

"Heart of the Valley" . . . don't miss a beat!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP: We worship all together in one service at 9:00 AM in Hansen Hall! After the worship, enjoy some refreshments from our Fellowship Ministry Team. Then at 10:30 AM, stay for our annual COV congregation meeting. We will discuss how we will change our affiliation from the PCUSA to the Evangelical Covenant Order of Presbyterians. We will also share vision and highlights for the ministry and mission of COV in 2012, the 2012 operating budget, and vote on new officers and the Pastor's Terms of Call.

MINISTRY AND SEASONAL OPPORTUNITIES

COV NEWS FLASH! Last Tuesday, the Elder board of COV decided to take a giant step toward this new way forward. We voted that it was time to move on from the Presbyterian Church USA (PCUSA) and seek to join the Evangelical Covenant Order of Presbyterians. **We urge all of you to attend our Annual Congregation meeting on Sunday, February 5 in Hansen Hall at 10:30 AM just after our combined and unified worship at 9:00 AM also in Hansen Hall.** At that meeting we will share with you many details and steps to take to move forward. This will be an extremely important meeting for all of us of COV. Talk to Pastor Mike and some of our elders after the worship today in the front if you have questions or comments about this that you want us to know.

WEDNESDAYS IN THE WORD WITH PASTOR MIKE: Join us as we continue our study of what the church is all about in the Book of Ephesians. Meet the Wednesday at 7:00 PM in the Library/Reading Room.

ISRAEL TOUR MEETING TODAY AT 4:00 PM: Join us if you are interested in traveling to Israel this summer with Pastor Mike. Meet in the Conference Room of the COV office building.

ATTENTION ALL OLDER ADULTS: The February luncheon will be Thursday, February 2. We gather at 11:00 AM for meeting and greeting and have lunch at 11:30 AM. Join us for a good lunch and good Christian Fellowship. If you do not receive a call or a letter, call the church office at (760) 247-6494 before noon on Tuesday, January 31.

DISCOVER COV SEMINAR 101: Join Pastor Mike at the next Discover COV class on Saturday, February 25. Discover what it means to love and follow Jesus in commitment, learn about Baptism and Communion, and discover the purposes and benefits of belonging to a church family through membership. It's also a great time to get acquainted! Class begins at 8:00 AM and concludes at 12:30 PM. The morning includes lunch! If you would like to take part in the class you may register after both Worship services beginning February 5. You may also register by calling Kathy at the church office (760) 247-6494 x245, or by email at kathyb@churchofthevalley.net. We would love to have you join us!

ESL IS IN NEED OF TEACHERS: ESL (English as a Second Language) needs people willing to give a couple of hours a week to help someone learn English. There is no experience required and all the training is provided. If you are available on Wednesdays from 9:00 AM—11:15 AM, please call Judy Cox or Nancy Robinson.

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MINISTRY AND SEASONAL OPPORTUNITIES, continued

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY (FPU) HIGHLIGHTS! We just graduated a new group from our FPU fall classes. Here are some statistics from this group: Number of attendees: 36. Number of graduates: 20 (Made every session but 2) Reported Amount of Debt Dollars paid off: \$40,474. Reported Amount of Saved Dollars: \$21,900. Total Debt Paid and Dollars Saved: \$62,374. If you would like to be part of our next FPU class to pay off debt, save money and use it wisely under the Lord's directions, please call Kathy Bishop at (760) 247-6494 x245 in the church office.

RUMMAGE NEWS: The Rummage sorting on Saturday was a huge success! We thank all who came and invite you and all who would like to join us on February 18 at 8:00 AM. Your work was so valued, it doubled our effectiveness! Also, there are 3 sorting days left before our wonderful Rummage Sale that will be held March 2 & 3.

BASKETBALL ANYONE? All men and women 8th grade and older are invited to come for a fun evening of basketball. We will get together every first and third Thursday, at 6:30 PM in Hansen Hall. All skill levels welcome. This is just a fun way to get some exercise and enjoy fellowship with others in a safe environment. Questions? Call Jeff.

PRAYER MINISTRY AFTER THE 9:00 AM SERVICE: Do you have a need for prayer? Come and be blessed; we would love to pray for you. Everyone is welcome to join us as we pray for your needs as well as for persecuted Christians around the world. We meet in the front, left side of the Sanctuary right after the service ends.

PRAYER AFTER THE 10:30 AM SERVICE: Jesus said, "Come to Me all who are heavy laden and I will give you rest." Matt. 11:28. We meet in the front left side of Hansen Hall under the Prayer Banner to pray for the grace and the healing love of God to answer the needs in your life.

SET FREE MINISTRIES CAN HELP YOU! The men of Set Free Ministries want to give back and also help pay their rent, food and utilities. Need help in the yard, garage, or at your place of work? If you need hard workers, we have the best. Call us at (760) 961-1431.

SERMON NOTES

January 29, 2012

"Living for Jesus = Treated Like Jesus"

Matthew 10:17-25

- I. Reward from others:
 - A. Rewarded for doing right.
 - B. Rewarded by association - standing with the right people.
 - C. Rewarded because of someone else's grace.

¹⁷"Be on your guard; you will be handed over to the local councils and be flogged in the synagogues. ¹⁸On My account you will be brought before governors and kings as witnesses to them and to the Gentiles. ¹⁹But when they arrest you, do not worry about what to say or how to say it. At that time you will be given what to say, ²⁰for it will not be you speaking, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.

²¹"Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child; children will rebel against their parents and have them put to death. ²²You will be hated by everyone because of Me, but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved. ²³When you are persecuted in one place, flee to another. Truly I tell you, you will not finish going through the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

²⁴"The student is not above the teacher, nor a servant above his master. ²⁵It is enough for students to be like their teachers, and servants like their masters. If the head of the house has been called Beelzebul, how much more the members of his household!"

Key Truth: When we stand for Jesus in our actions and conversations, we will be treated by others the way Jesus was treated.

- III. Standing for Jesus: Reward and Suffering.
 - A. We do not to seek suffering or persecution.
 - B. Yet we will suffer when we stand for Jesus just as He and His disciples suffered for right.
 - C. We will also be rewarded when we stand for Jesus.

IV. The Virtuous Ways to Suffer for Jesus.

- A. To be a witness for Jesus.
 1. Speak and act in wisdom and truth.
 2. Speak and act humbly and graciously.
 3. Stand together for the Lord.
 4. Be grateful to be a witness for the Lord.
- B. To rely on the Holy Spirit for wisdom and strength.
 1. For what to say.
 2. For strength to endure.
 3. For protection and victory.

THIS WEEK AT CHURCH OF THE VALLEY

TODAY:

Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary.....	9:00 AM
Childcare, Family Life Center, Room 8.....	9:00 AM
Contemporary Worship Service, Hansen Hall.....	10:30 AM
Sunday School, Children & Adults, Family Life Center.....	10:30 AM
Childcare, Family Life Center, Room 8.....	10:30 AM

MONDAY, January 30

Precept Bible Study, Reading Room.....	9:00 AM
Student Ministries Monday Night Madness, Room 2.....	6:30 PM

TUESDAY, January 31

Study & Prayer Ministry, Reading Room.....	9:30 AM
BSA Troop #157, Rooms 1A, 1B, 2.....	5:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, February 1

Bible Study Fellowship, Hansen Hall & Family Life Center.....	9:00 AM
English as a Second Language (ESL), Rooms 1A, 1B, 2.....	9:15 AM
TOPS #1, Reading Room.....	9:30 AM
Gospelarks Rehearsal, Sanctuary.....	6:00 PM
Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary.....	7:00 PM
Student Ministries Prime Time, Room 2.....	7:00 PM

THURSDAY, February 2

Men's Bible Study, Lil Bit O Country Restaurant.....	7:00 AM
Circle Teachers, Conference Room.....	9:30 AM
Older Adult Luncheon, Hansen Hall.....	11:00 AM
BSA Venture Unit #157, Room 1 & 2.....	6:00 PM
Celebration Ringers Rehearsal, Sanctuary.....	6:00 PM
Greg's Small Group, Reading Room.....	6:30 PM
Basketball Night, Hansen Hall.....	6:30 PM

FRIDAY, February 3

TOPS #2, Room 3.....	8:30 AM
Middle School Winter Camp, Forest Home.....	3:30 PM

SATURDAY, February 4

Middle School Winter Camp, Forest Home

AA, NA & GA MEET THROUGHOUT THE WEEK; CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE FOR TIMES AND LOCATION

Dear Church Family, Thank you to my daughter Penny & Pastor Becky for their wonderful visits and care during my recent hospital stay. Thank you to the Deacons for the flowers and thanks to my friends for calls and prayers.

Bless you, Joy Montgomery



CHURCH OF THE VALLEY STAFF

PASTORAL STAFF

Mike Clark.....	Senior Pastor	x-244
Becky Sage.....	Associate Pastor	x-225
Ken Gammons.....	Parish Associate	

MUSIC MINISTRY PERSONNEL

Dr. Tom Miller.....	Traditional Worship
Guy Robinson.....	Director of Contemporary Worship
Kay Schroeder.....	Gospelarks / Celebration Ringers
Trish Milhan.....	Accompanist

OFFICE STAFF

Dawn Ruiz.....	Business Administrator	x-236
Kathy Bishop.....	Church Ministry Associate	x-245
Sue Henderson.....	Church Office Associate	x-237
Julie Gonzales.....	Children's Ministries Director	x-230
Dusty Ferguson.....	Student Ministries Director	x-238
Lou-Anne Velez.....	Childcare Director	x-233
Julie Reay.....	Bookkeeper	x-235

MAINTENANCE STAFF

Chong Mu Yi, Tony Edwards, Tim Ruiz, Shayne Quigg, Zach Reyes.....	Maintenance Crew
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Help us help everyone to worship!

For the comfort and health of people who get asthmatic reactions (which can be life-threatening) from perfumes and colognes, we ask that you refrain from wearing them to the church services. Also, please turn off your cell phone/pager/beeper when you enter the worship service, or place it on mute, so as to not distract others during the service. Thank you.

Provide flowers to grace our pulpit on Sundays as you celebrate a special event, honor a loved one, or just say thank you for God's blessings. Contact Sue in the church office, x 237.



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"Heart of the Valley"

**Loving God, Each Other and
Our Neighbors in Christ's Love**

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

January 29, 2012

"Living For Jesus = Treated Like Jesus"

Key Bible Text: Matthew 10:17-25

Pastor Mike Clark

"Standing for Jesus" Pastor Mike Clark

Here is the key truth I want you to hear today from Jesus teaching - when we stand for Jesus in our actions and conversations, we will be treated by others the way Jesus was treated. Oftentimes that means we will be rewarded, but sometimes it means we will suffer for the sake of Jesus. Now we need to be very clear about this - as followers of Jesus we do not seek suffering of persecution. We don't go out looking for it. But if we stand for Jesus in our actions and in our words, if we live a Jesus lifestyle and speak His truth in love, there will be times when people will attack us or accuse us of doing wrong, even though we are doing right. If we suffer for Jesus in that way, He will use it to bring a greater glory and witness to Him in our lives, through our church and into our community."

Traditional Worship Sanctuary—9:00 AM

Childcare available for infants through 3rd grade in Room 8,
Family Life Center, adjacent to Hansen Hall.

Contemporary Worship Hansen Hall—10:30 AM

Sunday School for students through 5th grade in Room 4, and
Childcare available for infants through 3 years old in Room 8,
Family Life Center, adjacent to Hansen Hall.