



From Pastor Jeff

“Men of Israel, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. This man was handed over to you by God's set purpose and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross. But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him...God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of the fact...Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ.” Acts 2:22-36

For the people of God in Jesus' day, the chief qualification of the Messiah was to be a conquering hero who would rescue them from their enemies. That Jesus' ministry seemingly ended in his crucifixion and death would have been a clear sign to the Jewish people that he was **not** the Messiah. The Messiah was supposed to destroy the Romans, not be beaten and killed by them. When Peter stands up on the day of Pentecost to explain the truth about Jesus, he focuses on the Resurrection, showing that it was God's seal of approval on Jesus' ministry. Jesus came to defeat our real enemies, sin, death, and the devil. On the cross he atones for the sins of his people, and disarms the power of the devil. In the Resurrection he overcomes death and opens the way to eternal life for all who believe. Because of the Resurrection, we know that Jesus' sacrifice is accepted by the Father and that Jesus' ministry was true. Because of the Resurrection, we know we can trust the words of the apostles recorded in the New Testament. Because of the Resurrection, we can have confidence in Jesus and in his word.

So this Easter give thanks for God's acceptance of Jesus and his ministry and for the reality of salvation in his name.



HOLY WEEK EVENTS

PALM SUNDAY

APRIL 14TH

During our 10:00 a.m. service our preschool children will be singing. Plan on joining us in worship on Palm Sunday as we remember and celebrate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem at the start of what we know as Holy Week. Children's Easter Egg Hunt to follow the 10am service.

Easter Egg Hunt



PALM SUNDAY



MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

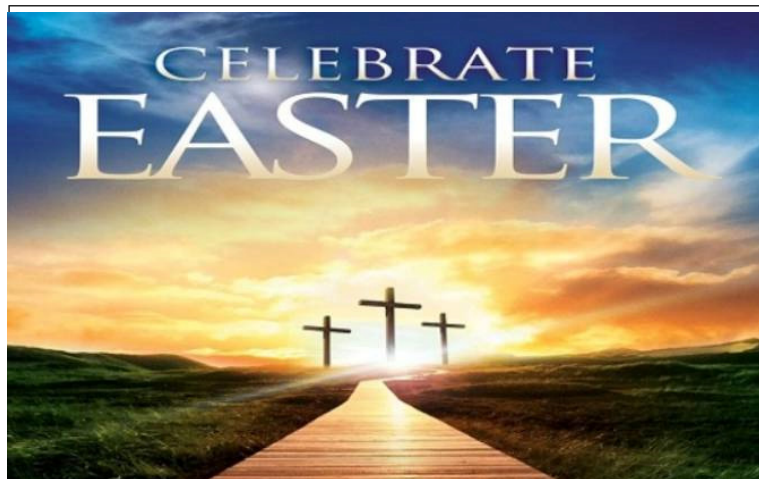
APRIL 18TH

On Maundy Thursday we remember our Lord's last supper with his disciples where he gave them the New Commandment, "Love one another as I have loved you." John 13:34. This year, we will be celebrating Maundy Thursday together with a simple supper of soup and bread, followed by a communion service.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

APRIL 19TH

On Good Friday, April 19th at 6:30pm at Cornerstone Community Church we will be having a joint worship service with us (The Village Church), Cornerstone Community, and New Life Four Square Churches. All are welcome. Please join us!



SPECIAL EASTER SERVICES

APRIL 21ST

We will be having a special **6:30 a.m.** sunrise service at Burnt Cedar Beach in Incline - weather permitting.

We will have both our **8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.** worship services in our Sanctuary. Invite your friends and family to join you in worship on Easter.

Easter Brunch following the 10:00am service.

"He is risen indeed!"



Join Us

Palm Sunday, April 14

10:00 a.m. Preschool Children Singing and Children's Easter Egg Hunt following the service at The Village Church

Maundy Thursday, April 18

6:00 p.m. Supper and Communion Service at The Village Church

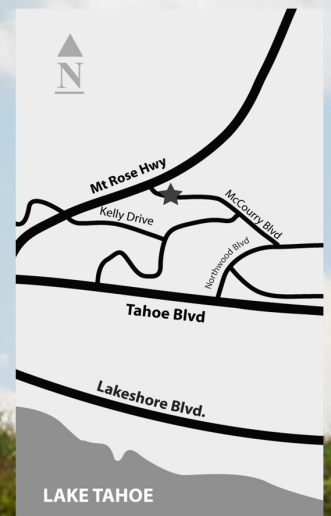
Good Friday, April 19

6:30 p.m. Combined Service at Cornerstone Community Church

Easter Sunday, April 21

6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service at Burnt Cedar Beach (Weather Permitting)
8:00 & 10:00 a.m. at The Village Church (Childcare Available)

Easter Brunch Following the 10:00 a.m. Service.



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DEACON'S EASTER FOOD BOX MINISTRY EVENTS



DEACON'S EASTER FOOD BOX MINISTRY. The Easter Food Distribution is one of the ways the Village Church gives back to the community. The Deacons are working to offer Easter food boxes. The schedule is as follows:

- **Sunday, March 31st at 11:30 a.m.:** We will be setting up the Church's Fireside Room for food box packing including making the boxes.
- **Wednesday, April 3rd at 5:00 p.m.:** We will be packing food boxes in the Fireside Room and can use help. Pizza provided!
- **Saturday, April 6th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.:** Food box distribution. We can use help hosting applicants and loading food boxes into cars.



JOIN OUR CHOIR

The Choir is working on a beautiful Easter anthem and welcome new singers who would like to join us. If you have been thinking of getting involved with the choir but just haven't taken that step yet, this would be the perfect time and opportunity to lift your voice to God in music. The Choir rehearses only on Sunday mornings at 8:15 am in the Fireside Room. Come join us!



BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES



**Kings Beach Small Group
Second and Fourth Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.**

The Kings Beach small group is on the second and fourth Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. at the Ackerman's home. This group is welcome to anyone. Contact Judy or Paul Ackerman for more information.

**Incline Village Small Group
Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.**

The Incline Village small group meets Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. at the Dykstra's home. Village. Everyone is welcome to come. Contact Tim Gilbert for more info.

**Men's Study
Wednesdays at 6:30 a.m.**

Christ, Coffee and Cinnamon Rolls, ministry for men, meets on Wednesday mornings at 6:30 a.m. in our Church's Fireside Room. All men are invited for prayer, Bible study, coffee and breakfast rolls.

**Adult Bible Study
Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.**

Join Pastor Jeff for a study based on his sermon series on Ephesians. This is a great opportunity for learning more about God's Word and to fellowship together.

**Reno Small Group
Thursday April. 25th at 1:00 p.m.**

The Reno small group meets at the at Tanamera Clubhouse 900 S. Meadows Parkway in Reno. Led by Betsy Garfinkle.

SHARE
EASTER
FLOWERS
IN HONOR OR
IN MEMORY OF
A LOVED ONE



If you would like to share Easter Flowers with our church family, please complete the form below and return it to the church office. The flowers are ordered and delivered to the church and will be placed in the Sanctuary for Easter morning. Your celebration or memorial will be printed in the Easter Service bulletin.

Please make your \$10 check out to The Village Church and mark it "Easter Flowers". Drop off your check at the church office or mail the form and your check to:

The Village Church
736 McCourry Blvd.
Incline Village, NV 89451

Deadline for all orders is
Sunday, April 14th

EASTER FLOWER
ORDER FORM

Name _____

No. of Plants _____ Phone _____

In Celebration of _____

In Memory of _____

Please note: the flowers this year will be spring flowers like tulips rather than Easter lilies.

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES EVENTS



**WOMEN'S SNOWSHOE HIKE
APRIL 23RD**

Ladies join us! Whether it's your first time or you are an avid snowshoe hiker come join us for a fun time on Tuesday, April 23rd. We will be meeting at The Village Church at 10 am and then snowshoeing for 2-3 hours. Please bring your snowshoes, poles, a snack/lunch and plenty of water. If you don't have snowshoes call the Church Office 775-831-0784 and we'll try to outfit you.

Say "Yes" to the Prom Dress

Girls, come shop at the library's first ever Prom Boutique! Come pick out your prom dress, shoes, and accessories, all at no charge!

Shopping Days

Friday,
April 26 & May 3
4 - 7 pm

Saturday,
April 27 & May 4
10 am - 2 pm

Enjoy refreshments while you shop!

Sewing machines and seamstress will be available to help you modify your dress and make it your own!



SAVE THE DATE

**WOMEN'S BRUNCH & PRAYER WALK
MAY 18TH**

Ladies, come join us for a special event on May 18th. The Village Church & Cornerstone Community Church are putting together a ladies brunch and prayer walk. We will learn how to "Prayer Walk" with special guest Janet McHenry. Remember to wear comfortable shoes as we'll be doing a short walk.



YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you." Matthew 28:5-7

This month we remember and celebrate the resurrection of Christ. One of the things that sticks out in these verses is the sense of urgency surrounding the resurrection. He is risen! Come see for yourself, and go quickly to tell others about this amazing miracle!

When we think about sharing the Gospel, we tend to think long term. We think we will do it slowly over time, and eventually ease it into our conversations. Over the years, I have seen that the method the angel suggests above is more what's required with youth. This winter has been hard on activity attendance. Lower numbers reminds me not to ever waste time getting to the Gospel. That is probably a good lesson for us in sharing the Gospel too. Our youth groups and Bible studies have been looking at sin and need of a Savior. This month we will talk about the crucifixion, resurrection, and the redemption Christ purchased for us.

As Summer is getting closer, we are looking at camps and Mission trips for the youth. We are currently signing up youth for both Calvin Crest camp, and a Youthworks mission trip to the East Bay. Please contact me about those opportunities or Anne in the church office.

Youth Group - The Upper Room Group meets Wednesdays from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Youth Room. We have some pretty crazy fun playing games and sometimes they are a little on the messy side, and there's time for asking questions, learning about God, the Bible and Jesus Christ. This group is for 6-12th grades.

Youth Bible Study - Souled out meets on Thursdays at 4:00 p.m. at Starbucks in Incline Village. Please join us for a time of learning more and going deeper into the Bible.

Youth Outreach Group - Special Ops is the outreach group. This is a hands-on mission group that teaches the youth to get out and apply the things Jesus taught and show love to people that are in need. We will continue to visit the homeless in Reno. Lunch is provided and please try to be at the church by 11:45am.

As always, your help with supporting youth activities is always welcome and appreciated.

Serving Jesus,
Pastor Tony

The Village Church Youth Bible Study

Thursdays at 4:00 p.m.
at Starbucks
in Incline Village, NV



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VILLAGE CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL PHOTOS





April BIRTHDAYS

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|---------------------|----------------------|
| 4/1 Keith Hansen | 4/17 Carla Peterson |
| 4/7 Mary Hamer | 4/19 Doris Spain |
| 4/10 Karen Schumann | 4/21 Marilyn Merritt |
| 4/12 M.J. Cross | 4/23 Susie Orlady |

Did we forget your birthday?
 Call us at the church office - 775.831.0784
 to be included on our birthday list.

THE VILLAGE CHURCH IS A PRAYING CHURCH!

THE POWER OF PRAYER

Our Lord has placed on the hearts of the leaders of The Village to pray. As a church we provide opportunities during and after our worship services for prayer. We have a group of intercessory prayer folks who gather each Wednesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. to pray for the needs and praises of our congregation and beyond. Please contact Pastor Jeff if you would like to join this special prayer group.

The Village Church is affiliated with:



**Evangelical
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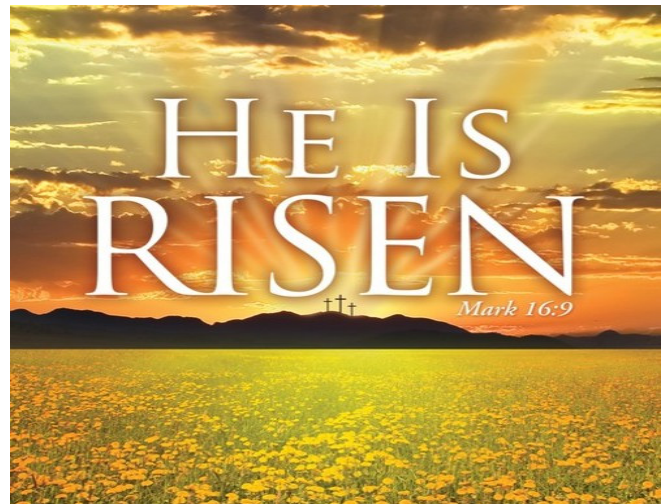
ECO is committed to growing and planting flourishing churches that make disciples of Jesus Christ.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Our regular hours are Tuesday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

INVITE A FRIEND BE A FRIEND

This is the challenge for each of us as we are in Lent and Easter season. Our worship services during the Lent/Easter season are wonderful times to invite friends to worship. People are more open to an invitation to attend church during Easter and Christmas than any other time of year. Be praying for who might ask to come with you and then ask them. This the "Invite a Friend" part of the challenge. But the "Be a Friend" part is to treat everyone who comes through the doors of our church as a friend. Welcome them and treat them as if they were that special person you invited.



PASTORAL CONTACT

In order to provide the best possible pastoral care in time of emergency or crisis, Pastor Jeff has a cell phone. This will allow congregation members the opportunity to contact him during non-office hours should a crisis or emergency situation arise. The phone number is 775.624.4240. If Pastor Jeff doesn't answer, simply leave a voice message and he will attempt to respond as quickly as possible.

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Scripture of the Month:
 "Shower, O heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain down righteousness; let the earth open, that salvation and righteousness may bear fruit; let the earth cause them both to sprout; I the Lord have created it." Isaiah 45:8

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| 7 <i>The Lord's Supper</i> 8 & 10am Worship in Sanctuary 8:15am Choir Practice - F/R 9:15am Praise Team Practice - Sanctuary 10:15am Sunday School 12-3pm SOP H/S Outreach  | 8 Office Closed | 9 2:00pm Staff Meeting 6:30pm Incline Small Group - Dykstra's Home 6:30pm Kings Beach Small Group - Ackerman's Home | 10 6:30am Men's Study - F/R 10:00am Prayer Group - Room A | 11 | 12 | 13 |
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Church Leadership

Paul Ackerman - Deacon

Alfredo Amezaga - Elder

Doug Baker - Deacon

Lynn Bandaruk - Deacon

Ted Bandaruk - Elder

Stephanie Conragan - Preschool Staff

Pastor Tony Conragan, CLP - AV & Youth Pastor

Jim Dykstra - Deacon

Jon Fay - Choir Director

Don Ferrell - Elder

Linda Florentine - Elder

Betsy Garfinkle - Deacon

Mary Gilbert - Christian Education Director

Tim Gilbert - Elder & Custodian

Patti Hanczarek - Preschool Staff

Keith Hansen - Elder

Tasia Irons - Preschool Staff

Cindy Liggett - Preschool Director

Miriella Melara - Deacon

Marilyn Merritt - Deacon

Kira Neil - Preschool Staff

Darlene Nilsson - Elder

Rev. Jeff Ogden - Pastor

Vicki Ogden - Deacon

Annie Payne - Office Manager

Linda Robins - Thrift Shop Manager

Allie Sacci - Preschool Staff

Ann Schofield - Clerk of Session, Elder

Jason Stanton - Accompanist

Lynne Swingley Donat - Deacon

Vickie Twichell - Thrift Shop Manager

Paul Twichell - Elder

Debby Wiens - Pianist

Nichele Young - Women's Ministries Moderator