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## SERVICE OF WORSHIP

September 16, 2018 • 8, 9:30 and 11 a.m.

### ABOUT TODAY'S SERVICE

Jonah doesn't talk very much in this book, but chapter two is an amazing prayer that Jonah utters from the belly of the fish. Parts of this prayer make perfect sense. He describes his distress, but then in other moments Jonah gives thanks to God. It's worth noting that thanksgiving does not come *after* Jonah is released from the fish and returned to the shore. Jonah has no way to know that will happen. He, no doubt, assumes he will die in this fish. And still, his last word is a word of thanksgiving.

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# GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

Prelude

*Let All Things Now Living*  
setting by David Cherwien

Words of Welcome

Introit (11 a.m.)

*All Things Work Together For Good*  
music: John Carter; Village Voices

Call to Worship

Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishioka

God of surprising grace, we come to You  
with gratitude in our hearts.

**It is easy to be grateful, for You have given us  
love and life,  
beauty and meaning.  
You have claimed us as Your own.**

On this day and every day,  
we will give thanks to You, our God.

\*Hymn, No. 645

*Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*  
MIT FREUDEN ZART

\*Prayer of Confession

**God of compassion,  
we need You every hour.**

**Apart from You, we lose our way.  
Away from You, we lose our perspective.  
Absent from You, we are lost.**

**Forgive us for those times when we have lived as if we could do  
just fine without You. (Silent Prayer)**

\*Assurance of God's Grace

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\*Response

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

\*Passing of the Peace

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Call to Prayer (from Hymn, No. 627) (8 a.m.)

**I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship you; O my soul, rejoice.**  
**Take joy, my God, in what you hear; may it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.**

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.**

Prayer for Illumination

Dee Couch (8 a.m.)

Jeff Busche (9:30 a.m.)

Elizabeth McKell (11 a.m.)

Scripture Reading

Jonah 2 (pg. 845)

Sermon

*Giving Thanks Ahead of Schedule*

Rev. Tom Are, Jr.

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## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

\*Hymn, No. 22 (v. 1-3)

*God of the Sparrow*  
ROEDER

Offertory

*Ain-a That Good News!*  
William Dawson; Village Choir

I got a crown up in-a that kingdom,  
Ain't-a that good news!  
I got a crown up in-a that kingdom,  
Ain't-a that good news!  
I'm-a gonna lay down this world,  
gonna to shoulder up-a my cross,  
Gonna to take it home-a to my Jesus,  
Ain't-a that good news!

I got a robe up in-a that kingdom,  
Ain't-a that good news!  
I got a robe up in-a that kingdom,  
Ain't-a that good news!  
I'm-a gonna lay down this world,  
gonna to shoulder up-a my cross,  
Gonna to take it home-a to my Jesus,  
Ain't-a that good news!

I got a Savior in-a that kingdom,  
Ain't-a that good news!  
I got a Savior in-a that kingdom,  
Ain't-a that good news!  
I'm-a gonna lay down this world,  
gonna to shoulder up-a my cross,  
Gonna to take it home-a to my Jesus,  
Ain't-a that good news!

\*Response (from Hymn, No. 619)

**Praise, my soul, the God of heaven; glad of heart your carols raise;  
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who, like me, should sing God's praise?  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the Maker all your days!**

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\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn, No. 611

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*  
HYMN TO JOY

Congregational Meeting (11 a.m.)

\*Benediction

\*Benediction Response

*Amen*  
Rutter

\*Postlude

*Now Thank We All Our God!!*  
Setting by David N. Johnson

*\*All who are able may stand*

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## MUSIC NOTES

Today we are thrilled to welcome the Village Voices back to worship (11 a.m.)! Led by associate director of music, Matthew Shepard, the Village Voices sing often in worship, and also take yearly choir tours (most recently to Chicago in June). Youth in grades 7-12 are invited to join, and rehearsals happen 5-6:30 p.m. Sundays, in Room 14.

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## THE CHURCH'S BOOK (Week of September 17, 2018)

The following daily Bible readings were written by Rev. Dr. Brandon Frick 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, Sept. 17**

**Jonah 1**

One of the things to ask in any good story is: who is/are the hero(es)? You might think it's Jonah, but don't forget about the sailors. In the midst of the storm they toss their cargo, their livelihood, overboard before tossing people, and even after Jonah reluctantly gives up what's going on, they row hard for shore, before granting his wish in the midst of the tempest. So, one thing to ask throughout this book: Is Jonah the hero, or are the people he encounters the true heroes of this book?

### **Tuesday, Sept. 18**

**Jonah 1:17**

Jonah is in complete darkness cut off from the land of the living for three days. Remind you of anyone you know? That's right: Jesus. What are other similarities, and differences, between Jesus and Jonah?

### **Wednesday, Sept. 19**

**Jonah 2**

This chapter begins with lamentation as Jonah realizes just how deeply he's sunk (literally and metaphorically), but then at v.6, we see a switch where Jonah praises God for his deliverance. Now, Jonah is in the belly of a fish in the middle of the ocean, so what "deliverance" is he actually talking about?

### **Thursday, Sept. 20**

**Jonah 3:1-5**

Many commentators find Jonah full of irony and satire, one of the points of which is that Jonah, a Hebrew, walks into the middle of Nineveh, the capital city of their Assyrian enemies, proclaims God's judgment, and they "believed God." The irony is that when Hebrew prophets did that in Israelite towns, they were derided and sometimes assaulted. So, what might the author of this book be trying to tell his readers with this description of the Ninevites' quick conversion?

### **Friday, Sept. 22**

**Jonah 3:6-9**

The putting on of sackcloth and ashes was long a sign of repentance from sins. So it makes sense that the king and all the people would put them on, but the animals? What do you make of the animals taking part in this repentance ritual?

### **Saturday, Sept. 23**

**Jonah 3:10**

Consult any theology textbook and they will say that God is immutable, that God never changes. But this verse says that in light of their heart-felt repentance God "changed his mind," and chose not to bring calamity upon Nineveh. So, what do you think: do we need to change our theology or is this verse trying to communicate something about God that isn't really "change" as we'd think of it?

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## **Congregational Meeting**

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for today. This meeting will take place in the Sanctuary, immediately following the 11 a.m. worship service. The purpose of the meeting is to elect new church officers for the positions of elder, elder/trustee and deacon. At-large members of the Nominating Committee will also be elected. Ordination of new church officers will take place in early January 2019.

## **Discover Village**

A way for you to connect. You're invited to stop by our 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!

A graphic for a Food Truck Festival. The background is a light gray with various food icons in a darker gray: a burger, a hot dog, a taco, a pizza, a drink, an ice cream cone, and a truck. A speech bubble says "You're invited". The text "FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL" is in large, bold, black letters. Below it, "5-7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 30" is in bold black letters. At the bottom, "Village on Mission North Parking Lot. Invite your friends and neighbors, too!" is in a smaller black font.

You're invited

# **FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL**

**5-7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 30**

Village on Mission North Parking Lot.  
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## 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 Sherin Higdon Custer by Ken Higdon.

**ROSES ON THE COMMUNION TABLE** remind us to celebrate and welcome the birth of the following little ones among the Village Community: Eleanor Jane Langdon (Andrew and Bailey Langdon, parents) and Margot Dove Lee (Haley Harrison-Lee and Deron Lee, parents).

**CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM TODAY** - Please welcome these newest members into our faith community as we celebrate the baptisms of the following children. **9:30 a.m.:** Dominic Andre Beltrame (Jacqueline and Brett Beltrame, parents); Mira Ellen and Rory Robeson Cacioppo (Hayley and David Cacioppo, parents); William Shields Johnson (Stacey and Chase Johnson, parents); Penelope Sage and Piper Marie Lumetta (Jessica and Steve Lumetta, parents) and Andrew Christopher Vonnahme (Beth and Greg Vonnahme, parents). **11 a.m.:** Vivian Louise Cavener (Elizabeth and Dave Cavener, parents) and John Edwin Marsh (Kathryn and Jared Marsh, parents).

**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](mailto:cindy.wilcox@villagepres.org) or 913-671-2331.

**JOINING VILLAGE CHURCH** – Village receives new members every other month at a special Sunday luncheon. The remaining 2018 joining dates are Oct. 14 and Dec. 9. Contact [cindy.wilcox@villagepres.org](mailto:cindy.wilcox@villagepres.org) or 913-671-2331 for information.

**WORSHIP BAGS** are available for children to enjoy during worship. Please return the bags to the baskets located in the Narthex.

## ADULT EDUCATIONAL MINISTRY

### Upcoming Village U classes:

**IN THE BEGINNINGS ... GENESIS** – Stories that form the foundation of the Jewish, Christian, and Muslim faiths. Taught by Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishioka. 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesdays, Sept. 26, Oct. 3-31, Rooms 232 & 233.

**LIVING AS CHRISTIANS IN A RELIGIOUSLY DIVERSE WORLD** – In this class, Bill Tammeus and some of his friends who are adherents of religions other than Christianity will speak about how best to deal with one another. 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesdays, Sept. 26, Oct. 3 & 10, Room 126.

**BACK PAIN AND SCIATICA: HOW TO HEAL NATURALLY** – In this one-hour workshop, you will learn about: the three most common causes for lower back pain and sciatica, a sure way to pick the right treatment for the cause of your pain and more. Taught by Biagio Mazza, physical therapist. 7-8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 2, Room 133.

**HOUSING OPTIONS – WHAT ARE YOUR CHOICES?** This session covers the vocabulary associated with aging and senior housing choices. Learn the basics as a way to start your exploration of what is right for you. Led by Evie Curtis of the Education Group. 6:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 2, Room 232.

**AN INTRODUCTION TO TAIZÉ** – In the first two sessions, we'll explore some of the elements of the community of Taizé—its people, story, music and life-giving wisdom. In our third session, Rev. Len Carrell and Dr. Elisa Bickers will lead us in a simple Taizé-style evening vespers. 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesdays, Oct. 3-17, Chapel.

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**VILLAGE CHURCH 101: BELIEVING AND BELONGING** – Classes are designed especially for new members and those who are curious to know more. The first three sessions will focus on learning more about Village Church, our mission and our ministry. During one session, all are invited to ask Tom anything! Taught by Rev. Tom Are, Jr., Rev. Len Carrell, and Cindy Wilcox. 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesdays, Oct. 3-24, Room 127.

### **9:30 A.M. ADULT SUNDAY CLASSES**

**FAITH JOURNEY** will begin a study of *Blessed: A History of the American Prosperity Gospel* by Kate Bowler. We will look at the history of the prosperity gospel along with the scripture that this group uses as support for their beliefs to examine how our beliefs on this topic and the interpretation of the scriptures compare. Facilitated by Kathy Ray. Room 230.

**FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH** – Join us as Rev. Dwight Tawney helps us understand what happened to the Jerusalem Church. Within four years of the crucifixion, a growing fellowship of believers emerged in Jerusalem led by James, the brother of Jesus. What were the earmarks of this Jewish Christian church? How was it like the Gentile church founded by Paul? How was it different, and what became of this earliest form of Christianity? Room 15.

**GROWING TOGETHER** invites adults in their 40's and 50's who are interested in growing together in context of their families. The members of the Growing Together class welcome anyone who is looking for opportunities to grow using Christ's principles as we apply Jesus to our lives today. Facilitated by Lawrence Andre. Room 124.

**VILLAGE FORUM** – The class begins with the video, *God and Imperial Power, Jesus and Economic Justice*. In this video series, John Dominic Crossan and Joerg Rieger expand our awareness of the historic collusion between Christianity and the empires of the west, Led by Rev. Dr. John Borden and Gus Breytspreek. today-Oct. 14. Room 126.

## CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY

**TODAY** – We are so happy so many joined us last week and hope to see you and your children in Sunday School this morning as well.

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

**SUNDAY SCHOOL – 9:25-10:30 a.m. Preschoolers, 2-4-yrs./Pre-K**, are in Sunday School on the first floor with registration and age specific room assignments outside Room 107. **K-6th graders** – are on the third floor with registration and grade specific room assignment outside Room 307. Info can also be seen outside Room 207.

**BAPTISMS and NEW BABIES** – Our next baptism is scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 18. An education class is offered for members who are new to Village baptism. Share news of your new baby so we can welcome and commemorate the new family member's arrival. Call 913-671-2350 or email [kate.ruecker@villagepres.org](mailto:kate.ruecker@villagepres.org).

**VILLAGE ON MISSION PRESCHOOL** – Village Church on Mission Preschool is off to a fantastic start to the school year. We welcomed five new staff members and 109 preschool-aged children to our program at the beginning of September. We are looking forward to a fun-filled year!

## CONNECTIONAL MINISTRIES

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS** – Our menu for Sept. 19 is roasted chicken breasts & thighs, wild rice pilaf, broccoli/cauliflower. The salad bar opens at 5:15 p.m.; hot food buffet at 5:30-6:30 p.m. Full meal with salad bar and dessert is \$7. Salad bar and dessert is \$6. Children ages 4-10 are \$3 and children age 3 and under are free. Contact Liz Middleton at 913-671-2359 or [liz.middleton@villagepres.org](mailto:liz.middleton@villagepres.org) to make your dinner reservation by noon tomorrow.

**SINGLE ADULT MINISTRY** – Join us for Single Adult Ministry Friday Nights at Village on Mission. No reservation needed. We'll meet from 6:30-7:30 p.m. on Fridays, now-Nov. 16, in Room 230 for fellowship and conversation. Contact Cindy Wilcox at [cindy.wilcox@villagepres.org](mailto:cindy.wilcox@villagepres.org) if you have questions.

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**VILLAGE GOLF OUTING** – These monthly outings are a four-person scramble format and runs April thru October. All are invited. You do not need to be a member of Village Church. The next outing is at Falcon Lakes on Tuesday, Oct. 9, with 9:30 a.m. Tee Time. RSVP deadline is Sept. 30. This outing will include a buffet lunch after the outing which is included in the outing. To sign up, contact: Brad Steil, 913-469-5683, bradsteil@everestkc.net or Art Newcomer, 913-752-7540, artnewcome@aol.com.

**YOU'RE INVITED VILLAGE CONNECT CONVERSATION GROUPS** – Village Connect (small group ministry) is a way to strengthen faith through conversations, while making and deepening friendships. Groups watch a DVD video study developed by Pastor Tom Are, supported by a leader's guide developed by Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishioka. Contact Cindy Wilcox at 913-671-2331 or cindy.wilcox@villagepres.org for inquiries.

## MISSION

**THE FOOD PANTRY** – Thanks from the Food Pantry for your support of Peanut Butter Sunday last week - results to follow. Because peanut butter is so important to the clients of the Pantry, the Pantry will continue to ask for peanut butter during the month of September. The Clothes Closet is asking for kitchen items: small appliances, pots and pans, glassware, dishes, flatware, utensils, etc. Thank you for your ongoing support of this mission.

**BACKSNACK SIGNUP IS COMING** – For nine years, Village Church has participated in the BackSnack program, which provides bags of assorted food items to low-income children for the weekends. During the school year, Village volunteers pack and deliver food weekly to 100 children at Overland Park Elementary and Nieman Elementary. If you are interested in packing food, contact Nancy Gatewood at 913-638-1922 or nngatewood@gmail.com or Debbie Smith at 913-522-8130 or debbie.smith@villagepres.org.

**PEACEMAKING OFFERING AND GLOBAL WITNESS (OCT. 7 ON WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY)** – 50% of this offering provides assistance for congregations and other bodies of the Presbyterian Church; 25% goes to our presbytery and synod; 25% is retained by Village Church's Social Witness & Advocacy Task Force to support Grandview Park Presbyterian Church in Kansas City, Kan. with construction of their "Kitchen of Peace." White envelopes for this offering reside in the hymnal slot in front of you.

**CHRISTMAS INTERNATIONAL HOUSE (CIH) PLANNING REVS UP** – This cultural exchange program that hosts international college students over the holidays is seeking volunteers to help on the planning committee or serve as a day host or as a host family. If you are interested in taking part in this Village ministry, contact Judy Miller: judy.miller@kcpl.com or 816-260-2497.

## MUSIC MINISTRY

**DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE** who would love to sing in the Alegria Young Adult Ensemble or the Village Choir if they knew that child care was provided during Thursday evening rehearsals? Because it is provided! If so, contacty Will Breytspraak: william.breytspraak@villagepres.org or 913-671-2345.

**2019 CHOIR TOUR TO SPAIN AND PORTUGAL** – Lisa Ball will share exciting details about the May 29-June 11 Spain/Portugal choir tour 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 27, in the Chapel.

## PASTORAL CARE AND COUNSELING

**GET READY TO ROCK AND ROLL!** – Hey guys and gals who are 75 or younger-at-heart, come on Thursday, Sept. 27 to let the good times roll! There will be music, food and fun at our annual Classic Citizens' Celebration. 1:30-3 p.m. in Friendship Hall. Tom Are will share the latest and answer your questions. Rides are provided on request. RSVP at 913-671-2327 or linda.alley@villagepres.org.

**MISSED BIG SONIA?** – No worries! You can view Sonia Warshawski and Regina's Kort's presentation that was held on Thursday, Sept. 6. The entire presentation is on-line; go to [www.villagepres.org](http://www.villagepres.org), click on Pastoral Care and Counseling – About and you will find this inspiring event.

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## PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

**WOMEN OF WISDOM (WOW)** welcomes all Village ladies to join us for lunch on Tuesday, Sept. 18, at noon. We'll enjoy good food and warm fellowship at the Tavern at Mission Farms, 10681 Mission Road, a popular restaurant featuring classic American cuisine, served in a stylish, comfortable setting. RSVP by Sept. 17 to Marvie Sneegas, sneegi@kc.rr.com, 913-209-9608. Whether you are a longtime attendee or a first-timer, please know that you are warmly welcome.

**OPERATION BREAKTHROUGH READING PROGRAM FALL SESSION** - No experience necessary! Partner with a pre-K reading buddy, 9:30-11 a.m. Wednesdays, Sept. 19-Oct. 24. Contact Cindy Whitham at ciwhitham@aol.com or 913-262-3062 for info. Need child care? Contact Pam Southerland at 913-671-2352 or pam.southerland@villagepres.org. RSVP by the Wednesday prior to the day you plan to volunteer.

**BOOKWORMS, BIBLIOPHILES, READERS OF ALL INTERESTS** – Join us for a presentation of reading suggestions given by Vivien Jennings from Rainy Day Books at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday morning, Sept. 25, in Room 127. Vivien always presents entertaining sketches of books selected to appeal to a wide range of interests covering diverse genres. Please come, bring a friend; the meeting is open to all!

**DON'T WORRY, BE HAPPY...WITH US** – At 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 27, Women with Spirit kick off the school year at Martin City Brewing Company in Mission Farms. If meeting new people sounds a bit intimidating, how 'bout just enjoying a spirit and app around some friendly faces? We're a super inclusive group in our thirties to fifties who enjoy a good time and would love to add you to our circle. For more information contact shelbykrumm@yahoo.com.

## YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Young Adult Ministry is for all people in their 20's and 30's.

**THEOLOGY THURSDAYS** – 7 p.m. Thursday at KC Bier Company, for "Being Presbyterian 101." According to Wikipedia, there are 18 different types of "Presbyterian." They sound similar, but there are big differences. How'd we get here? Let's talk about it. Details online at [VillagePresYA.org/thursdays](http://VillagePresYA.org/thursdays).

**BECOMING MARRIED** – Begins Tuesday, Sept. 18, from 6:30-8 p.m. If you're getting married at Village Church, or would just like to do premarital counseling with us, sign up! Go to [VillagePresYA.org/marriage](http://VillagePresYA.org/marriage).

**LOVE YOUR CITY SATURDAY: SEPTEMBER** – 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Sept. 22. This month's Love Your City event takes us to the Open Spaces art event around KC! Childcare available with RSVP by Sept. 17, [VillagePresYA.org/saturdays](http://VillagePresYA.org/saturdays).

## YOUTH MINISTRY

Join us for any of our weekly activities beginning today – All are welcome regardless of previous Village attendance and no sign-up is required. Check [villagepresyouth.org](http://villagepresyouth.org) for more details.

**ALPHA & OMEGA** – 9:30-10:30 a.m. Sundays, for middle school (meets in the Youth Loft) and high school (meets in the Upper Room).

**SNL** (high school youth group) – 6:30-8:30 p.m. Sundays, in the Youth Loft (Room 333).

**LOFTERNOONS** (middle school after school program) – 4-5:30 p.m. Tuesdays, in the Youth Loft (Room 333).

**GPS** (middle school youth group) – 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesdays, in the Youth Loft (Room 333).

**EARLY TABLE** (morning devotional for high schoolers with food) – 7:30-8:15 a.m. Thursdays, at Zach's house (5401 W. 77th St., Prairie Village) And yes, we give you a ride to school afterward if you need it!

**HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT SEPT. 29-30** – Join us as we take time away from our normal routine for a fun off-site overnight. Forms are now available online to join this fun-filled event!

**REGISTRATION FOR SKI TRIP AND DOMINICAN** – Forms are now available exclusively at the church for these amazing trips happening Jan. 18-21 (Ski Trip) and March 9-16 (Dominican). Registration will go live online beginning Sept. 23.

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## CURRENT SERMON SERIES

### Prophet & Lost Statements: A Series on Jonah

Jonah was called by God to share a holy word in Nineveh. Nineveh was the last place that Jonah wanted to go. There were good reasons for that. But after a few days in a fish to think things over, Jonah agrees. He's still not happy about it. Some of the prophets were bothered that they had to speak words of judgment (Jeremiah and Isaiah would be among them). Jonah was worried that God might be gracious. So, this prophet tries to get lost . . . but one thing that will not happen with a gracious God . . . try as you might, you won't be lost.

Sept. 9	You Have A Calling. Need Directions?
<b>Sept. 16</b>	<b>Giving Thanks Ahead of Schedule</b>
Sept. 23	Rev. Hallie Hottle preaching
Sept. 30	Consistency Can Be A Problem
Oct. 7	What About All These Animals?

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## 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 pastor

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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Large print bulletins are available in the Narthex. Ask an usher to bring you one.

*Streaming video of all the Sunday morning Sanctuary services is available at [villagepres.org](http://villagepres.org).*

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

*The Sanctuary worship service is broadcast live at 8 a.m. on 1660 AM KMBZ, The Business Channel.*

*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.*

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