

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD. Thank you to all who provided boxes full of goodies, online boxes, or postage for the boxes for Operation Christmas Child. Thanks to all who contributed to this wonderful ministry to children throughout the world. Thank you Lynn and Ed Windham and all of the volunteers who helped with Operation Christmas Child this year, including being a drop-off location. The drop-off collected a total of 270 boxes which included our church's 155 physical boxes. 211 boxes were built online this year by our church family.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS. Each year we look forward to the beauty the poinsettia flowers bring to our Sanctuary during this season. If you would like to purchase a plant through our church and dedicate it in celebration of a special occasion or person, or in memory of a loved one, forms are available on the Narthex counters. The cost of each plant is \$10.00 and you may take them home after the last Christmas Eve service. Please make your check out to The Village Church and designate "poinsettia" on the memo line.

STEWARDSHIP. We are continuing our stewardship campaign for 2022. We ask you to prayerfully consider how you will use your time, talents, and finances to help the ministry of The Village Church. Thank you for your participation in furthering God's kingdom through this church.

ADVENT BEGINS THIS SUNDAY We need volunteers to read the Advent scriptures and then light the Advent Candles. Also, Advent devotionals are available at the church.

WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP: We are trying to reorganize this group to fit more schedules. Please email apayne@thevillagechurchnv.org the day and time that works best for you and if you are interested in joining.

NEW RENO SMALL GROUP. We are currently forming a new Reno small group. We have a host for this group in South Reno. This group would meet once a week on Monday Evenings at 6:00p.m. The first meeting will be a holiday meet & greet on December 13th at 6:00p.m. Then will have regular meetings starting in January. Please email the church office at apayne@thevillagechurchnv.org if you would like to join this group.

GRIEF SHARE GROUP: Mondays at 5:00p.m. Pastor Tony is leading this group.

PASTOR TONY OFFICE HOURS. Pastor Tony's office hours at the church are Mondays from 3:45p.m. to 4:45p.m. to meet with people for pastoral counseling.

GRIEF GROUP "GETTING THROUGH THE HOLIDAYS." This is a group lead by Sue Maturlo on December 2nd and 9th from 5:30p.m. to 7:00p.m.

UNABLE TO ATTEND A WORSHIP SERVICE? Both 8:00a.m. and 10:00a.m. services are live-streamed via YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYxkLpF6IPmZSf5b-SJEXA>.

SAVE THE DATE!

December 5th: Second Sunday in Advent; Lord's Supper; Potluck; Visioning; Dedication Sunday
December 12th: Third Sunday in Advent
December 13th: New Reno Small Group Meet & Greet
December 15th: Preschool Happy Birthday Jesus Celebration
December 18th: Winter Warmth & Wellness Community Event
December 19th: Fourth Sunday in Advent
December 24th: Christmas Eve Candlelight Services 5:00p.m. and 7:00p.m.
December 27th to 31st: Preschool closed



First Sunday of Advent

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

November 28, 2021

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 You can also update your contact information and sign up to receive our weekly news updates.

OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 11:1-9

Don Ferrell

SONGS OF WORSHIP

**Blessed Be Your Name*

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful,
Where Your streams of abundance flow; blessed be Your name.
Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place,
When I walk through the wilderness; blessed be Your name.

Pre-Chorus Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord still I will say:

Chorus Blessed be the name of the Lord. Blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord. Blessed be Your glorious name.

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me,
When the world's all as it should be; blessed be Your name.
Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering;
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name.

Pre-Chorus

Chorus

Bridge You give and take away. You give and take away.
My heart will choose to say, "Lord, blessed be Your name."
(repeat)

Chorus (repeat)

Give Me Jesus

In the morning when I rise, in the morning when I rise
In the morning when I rise, give me Jesus.

Chorus Give me Jesus, give me Jesus
You can have all this world, just give me Jesus.

When I am alone, when I am alone
Oh, when I am alone, give me Jesus.

Chorus

When I come to die, when I come to die
Oh when I come to die, give me Jesus.

Chorus

Ending Give me Jesus; give me Jesus;
You can have all this world; you can have all this world;
You can have all this world, just give me Jesus.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES

PRESCHOOL SONG *Jesus, Strong and Kind*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, so often we take you for granted. We take for granted that you will answer our prayers, that you will heal us and make us whole. We take for granted that you love us. Forgive us for not appreciating your grace and presence in our lives. Help us to be more thankful. Give us faith to see you in everything and everyone around us, so that we may be truly grateful. In Christ's name we pray. 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: "Jesus"

Pastor Jeff Ogden

Scripture: Matthew 1:18-25

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****What a Beautiful Name***

You were the Word at the beginning, One with God the Lord Most High;
Your hidden glory in creation now revealed in You our Christ.

Chorus What a beautiful Name it is; what a beautiful Name it is;
The Name of Jesus Christ, my King.
What a beautiful Name it is; nothing compares to this;
What a beautiful Name it is; the Name of Jesus.

You didn't want heaven without us; so Jesus You brought heaven down;
My sin was great, Your love was greater; what could separate us now.

Chorus 2 What a wonderful Name it is; what a wonderful Name it is;
The Name of Jesus Christ, my King.
What a wonderful Name it is; nothing compares to this;
What a wonderful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.
What a wonderful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.

Bridge Death could not hold You, the veil tore before You,
You silence the boast of sin and grave;
The heavens are roaring, the praise of Your glory,
For You are raised to life again.

You have no rival, You have no equal,
Now and forever God You reign;
Yours is the kingdom, Yours is the glory,
Yours is the Name above all names.

Chorus 3 What a powerful Name it is; what a powerful Name it is;
The Name of Jesus Christ, my King.
What a powerful Name it is, nothing can stand against.
What a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus. *repeat*

Ending What a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.
What a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.

***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*

OUR PRAYERS: George Saavy - healing; Shirley Rowley - death of her husband; Church Visioning; Those traveling this season; Everyone with cancer; Everyone who is grieving the loss of a loved one; Everyone with COVID.

