



SERVICE OF WORSHIP

July 1, 2018 • 9:30 and 11 a.m.

ABOUT TODAY'S SERVICE

In the Genesis story, it does not take long for one human to kill another. Cain and Abel, the sons of Adam and Eve, give offerings to God and God prefers Abel's offering over Cain's. Angry and jealous, Cain kills his brother. When God asks Cain, "Where is your brother Abel?", Cain tells God that he does not know. Then he asks God a profound question: "Am I my brother's keeper?" This story is filled with insights for us all. We are responsible for one another. Being family for one another is difficult. There are consequences for our actions. And even in our worst moments, God calls us to love and offers us mercy and grace.

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

Prelude

Toccata in F Major, BuxWV 156
by Dieterich Buxtehude

Call to Worship

Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishioka

God of Grace and God of Glory, You made us in Your image.

We come from east and west and north and south to worship You.

You made us for Yourself.

We come to praise You, for You alone are worthy.

You made us for one another.

We come to thank you for the gift of this community.

You made us to serve the world.

Grant us wisdom and grant us courage for the living of these days.

*Hymn, No. 307

God of Grace and God of Glory
CWM RHONDDA

*Prayer of Confession

Holy and Merciful God,

in Your presence we confess

our failure to be what You created us to be.

You alone know how often we have sinned

in wandering from Your ways,

in wasting Your gifts,

in forgetting Your love.

By Your loving mercy,

help us to live in Your light

and abide in Your ways,

for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. (Silent prayer)

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us; Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us; Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

*Assurance of God's Grace

*Response

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*Passing of the Peace

Words of Welcome

Time with Children

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Call to Prayer

God is here to - day; _____ as cer-tain as the air I
breathe _____ as cer-tain as the morn-ing sun that ris - es, as
cer - tain when I sing you'll hear _____ my song. _____

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

Carol Tucker (9:30 a.m.)

Ruth Johnson (11 a.m.)

Scripture Reading

Genesis 4:1-16 (pg.3)

Sermon

Brotherly Love

Rev. Sarah Wiles

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*Hymn, No. 345

In an Age of Twisted Values

CHURCH UNITED

Offertory

There's a Spirit of Love in This Place (9:30 a.m.)

music: Mark A. Miller; Summer Choir

Holy Spirit Medley (11 a.m.)

arr. Jack Schrader; Wayne Bates, trumpet

*Response

Take my love; my Lord, I pour

at Thy feet its treasure store;

take myself and I will be

ever, only, all for Thee,

ever, only, all for Thee.

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn, No. 649

Amazing Grace

AMAZING GRACE

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

**God be with you till we meet again;
when life's perils thick confound you,
put unfailing arms around you:
God be with you till we meet again.**

*Postlude

America the Beautiful
arr. John S. Dixon

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



TODAY AT VILLAGE

Village Church welcomes the Rev. Sarah Wiles to the pulpit as our guest preacher today. Rev. Wiles is the granddaughter and great-granddaughter of Baptist preachers. She grew up in North Carolina, earned her Master's of Divinity degree at Union Theological Seminary in New York City, and has lived in Los Angeles and Ann Arbor, Mich., where she served as pastor in residence at the First Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Jenny McDevitt. Since 2011, she has been the pastor of Bethany Presbyterian Church in Tacoma, Wash. She and her husband Joseph and twin four year-olds have fallen in love with the wild beauty of the Pacific Northwest. She is an ardent fan of cooking, running and action movies.

THE CHURCH'S BOOK (Week of July 2, 2018)

The following daily Bible readings were written by Rev. Hallie Hottle 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, July 2

Genesis 47: 4-10

The end of our earliest book tells the story of Joseph, who was sold by his brothers only to land in Egypt as an advisor to the Pharaoh. Joseph asks Pharaoh for help in moving and settling his family from Canaan to Egypt so he might provide for them during famine. Pharaoh gives this permission and more, inviting them to the best land in Egypt. Our earliest book ends with the story of God's blessed people, our faith family, living in a foreign land in a famine time. There is enough for all and peace abounds.

Tuesday, July 3

Exodus 1:6-14

Our second book begins where Genesis ends. Joseph's generation has passed away, and the Israelites have grown and prospered in Egypt. But there is a new pharaoh. He doesn't know these foreigners and fears them. So a new policy is created, taskmasters are set over them, and the work is "ruthless." God's blessed people, our faith ancestors, become slaves in the land they had come to know as home.

Wednesday, July 4

Exodus 18:3, 22:21-23

God hears the cries of our faith family, and rescues them from slavery. When Moses's wife and children rejoin him in the wilderness, we learn their son's name: Gershom, which means "I have been an alien in a foreign land." The identity of the first generation of post-Egypt Israelites, Moses's own son, is rooted in "alienness." It is good to remember where we come from - a faith family with roots to foreign lands and alien identities.

Thursday, July 5

Deuteronomy 24:17-22

There are lots of rules in these early books. Rules are required, to keep this newly forming family working well. Here we remember, living together has never been easy. And living together has always been about who we are. If we remember our identity with roots to alien lands and enslaved peoples, how will we be to the foreigner in our midst?

Friday, July 6

Matthew 25:31-46

Our story changes when Jesus enters. Some of those old rules are disregarded (though, it's still a good idea to wash hands!). But the ones that taught past generations how to be together grow more important. This is one of Jesus's only teachings on eternal judgement. It has entirely to do with how we have loved the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the naked, the sick, the imprisoned. It matters.

Saturday, July 7

Romans 12:9-21, 13:1-10

Paul's letters are filled with encouragement and correction for our early Christian communities. And they're filled with this - more instruction on how to live together. If we let scripture interpret scripture, if we follow the narrative arc of our entire faith story, we read in Paul's writing the same themes we have read since Genesis. God loves us, and not just us. So love one another. It's not easy, but in doing so, all the other rules for our life together are fulfilled.



happy
4TH
OF
July

Join Us For

SUMMER SING

Fauré's "Requiem" and Parry's "I Was Glad"

7 P.M. THURSDAY, AUG. 2

Village on
Mission Sanctuary

Scores provided

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 Jackie Lloyd by the Lloyd Family.

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 worshipping 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 remaining 2018 joining dates are Aug. 12, Oct. 14 and Dec. 9. 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 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:

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| Today | Rev. Jay McKell, honorably retired minister and friend of Village Church |
| July 8 | Rev. Len Carrell, pastor for pastoral care |
| July 15 | Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishioka |
| July 22 | Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishioka |
| July 29 | Rev. Becky Chamberlain, interim pastor for pastoral care |

TECH TALK WITH TONY – We will discuss how to organize your digital data and where to store it, as well as organizing data into a hierarchy of folders then allowing or restricting others access to your data will be demonstrated. We will talk about where to store data in the Cloud (public or private) or on your computer storage. Please join us from 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, July 10, in Room 316.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY

TODAY – We offer broadly-graded Sunday School from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Children can go straight to Sunday School at 9:30 a.m., or attend worship with their families through the Time with Children, after which they can meet Sunday School teachers in the Narthex and be shepherded to Sunday School (9:30 service only). Children are also more than welcome to stay with their families for the entire worship service.

INFANTS-3 YR. OLDS – Child care is available during all services in Rooms 107, 111 & 114.

BAPTISMS and NEW BABIES – Future baptism dates are July 15 and Sept. 16. An education class is offered for members who are new to Village baptism. Share news of your new baby as so we can welcome and commemorate the new family member's arrival. Call 913-671-2350 or email kate.ruecker@villagepres.org.

SUMMER CAMPS – Happy 4th of July and remember that camps are closed this week and will resume Monday, July 9. VBS at Village on Mission begins July 16. If you would like to volunteer to help, sign up at bit.ly/VOMVBSvolunteer or call 913-671-2350.

CONNECTIONAL MINISTRIES

AGE SPECIFIC DINNER FOR 70S AND UP – You are invited to meet at Stroud's Restaurant in Fairway for an early dinner at 5 p.m. Tuesday, July 10. Stroud's is located at 4200 Shawnee Mission Parkway, on the corner of 55th Street. Come and enjoy the fellowship of friends and a wonderful meal. Each person pays for their meal. See the menu at stroudsrestaurant.com/fairway. Space is limited, so please RSVP to Liz Middleton at 913-671-2359.

MISSION

THE FOOD PANTRY – July is here and the Food Pantry is asking for canned hearty soups for children's lunches. All the hearty soup, donated in February has been used, and the need is once again upon us for more hearty soups. Please bring several cans with you for each visit in July. The Clothes Closet always has a need for x-large and large sized summer clothing.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR NEW PARTNERSHIP WITH OPERATION BREAKTHROUGH AND FAXON – Front Porch Alliance PAL volunteers go to Faxon Elementary School one hour per week to help two children (K-6) with their math and reading. Volunteers choose age of the child and day and time. Contact Charlotte Davison at 913-648-6045 or charlottesdavison@gmail.com for more information.

VILLAGE CHURCH COOKS A MEAL AT CROSS-LINES – On Friday, July 13, Village will cook and serve a meal at the Cross-Lines kitchen in KCK. We need volunteers from 9:30-11 a.m. for prep and from 11:15 a.m.-1:30 p.m. to serve and clean up. We also need cookie donations that can be dropped off at the church reception desk from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Thursday, July 12. If you can help, sign up at bit.ly/cross-lines-sign-up.

LOOKING FOR A WAY TO HELP FEED HUNGRY CHILDREN IN OUR COMMUNITY? More than 100,000 or one in five children in Harvesters Food Bank's service area are food insecure. Village Church provides weekend bags of nutritious food to more than 100 low-income children every week during the school year. Village is looking for two volunteer coordinators to help sign up volunteers and connect with Harvesters during the 2018-2019 school year. The program is not a huge time commitment but a huge impact for the kids. Contact Jane Emley at 913-302-7544 or Amy Turpin at 913-908-1138 for more information.

MUSIC MINISTRY

SUMMER CHOIR – 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 through the end of July. 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!

THE ORGANISTS ARE COMING! THE ORGANISTS ARE COMING! Kansas City is hosting the 2018 National Convention of the American Guild of Organists July 2-6. Village will host several events, including the National Young Artists Competition in Organ Performance (NYACOP) all day July 2; organist Doug Cleveland and dancers from Störling Dance Company at 7 & 8:30 p.m. July 3; Te Deum Chamber Choir July 5 at 1:10 p.m.; and an organ crawl for young organists. Tickets for many of the convention's events are available at www.agokc2018.com/programming/tickets-available, or can be purchased in the Welcome Center (NYACOP: free!; Doug Cleveland: \$20; Te Deum: \$20).

PASTORAL CARE AND COUNSELING

DEEPEST GRATITUDE TO ALL WHO SERVE OUR COUNTRY – Thank you to each person who serves in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps and the Navy. If you currently serve in the military or have family members or friends who do, 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.

JOIN US IN AUGUST FOR THE NEXT FAITH AND GRIEF LUNCH – Due to the 4th of July holiday, the Faith and Grief lunch this month is cancelled. We look forward to seeing you at noon Tuesday, Aug. 7, in Friendship Hall.

SOCIAL WITNESS & ADVOCACY

BE A VOTER – July 17 is the deadline for voter registration in Kansas. Registration and nonpartisan candidate information will be available outside Friendship Hall on the following Sundays: July 8, 15, 22, 29 and Aug. 5.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

BEER & BIBLE – 7 p.m. Thursdays at KC Bier Co. in Waldo, 310 W. 79th St., KCMO. Bring a Bible! Pizza is on us, drinks are on you. This month: Loving the Stranger in Scripture. All 20s and 30s invited.

COUPLES WITH KIDS BIBLE STUDY – 5:30 p.m. July 11, (family dinner), 6-7 p.m. Bible Study (child care provided). Every second Wednesday come connect with other young adult parents while kiddos are cared for in the nursery. RSVP at VillagePresYA.org/couples.

LOVE YOUR CITY SATURDAY – At the Royals! Let's go out to the ballgame on July 21. A handful of tickets remain. RSVP online at VillagePresYA.org/Saturdays.

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).

SUMMER PROGRAMS – Take a look at what's going on and come hang out with us over the summer months.

HS LATE TABLE – 6:15-8 p.m. Sundays – Bring some dinner money and meet at the church; we'll head out to eat at the Village shops and have conversation. Good discussion and delicious food.

MS MOVIE MEAL – 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Mondays – Join us in the Youth Loft (Room 333) to eat lunch and watch a movie. Summer interns will make lunch and the movie will be up on the projection screen. So fun!

HS LATE NITE – 8-10 p.m. Tuesdays – Late summer nights are always an adventure! Join us for something different each week as we meet in the Loft (Room 333) and head out from there.

MS SERVICE DAYS – 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesdays – Come help others each week. We'll meet in the Loft (Room 333) and go volunteer at various places in the community. We'll grab lunch when we are done, so be sure to bring some cash for food afterwards.

SUMMER TRIP REGISTRATION – Sign-ups are still available for high school Montreat and the high school Boundary Waters adventure. You can register and pay for trips online at villagepresyouth.org/forms.

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!

Reminder

Village on Mission will be closed Wednesday, July 4, for Independence Day.

Rev. Pen Peery - Guest Preacher July 8

Rev. Pen Peery is in his sixth year serving as the senior pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in downtown Charlotte, N.C. He is a native of Charlotte and a sixth-generation Presbyterian minister. In addition to being the son of two Presbyterian ministers and brother of Rev. Meg Peery McLaughlin, Pen's wife, Lindsey, is also a minister. He is a graduate of the University of North Carolina and Columbia Theological Seminary. He is currently studying for his Doctor of Ministry degree. He has served congregations in Richmond, Va., and Shreveport, La. Pen and his wife have four children. He is a member of the NEXT Church strategy team with Rev. Tom Are, Jr. and the board of trustees of Columbia Theological Seminary with Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishioka.



SUMMER SERMONS

June 3	Rev. Anne Apple, associate pastor for pastoral care and evangelism, Idlewild Presbyterian Church in Memphis, Tenn.
June 10	Rev. Hallie Hottle
June 17	Rev. Len Carrell
June 24	Rev. Matt Gaventa, senior pastor, University Presbyterian Church in Austin, Texas
July 1	Rev. Sarah Wiles , pastor, Bethany Presbyterian Church in Tacoma, Wash.
July 8	Rev. Pen Peery, senior pastor, First Presbyterian Church in Charlotte, N.C.
July 15	Rev. Dr. Brandon Frick
July 22	Rev. Hallie Hottle
July 29	Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishioka
Aug. 5	Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishioka
Aug. 12	Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishioka
Aug. 19	Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishioka
Aug. 26	Youth Sunday
Sept. 2	Rev. Zach Walker

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 ❖ Rev. 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 connectational ministries ❖ Ellen Wootton, interim director of children and family ministry
Rev. Dr. Robert H. Meneilly, pastor emeritus

Large print bulletins are now available in the Narthex. Ask your 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."

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