SERVICE OF WORSHIP
May 27, 2018 • 9:30 and 11 a.m.

ABOUT TODAY’S SERVICE

You need sabbath. Everyone does. You probably would benefit from some rest because we are, after all, not machines. But sabbath is more than stopping what we are doing. Sabbath is the ancient practice of setting one day aside to remember what all the other days are for.
**GOD’S PEOPLE GATHER**

Prelude

Destiny Ann Mermagen, violin; Michael Mermagen, cello

Call to Worship

Rev. Sally Wright

This is the day the Lord has made.

**The Lord is the maker of this day and every day.**

And yet, never before have we had this day,

this particular gift of time,

this beautiful collection of moments.

So let us rejoice and be glad,

for this is the day the Lord has made.


*Hymn, No. 338

**O Beautiful for Spacious Skies**

MATERNA

*Prayer of Confession

God of mercy and life,

we have no doubt that You have been with us this week.

You have watched over our waking and sleeping.

You have tugged at our hearts to make them more like Your own.

But now we wonder:

what did we miss?

Did we fail to see the signs of Your grace in each day?

Were we too casual with our friendships?

Were there moments we should have remembered You,

but we charged ahead with our own plans?

Grant us one more week, we pray,

and let us be as attentive to You

as You have been to us. (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

Why Village Matters

Dominican Republic Medical Partnership

Children's Moment

Will Breytspraak

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Call to Prayer

Create in me a cleaner heart, O God;

help me make the space to rest my weary soul.

Create in me a cleaner heart, O God;

help me make the space to rest my weary soul.
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

Prayer for Illumination
Maggie Leonard (9:30 a.m.)
Emmett Vrooman (11 a.m.)

Scripture Reading
Mark 3:1-6 (pg. 912)

Sermon
Do You Have Time, or Does Time Have You?
Rev. Tom Are, Jr.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*Hymn, No. 686
God of Our Life
SANDON

Offertory
The Swan
by Camille Saint-Saëns

*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

*Hymn, No. 649
Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound
AMAZING GRACE
Today we are excited to welcome guest instrumentalists Destiny Ann and Michael Mermagen to our morning services! Destiny and Michael have been engaged to help guide Village’s new chamber music program, The Village Players, beginning this fall. Destiny will be coaching, planning and playing as a member of our regular music team; and Michael will periodically consult, play and coach for the ensemble.

Today’s music features two special tributes for Memorial Day, including a new arrangement of “O Beautiful for Spacious Skies,” by Will Breytspraak. Our Benediction Response, “Ashokan Farewell,” was written by Jay Ungar, and made famous when used in Ken Burns’ landmark Civil War documentary.

**MUSIC NOTES**

**Benediction**

**Benediction Response**

*Ashokan Farewell*

by Jay Ungar

**Postlude**

*Caprice sur les pleins jeux (I am the vine; you are the branches)*

by Bernard Sanders

*All who are able may stand*

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The following daily Bible readings were written by Dr. Rodger Nishioka 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 28, Memorial Day**

Exodus 13:3-10

Memorial Day is a day to remember the service and sacrifices of the women and men of our armed forces. Remembering and memorializing is a consistent theme throughout the Bible. When God freed the Hebrews from their slavery in Egypt, God directed them to not eat any leavened bread as an act of remembering. What will you do on this Memorial Day to remember those who have served our nation?

**Tuesday, May 29**

Leviticus 6:14-18

This passage includes elaborate instructions for how the Jewish people should offer sacrifices to God. Sacrifices were a ritual practice that had to be performed for sins to be forgiven. Because of the gift of God’s grace in Jesus Christ, we no longer need to perform these kinds of sacrifices but for the Jewish people, these ritual sacrifices were memorials. They helped the people remember God’s faithfulness. How do you remember God’s faithfulness?

**Wednesday, May 30**

Joshua 4:1-7

The Hebrew people have ended their 40 years of wilderness wandering and as they cross over the Jordan river to the land God promised them, God instructs them to take stones from the riverbed and create a symbol, a memorial. God wanted the people to remember the journey and God’s faithfulness. What tangible symbols represent God’s faithfulness for you?

**Thursday, May 31**

Nehemiah 2:12-20

The walls of the city of Jerusalem have been destroyed. In the ancient world, walls were needed for protection. Nehemiah returns to Jerusalem to rebuild the walls. He is mocked by some and tells the cynics that if God wants these walls to be rebuilt, then God will do so through the faithfulness of God’s people. Nehemiah reminds us that only the faithful can build a memorial to God. What is God calling you to build?

**Friday, June 1**

Isaiah 55

This beautiful chapter is a memorial in itself. The prophet tells of all that God does to provide life and to sustain God’s beloved. You are one of God’s beloved. And because you are, you will “go out in joy, and be led back in peace.” The cypress and the myrtle tree will serve as memorials for us. What signs of God’s love do you see today? How is the creation a memorial to God?

**Saturday, June 2**

Acts 10:1-4

This is an extraordinary story because it marks the first time in the New Testament that a Gentile is recognized by God. Cornelius, even though he is a Roman soldier, loves God. He gives generously to the poor and prays constantly. God speaks to Cornelius through an angel who tells him that his prayers have been heard and remembered by God. What good news! As you pray today, know that your prayers are being heard and remembered by God.
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

ICE CREAM social
5-7 p.m.
Friday, June 22
Village on Mission
$2 Admission
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 Dave Francisco by Jean Francisco.

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. 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.

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

Regular Adult Sunday Morning Classes do not meet during the summer and will resume on Sept. 9.

Summer Sunday Adult Faith Formation – Join us for our summer Adult faith formation class. The class meets 10:45-11:45 a.m. 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. Upcoming classes include:

- June 3 Hannah Ratliff, middler student at Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia.
- 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
- July 1 Rev. Jay McKell, honorably retired minister and friend of Village Church
- July 8 Rev. Len Carrell, pastor for pastoral care
- July 15 Dr. Rodger Nishioka
- July 22 Dr. Rodger Nishioka
- July 29 Rev. Becky Chamberlain, interim pastor for pastoral care
- Aug. 5 Rev. Jay McKell
- Aug. 12 Claire Brettell, middler student at St. Paul School of Theology in Overland Park
- Aug. 19 Andrew Frazier, senior student at Austin Presbyterian Seminary in Austin, Texas

Thank you to Adult Sunday Morning Class Leaders – Adult Educational Ministry gives thanks to God for these women and men who led our Sunday morning adult faith formation this year.

GREAT BOOKS — The discussion group returns to the beginning—Great Books Series 1—beginning June 5. We’ll be reading and discussing Chekov, Aristotle, Plato, Kant, Marx, Freud and more. We meet the first Tuesday of each month from 2-3:30 p.m. in Room 127. For information on ordering the book, contact Jane Abildgaard, 816-391-9550, or ja87869@gmail.com.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY

TODAY — Family Worship Sunday is a time we hope is special to share together and to have children delight in the Children’s Time and worship bags.

INFANTS-TODDLERS — Child care is available during all services in Rooms 107, 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.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL — Beginning next Sunday, June 3, through July 29, we will follow our summer program which features our broadly-graded classes and curriculum.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL — We are overwhelmed by God’s goodness and your generosity in volunteering your time for the week of July 16-20. Nearly 200 children are scheduled to attend and over 50 youth and adults will lead, love and support our children each day. We are excited and encouraged by the Village joining us for “The Rolling River Rampage: Experience the Ride of a Lifetime with God.” More volunteers are still needed. Sign up online at bit.ly/VOMVBSvolunteer.

VILLAGE PRESCHOOL ON MISSION has a few openings in our 4-year-old (MWF) program and our 5-year-old (T/W/Th/F) program for the 2018-2019 school year. Contact Sarah McKee, preschool director, for more information at 913-671-2338 or sarah.mckee@villagepres.org.

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's out but the need for a good breakfast is still "in!" The Food Pantry is continuing to ask for a variety of cereals to stock the shelves during these summer months. Think of those students who are no longer getting breakfast at school, and please be generous. The Clothes Closet is asking for summer clothing and accessories—and don't forget the sunscreen.

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.

PRAYERS TO THWAKE — Rev. Tom Are and over 25 VPC members depart tomorrow for a 12-day trip to Thwake, Kenya under the leadership of Rev. Dr. David Nzioka, founding pastor of Neema Community Church in Olathe and former VPC pastoral intern. While there, the team will observe construction of a much-needed addition to the Presbyterian Church of Wote, assist in health care and educational activities with the kids, and work on basic development projects with our Thwake friends.
MUSIC MINISTRY

SUMMER CHOIR begins next 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

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO SERVE IN THE MILITARY – We are grateful for the gift of your service. If you serve in the military or have family members or friends who are currently serving, we’d be honored to add your/his/her name to our prayer list. Contact Linda Alley at 913-671-2327 or linda.alley@villagepres.org with the person’s name, rank, where he/she is based, and any other information you would like to share.

FAITH AND GRIEF LUNCH JUNE 5 – If you or someone you know has lost a loved one, you are invited to the Faith and Grief lunch noon-1 p.m. Tuesday, June 5, in Friendship Hall. You’ll receive comfort and resources. A box lunch is provided. Register online at faithandgrief.org or call 469-251-9612.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

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 – No meeting this week! Rest well, and we’ll resume June 7.

COUPLES WITH KIDS BIBLE STUDY – 5:30 p.m. (family dinner) June 13, 6-7 p.m. Every second Wednesday come connect with other young adult parents while kiddos are engaged in their own lessons downstairs! RSVP at villagepres.org/youngadults by June 6!

LOVE YOUR CITY SATURDAYS – 4:30-7 p.m. June 9. To love your city, you have to know your city, so each month we’re exploring a different part of KC. June’s adventure: KCMO! We’ll meet at Brookside Park for a game of kickball against Second Presbyterian Church’s young adults, then find our way back to Second Pres. for a cookout and beer exchange. RSVP online by June 6 at villagepres.org/youngadults.

CONCERT @ LOOSE PARK – We’ll meet up at 5:30 p.m. June 14, at Loose Park to see Barnaby Bright! Bring snacks to share and blankets to sit on.

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.
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!

Summer Hours for the Village Cup

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

Guest Preacher Next Sunday: Rev. Anne Apple

We are delighted to welcome Rev. Anne Apple to the Village Church pulpit next Sunday. Anne is associate pastor for pastoral care and evangelism at Idlewild Presbyterian Church in Memphis, Tenn. She is a teacher, pray-er, connector, collaborator and preacher who loves dreaming up a good meal and calling people together around a table; as well as delighting in the solitary work of writing or disappearing into a good book or poem. Anne is married to Jim, and together they parent two young adult children, Betsy, (married to Daniel Eldridge, living in Raleigh, N.C.) and James, living in Starkville, Miss.; and a high school student, Abigail. Before moving to Memphis, Rev. Apple served as pastor of Grace Presbyterian Church in Mobile, Ala. She is a graduate of Rhodes College and Columbia Theological Seminary and has done doctoral course at the University of South Alabama. She is an adjunct professor at Memphis Theological Seminary and serves on the board at Montreat Conference Center and is commissioner to the upcoming General Assembly in St. Louis.
### 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

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

*Click the home page link “Live Sermon and Sermon Archives.”*

*Our worship service broadcast at 8 a.m. Sundays on 1660 AM KMBZ, the Business Channel, is a recording of 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.*

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