



## East Valley Reformed Church

Pastor Bill Van Herk

November 04, 2018 Communion Service

### To Our Visitors

Thank you for joining us for this celebration of worship!  
It is our hope that you find the service uplifting and that you will come again. Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the service.

### Our Mission Statement

*"Helping each other follow Jesus Christ."*

### Our Vision Statement

*"To be people who delight in worshipping Jesus, seek to know him more and are being shaped by God to be a redemptive presence in our community through proclaiming the gospel, feeding the hungry and nurturing one another in love."*

### Elders/Committee

Connie Faulkner: Chair of Education/Vice President

Butch Smedema: Chair of Worship

Idell Dunn: Chair of Fellowship

Don Linder: Chair of Outreach

Frank Meneses: Life Church

### Deacons/Committee

Claudia King: Education Team

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## The Approach to God

Gathering Song

Welcome and Announcements

Preparation for Worship

Votum

Call to Worship

\*Opening Hymn # 262 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Prayer of Confession                      Unison

**Holy, Loving, and Faithful God, as we gather together in your name we set aside this time to begin the week together, singing your praise and seeking your will. Still our hearts and quiet our minds and join us to one another by your Holy Spirit.**

Pray in silence

**Forgive us when we misuse the gifts of our days and weeks and years. Forgive us when we are too anxious and hurried to hear your call, see the need, or know your presence within us. Teach us to seek life with time fulfilled and made sacred by your purpose. Help us to love one another as you love us. As we are forgiven, may we be forgiving, and so lead others to faith in all we say and do. We pray this through Christ. Amen**

Assurance of Pardon

## The Word of God in Sacrament and Proclamation

Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Lesson                      Ruth 1:1-18,22    Sandra Oversby

**\*Songs of Praise (Prayer cards will be gathered now)**

(Children are released to Kidz Church)

New Testament Lesson                      Hebrews 9:11-14

Sermon:    "Becoming Bitter"

Prayer for Blessing

Song of Response

The Prayers of the People                      (*Responsive*)

God of all creation, full of love and abounding in mercy;

**May the whole earth be filled with your glory.**

Lord, bless and guide all ministers of your church;

**Clothe them in righteousness and grant them wisdom.**

Direct the leaders of our government;

**That they may act in accordance with your kingdom.**

Enlarge our own hearts, O Lord,

**To love the things that you love**

May we proclaim your light

**In every place where there is darkness.**

May we proclaim your Holy Name

**In every aspect of our lives.**

We pray for those in sickness, grief, persecution, bondage, fear, or loneliness, and for all our own needs;

**Lord, have mercy.**

Lord hear our morning prayers:

To God be all honor and glory, dominion and power, now and forever, through Jesus Christ our Lord, **Amen.**

The Gifts of God's People

Offertory

\*Doxology

\*Apostle's Creed

\*Peace: The Peace of Christ be with you.    *And also, with you.*

Meaning of the Sacrament

Invitation

Communion Prayer

Communion

## The Response to God

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

\*Closing Hymn # 405    "My Faith Has Found a Resting Place"

\*Benediction

\*Closing Song

**\*Please Stand if Able**

Next Sundays Message: "Being Blessed"

Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17 and Hebrews 9:24-28

Theme: Naomi goes from being bitter towards God to experiencing great blessings.