

~WE MEET GOD THROUGH THE WORD~

Message: "The Forerunner"

Pastor Jeff Ogden

Scriptures: Luke 1:57-80

Pew Bible Pages: 1589 -1590

WORSHIP SONG

\*King of Kings

In the darkness we were waiting,  
Without hope, without light;  
Till from Heaven You came running;  
There was mercy in Your eyes.  
To fulfil the law and prophets.  
To a virgin came the Word;  
From a throne of endless glory;  
To a cradle in the dirt.

Chorus Praise the Father, praise the Son,  
Praise the Spirit, three in one;  
God of Glory, majesty,  
Praise forever to the King of Kings.

To reveal the kingdom coming  
And to reconcile the lost,  
To redeem the whole creation  
You did not despise the cross;  
For even in Your suffering,  
You saw to the other side;  
Knowing this was our salvation,  
Jesus, for our sake, You died.

Chorus

And the morning that You rose,  
All of heaven held its breath  
Till that stone was moved for good,  
For the Lamb had conquered death;  
And the dead rose from their tombs,  
And the angels stood in awe,  
For the souls of all who'd come  
To the Father are restored.

And the Church of Christ was born,  
Then the Spirit lit the flame;  
Now this Gospel truth of old  
Shall not kneel, shall not faint.  
By His blood and in His Name,  
In His freedom, I am free,  
For the love of Jesus Christ  
Who has resurrected me.

Chorus Praise the Father, praise the Son,  
Praise the Spirit, three in one;  
God of Glory, majesty,  
Praise forever to the King of Kings.

\*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE (Please join hands with the people next to you.)

\*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.

Choir \*Those who are able will please stand.

Hallelujah For The Cross

Up to the hill of Calvary  
My Savior went courageously  
And there He bled and died for me  
Hallelujah for the cross  
And on that day the world was changed  
A final perfect lamb was slain  
Let earth and heaven now proclaim  
Hallelujah for the cross

Chorus Hallelujah for the war He fought;  
Love has won death has lost  
Hallelujah for the souls He bought;  
Hallelujah for the cross

What good I've done could never save  
My debt too great for deeds to pay  
But God my Savior made a way  
Hallelujah for the cross  
A slave to sin my life was bound  
But all my chains fell to the ground  
When Jesus' blood came flowing down  
Hallelujah for the cross

Chorus

And when I breathe my final breath  
I'll have no need to fear that rest  
This hope will guide me into death  
Hallelujah for the cross

Chorus x2

Ending Hallelujah for the cross  
Hallelujah for the cross

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Bill Ferrall

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Millie Clarke

Almighty God who inhabits eternity but dwells with those who are of a humble and contrite spirit: before you and our Lord Jesus Christ we confess our sins. We have ignored the presence of your Spirit. We have failed to look for the return of our Savior and Judge. We have been blind to your coming in the suffering of the hungry, the exiled, the destitute, the sick, and the imprisoned. In your great goodness put away our offenses and cleanse us from our sin, and transform us into people who live for Jesus' sake. In His name, 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.

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Prayer

Offering

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From our Church Family

In Our Prayers: Annie, Tom and Max Payne - praise for the birth of Rex; Doug Baker - continued healing; Renee Taylor - death of her brother; John Morris - healing; 2020 mission trips; those suffering with cancer; missionaries; those serving our nation and their families.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES BOARD MEETING: The Women's Ministries Board will meet on Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in the Fireside Room.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR PRESCHOOL CHRISTMAS DINNER. The Preschool needs your help for their annual Christmas play and dinner on Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 p.m. We need volunteers to cook, serve, and cleanup dinner for the party. Volunteers to be at the church by 5:00 p.m. (unless you can only help with the cleanup). The dinner is a simple spaghetti, garlic bread, fruit, and salad/veggies. If possible we would like the volunteers to eat dinner with the preschool families. We also need a volunteer to organize/lead the dinner. Please contact Cindy Liggett [preschool@thevillagechurchnv.org](mailto:preschool@thevillagechurchnv.org) if you would like to volunteer.

OUR SESSION will be meeting on Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. in Room A. Please be in prayer for the leaders of our church.

NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup> our Preschool children will be singing during the 10:00 a.m. worship service. Their families will be in attendance. Please join us in making these families feel welcome.

CHRISTMAS FOOD BOX MINISTRY. The Christmas Food Distribution is one of the ways The Village Church gives back to the community. The schedule is as follows:

Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m.: We will be setting up the Church's Fireside Room for food box packing including making the boxes.

Wednesday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.: We will be packing food boxes in the Fireside Room and can use help. Pizza provided!

Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.: Food box distribution. We can use help hosting applicants and loading food boxes into cars.

CHRISTMAS SING-ALONG AND CHRISTMAS COOKIE EXCHANGE— DECEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup>. Join us for a time of singing our favorite Christmas carols starting at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup> in the Sanctuary. Cookies and hot chocolate will be served in the Fireside Room following the singing. Free admission. Also, if you would like to participate in a cookie exchange, please bring a dozen cookies to share with everyone following the sing-along and a few dozen more to exchange.

YOUTHCOMPASS ROMANIA 2020 MISSION TRIP OPPORTUNITY Tim Gilbert, team leader for The Village Church YouthCompass Mission Team, is organizing a 2020 mission trip to Romania with YouthCompass. The trip is scheduled for April 9<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> 2020. For more information, contact Tim Gilbert.

SAMARITAN'S PURSE 2020 TEXAS MISSION TRIP OPPORTUNITY The Village Church is organizing a 2020 mission trip with Samaritan's Purse. The tentative date is April 26-May 2, 2020 in Rockport, Tx. For more information about this mission trip's rebuild site, go to <https://www.spvolunteer.org/project-response/151>. John Stroud is the 2020 Samaritan's Purse mission trip team leader. For questions He can be contacted at [john.stroud13@gmail.com](mailto:john.stroud13@gmail.com).

CONNECT WITH OUR WORSHIP COMMUNITY. The blue Connect Cards in the pew racks in front of you are a great way to communicate with us. Use a card to let us know if you have a change in your contact information, have a prayer request, or want to connect with Pastor Jeff or various ministries within our church. Also, if you would like to be included in our weekly e-mail "blast," just share your email address with us and check the box on the card to be included.

UNABLE TO ATTEND A WORSHIP SERVICE? Pastor Jeff's 10:00 a.m. sermon is recorded each Sunday. Check out our website at <http://www.thevillagechurchnv.org/sermons/> to hear the sermon you missed.

