

**SILVER FALLS**



**UNITED CHURCH**

Silver Falls United  
Church

**Sunday, November 1st, 2009**

Minister: Rev. Angela Cory, BA M.Div  
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**Duty Team November:** *Rosemary Day, Clare McLean, Barb Woollven, Wendy Bennett, Kelley Thompson, Murray Ewart*

Congregational Responses are in **Bold** print.

\* ***Please stand if able.***

**Personal Prayer of Preparation**

We give thanks, O God, for your presence in our lives wherever we go and for people in our community who bear your presence to us. In trunig us toward you, O God, turn us toward one another. Amen

**Organ Prelude**

**Introit**

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place  
I can feel his mighty power and his grace

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I can hear the brush of angels' wings  
 I see glory on each face  
 Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place

**Call to Worship** (responsively)

One: Here is God's Sacred Presence in the midst of this gathered community. And there is God's Sacred Presence in the bustle of neighborhoods and the beauty of creation. Wherever you go, we will go; we will make our home in you. Where love is found, there is God. In churches that live out justice for all, in schools and families where children thrive, in communities where neighbors care for one another, and in the day-to-day life of partners—there is God.

**All: Wherever you go, we will go;  
 we will make our home in you.**

One: We bring to the Beloved all of ourselves: regret-filled pasts, present struggles, unknown futures, and we find we are received and held by One who is all love.

**All: Wherever you go, we will go;  
 we will make our home in you.**

**Prayer of Approach** (unison)

**You, O Sacred Presence, are always and everywhere. We may be blown around by winds of change and uncertainty, but you keep faith forever. You are a steady companion on the way and we find rest and peace in you. Amen**

**Opening Hymn**

Be Thou My Vision **VU 642**  
**Verses 1, 2, 4 & 5**

**Call To Confession**

One: As we come to God in confession let us create a space to allow the Spirit to move amongst us and refresh our lives. Let us pray together:

**Prayer of Confession** (responsively)

One: In times of change when all we know is passing away, and we still don't know what is to come,

**All: you are steadfast, O God.**

One: Forgive us for not trusting your ways. When we hold tight to what we know and refuse to trust you and your desire for our wholeness, through new life,

**All: you are steadfast, O God.**

One: Forgive us for not trusting your ways. When we hold tight to our own lives and won't share them with you, or when we let go of everything and refuse to take responsibility for the life you have given us,

**All: you are steadfast, O God.**

One: Forgive us for not trusting your ways. Help us to find the balance you intend for us.

**All: Hear our prayers, God, and give us the courage to hear our prayers for us. Amen**

**Words of Assurance**

One: Sacred Presence is above, below, behind, before, at our side and within. Wherever we are, there is God. Let us trust in the Sacred Presence who is always and everywhere as we go into the unknown future together.

**A New Creed** (please see back cover)

**Faith in Action**  
**Life and Work of the Church**

**Children's Hymn** One More Step Along the World I Go  
**VU 639 vs 1 & 2**

**Theme Conversation**

**Hymn** VU 639 vs 4 & 5

**Introit for the Word**

One: Eternal God, in the reading of the scripture, may your Word be heard; in the meditation of our hearts, may your Word be known; and in the faithfulness of our lives, may your kingdom be known. Amen

**Scripture Readings:**

First Reading:

Ruth 1: 1-18

Reader: These are our sacred stories

**All: Thanks be to God**

\* Psalm

Psalm 146 VU 868

Epistle:

Hebrews 9: 11-14

Reader: The Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God**

Gospel Reading:

Mark 12: 28-34

Reader: Glory be to you, O God

**All: Praise be to you, O Christ**

**Ministry of Music** Put Peace Into Each Other's Hands  
- R. Klusmeier

**Sermon**

**Offertory Invitation**

One: Today you are invited to play a role in God's ministry of abundance. Through your gifts, we have an opportunity to reach out to those for whom resources are scarce, relationships few, or hope in short supply. Our offerings do that locally through the ministries of this church—let us receive our morning offering:

**Receiving our Offerings and Par Cards**

**Offertory Hymn** We Turn to You VU 685

**Dedication of Offering** VU 227 verse 2

In the just reward of labor, God's will is done  
In the help we give our neighbor, God's will is done  
In our world-wide task of caring  
For the hungry and despairing

In the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.

**\*Offertory Prayer** (unison)

**Gracious and loving God, you are the giver of all good gifts. May the sharing of our offerings assist in the building of generous friendships here and in the world. May our lives reflect the prodigal abundance you give to the world. Amen.**

**Prayers of Intercession**

“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

Lord, listen to your children praying,  
Lord, send your Spirit in this place,  
Lord, listen to your children praying,  
Send us love, send us power, send us grace!

**Lord's Prayer**

**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 trespasses,**

**As we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil;  
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,  
Forever and ever. Amen**

**Closing Hymn** All the Way my Saviour Leads Me VU 635

### **Commissioning and Benediction**

One: The Sacred Presence is always and everywhere and we know this Presence most fully in the love of this community, in the joy of watching children at play, in the brilliant colours of creation, and in friends we can turn to in times of need. Go, confident in the eternal love of God who is with you wherever you are. Amen

### **Choral Blessing**

Go now in peace, never be afraid  
God will go with you each hour of every day  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true  
Know he will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe  
Reach out to others so all the world can see  
God will be there watching from above

Go now in peace, in faith and in love.  
Amen

### **Organ Postlude**

If you are a visitor with us, we give you **special welcome** in the name of the Lord, Jesus Christ. If you are a regular worshipper, do you know the person in front of you, or even beside you? If not, why not introduce yourself?

*Today's Service and Bulletin are dedicated in loving memory of George and Georgena Myra from Susan, Joan, Tom and family.*

**Scripture** for Sunday, November 8th – **Joan Shillington**  
Ruth 3: 1-5; Ruth 4: 13-17  
Psalm 127  
Hebrews 9: 24-28  
Mark 12: 38-44

**Greeter** for November 8th : **Sheila Jacques**

*Thank you goes out to last weeks*

*Readers & Greeters for all your help!!*

**Prayer Corner** *This information is given so that you may*  
*“Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn.”*  
*(Rom. 12:15) Please pray for them.*  
*Constance Wooldridge-Vincent*

### **A New Creed**

**We are not alone, we live in God’s world.  
 We believe in God; who has created and is creating,  
 Who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,  
 To reconcile and make new, who works in us and others  
 By the Spirit.  
 We trust in God.  
 We are called to be the Church;  
 To celebrate God’s presence,  
 To live with respect in Creation,  
 To love and serve others,  
 To seek justice and resist evil,  
 To proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
 Our judge and our hope.  
 In life, in death, in life beyond death,  
 God is with us.  
 We are not alone.  
 Thanks be to God.**

### **MID-WEEK GROUPS**

#### **Adult**

U.C.W. Quilters	12:30-3:00, Monday & Wednesday
UCW	7:00 p.m. 1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday
Senior Choir	7:30 p.m. Thursday
Unified Board	7:00 p.m. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday
Bible Study	10:00 a.m. Wednesday

**Children/Youth**

Sunday School	Sunday 11am church 11:15 to classrooms
Youth Group	As Announced
Beavers	6:30 p.m. Wednesday
Cubs	6:30 p.m. Tuesday
Scouts	6:30p.m. Wednesday
Messengers	6:30 p.m. Monday
Explorers	6:30 p. m. Monday
CGIT	6:30 p.m. Monday