

**“A Place to Call Home”
WELCOME TO VALLEY FALLS
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

January 29, 2012



**Archeologist's Model of a 1st Century Palestinian.
In your mind, does he resemble Jesus?**

Worship 9 am–Holy Communion monthly on 1st Sundays

- Sunday School in school year, during worship
- Youth Group in school year – 1st Sunday, 6:30 – 8:00 pm
- Trustees meet on the 2nd Sunday after worship
- Church Council on the 3rd Monday - 7 pm
- Shawl Ministry the 1st and 3rd Tuesday- 7pm
- RETHINK Church – last Sunday after worship
- United Methodist Women – 1st Thursday, 7:30 pm

**Our Office Hours - Call our Pastor's mobile phone
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4th Sunday after Epiphany - January 29, 2012

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

- **PRELUDE**
- **RECEIVING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**
- **ANNOUNCEMENTS and UPCOMING EVENTS**
- **OUR SIGNS OF WELCOME and PEACE**
- **CHORAL INTROIT**

At the **bold print** you are invited to respond **“boldly.”**

OUR UNISON CALL TO WORSHIP: “O Lord Christ, you have declared victory and revealed your vindication in the sight of creation. The demons know Who You are...and Whose we are! Amazed at your wisdom, your power and your love, we rise together to see your Holy Spirit move from here into the world. Amen.

***HYMN: “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” #127 - UMH**

OUR PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON: Eternal Light, shine into the darkness of our hearts, deliver us from the evil one, be our infinite support, be our wisdom and scatter the darkness of our ignorance and close-minded views. Only by your mercy, let us see You now, to rest in your powerful and loving arms, in peace and in safety, at last. Amen.

TIME WITH OUR YOUNG PERSONS

Followed by praying The Lord's Prayer

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PSALM 111 -#832 -UMH

**Response #2: “Great are the works of the Lord,
which abound to the ends of the earth.”**

HEBREW TESTAMENT: Deuteronomy 18: 15-20

CHRISTIAN TESTAMENT: Mark 1: 21-28

MESSAGE: “He's the Real Deal, this Jesus!”

***HYMN: “Rise, Shine You People” #187 - UMH**

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Share Your Joys and Concerns - A Pastoral Prayer

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND PRAISES TO GOD

Offertory Anthem

*Praise Song “**Doxology**” #95 - UMH

Prayer of Dedication

***HYMN: “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” #140 - UMH**

***BENEDICTION**

***RESPONSE:**

May God give you peace through every trial

May God give you courage for every mile

And when you are alone, he'll be your friend

And give you life eternal, life without end.

POSTLUDE

If this is your first time here...

We welcome you and we hope you find the grace and joy that we find in our worship together. An asterisk (*) on the service program means that if you are able, here we invite you to join us in standing. If you wish, ask an usher how to pass on your Joys and Concerns. Stay for great coffee and goodies after worship. Ask us a few “faith” questions. We’ve found our own answers, but never on our own!

God Blesses You Every Day,

The People of Valley Falls United Methodist Church

UMH - is the red, hard covered “United Methodist Hymnal”

TFWS - is the black, soft covered “The Faith We Sing”

Upcoming Events, Announcements and Requests

- **Feb. 2 - 7:30 pm Thursday, UMW meets at the church**
- **Feb. 5&12- New Member Orientation, after worship**
- **Feb. 12 – Boy Scout Sunday**
- **Feb. 12 – 4:30 to 6 pm – Souper Supper**
- **Feb. 12 – 6:30 pm Youth Group; 7:30 Parents to approve 30 Hr. Famine & talk on “Wisdom for a Lifetime” starts on 3/18**
- **Feb. 19- New Membership Sunday. Please talk to Pastor Mike if you are interested in joining us or unsure about membership. So far, eight (8)are to join as members!!!**
- **Feb. 22 – Ash Wednesday**
- **Lenten Lunches and Talks on Tues: 2/28-3/6-3/13,-3/20-3/27, Noon, Transfiguration N., On ,3/6 we soup'em and lead talk.**
- **May 31-June 2 - Third Annual Upper New York Area Conference to be held in Syracuse**
- **Please prayerfully consider your own calling and unique role as a mentor ... more will be revealed in the weeks ahead!**
- **Every Monday in Middleburg, until the work is done: VIM Team leaves Valley Falls at 7:30 am to arrive back at 5:30 pm; bring tools and lunch; talk to Jack Hill**
- **Bring non-perishable Food Pantry items each week to meet an increasing local need. Ed Osterhout will tell you more about “HANDS-4-NY” Feeding Program.**

Joys and Concerns

Joys...

- For future, faithful servants hearing the call to serve God!
- For Christ's joy, peace and love in our church family

Concerns...

- For our Albany District Superintendent, Brolin Parker, Bill True, Jr., Tony and Linda Wescott, Roger Irwin, Andy Hill, Carol Wiley Irvine, Merrell Allen, Casey Cumo, Karen Ryan, Francis O'Connor, Walden Briggs, Helene Briggs, John Sheldon, Gary Graham, Pearl Betts, Evelyn Cady, Jerry Wright, Francis O'Connor, Pastor Wally Webb and his family, Lillian Berry, Eileen Mason, Brittany and her Family and Friends, Lynn Keyes'sister Roberta
- For bringing our troops home from around the world
- For the needy and abused, all loved by God, near and far