VILLAGE CHURCH
Presbyterian (USA)

# *THY **KINGDOM** COME*

## GIVING SERMON SERIES NOV. 8-22

## Service of Worship

Nov. 8, 2026 • 9 and 11 a.m.



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## GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

Prelude — Dr. Elisa Bickers, organ

Words of Welcome — Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishioka

Introit — *Morning Has Broken*
arr. Joel Raney; Village Ringers (9 a.m.)

*Song without Words*
by Michael Helman; Morning Bells (11 a.m.)

*Call to Worship (Psalm 67) — Rev. Maggie Johnson Phillips

May your way be known upon the earth, O God,
your saving power among all the nations.

**Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.**

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations of the earth.

**Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.**

The earth yields its harvest.
You bless us with the wonder and beauty of your creation.

**Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.**

*Hymn 310 — *I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord*

Prayer of Confession

**Gracious and loving God,**

**You have called us to trust in your care and to seek first your kingdom, yet we confess that we are often consumed by worry. We fret about tomorrow and cling tightly to things we cannot control. We allow anxiety to crowd out gratitude, fear to diminish our faith, and endless striving to distract us from your presence.**

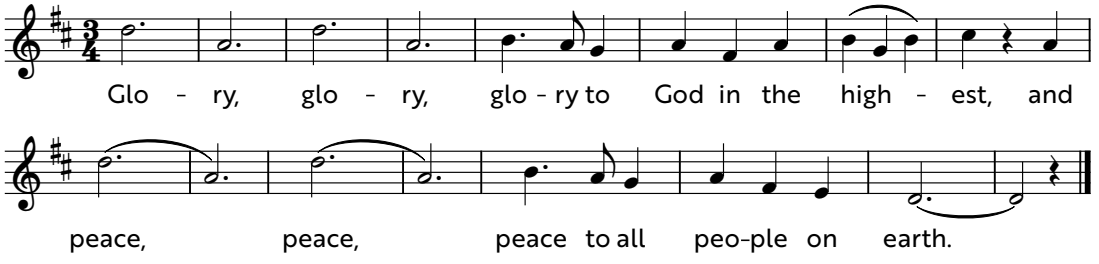
**You provide for the birds of the air and clothe the lilies of the field with beauty, yet we live as though everything depends upon our own efforts. We confess that we have measured our worth by what we possess, what we accomplish, and what others think of us, rather than resting in your steadfast love.**

**Forgive us, O God. Free us from the burdens we were never meant to carry.**

**Renew our hearts with confidence in your promises, that we may live with courage, generosity, and peace.** (silent prayer)

Assurance of God's Grace

*Response to Assurance




*Passing the Peace of Christ

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Third Grade Bible Presentation (9 a.m.) — Brooke Brundige

Anthem — *How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place*, arr. Daniel Kallman; Village Choir

Prayer for Illumination — Gordon Wells, Jr. (9 a.m.); Elizabeth McKell (11 a.m.)

Scripture — Matthew 6:25-34 (p. 882)

Sermon — *Thy Kingdom Come*

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*Hymn 175 — *Seek Ye First*

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer — Rev. Dr. Diane Janssen Hemmen

**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.**

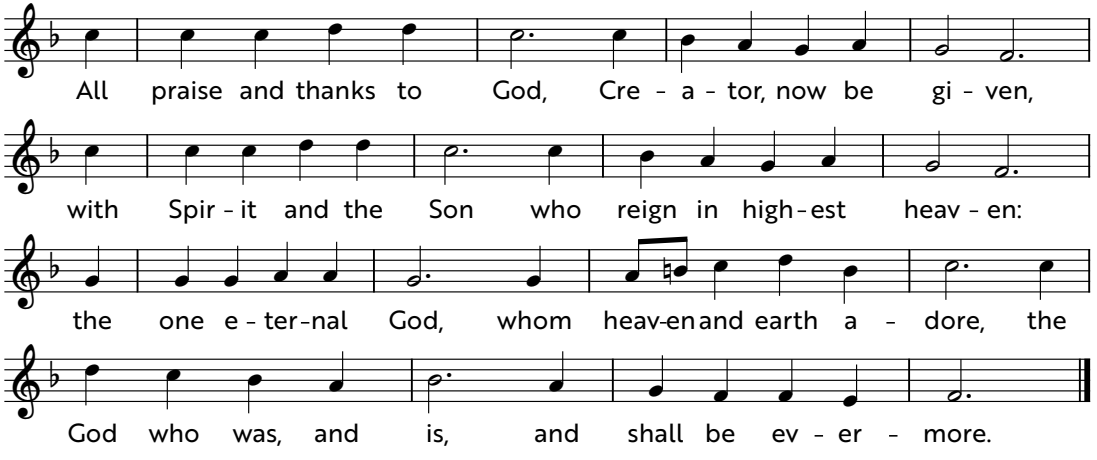
Call for the Offering

Offertory Music

*Eternal Father, Strong to Save*
arr. Valerie W. Stephenson; Village Ringers (9 a.m.)

*All Night, All Day*
arr. Susan E. Geschke; Morning Bells (11 a.m.)

*Sung Response




*Prayer of Dedication

## GOD'S PEOPLE ARE SENT

*Hymn 20 *All Things Bright and Beautiful*

*Benediction

*Benediction Response (Hymn 175, st. 1)

**Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness,**
**and all these things shall be added unto you.**
**Allelu, alleluia!**

*Postlude *Mit Freuden Zart*
arr. Paul Laubengayer

**All who are able may stand*

## TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishioka, senior pastor
Rev. Dr. Diane Janssen Hemmen, senior associate pastor
Rev. Maggie Johnson Phillips, pastor for young adults and worship arts
Dr. Elisa Bickers, principal organist and co-director of music ministry
Helen Hofmeister, music associate
Dr. Joshua Maize, co-director of music ministry
Brooke Brundige, director of children and family ministry

| SUNDAY FAITH FORMATION | | | |
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| **ADULTS** | "Village Forum" | 9:30-10:30 a.m. | Room 126 |
| | "The Faith Journey" | 10:10-10:50 a.m. | Room 124 |
| **YOUTH** | Grades 7-12 | 9-10 a.m. | Room 333 |
| **KIDS** | Pre-K and 4-yr-olds | 9-10 a.m. | Room 106 |
| | Grades K-6 | 9-10 a.m. | Rooms 301-307 |
| **CHILDCARE** | | | |
| **NURSERY** | Infants-23 mo | 9 and 11 a.m. | Room 109 |
| | 24 mo-4 yrs | 9 and 11 a.m. | Room 107 |



### Lighthouse (Sunday School)

Today in our Preschool classes, the theme is: "I can celebrate God."
Today in our Elementary classes, the theme is: "I can thank God no matter what."

All elementary schoolers (grades K-6) will check-in and start worship together in the Sanctuary. Then children and Lighthouse teachers will walk up to Lighthouse together. Parents will pick up from 3rd floor classrooms (listed above). If your child changes their mind and chooses to stay in the Sanctuary, please text Brooke at 816-914-3113 so we have an accurate roster. Please keep your cell phones on so we can contact you if needed!

Register for events on ChurchCenter:
**villagepres.churchcenter.com/registrations**

**Events with an asterisk (*) have online registration.** Please go to the URL above or scan the code to register for any of these events.

**Faithful Women of Outstanding Service** – Email nominations to carol.solenberger@villagepres.org by Nov. 10. Honorees will be recognized in April.

**Purchase a poinsettia in memory of a loved one** who has passed away by visiting villagepres.org/poinsettias. All proceeds help fund our ministry of giving poinsettias to homebound members during the holidays. The last day to donate and have your loved one's name(s) included in the Christmas Eve bulletin is Friday, Dec. 4.

**Food Pantry** – In a little over a week, we'll start distributing Thanksgiving baskets. Your financial contributions make that effort possible. $45 provides a Thanksgiving meal for a household of four. Visit villagepres.org/food-pantry to donate. **Clothes Closet** – If you have jeans you don't wear, consider donating them to help someone keep warm this winter.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Star Family packets are here** – If you adopted a Star Family, you can pick up your packet in Friendship Hall between 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. **today.**

**Village U: Core Strengthening*** – 8:30-9:30 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, Room 132/133. Rebecca Enslow leads a Pilates-inspired workout to strengthen your core and increase flexibility. Bring a mat and be prepared to be on the floor for the majority of the class. Cost: $5 per class.

**Village U: Continuing Conversational Spanish has a new day and time** – 9:30-10:30 a.m. 1st and 3rd Mondays, Room 124. Beginners to bilingual speakers are welcome. Español para todos!

**Mahjong Monday** – 6:30-8 p.m. Nov. 9, Room 230. Join us for our last Mahjong Monday for 2026! We're taking December off but will resume on Jan. 11. No need to RSVP. Bring your Mahjong card (copies will be available).

**Village Serves in November: Kanbe's Markets*** – 9-11:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 12. Let's help make Kansas City a better place! This month we serve at Kanbe's Markets sorting food to be distributed city-wide.

**2nd Thursday Recital: Liberty High School Choir** – 12:15 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 12, Sanctuary. Enjoy a noontime recital with a short reception afterward in the

Welcome Center to meet the students. Free admission.

**Seniors Afternoon** – 1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 13, Room 230 (date change due to Thanksgiving). Enjoy games and social time with other seniors. Bring your own board games, learn to play canasta, and spread the word!

**The Kansas City Wind Symphony presents "Bridges: Connecting Places, People, and Stories Through Music"** – 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, Sanctuary. Featured repertoire includes Mussorgsky's "Great Gate of Kiev." Free admission.

**Deliver holiday cheer** – You can bring season's greetings to our homebound members by delivering a poinsettia. Involve your family—it's a great holiday tradition! Let Linda Alley know if you can pick up on Saturday, Dec. 5. Pickup will be at both campuses. Call 913-671-2327 or email linda.alley@villagepres.org.

**New Member Luncheon*** – noon Sunday, Dec. 6, Room 232/233. If you're interested in becoming a member of Village Church, you're invited to join us. Childcare is available.

**Women's Advent Celebration*** – 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 9. Begin the Advent season with "Seasons for Simple Songs" told by Dr. Elisa Bickers. Reception: 6-7 p.m., Welcome Center. Program: 7 p.m., Sanctuary. There is no charge to attend. Childcare is available when you register by Dec. 1.

## WEDNESDAYS@VILLAGE

**5:30-7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11.** All ages begin the evening in Friendship Hall. Dinner this week is homestyle chicken and vegetable pot pie. After dinner, our adults will gather to hear Kay Findlay speak on aging in place, with age-based programs running simultaneously for children, youth, and young adults (including childcare for ages 0-5). No registration necessary. Bring the whole crew and enjoy time with your church family! For more details on this week's class, visit villagepres.org/wednesdays.

**Last "All-in" Wednesday is Nov. 18.** We will have a Friendsgiving together! After that, we will take a break until Feb. 3.

## CURRENT SERMON SERIES

**Giving Sermon Series: Thy Kingdom Come (Nov. 8-22).** Theologian Henri Nouwen writes that "From the perspective of the gospel, giving is first and foremost, a form of ministry. It is a way of announcing our vision and then inviting others into that mission." The vision of Village Presbyterian Church is to help usher in God's kingdom, God's reign, here and now, if only in part. Yes, God's kingdom will fully come when Christ returns, but until that promised day, we must do all we can to show that God's complete reign is on the way.

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| **Nov. 8** | **Thy Kingdom Come** |
| Nov. 15 | Thy Will Be Done |
| Nov. 22 | On Earth as it is in Heaven |

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## ABOUT VILLAGE CHURCH

Village Church is a Presbyterian (USA) family of faith committed to thoughtful worship, Christian formation of children and adults, and caring for another, our community, and the world. We are one church worshiping each Sunday at two locations: the Antioch Campus in Overland Park and the Mission Campus in Prairie Village. Our third campus, the Meneilly Center for Mission at 99th & Mission Rd. in Overland Park, includes the Food Pantry & Clothes Closet and the Child & Family Development Center that serve the surrounding community.

**Add someone to the prayer list** – congregational-care@villagepres.org

**Register for classes and events** – villagepres.churchcenter.com/registrations

**Find volunteer and service opportunities** – villagepres.org/serve

**Interested in joining Village Church?** – villagepres.org/membership

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## Large print bulletins are available in the Narthex.

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We kindly request that cell phones be turned off during worship.

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