

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE'VE BEEN SO BLESSED to have Pastor Tony in our midst all these years. This will be his last Sunday preaching the Gospel for us as one of our staff. We hope and pray he will return as a guest preacher in the future!

TODAY IS THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT. It's not too late to pick up a Lenten devotional. They are available on the counters in the Narthex.

NEW MEMBER RETREAT. Are you interested in what it means to be a Covenant Partner of The Village Church? You are encouraged to attend a new member retreat on March 15th and 16th. We will gather for dinner and study on Friday night, March 15th from 6:00pm to 8:30pm. On Saturday, March 16th, we will meet from 8:30am to 1:00pm. Breakfast and lunch will be served on Saturday. Please RSVP to the Church office if you are interested.

WE WILL BE CELEBRATING PASTOR TONY'S many years of service to our Church with a "Summer Picnic" theme potluck on March 3rd. The church will provide hamburgers and hot dogs. Bring a picnic-type side. Pastor Tony's last day with us will be March 24th. Join us for another celebration with cake!

EASTER SUNDAY IS MARCH 31ST. We will be hosting an Easter brunch following the 10:00am worship service. It takes a Village to make this happen! Please put your name down on the sign-up sheets in the Narthex to bring something for the brunch - an egg dish, sweet rolls, fresh fruit, etc.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY meets Mondays at 6:00pm at the Church House.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY meets Wednesday mornings at 6:30pm in the Fireside Room.

GRIEF SHARE GROUP meets Mondays at 5:00pm in the Fireside Room. Pastor Tony leads this group.

HOSPITALITY REQUEST: During the winter months we have less people on our hospitality teams that provide treats for Sundays. Please email Annie at apayne@thevillagechurchnv.org if you would like to get on a list to help with the shortfall during the winter months.

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.

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SAVE THE DATE!

- March 3rd: "Summer Picnic" Potluck for Pastor Tony
- March 10th: Daylight Savings; Deacons Meeting
- March 15th and 16th: New Covenant Partner (Member) Retreat
- March 21st: Session Meeting
- March 24th: Palm Sunday; Pastor Tony's last day
- March 28th: Maundy Thursday Service 7:00pm in the Sanctuary
- March 29th: Good Friday Service 7:00pm at Cornerstone Church
- March 31st: Easter Sunday; Easter Brunch



2nd Sunday in Lent
**CELEBRATION
OF
WORSHIP**
February 25, 2024
10:00 A.M.



~WE WORSHIP THE LORD~

WELCOME & NEWS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor Tony Conragan

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 use the blue Connect Card in the pew racks. Just scan the QR code on the card or on the back of the bulletin. Or, fill out the card and drop it into the offering box.

OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 27

Millie Clarke

SONGS OF WORSHIP

**Battle Belongs*

When all I see is the battle, You see my victory.
When all I see is a mountain, You see a mountain moved.
And as I walk through the shadow, Your love surrounds me.
There's nothing to fear, now, for I am safe with You.

Chorus So, when I fight, I'll fight on my knees with my hands lifted high
Oh God, the battle belongs to You.
And every fear I lay at Your feet, I'll sing through the night.
Oh God, the battle belongs to You.

And if You are for me, who can be against me?
For Jesus there's nothing impossible for You.
When all I see are the ashes, You see the beauty;
When all I see is a cross, God, You see the empty tomb.

Chorus

Bridge Almighty Fortress, You go before us;
Nothing can stand against the power of our God.
You shine in the shadows, You win every battle;
Nothing can stand against the power of our God.
Repeat

Ending So, when I fight, I'll fight on my knees with my hands lifted high
Oh God, the battle belongs to You.
And every fear I lay at Your feet, I'll sing through the night.
Oh God, the battle belongs to You;
Oh God, the battle belongs to You.

***Goodness Of God**

I love You Lord. Oh, Your mercy never fails me.
All my days I've been held in Your hands.
From the moment that I wake up until I lay my head,
I will sing of the goodness of God.

Chorus All my life You have been faithful.
All my life You have been so, so good.
With every breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God.

I love Your voice. You have led me through the fire.
In darkest night, You are close like no other.
I've known You as a father, I've known You as a friend.
I have lived in the goodness of God

Chorus

Bridge Your goodness is running after, it's running after me.
Your goodness is running after, It's running after me.
With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now;
I give You everything. Your goodness is running after,
It's running after me. *Repeat*

End All my life You have been faithful.
All my life You have been so, so good.
With every breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God;
I will sing of the goodness of God;
I will sing of the goodness of God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light, and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. 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 Title: "Mission Possible"

Pastor Tony Conragan

Text: Luke 8:40-56

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WORSHIP SONG

***Holy Forever**

A thousand generations falling down in worship
To sing the song of ages to the Lamb,
And all who've gone before us
And all who will believe
Will sing the song of ages to the Lamb.

Pre-Chorus Your name is the highest, Your name is the greatest,
Your name stands above them all. All thrones and dominions,
All powers and positions, Your name stands above them all
Jesus - Your name is the highest, Your name is the greatest,
Your name stands above them all. All thrones and dominions,
All powers and positions, Your name stands above them all.

Chorus 1 And the angels cry, "Holy." All creation cries, "Holy."
You are lifted high, Holy, Holy forever.

If you've been forgiven and if you've been redeemed,
Sing the song forever to the Lamb.
If you walk in freedom and if you bear His name,
Sing the song forever to the Lamb.
We'll sing the song forever and amen.

Pre-Chorus

Chorus 1

End Hear Your people sing, "Holy." To the King of Kings, Holy.
You will always be Holy, Holy forever.
You will always be Holy, Holy forever.

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.

IN OUR PRAYERS: Linka Parlee - healing from a skull fracture; Keelan McNulty - healing from back surgery; friends & family with cancer; missionaries throughout the world; those who need the saving grace of Jesus; youth in our community - for protection and wise decision-making.

A THOUGHT FROM CHRISTIANS PAST... "Abide in the vine. Let the life from him flow through all your spiritual veins."
Hannah Whitall Smith