

*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; discernment and God's will for our nation's leaders; people looking for housing; healing for those battling cancer.*

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SAMARITAN'S PURSE Mission Trip.** This morning, John Stroud will be sharing about the opportunity to serve in Houma, Louisiana from March 12<sup>th</sup> to March 18<sup>th</sup>. This will be a housing rebuilding effort from damage by Hurricane Ida in December, 2021. If interested, please contact John at john.stroud13@gmail.com.

**DEACONS'S MEETING TODAY** in the Pastor's Office at 11:30am.

**FLOWERS** this morning have been provided by Tiffany O'Connor in memory of Margaret O'Connor.

**WOMEN'S MINISTRIES.** The Women's Ministries Board will meet this coming Thursday at 9:00am in the Fireside Room.

**VISIONING UPDATES.** Progress on the Visioning project will be shared on the third Sunday of the month following the 10:00am 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 5:00pm in the Fireside Room. This group is led by Pastor Tony.

**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.

**ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION** - Sunday, January 29<sup>st</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.

**ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup>. After the 10:00am worship service and our potluck lunch, we will hold our annual congregational meeting. All are invited to hear from various ministries of our Church. The 2023 Annual Report will be available which includes the 2023 budget. Our potluck theme will be "Chili." No competition - just good food on a cold winter day!

### SAVE THE DATE!

- January 12th: Women's Ministries Board Meeting
- 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`



### **CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP**

**January 8, 2023 10:00 A.M.**

**~WE WORSHIP THE LORD~**

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

Pastor Jeff Ogden

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.

### **OPENING PRAYER**

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Deuteronomy 6:1-9*

Ann Schofield

### **SONGS OF WORSHIP**

#### *\*Confidence*

I'm not a warrior, I'm too afraid to lose.  
I feel unqualified for what You're calling me to.  
But Lord, with Your strength, I've got no excuse  
'Cause broken people are exactly who You use.

*Chorus* So, give me faith like Daniel in the lion's den.  
Give me hope like Moses in the wilderness.  
Give me a heart like David, Lord be my defense.  
So I can face my giants with confidence.

You took a shepherd boy and made him a King.  
So, I'm gonna trust You and give You everything.  
I'll be a conqueror 'Cause You fight for me.  
I'll be a champion, claiming Your victory.

*Chorus*

*Bridge* I'm gonna sing and shout and shake the walls;  
I won't stop until I see 'em fall;  
Gonna stand up, step out when You call, Jesus (Jesus)  
*Repeat*

*Chorus* x 2

*Ending* So I can face my giants with confidence.  
I'll face my giants with confidence.

### ***Jesus Strong And Kind***

Jesus said that if I thirst, I should come to him.  
No one else can satisfy; I should come to him.

Jesus said if I am weak, I should come to him.  
No one else can be my strength, I should come to him.

*Chorus* For the Lord is good and faithful;  
He will keep us day and night.  
We can always run to Jesus - Jesus strong and kind.

Jesus said that if I fear, I should come to him.  
No one else can be my shield, I should come to him.

*Chorus*

Jesus said if I am lost, He will come to me.  
And he showed me on that cross, He will come to me.

*End* For the Lord is good and faithful;  
He will keep us day and night.  
We can always run to Jesus - Jesus strong and kind.  
For the Lord is good and faithful;  
He will keep us day and night.  
We can always run to Jesus - Jesus strong and kind;  
Jesus strong and kind.

**MINUTE FOR MISSION** *Samaritan's Purse Mission Trip* John Stroud

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** Don Ferrell

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Most holy and merciful God we praise you in your holiness and glory, a glory we cannot see, but which once was made visible in the face of Christ your son. In that glory, O God, we one day hope to share, not for any merit or accomplishment of our own, but because you have sought us out, found us in our fallenness, and have begun in us the work of restoration. Yet how unwilling we are to work with you, to part with our old ways, to bear with discomfort or inconvenience, to walk the way of selfless love our Savior walked for us. Forgive us for our stubbornness and pride. Let our lives point everyone to the glory of our Lord Jesus. In his name we ask. 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: "Pillars of Discipleship - First Things First "**

Pastor Jeff Ogden

**Scripture: Mark 12:28-34**

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### **WORSHIP SONG**

#### ***\*All The People Said, "Amen!"***

You are not alone if you are lonely.  
When you feel afraid, you're not the only.  
We are all the same, in need of mercy,  
To be forgiven and be free.  
It's all you got to lean on,  
But thank God, it's all you need.

*Chorus* And all the people said, "Amen." Whoa -  
And all the people said, "Amen."  
Give thanks to the Lord, for His love never ends.  
And all the people said, "Amen."

If you're rich or poor, well it don't matter.  
Weak or strong, you know love is what we're after.  
We're all broken, but we're all in this together.  
God knows we stumble and fall,  
And He so loved the world,  
He sent His son to save us all

*Chorus*

*Bridge* Blessed are the poor in spirit who are torn apart.  
Blessed are the persecuted and the pure in heart.  
Blessed are the people hungry for another start,  
For theirs is the kingdom, the kingdom of God.

*Chorus x2*

### **\*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.

***A THOUGHT FROM CHRISTIANS PAST... "We did not merely say "Be good, come to church." We did not merely say "Keep the commandments" but above all, "Christ is risen, Christ is risen!"***

***Thomas Merton***