

*IN OUR PRAYERS: Tiffany and Rob Kenyon -the birth of baby Caleb; Lee Hanowell - Alzheimer's; Will Harrison - battling cancer; friends and 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.*

### THE LORD'S SUPPER

WE ARE CELEBRATING OUR LORD'S SUPPER this morning. Membership is not a requirement to share in communion with us. All those who repent and profess faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and baptized children being raised in the faith are invited to participate in this Sacrament. If you are not able to receive communion, please use this time to meditate on one of the following prayers.

*A PRAYER OF PERSONS SEARCHING FOR TRUTH:* Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and leads to the life you promise. Amen.

*A PRAYER OF BELIEF:* Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

### SAVE THE DATE!

February 14<sup>th</sup>: Ash Wednesday  
March 24<sup>th</sup>: Palm Sunday; Pastor Tony's last day  
March 28<sup>th</sup>: Maundy Thursday  
March 29<sup>th</sup>: Good Friday  
March 31<sup>st</sup>: Easter Sunday

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TODAY.** Join your church family following the 10:00am worship service for our Annual Meeting. We will hear from various ministries of our church and the budget for 2024 will be available.

**CHILI POTLUCK LUNCH TODAY.** We will join together for a potluck lunch prior to our Annual Meeting. Please bring your favorite chili or a side dish to go with chili.

**NEW WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** is starting Monday night, January 29<sup>th</sup>. Join Karen Ferrell at 6:00pm in the Church House.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY.** Join Pastor Jeff in the Fireside Room on Wednesday evenings at 6:00pm for a Bible study based on his weekly sermon.

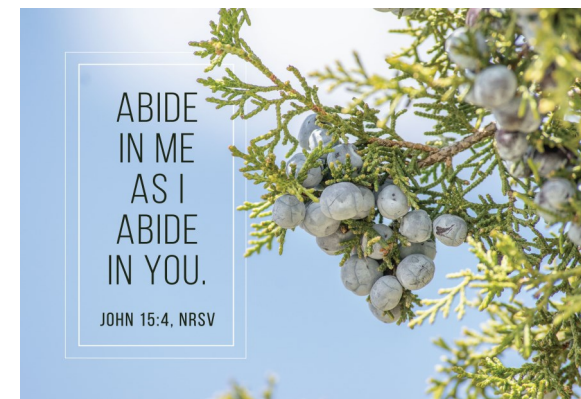
**GRIEF SHARE GROUP** has started back up. The group meets Mondays at 5:00pm. Pastor Tony leads this group.

**HOSPITALITY REQUEST:** During the winter months we have less people on our hospitality teams that provide treats for Sundays. Please email [apayne@thevillagechurchny.org](mailto:apayne@thevillagechurchny.org) if you would like to get on a list to help with the shortfall during the winter months. We will have a signup sheet where you can pick the Sunday you would like to help out.

**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 Lord's Supper  
CELEBRATION  
OF WORSHIP  
February 4, 2024  
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 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 80*

Tim Gilbert

#### **SONGS OF WORSHIP**

##### *\*Great Are You Lord*

You give life, You are love,  
You bring light to the darkness;  
You give hope, You restore ev'ry heart that is broken  
And great are You Lord.

*Chorus* It's Your breath in our lungs  
So we pour out our praise,  
We pour out our praise;  
It's Your breath in our lungs  
So we pour out our praise to You, only.

You give life, You are love,  
You bring light to the darkness;  
You give hope, You restore ev'ry heart that is broken  
And great are You Lord.

##### *Chorus*

*Bridge* And all the earth will shout Your praise;  
Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing,  
"Great are You Lord!"  
And all the earth will shout Your praise;  
Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing,  
"Great are You Lord!"

*Chorus x2*

### ***\*My Lighthouse***

In my wrestling and in my doubts In my failures, You won't walk out;  
Your great love will lead me through - You are the peace  
In my troubled sea, oh, You are the peace in my troubled sea!

In the silence, You won't let go; in the questions, Your truth will hold;  
Your great love will lead me through; You are the peace  
In my troubled sea, oh, You are the peace in my troubled sea!

*Chorus* My Lighthouse, my Lighthouse - shining in the darkness,  
I will follow You, oh, my Lighthouse, my Lighthouse -  
I will trust the promise You will carry me safe to shore,  
Safe to shore, safe to shore, safe to shore.

I won't fear what tomorrow brings, With each morning I'll rise and sing;  
My God's love will lead me through - You are the peace  
In my troubled sea, oh You are the peace in my troubled sea!

*Chorus*

*Bridge* Fire before us, You're the brightest,  
You will lead us through the storms;  
Fire before us, You're the brightest,  
You will lead us through the storms;  
Fire before us, You're the brightest,  
You will lead us through the storms.

*Chorus*

### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

#### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

O merciful Father, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We do not deserve your compassion, but in compassion for your sinful people you sent your Son, Jesus Christ to be the Savior of the world. Grant us grace to truly lament our share in the evil which made it necessary for him to suffer and to die for our salvation. Help us by self-denial, prayer, and meditation to cleanse our hearts, repent more deeply, and live better lives. Give us a true longing to be free from sin, through the deliverance paid for by Jesus Christ, our only Redeemer. 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: "Abiding in Jesus"**

Pastor Jeff Ogden

**Scripture: John 15:1-8**

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### **SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

#### **INVITATION**

#### **SERVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP**

#### **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*

*Chorus 2* Hear Your people sing, "Holy." To the King of Kings, Holy.  
You will always be Holy, Holy forever.

*End* You will always be Holy, Holy forever.

#### **PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGIVING**

#### **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.

***A THOUGHT FROM CHRISTIANS PAST... "We are saved to know God, to enter his wonder-filled Presence through the new and living way and remain in that Presence forever. We are called to an everlasting preoccupation with God." A. W. Tozer***