

### SAVE THE DATE!

September 25<sup>th</sup>: Grief Share Group  
September 26<sup>th</sup>: Women's Ministry Board Meeting  
September 27<sup>th</sup>: Great News Club starts back up  
September 30<sup>th</sup>: Fall Church Workday  
October 1<sup>st</sup>: Communion; Covered Dish Potluck  
October 13<sup>th</sup>: Mission Committee Meeting  
October 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>: Women's Retreat – Cornerstone  
October 21<sup>st</sup>: Winter Warm & Wellness Event – Event Center in KB  
October 29<sup>th</sup>: Church Townhall Meeting – Update on all of the progress

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD IS HERE!** It is time to start packing boxes to help share the message of the gospel around the world! Boxes are available at the church. Packed boxes are due at the church by November 19<sup>th</sup>. To build a box online please use this link <https://build-a-shoebox.samaritanspurse.org/goal/view/8370b0bb-846a-46b2-8c3c-bbd3d36fc9ec>

**COMMUNION NEXT SUNDAY** October 1<sup>st</sup> during both services.

**COVERED DISH POTLUCK** October 1<sup>st</sup>. The Church will provide rolls. Please bring your favorite covered dish to share.

**SPECIAL DEACON FUND OFFERINGS** are received each Sunday when we share in our Lord's Supper. Funds received are used to assist members of The Village Church family and others in times of serious need and to purchase the food for the food boxes we give out. Prayerfully consider giving to this ministry.

**FALL CHURCH WORK DAY** will be Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup>. We will be gathering at 9:00 a.m. in our Fireside Room. We will prepare our church for winter. We aim to complete our tasks by noon and enjoy a lunch together. If you have extra IVGID yard waste stickers for pine needles, please drop them off at the church.

**HELP NEEDED!** Our Sunday School is growing and we are excited, however we need an extra hand/extra adult support (no prep necessary). If you could volunteer just once a quarter that would be a big help. Please contact Debra [debra@thevillagechurchnv.org](mailto:debra@thevillagechurchnv.org) for more info and to volunteer.

**GRIEF SHARE** meets on Monday nights at 5:00pm in the Fireside Room. Contact Pastor Tony for more information.

**THE ANNUAL WINTER, WARMTH, AND WELLNESS** distribution will take place Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> from 10am-2pm at the North Tahoe Event Center in Kings Beach. There are blue bins in the Narthex for collection.

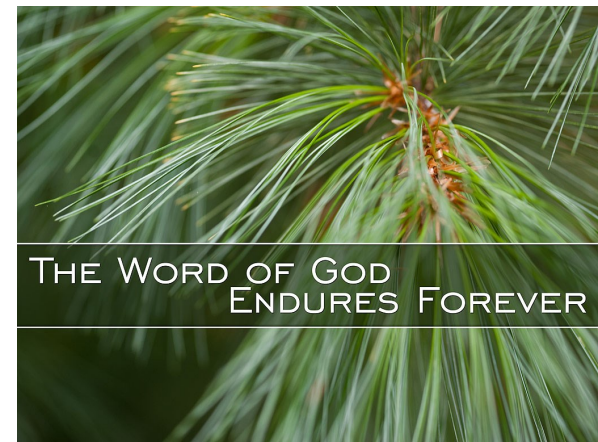
**WOMEN'S RETREAT** – Hosted by Cornerstone Community Church in Incline Village. Dates October 20 & 21<sup>st</sup>. Location is at 300 Country Club Dr. Incline Village. For more info and registration link: <https://ccciv.churchofficechms.com/external/form/7387d719-c3f7-45a6-9395-dd0e88f6debf>

**OFFERING BOXES** are located on the rail of the sound booth as you enter the Sanctuary and in the front pew on the left. Just drop your offering in the boxes.



#### **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 members.



### **CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP**

**September 24, 2023**

**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 email the Church at [info@thevillagechurchnv.org](mailto:info@thevillagechurchnv.org) You can also update your contact information and sign up to receive our weekly news updates.

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

#### **MINUTE FOR MISSION**

Operation Christmas Child

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Psalms 90*

Carol Akey

#### **SONGS OF WORSHIP**

##### ***\*Lord, Reign in Me***

Over all the earth You reign on high  
Every mountain stream, every sunset sky  
But my one request, Lord, my only aim  
Is that You'd reign in me again.

*Chorus* Lord, reign in me, reign in Your power  
Over all my dreams, in my darkest hour,  
You are the Lord of all I am.  
So won't You reign in me again?

Over every thought, over every word  
May my life reflect the beauty of my Lord.  
'Cause You mean more to me than any earthly thing,  
So won't You reign in me again?

*Chorus x2*

***When The Stars Burn Down (Blessing & Honor)***

When the stars burn down and the earth wears out  
And we stand before the throne;  
With the witnesses who have gone before  
We will rise and all applaud.

*Chorus* Singing blessing and honor and glory and power  
Forever to our God;  
Singing blessing and honor and glory and power  
Forever to our God.

When the hands of time wind fully down  
And the earth is rolled up like a scroll;  
The trumpets will call and the world will fall  
To its knees as we all go home.

*Chorus x2*

*Bridge* Star of the morning, Light of salvation - Majesty!  
God of all mysteries, Lord of the universe - Righteous King!  
*Repeat*

There will come a day standing face to face  
In a moment we will be like Him.  
He will wipe our eyes dry, take us up to His side  
And forever we will be His.

*Chorus x2*

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

Village Christian Preschool

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*Unison Reading*)

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.

**ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

*\*Those who are able will please stand*

***A THOUGHT FROM CHRISTIANS PAST...*** "The highest proof of Scripture derives...from the fact that God in person speaks in it." John Calvin

**~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: "Sand Castles"***

Pastor Tony Conragan

***Scripture: 1 Peter 1:23-25***

Pages: 1887-1888

**WORSHIP SONG**

***\*Hallelujah (Your Love is Amazing)***

Your love is amazing, steady and unchanging;  
Your love is a mountain, firm beneath my feet.  
Your love is a mystery, how You gently lift me;  
When I am surrounded, Your love carries me.

*Chorus* Hallelujah, Hallelujah,  
Hallelujah, Your love makes me sing!  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah,  
Hallelujah, Your love makes me sing!

Your love is surprising, I can feel it rising,  
All the joy that's growing, deep inside of me.  
Every time I see You all Your goodness shines through,  
And I can feel this God song, rising up in me.

*Chorus* Hallelujah, Hallelujah,  
Hallelujah, Your love makes me sing!  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah,  
Hallelujah, Your love makes me sing!  
*Repeat*

**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.