

# Sunday Service

January 12, 2025

9:30 am



## Doing What We Do, Well

Luke 3:1-20

West Valley Presbyterian Church

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# Welcome



## **Call to Worship** – Hardy Hemphill

Isaiah 40:3-5

**Leader:** A voice of one calling: "In the wilderness prepare the way for the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

**People:** Every valley shall be raised up, every mountain and hill made low; the rough ground shall become level, the rugged places a plain.

**Leader:** And the glory of the Lord will be revealed,

**People:** And all people will see it together.

**All:** For the mouth of the Lord has spoken."

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## **Greetings & Announcements** –

## **Prayers of the People** –

*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 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.*

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## **Luke 3:1-20** NIV

**3** *In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar—when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, Herod tetrarch of Galilee, his brother Philip tetrarch of Iturea and Traconitis, and Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene—* **2** *during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness.* **3** *He went into all the country around the Jordan, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.* **4** *As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet: “A voice of one calling in the wilderness, ‘Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him.* **5** *Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill made low. The crooked roads shall become straight, the rough ways smooth.* **6** *And all people will see God’s salvation.”* **7** *John said to the crowds coming out to be baptized by him, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath?”* **8** *Produce fruit in keeping with repentance. And do not begin to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our father.’ For I tell you that out of these stones God can raise up children for Abraham.* **9** *The ax is already at the root of the trees, and every tree that does not produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire.”* **10** *“What should we do then?” the crowd asked.* **11** *John answered, “Anyone who has two shirts should share with the one who has none, and anyone who has food should do the same.”* **12** *Even tax collectors came to be baptized. “Teacher,” they asked, “what should we do?”* **13** *“Don’t collect any more than you are required to,” he told them.* **14** *Then some soldiers asked him, “And what should we do?” He replied, “Don’t extort money and don’t accuse people falsely—be content with your pay.”* **15** *The people were waiting expectantly and were all wondering in their hearts if John might possibly be the Messiah.* **16** *John answered them all, “I baptize you with water. But one who is more powerful than I will come, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with<sup>[e]</sup> the Holy Spirit and fire.* **17** *His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.”* **18** *And with many other words John exhorted the people and proclaimed the good news to them.* **19** *But when John rebuked Herod the tetrarch because of his marriage to Herodias, his brother’s wife, and all the other evil things he had done,* **20** *Herod added this to them all: He locked John up in prison.*

### **Doing What We Do, Well**

Rev. Janet Russell

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Benediction

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

### Fellowship Calendar:

**Thursday, January 16 – WVPC's Budget Meeting** will take place at the Session Meeting at 7 pm in Room 15. **Please turn in your portion of the Annual Report.** The Congregational Meeting will be held Sunday, February 23, after Service.

**Sunday, January 19 – Saratoga Symphony** will perform in our sanctuary from 3-5 pm. Donations accepted. **If you would like to assist Pastor Janet in welcoming our guests, please let her know right away.**

**January 27-29, 2025 - ECO National Gathering** will take place in Dallas Texas. President Jeff Stanish, and Pastor Janet Russell will both be attending.

### **Sunday, February 2 – Transitional Team Update.**

**Sunday, February 9** - Mark the Date on your calendar! Join us for a fun afternoon at the home of Greg and Janet Shaw for a **Super Bowl Watch Party**. Get ready to cheer for your favorite team, (once the teams have been determined). The party begins at 3 pm, and the current theory is that game time will start at 3:30 pm. Bring an appetizer to share. (Drinks will be provided). Questions? Contact Janet Shaw.

**Sunday, February 16 – Scout Sunday.** Enjoy brunch with our Scout Troop after Service. Donations of \$5/adult, \$3/child appreciated. There will also be a **Puzzle Swap** from 12-3 pm in Room 9.

**Sunday, February 23 – Teen Challenge** singing and giving testimonies. **Congregational Meeting** after Service.

**Sundays, March 9 & 16 – New Members Class!** Please connect with Pastor Janet if you're interested.

### Coffee & Donuts:

January 12 – Melanie Eslinger

January 19 – Rob Clark

January 26 – Anna Brafchak & Kevin Pasquinelli

February 2 –