SERVICE OF WORSHIP

June 4, 2017 • 9:30 and 11 a.m.

ABOUT TODAY’S SERVICE

It’s Pentecost. Some call it the birthday of the Church. Luke, the writer of Acts, tells us that there was quite a crowd gathered to hear Peter’s sermon. Some of them had traveled many miles. Some of them had traveled a few centuries. It’s as if the Church just would not be the church without all of these people.
**GOD’S PEOPLE GATHER**

**Prelude**

Chorale Prelude on *Munich*
by Aaron David Miller

**Call to Worship**

Dr. Rodger Nishioka

On this Pentecost day,
may grace blow through
and shatter the shutters of our hearts.

*May we step out of our fears
and away from our doubts
to notice the new life swirling all around.*

As members of God’s beloved community,
may our arms open wide in welcome
and may our dreams be enflamed by the spirit of justice.

*Open our eyes to see the visions of those around us.
Open our ears to the voices of those long silenced.*

On this day and every day,
*may we show God’s love and speak God’s peace.*

Come, Holy Spirit, come!

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*Hymn, No. 289

On Pentecost They Gathered
MUNICH

*Prayer of Confession*

God of all time and endless grace,
we have come to gather at your table.
Forgive us when our hunger gets the best of us.
When we take so much that others are left wanting,
  have mercy on us.
When we sit by our friends and ignore the lonely,
  have mercy on us.
When we speak only our own language
and expect everyone else to understand or adapt,
  have mercy on us.
When we forget that it is your table
and that we are your guests,
  have mercy on us. (Silent prayer)
*Assurance of God’s Grace

*Response

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

George Beaumont (9:30 a.m.)
Patricia Schultz (11 a.m.)

Scripture Reading

Acts 2:1-13 (pg. 992)

Sermon

Who Needs To Be There?
Rev. Tom Are, Jr. (9:30 a.m.)
Rev. Jenny McDevitt (11 a.m.)
RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*Hymn, No. 506

Look Who Gathers at Christ’s Table!
COPELAND

Offertory

If Ye Love Me
by Philip Wilby; The Summer Choir (9:30 a.m.)

Come to Me, All Who Labor
by John Purifoy; Ron Witzke, bass (11 a.m.)

*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

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
Come, Great God of All the Ages
ABBOT'S LEIGH

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

Come, O come, in celebration, household of the one true God; in commitment and rejoicing let us go where Christ has trod; as we act in faith and reverence, let us, Lord, the future see; place us in the church triumphant, now and for eternity.

*Postlude

Komm, heiliger Geist, Herre Gott, BuxWV 199
by Dieterich Buxtehude

*All who are able may stand
© A-705103 for all hymns
The following daily Bible readings were written by Rev. Jenny McDevitt 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 and our mission. Pray for God’s world.

Monday, June 5

Exodus 1

Exodus is a grand, sweeping story of utmost importance to our faith. But, like so many other stories, it gets off to a rocky start. One of the first things we hear is: “A new king arose, who did not know Joseph.” All other details aside, this verse points toward one of our human downfalls — we sometimes jump in with opinions and actions before we have taken the time to learn anything about the situation’s context. When have you done this and later regretted it? How did you then make it right?

Tuesday, June 6

Exodus 2

Pharaoh’s daughter asks her attendants to pull Moses out of the river. A small act that forever changed our story. When is the last time someone did something for you that was more significant than they realized? Did you tell them how much it meant? If you haven’t, it’s not too late.

Wednesday, June 7

Exodus 3

This is one of the most well-known stories of the Bible: Moses and the burning bush. Countless sermons could be (and have been) preached on this text. Today, remember this detail: when Moses comes close, God tells him to take off his shoes, for he is standing on holy ground. All the earth is holy ground, for God is the one who created it. Go throughout your day looking for holiness. You might be surprised where you find it.

Thursday, June 8

Exodus 14

Moses and the Israelites cross the Red Sea. This is a fantastic, miraculous story, but perhaps no less so than the fact that the Israelites are still trusting God and following Moses. After terrible plagues and countless trouble, still they press forward. What faith! Where in your life could you benefit from faithfulness as great as the Israelites? What’s stopping you?

Friday, June 9

Exodus 16

Manna in the wilderness. Yet another well-known story from this well-known book. Yet the lesson contained in this chapter is always worth revisiting. Everyone I know has struggled with the idea of “enough.” Having enough, giving enough, being enough, trusting enough. Yes, we are always called to give our best and do our best, but today, trust this: who you are and what you have to offer is enough. You were created by God, and that is enough.

Saturday, June 10

Exodus 35-39

These chapters include an extremely tedious telling of all the work that went into constructing the tabernacle. At first (and second) glance, it seems unnecessary. First Moses reminds the Israelites to have Sabbath, and then we get lost in chapters worth of painstaking detail, right down to the color of threads in the curtains. And at the end of all the details, we read: “In this way, all the work was completed, just as the Lord commanded.” We are reminded that every job can be ministry, if it is done with care and attention. And we are reminded that every job worth doing is worth doing well. Lastly, we’re reminded that not even the smallest detail is overlooked by God. Where do you find good news in this?
Join us for
Celebration Dominicana

A Fundraiser for the Dominican Republic Medical Partnership
7 p.m. Friday, June 9, at the Vox Theatre
Caribbean food, drinks, music, dancing and a silent auction.
Get tickets at drmp2017.eventbrite.com

VILLAGE CHURCH
CHILD & FAMILY DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Community Open House & Dedication
3-5 p.m.
Sunday, June 11

Tours, activities for kids & refreshments!
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 Dianne Eidson by her family.

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

WITNESS OFFERING is today. 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 are available in the hymnal slot in the pew in front of you.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP – This summer, all children are welcomed and encouraged to sit with their families for the first 10 minutes of the worship service. During the 9:30 a.m. service, after Time with Children, children are invited to meet teachers at the back of the Sanctuary to continue on in Sunday School, or to stay and keep worshipping with their families.

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.

BROADLY GRADED SUNDAY SCHOOL – Children who have completed grades K-5th grade meets from 9:30-10:30 a.m. in Room 203 (Creation Station) for a totally fun way to look at favorite Old Testament stories.

ADULT EDUCATIONAL MINISTRY

Summer Adult Sunday Morning Class

FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING. CONVERSATIONS ON THE SERMON TEXT FOR ALL ADULTS – Beginning today and continuing each Sunday through Aug. 20, all adults are invited to study and discuss the Bible text for the day’s sermon. Today, the Rev. Ky Weekly will guide the class. The class will meet in Rooms 126-127 from 10:45-11:45 a.m. The class welcomes persons who are new to the Bible as well as those who are more familiar with the Bible. Dr. Rodger Nishioka will teach the class next Sunday.

THANK YOU TO OUR ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS TEACHERS AND COORDINATORS – With the end of the regular Church School year, we give thanks for the gifted leadership of our lead teachers and coordinators for each of our Sunday morning Adult classes: Kathy Ray in Faith Journey, Darryl Bertsch in Foundations of Faith, Lawrence Andre in Growing Together, Dr. Gus Breytspraak in the Village Forum, and Don and Barbara Wilson in the Inquirers class. Thanks to each of you for your faithful leading and teaching!

TECH TALK WITH TONY – Join Tony Liu, director of the Village Church Computer Ministry, as he leads a demonstration and discussion of the ways Google Docs, Google Keep and Google Drive can be used to create, edit, store and share documents. 6:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 7, in Room 316.

NOW THAT YOU HAVE YOUR GOOGLE ID, WHAT DO YOU DO WITH IT? – Computer Ministry is hosting "water cooler sessions" on the first Wednesday of the month on June 7, July 5, Aug. 2 and Sept. 6. Topics will include Gmail and InBox, Google Calendar, Google Docs, Google Spreadsheets, Google Drive, and Google Keep. 6:30-8 p.m. in Room 316.

COME CELEBRATE AN IFTAR MEAL DURING THIS MONTH OF RAMADAN – Muslims are celebrating this holy month of Ramadan by fasting during the day. At the end of the day, they gather to break the fast by sharing a meal and giving thanks to God. Share in a meal hosted here at Village Church from 6-8 p.m. Thursday evening, June 22, in Rooms 132-133. The meal will be provided by the Dialogue Institute of the Southwest. Dr. Rodger Nishioka will be the facilitator. There is no cost for the meal. Contact Marianne Weber at Marianne.weber@villagepres.org or 913-671-2333 for reservations.
CONNECTIONAL MINISTRIES

40S & 50S DINNER – 6 p.m. Thursday, June 15. Couples and singles are invited to meet at the Olive Garden Italian Restaurant at 6750 W. 95th Street in Overland Park. Olive Garden is located on 95th Street, just east of Metcalf. The reservation is under “Village Church Group.” Each person is responsible for their own tab. Come and enjoy the fellowship of friends and a wonderful meal! RSVP to liz.middleton@villagepres.org or call 913-671-2359. Space is limited!

MISSION

THE FOOD PANTRY – The request of the Food Pantry this month is for 1-2 lb. bags of flour or sugar. The larger bags can no longer be divided at the Pantry, so please donate the smaller size bags. These are much wanted items by the clients. The Clothes Closet is asking for donations of towels, sheets, pillowcases and kitchen linens. Your generous donations are what makes this mission so successful. Thank you.

CAN YOU HELP SERVE A HOT MEAL? – The Cross-Lines Community Outreach Village Kitchen team welcomes volunteers to help prep and serve lunch on a Friday every other month. If you are interested in joining the team or want more information, contact Jim Bolton at jcb3823@gmail.com or 913-669-9428 or Addie Perry at addie.perry@gmail.com.

MUSIC MINISTRY

HANDBELL BASICS WORKSHOP – Have you ever listened to one of our handbell choirs and thought, “I’d like to try that!”? Well, here’s your opportunity. A free, three-session workshop will be held from 10-11 a.m. on Thursdays, June 15, 22, and 29, in the Choir Room #14. To sign up, or for more info, contact Leslie Conrad at conradleslie@aol.com or 913-341-2734.

PASTORAL CARE AND COUNSELING

FAITH AND GRIEF LUNCH IS THIS TUESDAY – Come and join us for this month’s Faith and Grief lunch. Share conversation with others who are also grieving the loss of a loved one. There will be a short presentation as well. Lunch is provided. Come every month, come when your schedule allows, or just come once to check it out. Faith & Grief lunches are from noon-1 p.m. in Friendship Hall. Register online at faithandgrief.org or contact Linda Alley at 913-671-2327 or linda.alley@villagepres.org.

TAIZÉ IS NEXT SUNDAY – 6:30 p.m. Sunday, June 11. This worship service offers song, communion, and time to reflect and relax in silence. Taizé worship is held at the VCCFDC at 9900 Mission Road.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

WOMEN WITH SPIRIT GIRLS’ NIGHT OUT – We’re going casual for the summer month of June! Join us at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, June 15, in Waldo at the Bier Company, 310 W. 79 St., Kansas City, Mo. You can buy food/drinks there or even bring your own bottle of wine for a $10 corking fee. Email pam.southerland@villagepres.org by June 8 for child care reservations. Child care is available from 6-8:30 p.m.

WOMEN OF WISDOM LUNCHEON – All women are most welcome to join Women of Wisdom (WOW) for lunch at noon on Wednesday, June 21, at Jack Stack Barbeque on the corner of 95th & Metcalf. We will be seated in a secluded area and select from traditional barbeque fare, entrée salads and grilled seafood. RSVP to Diane Lee, dianeelee@att.net or 913-432-4321 by Tuesday, June 20.

ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION COMMITTEE

BEFORE THE FLOOD is a video that follows Leonardo DiCaprio as he travels to five continents meeting people whose lives have been devastated by global warming and learns how we already have the capacity to solve this crisis. Sponsored by the Sustainable Sanctuary Coalition. 7-9 p.m. Monday, June 5. Room 127.
**Village Cup New Hours of Operation**

The Village Cup hours of operation have changed for the summer season.

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

**Called Congregational Meeting**

The Session has called a meeting of the congregation to address the transfer of assets and liabilities of the Presbyterian Church of Stanley to Village Church. This would create a single congregation of Village Church, worshiping in two locations. The meeting will be held at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, June 11, then reconvened following The Gathering on June 11.

**Are You Interested in Visiting Village on Antioch Sunday, June 25?**

The Village Commitment committee is offering a bus ride from Village on Mission to Village on Antioch for the 11 a.m. worship service, Sunday, June 25. Join our new members and friends down south and explore our new site! This offer is open to the first 40 people who register. Call Marianne at 913-671-2333 or email Marianne.weber@villagepres.org with your reservation.

**YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**

**BIER AND BIBLE** – 7 p.m. Thursday night, KC Bier Company. We’re talking about the gospel of Mark. With a short attention span, no need for “fluff,” and a knack for political critique, this gospel was written for young adults (not really, but kind of). Let’s read it together. Bring a Bible (Rev. Hallie would love to give you one if you ask!). Pizza provided.

**YOUTH MINISTRY**

**HIGH SCHOOL AND MIDDLE SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES** – We are not meeting today as students are at World’s of Fun for the start of Youth Week.

**YOUTH WEEK** – Want to kick summer off to a great start? Join us for Youth Week, starting today, June 4 running until Thursday, June 8. Activities range from World’s of Fun to volunteering to a day at Powerplay! Check the youth website for the form to sign-up.
You’re invited to the Village Church Ice Cream Social 4-6 p.m. Sunday, June 25
SERMON SERIES

Living Unafraid In a Frightening World

When Easter was over and the world got back to normal, some recognized there was a new normal now. The world today is a place of crosses. Bodies fail and hearts break, systems and structures crush the powerless. There is enough in this world to scare you to death. But Jesus is alive now—there is a new normal. Jesus is alive now, so we can live, even in this world, as a people who are living unafraid in a frightening world.

April 30  Act 1:6-11  You Shall Be My Witnesses
May 7  Acts: 7  Carry This Story With You
May 14  Acts 9:36-43  We All Need Dorcas in Our Lives
May 21  Acts 9:1-19  Being Converted to Christ Every Day
May 28  Acts 6:1-7  Now Hiring
June 4  Acts 2:1-13  Who Needs To Be There?
June 11  Acts 10  The Last Person I Thought I Would Need
June 18  Act 15  When God Shows Up At Your Meeting
June 25  Acts 20:7-12  A Lesson From Eutychus
July 2  Acts 15:36-41  Barnabas: Son of Encouragement
July 9  Acts 26:12-18  Have I Told You This Story Before?
July 16  Acts 28:23-30  It Doesn't Get Any Better Than This?

MINISTERS

All members of the congregation

MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Thomas L. Are, Jr., senior pastor  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 and bridge site pastor of Village on Antioch
Marjean Lindquist, director of child care  Kathy Lueckert, director of finance and administration
Ryan Main, interim director of music  Rev. Jenny McDevitt, pastor of pastoral care
Dr. Rodger Nishioka, senior associate  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

Streaming video of all the Sunday morning Sanctuary services is available at villagepres.org.
Click the home page link “Live Sermon and Sermon Archives.”
The Sanctuary worship service is rebroadcast the following Sunday at 8 a.m. on 1660 AM KMBZ, The Business Channel.

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.