

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS.** Our Advent and Christmas season was very busy for our church leaders, volunteers, and staff from sharing music of the season to keeping the church clean, from decorating the church to special services, and so much more - everyone's extra ministry efforts are greatly appreciated.

**VISIONING UPDATES.** Progress on the Visioning project will be shared on the third Sunday of the month following the 10:00 a.m. worship service. Next update is January 15<sup>th</sup>. Please join us in the Sanctuary to hear what's going on with the project. Bring your questions and comments.

**GRIEF SHARE GROUP** meets Monday evenings at 5:00 p.m. in the Fireside Room. This group is led by Pastor Tony.

**INCLINE SMALL GROUP** will meet in the Fireside Room this Tuesday evening at 6:00 p.m. for a potluck dinner.

**ANNUAL REPORTS** from our various ministry areas within our church are due in our Church Office by Wednesday, January 18<sup>th</sup>. Please provide your reports electronically either on flash drive or e-mail to the church office at [apayne@thevillagechurchnv.org](mailto:apayne@thevillagechurchnv.org).

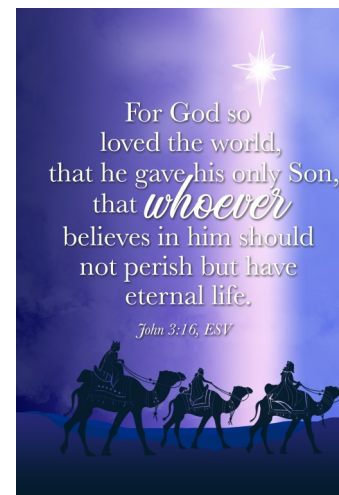
**ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION** - Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup> during our 10:00 a.m. service, we will be ordaining and installing our new church officers. Please be in prayer for all of our church leaders as they seek to faithfully serve our Lord in His church.

### SAVE THE DATE!

- January 15<sup>th</sup>: Update on Visioning project
- January 18<sup>th</sup>: Annual Reports Due
- January 19<sup>th</sup>: Session Meeting
- January 29<sup>th</sup>: Installation and Ordination of Church Officers
- February 5<sup>th</sup>: Communion Sunday; Potluck Lunch; Annual Congregational Meeting

### *Church Leadership and Staff*

<i>Amber Anderson - Preschool Staff</i>	<i>Patricia Moser Morris - Deacon</i>
<i>Pastor Tony Conragan - Assistant Pastor</i>	<i>Rev. Jeff Ogden - Pastor</i>
<i>Chuck Dowd - Elder</i>	<i>Steve O'Malley - Deacon</i>
<i>Jim Dykstra - Deacon's Food Distribution Coordinator</i>	<i>Debra Ornelas - Family Ministries Director</i>
<i>Don Ferrell - Treasurer, Elder</i>	<i>Annie Payne - Office Manager</i>
<i>Karen Ferrell - Women's Ministries Moderator</i>	<i>Chris Peterson - Deacon</i>
<i>Tim Gilbert - Elder</i>	<i>Lonny Reed - Custodian</i>
<i>Jenna Hilton - Office Assistant</i>	<i>Linda Robins - Thrift Shop Manager</i>
<i>Travis Holzner - Preschool Staff</i>	<i>Maricarmen Rubio - Preschool Staff</i>
<i>Tasia Irons - Preschool Staff</i>	<i>Ann Schofield - Elder, Clerk of Session</i>
<i>Cindy Liggett - Preschool Director</i>	<i>Sharon Sigler - Deacon Moderator</i>
<i>Yancy Lopez De Vigil - Preschool Staff</i>	<i>Lisa Snavely - Deacon</i>
<i>Colleen Malley - Preschool Staff</i>	<i>Jason Stanton - Accompanist</i>
<i>Marilyn Merritt - Deacon</i>	<i>Paul Twichell - Elder</i>
	<i>Vickie Twichell - Thrift Shop Manager</i>
	<i>Ed Windham - Elder</i>



**CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP**  
*The Lord's Supper*  
January 1, 2023  
10:00 A.M.

~WE WORSHIP THE LORD~

### **WELCOME & NEWS OF THE CHURCH**

Welcome to the Village Church! If you have a prayer request for the prayer team or would like more information about life here at The Village Church please email the Church at [info@thevillagechurchnv.org](mailto:info@thevillagechurchnv.org) You can also update your contact information and sign up to receive our weekly news updates.

Pastor Jeff Ogden

### **OPENING PRAYER**

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Psalm 148*

Chuck Dowd

### **SONGS OF WORSHIP**

#### *\*Be Thou My Vision*

Hymn #468

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son;  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:  
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,  
High king of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High king of heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Great God our Father: you have given us Jesus, light of the world, but we choose darkness and cling to sins that hide the brightness of your love. We are frightened disciples who are slow to speak your Good News. Immersed in ourselves, we have not risen to new life. Baptize us with Holy Spirit, so that forgiven and renewed, we may preach your word to the nations, and tell of your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ, our Lord and our light forever. Amen.

### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

~~WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD~~

### PASTORAL PRAYERS, SILENT PRAYERS AND LORD'S PRAYER

#### *The 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 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.

~~WE MEET GOD THROUGH THE WORD~~

Message: "*The Love of God*"

Pastor Jeff Ogden

Scripture: *John 3:14-18*

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~~SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER~~

### INVITATION

### SERVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

### WORSHIP SONG

#### *\*O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

Hymn # 349

O for a thousand tongues to sing  
My great Redeemer's praise,  
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace!  
My gracious Master and my God,  
Assist me to proclaim,  
To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of Thy name.  
Jesus! The name that charms our fears,  
That bids our sorrows cease,  
'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.  
He breaks the power of cancelled sin,  
He sets the prisoner free;  
His blood can make the foulest clean, His blood availed for me.  
Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb,  
Your loosened tongues employ;  
Ye blind, behold your Savior come; and leap, ye lame, for joy!

### \*BENEDICTION

### \*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

#### *\*May the Lord, Mighty God*

May the Lord, mighty God,  
Bless and keep you forever.  
Grant you peace, perfect peace,  
Courage in every endeavor.  
Lift up your eyes, and see His face,  
And His grace forever.  
May the Lord mighty God,  
Bless and keep you forever.

\* Those who are able, please stand.

*IN OUR PRAYERS: The Hoopes Family grieving the death of Bryan; discernment for our Church visioning; missionaries serving around the world; those serving our nation and their families; those struggling during the Christmas season; discernment and God's will for our nation's leaders; people looking for housing; healing for those battling cancer.*

### THE LORD'S SUPPER

*We are celebrating the Lord's Supper this morning. Membership is not a requirement to share in communion with us. All those who repent and profess faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and baptized children being raised in the faith are invited to participate in this Sacrament. If you are not able to receive communion, please use this time to meditate on one of the following prayers.*

*A PRAYER OF PERSONS SEARCHING FOR TRUTH: Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and leads to the life you promise. Amen.*

*A PRAYER OF BELIEF: Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.*



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A Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians.

For more information, see our website:

[www.TheVillageChurchNV.org](http://www.TheVillageChurchNV.org) or [www.eco-pres.org](http://www.eco-pres.org).

*A THOUGHT FROM CHRISTIANS PAST... "Who can add to Christmas? The perfect motive is that God so loved the world. The perfect gift is that He gave His only Son. The only requirement is to believe in Him. The reward of faith is that you shall have everlasting life."*

*Corrie ten Boom*