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→ The Community Church of Vero Beach

"Founded in 1924 in the belief that there is more that binds us together than separates us in the worship of God."

5.12.2019

CHAPEL SERVICE 8:30 A.M.

C² SERVICE (COMMUNITY HALL) 10:00 A.M.

SANCTUARY SERVICE 10:00 A.M.

WELCOME

Recognizing the wide welcome offered to all through Jesus Christ, Community Church opens its arms to all.

We strive to offer Christ's wide welcome to all people, regardless of creed, age, race, or sexual identity.

*We invite you to join our congregation in worship and in membership,
as we allow our lives to be shaped by the loving outreach of Christ.*

Please rise in body or spirit. **Bold text indicates congregational participation.*

Please refrain from applause during worship until invited.

Families are asked to check-in children Pre-K through 5th grade in Commotion prior to the start of worship to participate in Sunday school. Commotion will open 15 minutes prior to the start of worship. Children can be checked out in Commotion after worship. Families are always welcome to worship together in the service.

Nursery care available during our C^e and Sanctuary worship services.

Our services are live-streamed via internet, capturing the chancel & the congregation and may appear on social media.

THE GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

PRELUDE

“Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring”
Johann Sebastian Bach

Andrew R. Galuska, organ

COMMUNITY WORDS

An update from Stephanie Squires on Community Preschool

Rev. David W. Johnson

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

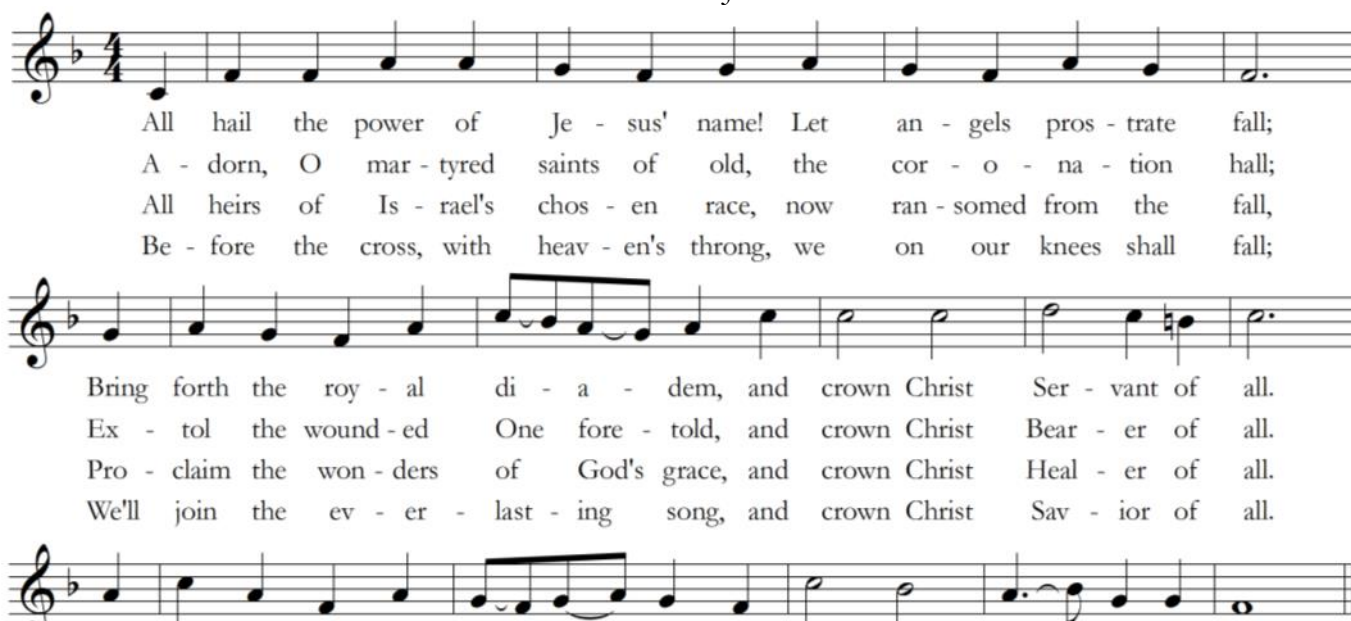
CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

Elaine A. Matthes

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN AND ENTRANCE OF THE CHRIST LIGHT

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

CORONATION



All hail the power of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
A - dorn, O mar - tyred saints of old, the cor - o - na - tion hall;
All heirs of Is - rael's chos - en race, now ran - somed from the fall,
Be - fore the cross, with heav - en's throng, we on our knees shall fall;

Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown Christ Ser - vant of all.
Ex - tol the wound - ed One fore - told, and crown Christ Bear - er of all.
Pro - claim the won - ders of God's grace, and crown Christ Heal - er of all.
We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song, and crown Christ Sav - ior of all.

At - tend the Sav - ior's sov - ereign claim, and crown Christ Ser - vant of all.
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*LITANY

Artie Palermo

One: Children of God, do you love the God who hovered over the face of the deep and called the worlds into being?

All: **Yes, you know that we do.**

One: Then feed God's children. ... People of Faith, do you love the God whose power was revealed in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus the Christ?

All: **Yes, you know that we do.**

One: Then take care of God's children. ... Followers of Christ, do you love the God who breathes new life into us even as we gather this day?

All: **Yes, you know that we do.**

One: Then feed God's children. Let us pray...

*UNISON PRAYER

God of new beginnings and restored relationships, on this Mother's Day we give thanks for our mothers, and for all of those who loved us, nurtured us, disciplined us, cheered us on, and sacrificed their own desires for ours. Let us never take them for granted. And on this day we give thanks for Jesus, who seeks us out when we have turned away, loves us when we deny knowing him, and uses us to love in God's name. Lord, you know that we love you. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. Holly H. Adams

ATTENDING TO GOD'S WORD

ANTIPHONAL READING FROM THE PSALTER

Clergy, Cantor, and Congregation

Antiphon: Congregation may join the cantor in singing the antiphon.

Psalm 30:4-12



Cantor and Congregation

One: ⁴Sing praises to the LORD, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name. ⁵For his anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

Cantor and Congregation

One: ⁶As for me, I said in my prosperity, "I shall never be moved." ⁷By your favor, O LORD, you had established me as a strong mountain; you hid your face; I was dismayed. ⁸To you, O LORD, I cried, and to the LORD I made supplication: ⁹"What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the Pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?

Cantor and Congregation

One: ¹⁰Hear, O LORD, and be gracious to me! O LORD, be my helper!" ¹¹You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, ¹²so that my soul may praise you and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

Cantor and Congregation

RESPONSE

One: May God who commanded light to shine out of darkness enlighten our way today.

All: **Amen.**

READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT

Elaine A. Matthes

One: God's message finds utterance in our midst.

All: **We wait and listen for God's word to us today.**

Acts 9:36-41

³⁶Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. ³⁷At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. ³⁸Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." ³⁹So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. ⁴⁰Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. ⁴¹He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive.

RESPONSE

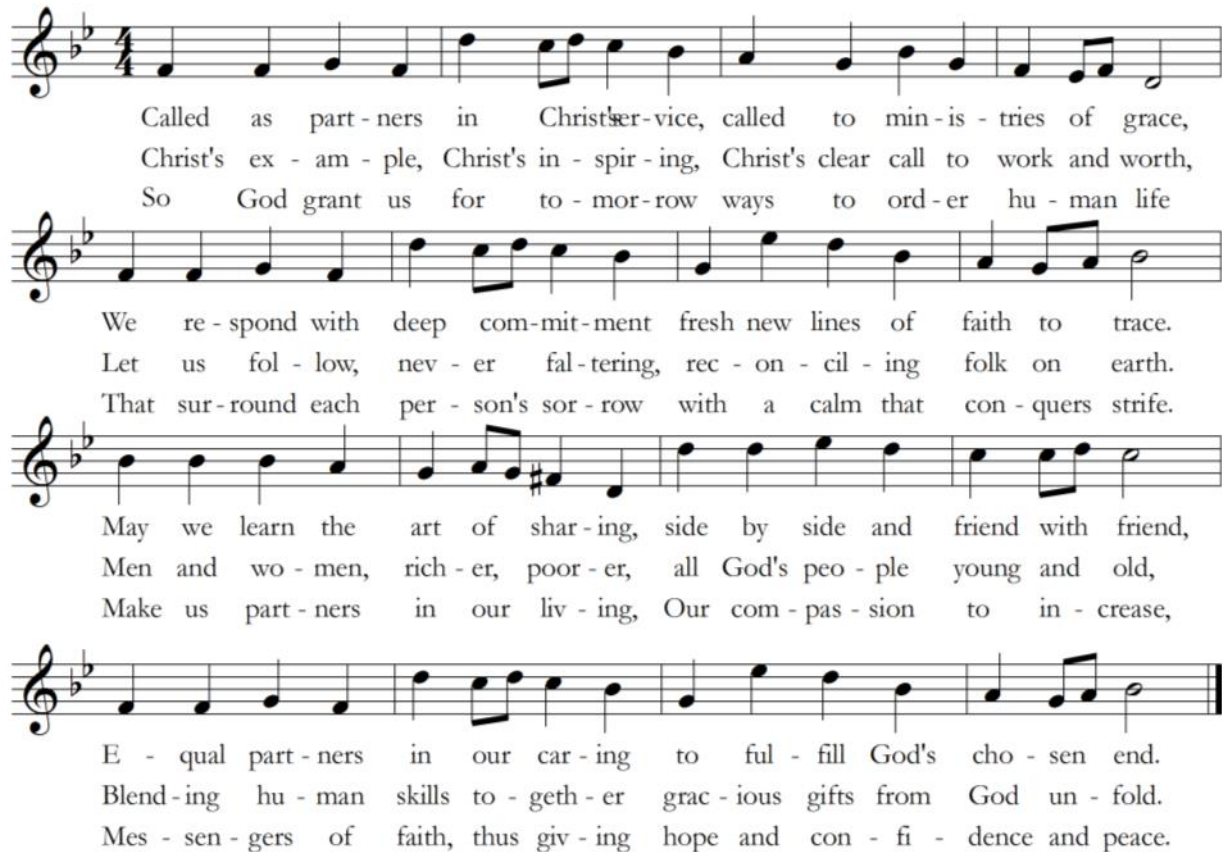
One: May the Living Christ, who brings new life to all, bring life to us as well.

All: **Amen.**

*HYMN OF DEVOTION

"Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

BEECHER



Called as part - ners in Christ's ser - vice, called to min - is - tries of grace,
Christ's ex - am - ple, Christ's in - spir - ing, Christ's clear call to work and worth,
So God grant us for to - mor - row ways to ord - er hu - man life

We re - spond with deep com - mit - ment fresh new lines of faith to trace.
Let us fol - low, nev - er fal - tering, rec - on - cil - ing folk on earth.
That sur - round each per - son's sor - row with a calm that con - quers strife.

May we learn the art of shar - ing, side by side and friend with friend,
Men and wo - men, rich - er, poor - er, all God's peo - ple young and old,
Make us part - ners in our liv - ing, Our com - pas - sion to in - crease,

E - qual part - ners in our car - ing to ful - fill God's cho - sen end.
Blend - ing hu - man skills to - geth - er grac - ious gifts from God un - fold.
Mes - sen - gers of faith, thus giv - ing hope and con - fi - dence and peace.

CALL TO THE GOSPEL

Rev. Holly H. Adams

One: Silence in us, O God, any voice but your own.

All: **May your Word be proclaimed and received here today.**

John 21:15-19

¹⁵When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." ¹⁶A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." ¹⁷He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep." ¹⁸Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." ¹⁹(He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

RESPONSE

One: May we be so filled with love that we follow Jesus whole-heartedly.

All: **We join with Jesus to care for the lost sheep of the world.**

John Rutter

*For the beauty of the skyes
For the love
which from our birth
Over and around us lies
Over and around us lies
Lord of all to thee we raise
This our joy ful hymn of praise
For the beauty of the hour
Of the day and of the night
Hill and vale
And tree and flower
Sun and moon and stars of light
Lord of all to thee we raise
This our joy ful hymn of praise
For the joy of human love
Brother, sister, parent, child*

*Friends on earth
And friends above
For a gentle
Thoughts and mild
For a gentle
Thoughts and mild
Lord of all to thee we raise
This our joy ful hymn of praise
For each perfect gift of thine
To our race so freely given
Graces human and divine
Flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n
Flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n
Lord of all to thee we raise
This our joy ful hymn, our joy ful hymn of praise
This our joy ful hymn of praise*

... "Simon son of John, do you love me?"... ~ John 21:16a

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Great God of Heaven and Earth, you call us back to your loving self again and again so that we may follow you without guilt or shame. May this act of giving be one way that we feed Your sheep and care for your flock. Amen.

Gabriel Fauré

*Our love is a light thing
like the scents which the breeze
gathers from the tips of the ferns
that we might breathe them when dreaming.
Our love is a light thing.
Our love is an enchanting thing,
like the songs of the morning
in which no regret is lamented,
in which an uncertain hope vibrates.
Our love is an enchanting thing.
Our love is a sacred thing
like the mystery of the woods
in which an unknown soul trembles,*

*in which silences have voices.
Our love is a sacred thing.
Our love is an infinite thing,
like the paths of the sunsets
where the sea, reunited with the heavens,
falls asleep beneath the sinking suns.
Our love is an infinite thing.
Our love is an eternal thing
like all that a victorious God
has touched with the flame of his wing.
Like all that comes from the heart.
Our love is an eternal thing.*

*DOXOLOGY

CALL TO PRAYER

Rev. Holly H. Adams

One: God be with you.

All: **And with your spirit.**

One: Let us pray. O Lord, show us your mercy.

All: **And grant us your salvation.**

One: O God, make clean our hearts within us.

All: **And take not your Holy Spirit from us.**

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER

“We Bow Our Hearts“

Chancel Choir

Emma Lou Diemer

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father which 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 SENDING FORTH

*RECESSIONAL HYMN

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

HYFRYDOL



Love di - vine, — all loves ex - cel - ing, Joy of heav'n, to earth come down,
Breathe, O breathe Thy lov - ing spir - it In - to ev - ery trou - bled breast;
Come, Al - migh - ty to de - liv - ver, Let us all thy life — re - ceive;

Fix in us — Thy hum - ble dewll - ing, All Thy faith - ful mer - cies crown;
Let us all — in Thee in - her - it, Let us find the prom - ised rest;
Sud - den - ly — re - turn, and ne - ver, Nev - er - more Thy temp - ples leave.

Je - sus, Thou art all com - pas - sion; Pure, un - bound - ed love Thou art;
Take a - way — the love of sin - ning; Al - pha and — O - me - ga be;
Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, Serve Thee as — Thy hosts a - bove;

Vis - it us — with Thy sal - va - tion, En - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
End of faith, as its — be - gin - ning, Set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
Pray, and praise Thee with - out ceas - ing, Glo - ry in — Thy per - fect love.

BENEDICTION

Rev. David W. Johnson

POSTLUDE

Postlude in C, Op. 28, No. 8
Christian Cappelen

Jill A. Truax, organ

If you desire anointing and prayer for yourself or a loved one, please meet Diana Mrotek,
Called to Care Minister, at the chancel steps following the service today.

IN WORSHIP TODAY

DEACON: Artie Palermo

ACOLYTE: William Weise

TODAY WE REMEMBER...

Douglas (Scott) Ossenfort who died on May 3rd. A service will be held in the Chapel on May 13th at 10:00 a.m.

THE FLOWERS TODAY ARE DEDICATED TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND GIVEN...

by Cynthia and John Porta in loving memory of their mothers.

by the Mark Tripson family in honor of Ann Stewart and

in memory of Barbara Tripson, Elsebeth Sexton and Geneva Rupert.

by Sherry Waddell, Celeta Arden, Pam Gordon and June Sanford, in celebration of Mother's Day and
in loving memory of their mother, Lucille B. Haffield and grandmother, Emma Reade Haffield,

founding member of the Community Church 1924.

by Dr. Michael Wahl in loving memory of his wife, Dorothy.

Please join us outside Community Hall for refreshments and conversation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS...

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 19TH: The sermon "Faithful Followers" will be given by Dr. Casey G. Baggott at the 8:30 a.m. Chapel service, the 10:00 a.m. Sanctuary service, and E-cast at the 10:00 a.m. C² service in Community Hall. All are welcome.

CALLING ALL GREETERS: **A Big Thank You** to Kathy and Richard Dunlop, the Horsley Family, and Roxanne Wilcox for welcoming everyone on Sunday!

GREETERS NEEDED FOR THE SUMMER: Are you willing to be a warm, welcoming face at our Sanctuary doors this summer? Experience a wonderful opportunity to meet and greet our members and visitors as they arrive for the 10:00 a.m. worship service. Greet one Sunday or several Sundays throughout the summer months. If you are interested please contact Elaine Matthes at elaine.matthes@ccovb.org or 772-469-2309.

PERSONAL COUNSELING: Individual or couples counseling for personal anxiety, depression, or relationships, etc. is available at NO cost from Dr. Donald White on Wednesdays. We are fortunate to have this highly qualified professional who is willing to offer his expertise and guidance. Call Suzanne Rice to schedule an appointment at 772-469-2303.

MISSION MINISTRY

MISSION WATCH - FEED THE LAMBS ENRICHMENT PROGRAM: The Feed The Lambs Enrichment Program works throughout Indian River County to provide recreation, education, and mentorship services for underprivileged children at no cost, who would otherwise be unable to obtain these services. The program utilizes volunteers as tutor and mentors, and benefits from Community Church mission funds.

GLOBAL PRAYER PARTNERS: EAST TIMOR. Monica Liddle serves with the Protestant Church of East Timor (IPTL). By 9:00 a.m. the line has already formed for the mobile clinic. Two Clinic Immanuel staff and a government doctor unload several boxes of medical supplies and start consulting. By the time the clinic is over more than 60 patients will have had the opportunity for health care they otherwise wouldn't have had. For 25 years now, Clinic Immanuel has been a steady presence in the town of Lospalos. Staffed by five women from the church, most of their work is outpatient care in this traditional clinical setting. But in recent years we have been developing an outreach to remote communities where the government does not have health posts. Health care is part consultation, part counseling, part education, and part social work, with each day begun and ended in prayer, always giving thanks for the call and opportunity to be part of God's mission in this part of the world. **Prayer:** *Good and gracious Shepherd, we have heard your voice and your invitation to follow. From day to day, in many and diverse ways, you walk alongside us. You are at work in the rising of the sun and its setting. The intricacies of creation and human relationships show forth your presence with us. And for that, we give you thanks. On this day, we lift up to you the people of Timor Leste. We pray for the Protestant Church of Timor Leste and especially its vital ministry Clinic Immanuel Lospalos. Bless us with your wisdom, patience, and compassion. Guide us that with each person we consult we would see your own face. Amen.*

ADULT EDUCATION

BIBLE STUDY: Come to learn about sacred texts of our faith, and to let them speak to us in ways that challenge, affirm, comfort, and support us. Participants enjoy learning with and from one another as they gather to discuss this week's lectionary scripture. All are welcome.

- **Men's Bible Study** - Is held on Tuesdays at 7:00 a.m. (donuts and coffee provided) in Community Hall East and is led by Dr. Robert T. Baggott.
- **Monday evening Bible Study:** All are welcome at 7:00 p.m. in the Garden Room. Join us this week to learn about Joseph and his fancy coat, his crazy dreams, and his wild ride in Egypt. The class will be led by Rev. David W. Johnson.

COMMUNITY@COMMUNITY: Community@Community has finished the fall season. Programming will continue again during the fall.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRY

NURSERY CARE: Today we offer nursery care (infants - 3 year olds) during the C2 and Sanctuary worship services. Parents are asked to please bring their children to the 2nd floor of our Education Building prior to service. Infants - 23 months meet in Rm. 221, and toddlers (2-3 year olds) meet in Rm. 222.

THANK YOU: To the Youth and all those who participated in the Post Office Food Drive yesterday. We unloaded mail trucks, sorted food, and delivered pallets to local mission agencies.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP: Our Middle School Youth Group (6-8 grade) meets every Wednesday from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. You are encouraged to bring friends. Pizza and snacks will be available for purchase.

YOUTH PANDEMONIUM "END OF YEAR CARNIVAL": It's time for our last Pandemonium of the 2018 - 2019 year! Come and join in the fun carnival games, prizes, and carnival themed food next Sunday, May 19th from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. in Commotion. Cost is \$10 per person, which includes all activities and food for the night. Sign up online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0d4cabad2ca7ff2-pandemonium6>. Friends are always welcome. Special for this month, we will welcome current 5th grade youth to attend as a preview for the coming year! Please RSVP by May 16th.