

# Welcome to our Worship Celebration

October 14, 2018 at 9:00 am



Ygnacio Valley Presbyterian Church

# Sunday Worship Celebration

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### The Holy Spirit guides God's people

**Prelude** *Jesus, Name Above All Names with  
O, How I Love Jesus* Lee Borden  
(arr. by Mark Hayes)

**God gathers us to worship with our whole  
lives** (based on Psalm 22) Terri Louie

*Leader:* In times of trouble, in times of joy ...

***People:* we call upon the name of God.**

*Leader:* With steadfast faith, with wavering doubt ...

***People:* we call upon the name of God.**

*Leader:* Basking in God's presence, aching in God's  
absence ...

***People:* we call upon the name of God.**

**Hearing God's Story** Terri  
Acts 12:1-11 (Message)

<sup>1-4</sup> That's when King Herod got it into his head to go after some of the church members. He murdered James, John's brother. When he saw how much it raised his popularity ratings with the Jews, he arrested Peter—all this during Passover Week, mind you—and had him thrown in jail, putting four squads of four soldiers each to guard him. He was planning a public lynching after Passover. <sup>5</sup> All the time that Peter was under heavy guard in the jailhouse, the church prayed for him most strenuously.

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*scripture continued . . .*

<sup>6</sup> Then the time came for Herod to bring him out for the kill. That night, even though shackled to two soldiers, one on either side, Peter slept like a baby. And there were guards at the door keeping their eyes on the place. Herod was taking no chances! <sup>7-</sup>

<sup>9</sup> Suddenly there was an angel at his side and light flooding the room. The angel shook Peter and got him up: “Hurry!” The handcuffs fell off his wrists. The angel said, “Get dressed. Put on your shoes.” Peter did it. Then, “Grab your coat and let’s get out of here.” Peter followed him, but didn’t believe it was really an angel—he thought he was dreaming. <sup>10-</sup>

<sup>11</sup> Past the first guard and then the second, they came to the iron gate that led into the city. It swung open before them on its own, and they were out on the street, free as the breeze. At the first intersection the angel left him, going his own way. That’s when Peter realized it was no dream. “I can’t believe it—this really happened! The Master sent his angel and rescued me from Herod’s vicious little production and the spectacle the Jewish mob was looking forward to.”

## **Prayer**

(based on Mark 10)

Terri

Holy One, we call upon your name this day.

When you seem most absent,  
we yearn to hear your voice.

When you seem most present,  
we long to follow your teachings.

Be with us now.

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*prayer continued . . .*

Strengthen and guide us,  
that we may trust your call  
and follow your lead.

In doubt, in trust, but most of all in hope,  
we pray. Amen.

## **Songs of Worship**

Christie & Lee

*He is Exalted*

Praise Songbook, pg. 32

*How Majestic is Your Name*

" " pg. 39

*As the Deer*

" " pg. 4

## **Confession** (based on Mark 10)

Pastor Matt

Mysterious One, we cry out in our times of need—  
for hope in times of despair,  
for faith in times of doubt,  
for comfort in times of grief,  
for grace in times of sin,  
and for love in times of loneliness.

Answer our cry.

Be our refuge and our help.

Restore our lives.

Revive our hope.

Return us to the path of discipleship,  
where we may walk with you anew  
in confidence and joy.

In the name of Christ, our rock and our redeemer,  
we pray. Amen.

## ***Silent confession***

## **Reminder of God's forgiveness**

(based on Hebrews 4)

Pastor Matt

Draw near to Christ, who is our mercy and our grace,  
for in Christ, we are restored and made whole.  
In the name of Christ, we are forgiven  
and reconciled to God.

## ***Passing Christ's peace to one another***

## **Praying together—giving testimony of God's hope and love in our lives and neighborhoods**

## **Listening to God's Story**

Terri

Acts 12:12-25 (NRSV)

<sup>12</sup> As soon as he realized this, he went to the house of Mary, the mother of John whose other name was Mark, where many had gathered and were praying. <sup>13</sup> When he knocked at the outer gate, a maid named Rhoda came to answer. <sup>14</sup> On recognizing Peter's voice, she was so overjoyed that, instead of opening the gate, she ran in and announced that Peter was standing at the gate. <sup>15</sup> They said to her, "You are out of your mind!" But she insisted that it was so. They said, "It is his angel." <sup>16</sup> Meanwhile Peter continued knocking; and when they opened the gate, they saw him and were amazed. <sup>17</sup> He motioned to them with his hand to be silent, and described for them how the Lord had brought him out of the prison. And he added, "Tell this to James and to the believers." Then he left and went to another place.

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<sup>18</sup> When morning came, there was no small commotion among the soldiers over what had become of Peter. <sup>19</sup> When Herod had searched for him and could not find him, he examined the guards and ordered them to be put to death. Then he went down from Judea to Caesarea and stayed there. <sup>20</sup> Now Herod was angry with the people of Tyre and Sidon. So they came to him in a body; and after winning over Blastus, the king's chamberlain, they asked for a reconciliation, because their country depended on the king's country for food. <sup>21</sup> On an appointed day Herod put on his royal robes, took his seat on the platform, and delivered a public address to them. <sup>22</sup> The people kept shouting, "The voice of a god, and not of a mortal!" <sup>23</sup> And immediately, because he had not given the glory to God, an angel of the Lord struck him down, and he was eaten by worms and died. <sup>24</sup> But the word of God continued to advance and gain adherents. <sup>25</sup> Then after completing their mission Barnabas and Saul returned to Jerusalem and brought with them John, whose other name was Mark.

## **Hosting God's Story**

Rev. Sarah Reyes-Gibbs

## **Finding ourselves in God's Story**

Everyone

## **Offertory**

Lee

*Interlude on "Jesus, Name Above All Names"*

(Mark Hayes)

# Practicing generosity—giving our offerings

**Prayer** (based on Hebrews 4)

Terri

As we have received grace upon grace,  
send these gifts into your world  
that they may bring grace and mercy,  
healing and hope,  
strength and courage.

In the name of Christ our Savior, we pray. Amen.

**Song**

Christie & Lee

*How Great Thou Art*

Hymnal, No. 2

**God sends us to be the church in the world**

Rev. Reyes-Gibbs

**Postlude**

Lee

*Rejoice, the Lord Is King*

(arr. by Michael Wilson)

# ***Sermon Notes:***



## Visitors: Welcome to Ygnacio Valley Presbyterian

We are glad that you have joined us for worship and want you to feel warmly welcomed to this community of faith. It is our prayer that you will experience God's presence in our worship and fellowship. We would be delighted for you to join us for a cup of coffee or tea and refreshments in the fireside room (right next to the sanctuary) following the service. Our pastor is always available to talk or answer questions, just leave your name and phone number or email address with a church member.

## Special note to children and their parents:

We welcome all children and families in our worship gatherings and provide books and coloring materials on the kid's table as you enter the sanctuary. We believe that children are an essential part of our church community. We have designed our worship services to include times of interaction, response, and movement to invite the participation of younger members. Please talk with Pastor Matt about creative ways that your children can be involved in our worship services. We also have a nursery available.

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***Everyone is welcome to join us for refreshments and fellowship after this morning's worship celebration.***

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Ushers: Kim & Mike

Coffee Hour: Thompson Family

Nursery Attendant: As Needed

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## **Calendar and Announcements**

October 14, 2018

THIS MORNING	after worship	Coffee Hour
WEDNESDAY	6:00 pm	Dinner & Bible Study
NEXT SUNDAY	9:00 am	Worship Celebration

### **Bible Study-October 17<sup>th</sup>**

Come and share a meal together this Wednesday before Bible Study at 6pm. Come and enjoy good food and fellowship before our weekly study on Wednesday night, always good to be together and to support one another.

### **Dia de Hispanidad — Saturday October 20<sup>th</sup>**

Save the date. Come and join the community celebration of our sisters and brothers in La Mision Hispana—enjoy food, music and dance. A great way to support this important ministry.

### **Mark your Calendar**

December 5th & 6th—Winter Nights

February 9th—2019 Crab Feed Fundraiser

### **Table Cloths**

We are missing many of our table cloths. Did you take one home to launder and haven't returned it yet? Do you have any you aren't using and would like to donate to the church? Would you be interested in purchasing one for us? Please contact Carrie Waters if you have any questions or comments. Thank you in advance.

### **Financial Update**

We spent \$2,200 to clear out dangerous tree limbs and \$850 for termites in our church office last month. Thank you for your continued generosity in supporting our ongoing ministries and space to host events and gatherings.

## **Coffee Hour**

Once a month we schedule a “potluck style” coffee hour whereas our entire congregation is invited to participate, such as; coffee cake, cookies, appetizers, salads, etc. Please take note of this special Sunday Coffee Hour. Thank you from Paula Ash.

### **Interested in Meeting with Pastor Matt?**

Pastor Matt is available to meet, talk and pray when and where it is convenient for you. Please call him at 510-856-7434.

## **Usher and Coffee Hour Volunteers**

### **Ushers**

### **Coffee Hour**

#### **OCTOBER**

21<sup>st</sup> Carrie & Todd  
28<sup>th</sup> Christie & Nick

Mark Barcelon  
Jacoban Family

#### **NOVEMBER**

4<sup>th</sup> Pam & Tom  
11<sup>th</sup> Carrie & Paula  
18<sup>th</sup> Bob & Terri  
25<sup>th</sup> Christie & Lucie

Prinz Family  
SALADS  
Louie Family  
Skourup Family

#### **DECEMBER**

2<sup>nd</sup> Carrie & Terri  
9<sup>th</sup> Kim & Mike  
16<sup>th</sup> Paula & Juanita  
23<sup>rd</sup> Bob & Todd  
30<sup>th</sup> Penny & Roy

Waters' Family  
Bailey Family  
CHRISTMAS COOKIES  
Graham Family  
Oliver Family

# Ygnacio Valley Presbyterian Church

*is a community faith that:*

- **Accepts Jesus as the clearest revelation of the God of the Old and New Testament**
- **Is open to all who are on a journey of faith seeking truth and meaning for their lives through a relationship with God**
- **Will respect each person's journey of faith**
- **Believes our mission is: *To Love, Obey, and Glorify God by Making and Being Disciples of Jesus Christ, and by Loving All***

Matt Prinz—Pastor

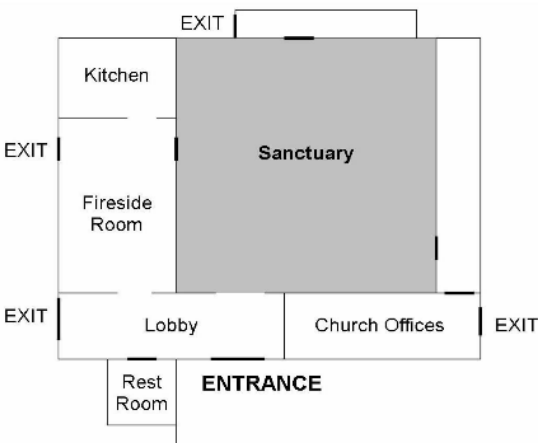
Matt & Linda Kost, Christie Jacoban &  
Todd Swick—Song Leaders/Piano/Guitar

Cherie Trautz—Office Manager

Sylvia Chatagnier-Clerk of the Session

Paula Ash, Bob Bailey, Linda Kost, Laura

Wilson & Kathy Youngson—Elders



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