



SERVICE OF WORSHIP

May 20, 2018 • 8, 9:30 and 11 a.m.

ABOUT TODAY'S SERVICE

Today is Pentecost, therefore it is appropriate that we welcome into church membership the members of this year's Confirmation class. They will be presented during the 11 a.m. worship service, but their presence is with us all morning as the students have written the liturgy and prayers we use in worship today. As you find your place in the pew this morning, you are invited to take a moment and pray for the students in our Confirmation class.

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

Prelude

Be Thou My Vision
setting by Franklin D. Ashdown

Call to Worship

Rev. Zach Walker

Rejoice in the Lord, all the Earth.

We worship the Lord with gladness.

Give thanks and praise to God on this and each day.

Praise God's name and enter His gates with gratitude.

God is our Creator and sustainer. It is God who made us, and we are His.

We are God's people, called to love as God loves.

God's Spirit lives and breathes in this world, breaking in when we least expect it.

God's faithfulness and living Spirit is for all people in all generations.

Let us worship the God whose love and Spirit know no limits.

*Hymn, No. 361

Oh Christ, the Great Foundation
AURELIA

*Prayer of Confession

Living God,

You call us to be one church,

to be united in Christ,

to participate in our community of faith,

to be part of Christ's body.

We confess that we hold grudges,

and create division and difference.

We are not always willing to give of

our time, gifts, and talents.

We often don't know what we want

and have a hard time knowing what You want.

Forgive us. Remind us of the value of being present and part of Your church.

Help us to see the good in others

and seek healing and reconciliation.

We want to understand and love as You do. (Silent prayer)

*Assurance of God's Grace

*Response

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*Passing of the Peace

Words of Welcome

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Welcome of the Confirmation Class (11 a.m.)

Prayer for Illumination

Carol Tucker (8 a.m.)
George Beaumont (9:30 a.m.)
Charles Schultz (11 a.m.)

Scripture Reading

Matthew 25:31-46 (pg.904)

Anthem

The Storm Is Passing Over (9:30 a.m.)
arr. Barbara Baker; The More Love Chorale
Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah (11 a.m.)
by Gordon Young; Village Voices

Scripture Reading

Acts 2:1-13 (pg.992)

Sermon

It's Not Always About Me—Even When It Is

Rev. Tom Are, Jr.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Offertory

Alleluia
by Randall Thompson; Village Choir

*Response

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

*Prayer of Dedication

*Communion Hymn, No. 507

Come to the Table of Grace
TABLE OF GRACE

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. 729 (v. 1,2)

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian
I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

Congregational Meeting (9:30 a.m.)

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

Keep Love's Banner Floating O'er You
Jeremiah Rankin/Ralph Vaughan Williams

*Postlude

Tocatta in Seven
by John Rutter

**All who are able may stand*

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THE CHURCH'S BOOK (Week of May 21, 2018)

The following daily Bible readings were written by today's Confirmands 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, May 21

Psalms 5:3

When we pray to the Lord, he hears our requests and asks us to wait for an answer. Regardless of what the Lord's answer is, it is important that we express our feelings to God.

Tuesday, May 22

Luke 4:18-19

In this verse, Jesus tells the people of Nazareth about what he has done and can do for others with the help of the Spirit of the Lord. What can you do this week to express your love of God and share it with others?

Wednesday, May 23

Philippians 4:13

If you believe in God, you are able to do anything. This verse, like many others in the Bible, encourages people. This week, think about how you can use the Bible to encourage yourself and others around you.

Thursday, May 24

Psalms 37:23-24

Even if we "fall down" or have a bad day, the Lord is always with us to help us through the hard times. Can you think of a time where the Lord has helped/been with you?

Friday, May 25

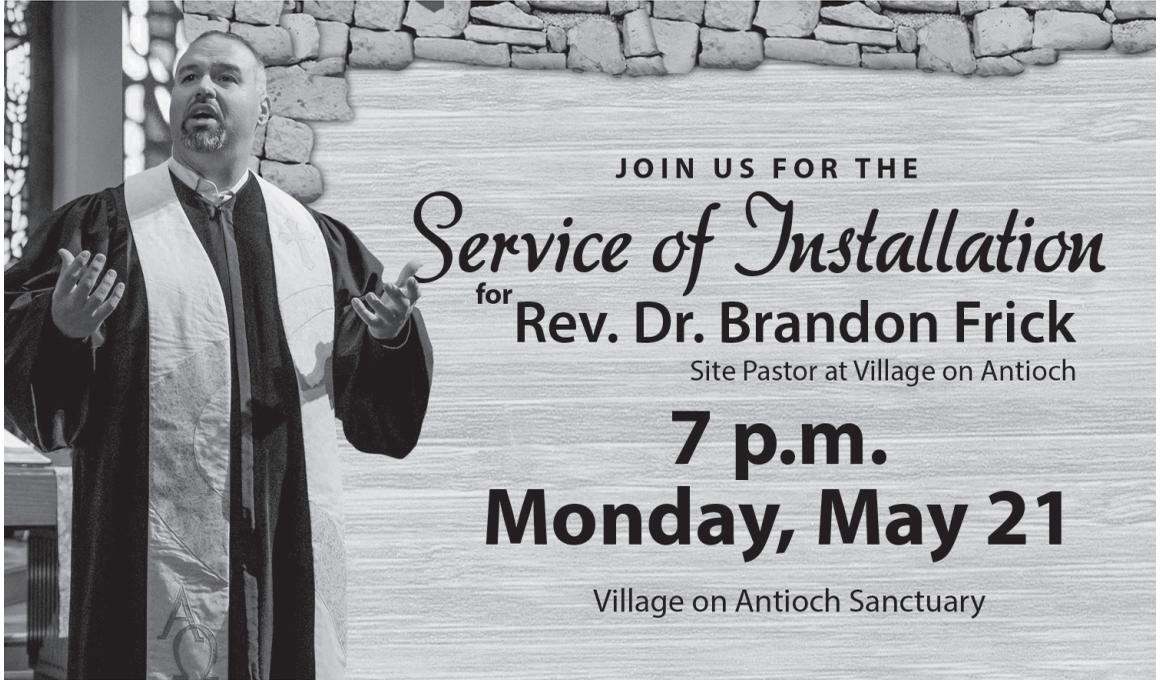
Genesis 1:31

God offers insight into the vision he had for the world, and he thought it was good. It transitions into the 6th day, where he completed the Earth. What part of God's creation amazes you the most?

Saturday, May 26

Colossians 1:9-14

In Colossians, Paul talks about growing with God and finding strength with great endurance and patience. As we learn about God and grow in our faith, we take comfort in knowing God supports us in that strength, endurance and patience.



JOIN US FOR THE

Service of Installation

for **Rev. Dr. Brandon Frick**

Site Pastor at Village on Antioch

7 p.m.

Monday, May 21

Village on Antioch Sanctuary

Celebration Dominicana

A Benefit for the Dominican Republic Medical Partnership (DRMP)
of Village Church

7 p.m. Friday, June 15

Madrid Theatre

Get tickets at drmp2018.eventbrite.com

TODAY AT VILLAGE

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

THE FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL TODAY are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of Pat Volk by Charlie Volk, Jan Volk and Mary Volk Peacock.

WITNESS OFFERING – This offering is divided among Village Church (40%) for programs focused on supporting youth in Village and Heartland Presbytery and General Assembly for children at risk advocacy (10%), ministries with youth (25%) and ministries with young adults (25%). Yellow envelopes for this offering reside in the hymnal slot in the pew in front of you.

NEW TO US? Village Presbyterian Church is a family of faith actively shaped by the life of Christ to love one another, provide leadership for the transformation of our communities and serve the world. We are a Presbyterian (USA) family of faith that is inclusive, generous and welcoming of all people. If you would like a tour of Village Church contact Cindy Wilcox at cindy.wilcox@villagepres.org.

JOINING VILLAGE CHURCH – Village receives new members every other month at a special Sunday luncheon. The upcoming date is June 10. Contact cindy.wilcox@villagepres.org for information.

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 SUNDAY ADULT FAITH FORMATION – Join us for our summer Adult faith formation class. The class meets 10:45-11:45 in Rooms 126-127. Each Sunday we will explore the scripture that was preached in worship, and a variety of teachers will guide us. These classes welcome both conversation and participation and are designed for the novice Bible reader as well as the seasoned Bible scholar. June classes include:

June 3 – Hannah Ratliff, middler student at Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Ga.

June 10 – Dr. Rodger Nishioka, senior associate and director of Adult Educational Ministries

June 17 – Dr. Rodger Nishioka

June 24 – Rev. Ky Weekley, honorably retired minister and friend of Village Church

Adult Sunday Morning Classes

9:30-10:30 a.m.

FAITH JOURNEY – The class is finishing out the spring with “Misquoting Jesus-The Story Behind Who Changed the Bible and Why” by Bart D. Ehrman. Taught by Kathy Ray, Room 230.

FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH – Through today, the class is viewing and discussing “Jesus and his Jewish Influences” from the Great Courses series. Diann Markley is the teacher. Room 15.

GROWING TOGETHER – If you are interested in biblically-based lessons that help you increase your impact on others in your life, you should visit this class. Small groups will be exploring the Acts of the Apostles. Facilitated by Lawrence Andre, the group is asking where we are called as apostles and what that even means. Room 124.

VILLAGE FORUM – Today, Rev. Dr. John Borden is teaching Early Christianity and Beginning of the Church, examining such topics as the world of the ancient Middle East, the thought, religion and culture in the time of Christ and the early church. Room 126.

10:45-11:45 a.m.

PSALMS FOR LIFE – Dr. Rodger Nishioka is teaching a class on the Psalms. The Psalms are sources of inspiration and instruction. We will explore some of the most popular such as Psalm 23 to the most challenging. This class is for the novice and seasoned Bible reader and ends today. Rooms 132 and 133.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY

TODAY – We are beyond grateful to all of our Sunday School teachers as we celebrate the last class today.

INFANTS-6TH GRADERS – Registration, classroom and choir information is outside of Rooms 107, 205 & 307.

INFANTS-TODDLERS – Child care is available during all services in Rooms 111 & 114.

NEW BABIES – Help us welcome new babies. Call 913-671-2350 or email kate.ruecker@villagepres.org.

BAPTISMS – Future baptism dates are July 15 and Sept. 16. An education class is offered for those members new to Village baptism. Call 913-671-2350 for more information.

SUNDAY SCHOOL – There is no Sunday School next Sunday, May 27; children 4 years and older should join their families in Family Worship. June 3 begins our new Summer Sunday School curriculum and broadly-graded classes.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – Nearly 200 children are enrolled in Village on Mission's VBS July 16-20. Consider inviting family and friends to join you in volunteering: singing, reading, creating, preparing crafts or meals at home, teaching and loving our Village children. Sign up at bit.ly/VOMVBSvolunteer.

HEARTLAND TRAVELING DAY CAMP – Final registration is going on now. Limited time and space remains. Call 913-671-2350.

CONNECTIONAL MINISTRIES

VILLAGE GOLF OUTING – Do you like a casual golf outing? Then, these outings are for you! The monthly outings are a four-person scramble format and runs now thru October. All are invited. You do not need to be a member of Village Church. The next outing is at Prairie Highlands on Tuesday, June 12, with 8 a.m. Tee Time. RSVP by June 1 to Brad Steil, 913-469-5683, bradsteil@everestkc.net, or Art Newcomer, 913-752-7540, artnewcome@aol.com.

MISSION

THE FOOD PANTRY – School is almost over for the year and soon those children who normally get a breakfast at school may not be getting them during the summer. Please be generous with your summer donations to the Food Pantry to keep the shelves filled with a variety of breakfast cereals. The Clothes Closet is asking for summer clothing, sunglasses and sandals.

CELEBRATION DOMINICANA – Please join the Dominican Republic Medical Partnership (DRMP) of Village Church for our annual fundraiser, Celebration Dominicana, from 7-10 p.m. Friday, June 15, at the Madrid Theatre. This festive evening enables our non-profit organization to provide health care and health education to poverty-stricken communities in the DR. Single tickets are \$75. Go to drmp2018.eventbrite.com to buy tickets and learn about sponsorship opportunities.

MUSIC MINISTRY

SUMMER CHOIR begins Sunday, June 3, and runs through the end of July! Rehearsals for Summer Choir are from 8:45-9:20 a.m. in Room 14 of the lower level, and we sing in the 9:30 a.m. service each week. We don't wear robes, and you sit out in the congregation until it's time to sing. People from all of the Village choirs love singing in the Summer Choir, and we hope you'll consider joining us, too!

PASTORAL CARE AND COUNSELING

COME HEAR DR. STEVE LASSEN THIS THURSDAY – Dr. Steve Lassen, associate professor at KU Med who specializes in adolescent psychology, will be talking about suicide at 5 p.m. Thursday, May 24, in Rooms 132 and 133. Dr. Lassen has received numerous awards, including the Warm Heart Award from the Palliative Care Team at KUMC. This presentation for continuing education is sponsored by Stephen Ministry; all are welcome.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

WOW LUNCHEON – Women of Wisdom invite all ladies to lunch at the Cheesecake Factory at 6675 W. 119th, in Overland Park at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 23. Please note the earlier start time which is necessary to reserve a table. RSVP to Diane Lee, 913-432-4321, or dianelee@att.net by Tuesday, May 22.

MISSION SEWING needs non sewers to stuff pillows, do hand sewing, some sorting and pressing. If this appeals to you, come join us on Tuesdays starting at 8 a.m. and running until 3 p.m. Come and go as your time permits, or stay as long as you like. Lunch is from noon-1 p.m. Bring your own or visit "The Cup." Call Edie Hultman for more information at 913-432-3515.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

THEOLOGY THURSDAYS – 6:30-8:30 p.m. Village Courtyard (outside the Cup). This week we wrap up our Curate your Heart series! We won't meet on May 31, and will resume for summer June 7, at Brew Lab, 7925 Marty St., Overland Park!

ART WITH SYRIAN REFUGEE KIDS – 4-5:30 p.m. Saturday, May 26, Rolling Hills Presbyterian Church (9300 Nall Ave.) Every Saturday afternoon our friends with the Arabic Presbyterian Fellowship meet with Syrian refugee families in KC for ESL classes. While they learn together, we'll gather the children for art and play. Come, let's show our Syrian neighbors some love. Let us know you're coming at villagepres.org/youngadults.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Join us for any of our weekly activities – All are welcome regardless of previous Village attendance and no sign-up is required. Check villagepresyouth.org for more details.

SUNDAY SCHOOL (middle school and high school) – 9:30-10:30 a.m. in the Youth Loft (Room 333).

PROGRAMS ON BREAK – As we approach the end of the school year, our programs pause to allow space for graduations, studying for finals, and other end-of-school year events. Don't forget Youth Week starts on June 3 (see below), and our summer programming starts June 10!

SUMMER TRIP REGISTRATION IS OPEN! – Sign up for the middle school mission trip, high school Montreat and Boundary Waters adventure. Register and pay for trips online at villagepresyouth.org/form.

YOUTH WEEK STARTS JUNE 3! – Kick off summer with a bang and join in on any or all of the Youth Week activities. Registration forms can be found on the youth website (see above) on the Forms page. Meet interns, get the summer shirt, and have a blast! All recently finished 6th graders through recently graduated 12th graders are welcome.

Village on Antioch Event Tonight

Community Food Truck Festival

5:30-7:30 p.m. today, May 20, Village on Antioch

Please join us at Village on Antioch for our second annual Community Food Truck Festival. We will have four food trucks, a bounce house, face painting and live music. Food is very reasonably priced.

Summer Worship Schedule Begins May 27

Village Church will switch to its summer worship schedule on Sunday, May 27. We will worship at 9:30 and 11 a.m. in the Village on Mission Sanctuary, with The Gathering at 5 p.m. in Friendship Hall.

Village on Antioch will worship at 10 a.m. starting Sunday, May 27.

Our radio broadcast at 8 a.m. Sundays on 1660 AM KMBZ, the Business Channel, will be a week delayed pre-recorded worship service starting June 3.

We return to our regular worship schedule on Sunday, Sept. 9.



Summer Hours for the Village Cup

Starting Monday, May 21

8 a.m.-noon	Monday, Wednesday, Friday
8 a.m.-1 p.m.	Tuesday, Thursday
8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Sundays

Discover Village

A new way for you to connect! You're invited to stop by our new Discover Village desk, between worship services, at the North Welcome Center entrance. Hosts will be available at the desk every Sunday morning to help you connect or answer questions. We look forward to meeting you!

CURRENT SERMON SERIES

Curate Your Heart

Some have said we are defined by our work. Some have said we are what we eat. At the deepest level, we are what we love. We can love all manner of things. We love our families and we love vacation. We love our country and we can love good coffee. It seems that love just happens, that love is something into which we fall. But love is also chosen. It is important to ask ourselves if we love the right things. In this sermon series, we will explore how following the life of Christ is a practice of training our hearts to want what God wants, to love the right things. If we are what we love, then curating our hearts is important work.

April 15	What Do You Want?
April 22	This Is Not the Time for Trivia
April 29	We Are Part of a Long Amazing Story
May 6	It's Not Always About Bliss
May 13	Love Is Not the Only Thing
May 20	It's Not Always About Me—Even When It Is
May 27	Do You Have Time, or Does Time Have You?

MINISTERS

All members of the congregation

MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Thomas L. Are, Jr., senior pastor ❖ Dr. Elisa Bickers, principal organist

Will Breytspraak, director of music ❖ Rev. Len Carrell, pastor of pastoral care

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 ❖ Marjean Lindquist, director of child care

Kathy Lueckert, director of finance and administration ❖ Dr. Rodger Nishioka, senior associate

Matthew C. Shepard, associate director of music ❖ Molly Sirridge, director of stewardship and endowments

Rev. Zach Walker, pastor of youth ministries ❖ Deborah White, director of mission

Cindy A. Wilcox, director of connectional ministries ❖ Ellen Wootton, interim director of children and family ministry

Rev. Dr. Robert H. Meneilly, pastor emeritus

Streaming video of all the Sunday morning Sanctuary services is available at villagepres.org.

Click the home page link "Live Sermon and Sermon Archives."

Starting June 3, our worship service broadcast at 8 a.m. Sunday on 1660 AM KMBZ, the Business Channel, will be a recording of a the previous week's service.

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, hand it to an usher so it may be recycled.