

SAVE THE DATE!

January 1st: Happy New Year! Communion Sunday; Worship at 10:00 a.m. No 8:00 a.m. service.

January 15th: Update on Visioning project

January 18th: Annual Reports Due

January 19th: Session Meeting

January 29th: Installation and Ordination of Church Officers

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS. Our Advent and Christmas season was very busy for our church leaders, volunteers, and staff from sharing music of the season to keeping the church clean, from decorating the church to special services, and so much more - everyone's extra ministry efforts are greatly appreciated.

NEST SUNDAY, JANUARY 1ST we will hold one worship service at 10:00 a.m. Join us to start the New Year praising God and praying for 2023.

PRE-SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CLOSURE: The Preschool will be closed until Monday, January 2nd. The Church office will be open.

VISIONING UPDATES. Progress on the Visioning project will be shared on the third Sunday of the month following the 10:00 a.m. worship service. Next update is January 15th. 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 5:00 p.m. 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 18th. 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 29st 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 called The Village.



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

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CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

**Sunday, December 25, 2022
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

Psalm 96

Keith Hansen

SONG OF WORSHIP

****O Come, All Ye Faithful***

Hymn #193

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem.
Come and behold Him, born the King of angels;

Chorus O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation;
O sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God, all glory in the highest;

Chorus

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning;
Jesus, to Thee be glory given;
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing.

Chorus

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

LITANY FOR CHRISTMAS

Leader: The Word was made flesh,

People: Alleluia, Alleluia!

Leader: and dwelt among us,

People: Alleluia, Alleluia!

Leader: Jesus, Son of the living God, splendor of the Father, Light eternal:

People: Glory to you, O Lord!

Leader: Jesus, King of glory, Son of righteousness, born of the Virgin Mary:

People: Glory to you, O Lord!

Leader: Jesus, Wonderful Counselor, mighty God, everlasting Lord:

People: Glory to you, O Lord!

Leader: Jesus, Prince of Peace, Shepherd of souls, perfect in holiness:

People: Glory to you, O Lord!

Leader: Jesus, Friend of all, Protector of the poor, Treasure of the faithful:

People: Glory to you, O Lord!

Leader: Jesus, Good Shepherd, inexhaustible Wisdom, our Way, our Truth,
and our Life:

People: Glory to you, O Lord!

Leader: Jesus, joy of the angels, and crown of all the saints:

People: Glory to you, O Lord!

Leader: Christ is born! Give him glory! Christ has come down from heaven!
Receive him! Christ now reigns! Exalt him! O earth, sing to the
Lord! O you nations, praise him in joy, for he has been glorified!
Amen

~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.

SPECIAL MUSIC

A Christmas Fanfare

Nika Ogden

~WE MEET GOD THROUGH THE WORD~

Message: *"The Desert Shall Bloom"*

Pastor Jeff Ogden

Scripture: *Isaiah 35:1-10*

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WORSHIP SONG

**Go Tell It On The Mountain*

Chorus Go tell it on the mountain,
Over the hills and everywhere;
Go tell it on the mountains
That Jesus Christ is born!

While shepherds kept their watching
O'er silent flocks by night,
Behold throughout the heavens
There shone a holy light.

Chorus

The shepherds feared and trembled
When lo above the earth,
Rang out the angel chorus
That hailed the Savior's birth.

Chorus

Down in a lowly manger
The humble Christ was born,
And God sent us salvation
That blessed Christmas morn.

Chorus

*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*

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; those struggling during the Christmas season; discernment and God's will for our nation's leaders; people looking for housing; healing for those battling cancer.

A THOUGHT FROM CHRISTIANS PAST... "We must never allow anything to blind us to the true significance of what happened at Bethlehem so long ago. Nothing can alter the fact that we live on a visited planet." J. B. Phillips