East Valley Reformed Church  
September 08, 2019 Communion

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.”

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Approach to God

Call to Worship
*Our worship begins each week with a call to worship.
We are gathered here today because God our Creator desires to have a relationship with us. Whether we realize it or not, he is the one calling us to himself—today and every day.

Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me.

(From Revelation 3:20)

Opening Hymn #275 “How Firm a Foundation”
Praise Songs
Prayer of Confession
Words of Assurance Psalm 19:7-14

The Word of God

Scripture Acts 18:23-28

Message: “The Centrality of God’s Word” Pastor Phil Assink

Response to the Word

Preparation for Communion

Communion
All who desire to follow Jesus as Savior and Lord are invited to the communion table.
We will participate by coming forward, if you are able.
You may partake of the elements when you are served or when you return to your seats.
Leaders are available at the communion table to receive your prayer requests or to pray with you.

Offering
Prayer for the Offering
Congregational Prayer

Sharing the Peace of Christ
The Peace of Christ be with you. And also, with you.

Closing Hymn #270 “Wonderful Words of Life”
Benediction
Song of Departure

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Sunday, September 15, 2019: Pastor Larry Meeks

“Life Transforming Walk with Jesus”
Scripture: 1 Kings 19:19-21 and John 3:1-17
10 Healthy Missional Markers
The Centrality of God’s Word
Acts 18:23-28

Our Vision
Helping Each Other Follow Jesus Christ

The Bible is ______________

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak God’s Word with fearless confidence. Acts 4:31 The Message

The Bible guides us to ______________

He had been taught the way of the Lord, and he taught others about Jesus with an enthusiastic spirit and with accuracy. ... Using the Scriptures, he explained to them that Jesus was the Messiah. Acts 18:25, 28 New Living Translation

Paul talked to them all day, from morning to evening, explaining everything involved in the kingdom of God, and trying to persuade them all about Jesus by pointing out what Moses and the prophets had written about him. Acts 28:23 The Message

Read the Bible ______________

They listened to the message with great eagerness, and every day they studied the Scriptures to see if what Paul said was really true. Acts 17:11 Good News

______________ the Bible

He began to speak boldly in the synagogue. When Priscilla and Aquila heard him, they invited him to their home and explained to him the way of God more adequately. Acts 18:26

Read the Bible in ______________

They spent their time learning the apostles’ teaching, sharing, breaking bread, and praying together. Acts 2:42 New Century

LECTIO (lek’ - see - o) DIVINA

Take time to quietly pray and ask God to prepare you heart and mind to receive his word. Choose one of the following passages for this exercise: Psalm 19, Philippians 2:1-11, Acts 26:9-23

Lectio (Reading) Acquaintanceship

- Read the Scripture
- Gather the facts
- "Listen" to God's word
- What word/phrase speaks to you? (allow 1-2 min quiet time)

Meditatio (Meditation) Friendliness

- Read the Scripture again
- Let Jesus speak to you
- Reflect on the message
- What is God saying to you? (allow 3-4 min quiet time)

Oratio (Prayer) Friendship

- Read the Scripture again
- Let your heart respond to God
- Trust God enough to become emotionally involved
- What do you want to say to God? (allow 4-5 min quiet time)

Contemplatio (Contemplation) Union of Life

- Read the Scripture a final time
- Surrender to God's presence
- Rest in God beyond concepts
- Feelings and particular acts (allow 5-10 min quiet time)

Conclude with the Lord’s Prayer

Adapted from the Oblates of St. Benedict

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