERVICE OF WORSHIP
May 8, 2016 • 8, 9:30 and 11 a.m.

ABOUT TODAY’S SERVICE
Sometimes our faith is strong. But no one’s faith is strong all the time. When we find ourselves needing the gift of faith rekindled, it is helpful to remember those people in our lives who have taught us what it means to follow Christ. The apostle Paul reminds Timothy that his mother was one of those people.
GOD’S PEOPLE GATHER

*Prelude
Sonata in A, K 331 (selected variations) (8 a.m.)
W. A. Mozart

Aria and Minuet (9:30, 11 a.m.)
music: Alessandro Scarlatti; arr: Clair W. Johnson; Village Brass

Call to Worship
Rev. Jenny McDevitt

We gather to remember
that grace is real and that hope can be trusted.

Here we encounter old stories of our tradition
and new stories of transformation.

We gather to remember
that healing is possible and that faith is a gift.

Here we discover a community that holds us up
and a Spirit that is always at work.

We gather to remember
where we belong and who will claim us.

Here we find a font full of ordinary water
and a God who offers extraordinary love.

*Hymn, No. 643
Now Thank We All Our God
NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

*Prayer of Confession

Gracious God,
Your promises stand steady through all generations.
Encourage us when our faith falters.
It is easy for us to become overwhelmed;
our world is filled with violence,
our schedules are filled with chaos,
our hearts are filled with hurt.
Too often, we allow those stories to define our days.
Too often, we think we have to make our own way in this world.
Remind us that strength comes to us in community,
that you are found in the people around us.
Remind us how much we are loved. (Silent prayer)

*Assurance of God’s Grace
PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Call to Prayer (8 a.m.)

Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You a-lone, O Lord, are ho-ly.
Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer (8 a.m.)

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.

The Sacrament of Baptism (9:30, 11 a.m.)

Hymn, No. 482

Baptized in Water

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, Marked with the sign of Christ, our King;
Born of the Spirit, we are God’s children, Joyfully now God’s praises we sing.

Anthem

Light of a Clear Blue Morning
words and music: Dolly Parton, arr: Craig Hella Johnson; Village Choir;
Tami Lewis Morrow, soloist; Mark Cohick, recorder

Prayer for Illumination

Bruce Williams (8 a.m.)
Hoyl Lockett (9:30 a.m.)
Lisa Ball (11 a.m.)

Scripture Reading

2 Timothy 1:1-9a (pg. 1084)

Sermon

Remember Your Mother
Rev. Tom Are, Jr.
RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*Hymn

1. For all the faithful women who served in days of old, to you shall thanks be given; to all, their story
   2. We praise your name for Miriam, who sang triumphant ly while Pharaoh's vaunted army lay drowned beneath the
   3. We sing of busy Martha, who toiled with pot and pan while Mary sat in silence to hear the word a poor.
   4. Lord, hear our praise of Dorcas, who served the sick and told. They served with strength and gladness in tasks your wisdom
   died before Jesus came, and raised, that, faithful in your service, our lives may sing your praise.

For All the Faithful Women

1. For all the faithful women who served in days of old, to you shall thanks be given; to all, their story
   2. We praise your name for Miriam, who sang triumphant ly while Pharaoh's vaunted army lay drowned beneath the
   3. We sing of busy Martha, who toiled with pot and pan while Mary sat in silence to hear the word a poor.
   4. Lord, hear our praise of Dorcas, who served the sick and told. They served with strength and gladness in tasks your wisdom

Offertory

Wondrous Love (9:30, 11 a.m.)
arr: Dwight Gustafson; Village Brass

*Response

Doxology with Alleluias
LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below; Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn, No. 326

*Benediction

*Choral Amen

*Postlude

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

For All the Saints
SINE NOMINE

Courante and Rigadoon (9:30, 11 a.m.)
music: Leroy Ostransky
THE CHURCH’S BOOK (Week of May 9, 2016)

The following are daily Bible readings 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 and our mission. Pray for God’s world.

Monday, May 9 1 Timothy 5:1-6:2
One must carefully read this long list of instructions to the household of God. The main theme is not to speak or act harshly. It is a pastoral appeal for a life of virtue. Church order is the topic, but order is not the main point. Rather the focus is on moral character. The letter is addressed to Timothy who represents authority. A role of authority does not give someone permission to act disrespectfully or without civility.

Tuesday, May 10 1 Timothy 6:3-10
We are creatures living in the world, but not of it. This is an appropriate ending to the first Timothy. A call for a life of moderation and to tend to the desires we face. It is an appeal to enjoy the goodness of this life, but also desire the good things of the next life. A life of virtue is not a “means of gain,” rather “we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it.”

Wednesday, May 11 1 Timothy 6:11-16
The good confession of the Christian life is to say that we have fought the good fight of faith. That fight is victorious through actions of “righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness.” Righteousness, godliness and faith are best defined as being in right relationship with God. Love, endurance and gentleness are best defined as being in right relationship with one another. God’s action through Jesus has impacted our actions in the world.

Thursday, May 12 1 Timothy 6:20-21
There is a great tradition and story entrusted to Timothy; it is also entrusted to us. What does it mean to guard such a thing? Guarding the tradition is just what this letter is trying to accomplish. It takes creativity to honor a tradition that yearns to be rearticulated in new and fresh ways. Traditions are meaningless if they struggle to speak to us today.

Friday, May 13 1 Timothy (overview)
This letter gives us a distinct view of God. God desires to save everyone. God is One, and we are all children of the One God. God is revealed to us in the person of Jesus Christ, and Christ is the one who “gave himself as a ransom for all.” As those who follow Jesus, how could we believe we are the owners of the only truth about God? God holds all of us in the same hand and heart.

Saturday, May 14 2 Timothy 1:1-2
This greeting is almost identical to the first letter. Second Timothy is a much more personal and emotional appeal from Paul to his friend and trusted colleague. Tradition and the refusal of false teachings, as well as a strong insistence on virtue with Paul as the model, is at the center of this letter.
The program for “Vivaldi & Friends in the Village” will include Vivaldi’s “Spring” and “Summer” from *The Four Seasons*, Schubert’s *Mass in G*, Vaughan Williams’ *Five Mystical Songs* and Gjeilo’s *Evening Prayer*. Soloists for the concert are Devin Burton, baritone, and violinist Sarah Titterington Ibbett.
TODAY AT VILLAGE

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

WORSHIP BAGS are available for children to use as tools in worship. At the end of the worship service, please return the bags to the baskets located in the narthex.

THE FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL TODAY are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of Paul Burger & Jack Bear by Carroll Burger and family.

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM TODAY - Please welcome these newest members into our faith community as we celebrate the baptisms of the following children of God: 9:30 a.m.: Emmett Elizabeth Langdon (Laura and Jesse Langdon, parents); Duncan Scott McKay (James and Sarah McKay, parents); Benton William Meyer (Stephanie and Kole Meyer, parents); Catherine Anne Phillips (Linda and Pat Phillips, parents); Scott August Sachse (Scott and Brandi Sachse, parents). 11 a.m.: Rosa Grace Cribb (Megan and Christopher Cribb, parents); Mabel Rose Gies (Sarah and Jacob Gies, parents); Jaxson Denis Jimenez (Elizabeth Roach and Denis Jimenez, parents); Thomas Richard Maughan (Lacey and Kevin Maughan, parents); George Raymond Miller (son of Scott and Brooke Miller) and Scott Keels Miller; Grayson Christopher Smith (Jamie and Adam Smith, parents).

DRMP CHOCOLATE & COFFEE - Get the Mother’s Day gift that gives twice! The DRMP will be selling coffee and chocolate TODAY in Friendship Hall. For a $10 donation, you may receive one 1 lb. bag of coffee or two fair trade chocolate bars. We hope you'll stop by!

TAIZÉ IS TONIGHT – Bring your mom to this evening’s Taizé worship service and experience a beautiful service filled with song, scripture, candlelight, sacred silence and communion. Taizé will be held at 5 p.m. in the Chapel.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY

PRESCHOOL CHURCH SCHOOL - Parents may check in their preschool-age child on the first floor in the Preschool wing. Church school classes are available at 9:30 and 11 a.m.

KIDS’ KINGDOM CHURCH SCHOOL - Parents may check in their elementary (K-5) aged students on the 3rd floor. 9:30-10:30 a.m.

CLUB V6 (6TH GRADE) - Fun and relevant discussions for today’s ‘tweens. 9:30-10:30 a.m. in Room 302.

ADULT EDUCATIONAL MINISTRY

MASS INCARCERATION SYMPOSIUM - At 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 18, in Friendship Hall, Village’s Social Witness and Advocacy committee will host a symposium on mass incarceration. Young black and hispanic men constitute the majority of people subject to lengthy, mandatory sentences in America's prisons, often for non-violent crimes. Panelists include local activists in areas of faith and social justice, moderated by Rev. Brian Ellison. See the Social Witness bulletin board in the hallway for more details.

UPCOMING VILLAGE U CLASSES:

VILLAGE TALK - In a radio talk show format, Rev. Brian Ellison, a KCUR contributor, hosts lively conversations with engaging public figures, renowned scholars and community leaders. On Wednesday, May 11, we welcome Bob Page, president and CEO of KU Med Center, at 6:30 p.m. in the Village Chapel.

BEGINNER EXCEL CLASSES - Topics covered include: identifying the components of an Excel spreadsheet, entering data into an Excel spreadsheet, formatting information, sorting data, and inserting and deleting rows and columns. Students will be creating a simple spreadsheet during the class to reinforce learning. 1-2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 10, OR 6:30-8 p.m. on Wednesday, May 11, in Room 316.

INTERMEDIATE EXCEL CLASSES - 1-2:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 17, OR 6:30 - 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 18. This class is recommended for people who have a basic understanding of Excel OR have taken the Beginner Excel Class. Students will be creating a spreadsheet during class to reinforce learning. Room 316.
**FINDING THE FACE OF GOD IN ART** - How would our interpretations about art, music and drama change, if we viewed them through a theological lens? For example, how is God viewed differently in the musical *Les Miserables*, or where do we see the face of God in the artwork of Picasso or Van Gogh? Come, and together let’s try to explore art through a theological lens, and perhaps we might just “taste and see that the Lord is good.” Taught by Rev. Len Carrell. 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesdays, May 18 & 25, in the Chapel.

**SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY - THE MYSTERIOUS MEMBER OF THE TRINITY** - The Holy Spirit, the third member of the Trinity, is called by many names and is vital to our personal growth and journeys in many ways and, at times, through mysterious roles and relationships. The class is an exploration of this mysterious and least understood member of the Trinity. Underneath the veil of mystery you will find an aspect of God essential to life and an intimate relationship with God. Taught by Dr. John Borden from 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesdays, May 18 & 25, in Room 132.

**Sign up for Village U classes at villagepres.org. or email marianne.weber@villagepres.org.**

**ADULT SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES**

The **Cloud of Witnesses** and **Village Forum** classes welcomes Dr. David May whose topic will be “Biblical Concepts of . . . Dreams, Laughter, and Money” We will explore over three Sundays the understandings of dreams, humor, and money from the biblical perspective of our ancestors in faith.


**Summer Sunday Adult Church School – More Food for the Journey of Faith** - Join us this summer every Sunday morning for an adult church school conversation that will further explore the sermon text for the day. The class will meet at 10:45-11:45 a.m. in Room 132. Focusing on the summer preaching theme of “Meals in the Bible,” the class will look at the various stories and parables around meals in the gospels of Matthew and Luke. Most classes will be taught by Dr. Rodger Nishioka. The class begins June 12 and ends Aug. 21.

**CONNECTIONAL MINISTRIES**

**LAST WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER MAY 11** - The menu is pasta bar with meatballs, vegetarian sauce, cheese-stuffed breadsticks, salad bar, dessert. Price is $7 for full buffet, $6 for salad bar, dessert & drink, $3-children ages 3-10, ages 2 & under are free. Reservations no later than this evening. Call 913-671-2359 or email liz.middleton@villagepres.org or go to villagepres.org under Connect>Adult>Wednesday Dinners to make a reservation. The Morning Stars Children's Choirs will perform at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Don’t miss this opportunity to hear our youngest church members glorify God through song.

**MISSION**

**THE FOOD PANTRY** - Thanks to all for making Canned Fruit Sunday a successful Food Drive. During the month of May, the Food pantry is accepting all varieties of canned vegetables - spinach, corn, peas, asparagus, potatoes, etc. The Clothes Closet is asking for household items like pots, pans, dishes, glasses, silverware, miscellaneous kitchen items. Sounds like spring house cleaning time! De-clutter and bring to church. Our clients will be appreciative.

**12TH ANNUAL VILLAGE GOLF CLASSIC - GET READY TO TEE UP!** Our annual golf tournament/fundraiser is Monday, May 16. Proceeds provide the bulk of the DRMP’s operating budget, funding programs like medical clinics, surgeries, health education and child growth monitoring. Visit villagepres.org to register.

**VILLAGE CHURCH COOKS A MEAL AT CROSS-LINES** - On Friday, May 14, Village will for cook and serve a meal at the Cross-Lines kitchen in Kansas City, Kan. We need two to three people from 9:30-11 a.m. for prep and six to seven volunteers to serve and clean up from 11:15 a.m.-1:30 p.m. We also need cookie donations, and they can be dropped off at the church reception desk from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. on Thursday, May 13. If you can help, contact Marianne Weber at 913-671-2333 or marianne.weber@villagepres.org.
WITNESS OFFERING MAY 15, PENTECOST SUNDAY - This offering is divided among Village Church (40%), Heartland Presbytery and General Assembly for children at risk, ministries with youth and ministries with young adults. Yellow envelopes for this offering are available in the hymnal slot in each pew.

MUSIC MINISTRY

SECOND THURSDAY RECITAL - At 12:15 p.m. May 12, our guest artist is tenor Jeff Howe. Jeff is our Village Church tenor intern. Jeff will perform songs accompanied by Mark Ball on piano. The 30-minute recital in the Village Chapel is free and open to the community.

PASTORAL CARE AND COUNSELING

BONE MARROW DRIVE MAY 14 & 15 - When we got word that Matt Cooper needed our prayers, we learned hosting a bone marrow drive could also help his battle against leukemia. Matt is Village Church member Mary Lou Niebling’s teenage grandson. Donors can help save Matt or someone else’s life by joining the national registry “Be the Match.” Come Saturday, May 14 or Sunday, May 15, between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. to Room 133. The process – a simple cheek swab - provides hope for patients who are waiting for or going through a transplant. Contact Linda Alley at 913-671-2327 or linda.alley@villagepres.org.

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP TO START – Providing support for someone who is battling cancer and/or the patient’s family members is a gift. If you’re interested in helping others, come to a cancer support group meeting at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 15, in the small dining room. To learn more, contact Linda Fuchs at 913-383-1009 or lfuchs3524@att.net.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

WOMEN WITH SPIRIT BOOK BRUNCH - Laugh, Chat, Chew, Share … Read! It’s that time, ladies! Come One, Come All to our annual Women with Spirit Book Brunch on Monday, May 16, from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in Village Church’s Small Dining Room. Wrap one of your favorite books (new or used) to swap for another’s good read. It’s fabulous fun, and child care is provided! Your check of $7 made out to PW of Village Church will serve as your official RSVP. Mail to Julia Scammahorn, 15705 Dearborn St., Overland Park, KS 66223. Checks must be received no later than May 9. To reserve child care, contact Pam Southerland at 913-671-2352 by May 9.

WOMEN OF WISDOM (WOW) invites all women for lunch and shopping in the Northland’s Briarcliff Village on Tuesday, May 17. Complimentary van accommodates 14 and leaves from the church’s south parking lot at 11:30 a.m., returns by 3 p.m.; carpooling suggested for others. Lunch at Trezo Mare, and shopping at boutiques and Nell Hills furniture store, or relaxing and people watching. RSVP by Monday, May 16, to Diane Lee at 913-432-4321 or dianelee@att.net or to Marvie Sneegas at 913-209-9608, or sneegi@kc.rr.com. Hope you can join us!

SOCIAL WITNESS & ADVOCACY

WALK IN SOLIDARITY WITH ADVOCATES FOR IMMIGRANT RIGHTS & RECONCILIATION - The Social Witness & Advocacy Task Force of Village Church will walk one mile with AIRKKC carrying banners and signs to plea for immigration reform at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 11. Please join us. Meet at the south doors of Village Church at 4:20 p.m. to carpool. The May walk will be in Olathe from El Centro, Inc., 500 E. Santa Fe to Second Baptist Church of Olathe, 331 North Kansas Avenue (.55 miles one way). These monthly walks of approximately one mile are on the 11th of each month through October, 2016. Contact Jim Galliher at 816-536-0400 for more info.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

WHAT IS YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY? Young Adult Ministry is a new ministry of Village Church for all 20s and 30s. Stay up to date on special events and find ways to connect by finding us online at VillagePres.org, Facebook.com/VillagePresYA, and follow us on Twitter @VillagePresYA.
CONNECT! Every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in Room 206, and Noon, at the Cup, for discussion about life and faith.

THIS FRIDAY, MAY 13! CELEBRATION DOMINICANA! 6:30 p.m. @ The Vox Theatre, 1405 Southwest Blvd, Kansas City, Kan. A friend-raising event for our mission in the Dominican Republic, we will celebrate, make new friends (our Dominican partners will be here!), dine KC-style, and dance. Tickets are available for pre-purchase $30, register online at VillagePres.org, or at the door $45. Free child care is available at Village from 6:30-9 p.m. with reservation!

YOUTH MINISTRY

HIGH SCHOOL AND MIDDLE SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES - Will meet in the Youth Loft at 9:30 a.m. Room 333.

CONFIRMATION - Join us next Sunday, May 15 at either the 9:30 or 11 a.m. service to celebrate this year’s confirmation class!

YOUTH WEEK – From June 5-9 we have events going on everyday; Worlds of Fun, Powerplay, Crafternoons, T-Bones Game and more! Grab a form online (villagepresyouth.org) or by the youth offices and join us for a great start to summer!

CHURCH-WIDE PANCAKE BREAKFAST - NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 15

Join your friends and family from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Sunday, May 15, in Room 228 for pancakes, sausage and the ever entertaining pancake magic of Chris Cakes! Tickets are $5 at the door. 
Sponsored by Children & Family Ministry.

Now & Tomorrow, Village Church

Blessings abound here at Village Church. Through your generosity and timely payments to the Now & Tomorrow capital campaign, we have not yet borrowed any funds during our construction phase.

Completion of construction is quickly approaching and resulting in some larger costs being due. To make these payments, we will need to borrow from our line of credit.

If it is nearing time for your pledge payment and you have the means, please consider sending in your gift now. By doing this, it could mean delaying or eliminating our borrowing needs.

Thank you!
The 8 a.m. service is broadcast live on 1660 AM KMBZ, The Business Channel.
Streaming video of all the Sunday morning Sanctuary services is available at villagepres.org. Click the Quick Link “Live Service Broadcasts.”
We kindly request that cell phones be turned off during worship.
Large-print Bibles and hymnals are available for worship. Ask an usher if you need these items.
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.

SERMON SERIES

The Things to Say When It Matters Most

The First and Second Letters of Timothy are compiled as letters that the apostle Paul wrote when he knew his life was nearing its end. Timothy was a generation younger, and Paul considered him a “son in the faith.” In these few words we find the apostle teaching, offering encouragement and at times he writes what can only be described as deep love. We will spend several weeks “listening in” as the apostle Paul, knowing his time in this life is drawing near, shares “the things to say when it matters most.”

May 1  The Long View
May 8  Remember Your Mother
May 15 Celebration of Pentecost and Welcoming the Confirmation Class
May 22 Rev. Dr. Paul Timothy Roberts
May 29 Let God Deal With Alexander
June 5  Come Before Winter

MINISTERS
All members of the congregation

MINISTRY TEAM
Rev. Thomas L. Are, Jr., senior pastor  ❖  Mark Ball, director of music
Dr. Elisa Bickers, principal organist  ❖  Rev. Len Carrell, pastor of pastoral care
Cheryl Couch-Thomas, director of children and family ministry  ❖  Rev. Hallie Hottle, pastor of young adult ministry
Marjean Lindquist, director of child care  ❖  Kathy Lueckert, director of finance and administration
Rev. Jenny McDevitt, pastor of pastoral care  ❖  Dr. Rodger Nishioka, director of adult educational ministry
Matthew C. Shepard, associate director of music  ❖  Molly Sirridge, director of stewardship & endowments
Rev. Zach Walker, pastor of youth ministries  ❖  Deborah White, director of mission
Cindy A. Wilcox, director of connectional ministries
Rev. Dr. Robert H. Meneilly, pastor emeritus