

SAVE THE DATE!

December 13th: Preschool & Academy Happy Birthday Jesus Celebration
December 17th: Third Sunday in Advent; Preschool & Academy Children
Singing during 10am
December 21st: Session Meeting
December 24th: Christmas Eve Services morning at 10am and
Evening Candlelight services at 5pm & 7pm
December 25th: Christmas Day – Office, Preschool, & Academy Closed
December 31st: 10am only worship service

IN OUR PRAYERS: Lee Hanowell - Alzheimer; Tim Gilbert - death of his father, Fred; Family of Karen Kraft - comfort in the death of Karen; Guy Fortier - peace and comfort in the death of his wife, Joann; Will Harrison - battling cancer; Vern Tyerman - in the hospital; friends and family with cancer; missionaries throughout the world; those who need the saving grace of Jesus Christ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADVENT SEASON There are Advent devotionals & calendars available at the church.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED For Preschool and Academy Christmas Event. We need your help for their dinner on Wednesday, December 13th at 6:00 p.m. We need volunteers to prep, setup, 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. Please contact Anne Payne apayne@thevillagechurchnv.org if you would like to volunteer.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS. Each year we look forward to the beauty the poinsettia flowers bring to our Sanctuary during this Advent/Christmas 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.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES morning at 10am and evening candlelight services at 5pm & 7pm. Childcare available at the 10am and 5pm.

OFFERING BOXES are located on the rail of the sound booth as you enter the Sanctuary and in the front pews. Just drop your offering in the boxes. We are very appreciative of your financial support of this church.



The Village Church is affiliated with ECO:
A Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians.
For more information, see our website:
www.TheVillageChurchNV.org or www.eco-pres.org.



VIRTUAL CONNECTION CARD
Need to update or add your information to our Church Directory? Just scan this QR code to enter your information. The Village Church is in the process of updating our directory with an improved interface for our friends and



CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP
December 10, 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 You can also update your contact information and sign up to receive our weekly news updates.

OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 11:1-10

Millie Clarke

SONGS OF WORSHIP

**Jesus*

There is a truth older than the ages
There is a promise of things yet to come
There is One born for our salvation - Jesus

There is a light that overwhelms the darkness
There is a kingdom that forever reigns
There is freedom from the chains that bind us – Jesus, Jesus

Chorus Who walks on the waters, Who speaks to the sea,
Who stands in the fire beside me.
He roars like a lion, He bled as the Lamb
He carries my healing in His hands - Jesus

There is a name I call in times of trouble
There is a song that comforts in the night
There is a voice that calms the storm that rages
He is Jesus, Jesus

Chorus

Bridge Messiah, My Savior
There is power in Your name
You're my rock and my Redeemer
There is power in Your name, in Your name

Ending You walk on the waters, You speak to the sea
You stand in the fire beside me
You roar like a lion, You bled as the Lamb
You carry my healing in Your hands
God, You walk on the waters, You speak to the sea
You stand in the fire beside me
You roar like a lion, You bled as the Lamb
You carry my healing in Your hands
Jesus - there is no one like You (x2)

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel!

O come O come Emmanuel
And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear

Chorus Rejoice rejoice Emmanuel
Shall come to thee O Israel

O come O Son of God most high
Deliver us from sinfulness and pride
Restore in us a child-like heart
To consecrate and set us apart

Chorus

Bridge O come O come Emmanuel; O come O come Emmanuel
O come O come Emmanuel; O come O come Emmanuel O O

O come O Savior of this world
The long awaited promise You foretold
And right the wrongs that man has done
We pray Your glorious Kingdom come

Chorus

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE & LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*Unison Reading*)

God of the future, you are coming in power to bring all nations under your rule. We confess that we have not expected your kingdom, for we live casual lives, ignoring your promised judgment. We accept lies as truth, preferring to hide in the darkness rather than walk in your light. We have coveted what is not ours, been prideful and angry, disrespectful towards authority, and ungrateful towards your love. In your mercy, forgive us. Grant us wisdom to welcome your lordship, and to seek things that will endure when Christ comes to judge the world. In his 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: "A Prophet Like Moses"

Scripture: Deuteronomy 18:15-22

Pastor Jeff Ogden

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WORSHIP SONG

****Less Like Me***

Oh, I have days I lose the fight
Try my best but just don't get it right.
Where I talk a talk that I don't walk
And miss the moments right before my eyes.

Pre-Chorus Somebody with a hurt that I could have helped,
Somebody with a hand that I could have held;
When I just can't see past myself, Lord help me be:

Chorus A little more like mercy, a little more like grace.
A little more like kindness, goodness, love, and faith;
A little more like patience, a little more like peace;
A little more like Jesus, a little less like me.

Yeah, there's no denying I have changed;
I've been saved from who I used to be.
But, even at my best, I must confess
I still need help to see the way You see.

Pre-Chorus

Chorus

Bridge Oh, to feed the beggar on the street,
Love to be Your hands and feet
Freely give what I receive - Lord help me be;
I want to put You first above all else,
Love my neighbor as myself.
In the moments no one sees, Lord help me be:

Chorus

Ending A little more I'm living everything I preach;
A little more like Jesus, a little less like me.

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.

**For those who are able, please stand.*

A THOUGHT FROM CHRISTIANS PAST... "TRUE CHRISTIANITY IS nothing but the continual dependence upon God through Christ for all life, light, and virtue; and the false religion of Satan is to seek that goodness from any other source."—William Law