

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love. We have not loved our neighbors, and we have refused to hear the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## 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 Harvest of the Earth"*

Pastor Jeff Ogden

*Scripture: Revelation 14:1-20*

<sup>1</sup>Then I looked, and there before me was the Lamb, standing on Mount Zion, and with him 144,000 who had his name and his Father's name written on their foreheads. <sup>2</sup> And I heard a sound from heaven like the roar of rushing waters and like a loud peal of thunder. The sound I heard was like that of harpists playing their harps. <sup>3</sup> And they sang a new song before the throne and before the four living creatures and the elders. No one could learn the song except the 144,000 who had been redeemed from the earth. <sup>4</sup> These are those who did not defile themselves with women, for they kept themselves pure. They follow the Lamb wherever he goes. They were purchased from among men and offered as firstfruits to God and the Lamb. <sup>5</sup>No lie was found in their mouths; they are blameless.

<sup>6</sup> Then I saw another angel flying in midair, and he had the eternal gospel to proclaim to those who live on the earth-- to every nation, tribe, language and people.

<sup>7</sup> He said in a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come. Worship him who made the heavens, the earth, the sea and the springs of water."

<sup>8</sup> A second angel followed and said, "Fallen! Fallen is Babylon the Great, which made all the nations drink the maddening wine of her adulteries."

<sup>9</sup> A third angel followed them and said in a loud voice: "If anyone worships the beast and his image and receives his mark on the forehead or on the hand, <sup>10</sup> he, too, will drink of the wine of God's fury, which has been poured full strength into the cup of his wrath. He will be tormented with burning sulfur in the presence of the holy angels and of the Lamb. <sup>11</sup> And the smoke of their torment rises for ever and ever. There is no rest day or night for those who worship the beast and his image, or for anyone who receives the mark of his name." <sup>12</sup> This calls for patient endurance on the part of the saints who obey God's commandments and remain faithful to Jesus.

<sup>13</sup> Then I heard a voice from heaven say, "Write: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on." "Yes," says the Spirit, "they will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them." <sup>14</sup> I looked, and there before me was a white cloud, and seated on the cloud was one "like a son of man" with a crown of gold on his head and a sharp sickle in his hand.

<sup>15</sup> Then another angel came out of the temple and called in a loud voice to him who was sitting on the cloud, "Take your sickle and reap, because the time to reap has come, for the harvest of the earth is ripe." <sup>16</sup> So he who was seated on the cloud swung his sickle over the earth, and the earth was harvested.

<sup>17</sup> Another angel came out of the temple in heaven, and he too had a sharp sickle. <sup>18</sup> Still another angel, who had charge of the fire, came from the altar and called in a loud voice to him who had the sharp sickle, "Take your sharp sickle and gather the clusters of grapes from the earth's vine, because its grapes are ripe."

<sup>19</sup> The angel swung his sickle on the earth, gathered its grapes and threw them into the great winepress of God's wrath. <sup>20</sup> They were trampled in the winepress outside the city, and blood flowed out of the press, rising as high as the horses' bridles for a distance of 1,600 stadia.

## ~ SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER ~

### INVITATION

### SERVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

### WORSHIP SONG

#### *\*Mighty to Save*

Everyone needs compassion,  
Love that's never failing -  
Let mercy fall on me.  
Everyone needs forgiveness,  
The kindness of a Savior -  
The hope of nations

*Chorus* Savior - He can move the mountains  
My God is mighty to save, He is mighty to save!  
Forever - Author of salvation,  
He rose and conquered the grave,  
Jesus conquered the grave!

So take me as You find me, all my fears and failures -  
Fill my life again. I give my life to follow  
Everything I believe in - now I surrender.

*Chorus* Savior - He can move the mountains  
My God is mighty to save, He is mighty to save!  
Forever - Author of salvation,  
He rose and conquered the grave,  
Jesus conquered the grave!

*Bridge* Shine your light and - let the whole world see  
We're singing - for the glory of the risen King  
Jesus - shine your light and - let the whole world see  
We're singing - for the glory of the risen King!

*Chorus* Savior - He can move the mountains  
My God is mighty to save, He is mighty to save!  
Forever - Author of salvation,  
He rose and conquered the grave,  
Jesus conquered the grave!

### PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGIVING

#### \*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 will please stand.*

*Thank you for silencing your cell phones during worship.*

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*Our Prayers:* Craig Young - back surgery; Shirley Rowley - healing from cancer; Sherry Gray - evacuated from home due to a fire nearby; Doris Spain - continued restoration of her home; all affected by the fires; healing for everyone with cancer; preschool and K-5 programs; those serving our nation and their families; our nation and leaders.

*A THOUGHT FROM CHRISTIANS PAST ... "RIGHT at the beginning of his Sermon on the Mount, Jesus contradicted all human judgments and all nationalistic expectations of the kingdom of God. The kingdom is given to the poor, not the rich; the feeble, not the mighty; to little children humble enough to accept it, not to soldiers who boast that they can obtain it by their own prowess." John R. W. Stott*

## THE LORD'S SUPPER

**WE ARE CELEBRATING OUR LORD'S SUPPER** this morning. Membership is not a requirement to share in communion at The Village Church. 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.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**LAST OUTDOORWORSHIP OF THE SEASON - TODAY.** Thank you to all of the staff and volunteers for a blessed outdoor worship season. Next Sunday, 10/11 both 8 & 10AM services will be in the Sanctuary and live streamed via YouTube.

**SPECIAL DEACON FUND OFFERINGS** are received each Sunday we share in our Lord's Supper. Funds received are used to assist members of The Village Church family and others in times of serious need--such as medical emergencies, clothing and utility bills. One of the ministries supported through these funds is our Food Closet.

**COVENANT PARTNER(NEW MEMBERS) INFORMATIONAL MEETING -** October 18<sup>th</sup> at Noon via Zoom. Are you interested in learning what it means to be a Covenant Partner of our ECO church? Pastor Jeff will lead an informational meeting about how you can become a part of our faith community by joining our church. Please send an email to [apayne@thevillagechurchnv.org](mailto:apayne@thevillagechurchnv.org) if interested in attending.

**CHURCH HIKES -** Hikes are on Saturdays at 8:00am meet in Church parking lot at 7:50am (no carpooling & social distancing required).

**DEACON'S MEETING - NEXT SUNDAY.** Our Deacons will meet next Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. via Zoom meeting.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD** is just around the corner! It is time to start thinking about packing a box (or two) to help share the message of the gospel - and the joy of Christmas - around the world! More info during next Sunday's Minute for Mission - boxes are due at the church by November 15<sup>th</sup>.

**SESSION MEETING -** Our Session will meet on Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. via Zoom meeting.

**PRAYER GROUP.** Pastor Jeff will be having a prayer group via Zoom on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.

**GARDENING VOLUNTEER GROUP.** The Church would love to have a group of volunteers to take care of the gardening needs around the church. Please email [apayne@thevillagechurchnv.org](mailto:apayne@thevillagechurchnv.org) if you are interesting in joining this ministry.

**VILLAGE CHRISTIAN THRIFT SHOP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.** With the new expansion, the Thrift Shop needs more volunteers (men & women) to support the ministry. To volunteer please contact Linda Robbins 775 831-5200, Vickie Twichell 775 434-5830, or Tony Conragan (775) 830-0566. The Thrift Shop days of operation are Monday-Saturday 11:00am-3:00pm.

**NEED A HELPING HAND?** The Deacons are available to provide a meal and/or transportation to anyone who needs it. For more information, contact Annie Payne in the Church Office at 775-831-0784.

**WINTER COAT DRIVE.** The Deacons are asking for donations of gently used winter coats for the December food box distribution. All coat donations should be placed in the red & green barrels found in the Church Narthex. For more information, contact Annie Payne in the Church Office at 775-831-0784.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.** Our Sunday School is in need of volunteers to teach Sunday School. Please email to Darlene Nilsson at [dac0857@gmail.com](mailto:dac0857@gmail.com) if you are interested in helping.

