



### *From Pastor Jeff*

“[H]e said to me, ‘My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.’ Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ’s power may rest on me.” 2 Corinthians 12:9

I’m still processing my experiences on the Youth Mission Trip to San Francisco. I saw things there I had never seen before. People living in the grip of drug and alcohol addiction, in great poverty and sickness. It’s a lot to take in. It seems almost surreal that places like the Tenderloin and the North Shore of Lake Tahoe can be found on the same planet. I definitely felt out of place and way outside my comfort zone the week-long experience.

I knew I would, and that is why I went. I have discovered that my faith in Jesus doesn’t grow if I play it safe all the time. I must put myself in places where I must depend on God if I want to grow in faith. In this respect, spiritual health is like physical health. You must work out and push yourself if you want to grow stronger muscles. Your spiritual muscles need a work out, too! Growing in grace or sanctification requires effort on our part. If we always play it safe, only talk to safe people, only go where we feel comfortable, we stay soft in our faith. But if we are willing to take risks for Jesus, to start conversations with people, to share the Gospel—well, then our faith grows because we find God able to meet our needs in our weakness.

If you are feeling stale in your faith, if God is seeming a little distant, a little unreal or flat, I encourage you to get out of your comfort zone and do something for the Kingdom, something you are not certain about. William Carey, the founder of the modern missions movement, said, “Expect great things from God; attempt great things for God.” If we do, we’ll find we have a great God!



## AUGUST EVENTS



### THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

**August 6<sup>th</sup>**

The Lord's Supper will be celebrated at our Sunday morning worship service on August 6<sup>th</sup>. If you are unable to attend worship and would like to receive this Sacrament, please contact Pastor Jeff to arrange for home Communion.

### DEACON'S MINISTRY

**August 6<sup>th</sup>**

Please support our Deacons' ministry by donating household products such as paper towels and dish soap as well as personal care items such as shampoo and soap. You can place your donations in the basket in the church Narthex. Thank you for helping.



### ALOHA SUNDAY

**Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup>**

Following our 10:00 a.m. service on August 6<sup>th</sup> we are having a Hawaiian Themed Potluck. Following our 10:00 a.m. service on August 6<sup>th</sup> we are having our annual Aloha Sunday and Pulled Pork Potluck. Hawaiian attire is encouraged. Please bring a side dish or a salad. With the help of a number of volunteers, we will be serving pulled pork as the main dish. The church will supply the pork and the recipe. Thank you to all who volunteered to cook the pulled pork. Plan on joining us in this time of worship, fellowship, and great food!



### HIKING

#### ENJOY HIKING?

Join folks from church and others in hiking some of the many beautiful trails. We hike on Saturdays and meet in the church parking lot at 7:50 a.m. Our plan is to

return to the church by noon. Contact the Church Office for more info.



### OUTDOOR SUMMER WORSHIP

We are continuing our Outdoor Worship Services on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel in the Pines. These outdoor services will continue through September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Our shade sails will be providing shade for our worship services but sunglasses and hats may help more! Our 8:00 a.m. service will continue throughout the summer in our Sanctuary.



### NEW COVENANT PARTNER INFORMATION MEETING & LUNCH

**Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup>**

Are you interested in learning more about membership in The Village Church and finding out about what it means to be Christian, Protestant, Reformed, Presbyterian at The Village Church? Join us for brunch on Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, at 11:30 a.m. in the Pastor's Study. Those interested in possibly joining and members wanting to learn more about God's church called The Village are invited and encouraged to attend. For more information, contact Pastor Jeff or Michele Young.



### SESSION MEETING

**August 16<sup>th</sup>**

The Session meeting for August will be held on Tuesday, August 16<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. in the Pastor's Study.

### DEACONS MEETING

**August 6<sup>th</sup>**

The Deacons meeting for August will be held on Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup> after the potluck in Room A.



### BAPTISMS IN LAKE TAHOE

**Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup>**

Are you interested in being Baptized in Lake Tahoe or renewing your Baptismal vows? On Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup> we will be celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism. If you have not been Baptized or would like to renew your Baptismal vows, this would be an excellent opportunity. Please contact Pastor Jeff prior if you are interested.





## AUGUST EVENTS & NEWS



### **SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER JIM MENSIE**

**Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>**

We are excited to have Jim Mensie sharing with us about his missionary work in Belize on August 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the Fireside Room. Jim & Anna Mensie served Jesus at Calvary Chapel of Truckee from 1979 to 2007. Then the Lord led them to become full-time missionaries in Belize, Central America in 2007. They planted a church in Seine Bight in April 2010 that since has grown.

### **COME JOIN OUR CHOIR**

Did you know that there are proven health benefits to your body when you sing? It's true! Singing is one of the only activities that uses both your right brain (music) and left brain (language) which is a health benefit. Singing involves increased breathing so it oxygenates your body. Singing is a fun activity that activates your endorphins so it affects your mood. And if you become a member of The Village Church Choir you get to please and praise God while infusing your body with all these health benefits!



The Choir starts a new season on **Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>** at 8:15 am in the Fireside Room. And do you know the best part? You don't have to audition and you don't have to read music to be part of this fun, positive, and social group! All voice types and all ages are welcome! All rehearsals are on Sunday mornings so no need to come an extra day to rehearse. The Choir has one Sunday a month off and Jon Fay, Choir Director is flexible if you need more time. There is special music planned throughout the season and we need your participation! Please consider becoming a member of The Village Church Choir. We welcome your involvement!

### **YUMMY SALAD DRESSING RECIPE**

This dressing is great on everything! Try it not only on tossed salads, but also on fruit and as a marinade for chicken.



- 1 cup Meyer lemon juice
- 2/3 cup sugar
- 2 tsp salt
- 2 tsp dry mustard
- 1/2 tbsp onion - grated
- 2/3 cup cider vinegar
- 2 cups olive oil
- 1 tbsp poppy seeds



Put all the ingredients in the blender except the oil. Blend and slowly add the oil. Blend well.





# Worship Outdoors Under the Pines

**SUNDAYS**

**July 2<sup>nd</sup> - September 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**8:00 AM - Sanctuary**

**10:00 AM - Outdoor Chapel**

**Casual attire, sunglasses, and hats are recommended**

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## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Vacation Bible School at The Village Church was more than an exhilarating experience for children and adults this summer. We made new friends, we danced, we sang, and we created. Most importantly, we were reminded why we are placed on earth.

"For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago." Ephesians 2:10. VBS is one of the good things in which you, too, can be engaged. It is entirely dependent on members of the congregation willing to give their time and energy to furthering the Christian education of our children. This year, church staff also played crucial roles in producing Maker Fun Factory.

During Maker Fun Factory, children got creative with gears, robots, and rockets as they learned they are created by God and built for a purpose. Our curious kids became hands on inventors and discovered that they are lovingly crafted by God. Their creativity was sparked and the church was transformed into a place buzzing with excitement and alive with song. One memorable bible point was reinforced every day. Kids learned that God made you (Psalm 139:14), God is for you (Romans 8:31), God is always with you (Joshua 1:9), God will always love you (Psalm 89:20,) and God made you for a reason (Jeremiah 29:11).



During Sound Wave Sing and Play and Funshop Finale, children followed along with kids on music videos to learn song lyrics and motions, from contemporary Christian melodies to updated versions of beloved hymns. Favorites were the theme song, *Made for This* and *Get a Little Crazy*, when we spread the love of God to everyone around us!

Our chosen mission for this year was Dress a Girl around the World, a campaign under Hope 4 Women International, which brings dignity to women around the world. Dress a Girl dreams of a world in which every girl has at least one new dress, and wants girls to know that they are worthy of respect and loved by God. Many of the recipients are overlooked and abused with no one to protect them, and this is the only new dress they will ever own. This year's VBS participants donated \$61 to this ministry.

*Mary Gilbert*, C.E. Director





# Vacation Bible School





**WOMEN'S MINISTRIES NEWS**



**NEWS FROM THE THRIFT STORE:** We're having good sales and blessed with an abundance of donations. We're so grateful to all the volunteers including the men from our church that have volunteered to fill in for Tony while he was on the Mission Trip to S.F. We are in need of more volunteers because so many travel, have company during the summer, or out sick. Please let us know if you are available to volunteer.

One of our other greatest needs is for an extra storage space. During the winter we had use of a garage while the tenants were out of town, but that opportunity is gone. Does anyone have any space that we could use for furniture donations we receive when the store is too full to accept them? It could be for a month or a season.... Please call Linda Robins at 831-5200 or Vickie Twichell at 434-5830.

The Thrift Shop is also a wonderful place to shop. There are a lot of high quality items for great deals. They also have very friendly and helpful volunteers.

**Thank you to all who donate, volunteer, and shop at the Thrift Shop.**



**WEDDING COMMITTEE NEEDS YOUR HELP!**

Are you interested in joining the wedding committee? We are in need of volunteers to help plan, coordinated, and help out with weddings that are held at The Village Church. The Church hosts a few weddings a year. For more details and information please email Ann Schofield at [inclineannie@gmail.com](mailto:inclineannie@gmail.com).





# YOUTH S.F. MISSION TRIP PHOTOS





# 2017 Lake Tahoe Christian Women's Retreat "Extreme Makeover God's Edition"



*Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.  
Romans 12:2*

September 15-17, 2017  
Zephyr Point Conference Center



Our Speaker:

**Danna Demetre**

Most women welcome makeovers - of their homes, hair, body, finances and more. But, who can we trust to ensure that our makeovers turn out the way we hope? God! We can trust the "Master Makeover Artist" to know exactly what we need.

In her transparent and very real style, Danna Demetre will share her own God-managed makeovers and provide scriptural and practical teaching that will help you experience a profound makeover in five key life areas: Body - Mind - Material - Relational - Spiritual dimensions.

Join us for a  
life-changing retreat!



## An Invitation to...

# “Extreme Makeover – God’s Edition”

September 15 -17, 2017

## Registration

- ◆ \$180 due by August 15, 2017 but sign up early as space is limited and early registrants get view rooms

- ◆ No refunds after September 1<sup>st</sup>
- ◆ You will receive e-mail confirmation of your registration

- ◆ Make checks payable to:

Lake Tahoe Christian Women’s Retreat

- ◆ Send registration to:

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

## Accommodations:

Rooms in the new Tallac Center  
2-3 people per room.  
Each with a private bath

## Worship and Music:

Led by Julie Elias

Julie is an accomplished Christian artist. She combines popular worship songs with lesser known gems to bring a unique approach to worship through music.

For further information, contact:

The Village Church 775.831.0784 or  
Michele Young 908.768.1822

Web Site: [www.TheVillageChurchNV.org](http://www.TheVillageChurchNV.org)

# Lake Tahoe Christian Women’s Retreat Registration Form

Please return this registration form with your payment. The **REGISTRATION FEE OF \$180 PER PERSON** includes all meals, sessions, and room charges.

(No refunds after September 1<sup>st</sup>)

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_

STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

CHURCH \_\_\_\_\_

ROOMMATE PREFERENCE (if any):

\_\_\_\_\_

Please consider me for a  
**Partial Scholarship.** (Maximum \$90).

I wish to contribute to the **Scholarship Fund** and have included an additional  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you  
for helping others attend!



**JEFF'S PHOTO PAGE**





# Village Christian Preschool Summer





## BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

### TUESDAY AFTERNOON MEN'S STUDY

**Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m.**

Join Pastor Jeff for a men's study in the Fireside Room on Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m. This is a time of fellowship, study and support. All men are invited!

### WEDNESDAY MORNING MEN'S STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP

**Wednesdays at 6:30 a.m.**

The early morning Men's Study continues to meet in the Fireside Room on Wednesday mornings for coffee, sweet rolls and fellowship. All men are invited and encouraged to join us.

### WEDNESDAY EVENING ADULT STUDY

**Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.**

Join Pastor Jeff for a bible study in the Fireside Room on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. This is a time of fellowship, study, and support.

### KINGS BEACH SMALL GROUP

**First & Third Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.**

The Kings Beach small group meets at the Boxeth's. This group meets at 6:30 p.m. on the first and Third Thursdays of the month. This group is welcome to anyone. Contact Patti or Gary Boxeth 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 Jim & Jane Dykstra's House. Everyone is welcome to come. Contact Annie Payne or Tim Gilbert for more info.

## AUGUST WORSHIP SERVICE VOLUNTEERS

### August 6<sup>th</sup> Communion Servers:

1. Joannie McNulty
2. Don Ferrell
3. Chris Peterson
4. Tim Gilbert
5. Ted Bandaruk
6. Lynn Bandaruk
7. Gary Boxeth
8. Patti Boxeth

### Worship Assistants:

August 6: Veronica Kilbourn

August 13: Joannie McNulty

August 20: Millie Clarke

August 27: Norma Kilbourn

### Ushers:

August 6: Lynn & Ted Bandaruk

August 13: Chris & Carla Peterson

August 20: Linda & Rob Robins

August 27: Joannie McNulty

### Children's Message:

August 6: Bill Ferrall

August 13: Don Ferrell

August 20: Cindy Liggett

August 27: Darlene Nilsson

### Hospitality Teams

August 6: Team 4

August 13: Team 5

August 20: Team 6

August 27: Team 7

### Ice Cream Servers

August 6: Joannie McNulty & Cindy Liggett

August 13: Chris & Carla Peterson

August 20: Tom & Lili Arpino

August 27: Need Help!







8/1	Ben Barnes	8/21	Rich Caviness
8/2	John Kraft	8/21	Sharla Baker
8/4	Steve Wiens	8/21	Maggie Schumacher
8/6	Andreea Sipos	8/25	Christopher Orlady
8/8	Michelle Young	8/25	Vern Tyerman
8/10	Ellen Castator	8/26	Steve Jensen
8/14	George Frederic	8/27	Gloria Ulrich
8/14	Paul Reynolds	8/30	Nancy Manter
8/14	Stephanie Conragan	8/30	Mark Sarsycki
8/21	Erika Hamner	8/31	Suzy Farrell

Did we forget your birthday? Please let us know. Call the church office at 831-0784.

**SEPTEMBER TRIALOGUE DEADLINE**

**Wednesday, August 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Send your news to:**

[apayne@TheVillageChurchNV.org](mailto:apayne@TheVillageChurchNV.org)



The Village Church is affiliated with **ECO: A Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians.** For more information about ECO, visit our website: [www.TheVillageChurchNV.org](http://www.TheVillageChurchNV.org) or [www.eco-pres.org](http://www.eco-pres.org).



**WORSHIP SERVICE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

The Church needs your help. There are many ways to get involved with the church. We are seeking volunteers to do the children's message, help with the counting, be a worship assistant, usher, Sunday School teacher, or prayer warrior. If you are interested in volunteering with any of these areas, send an email to [apayne@thevillagechurchnv.org](mailto:apayne@thevillagechurchnv.org) and put what you are interested in volunteering for.

**THE VILLAGE CHURCH IS A PRAYING CHURCH!**



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.

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

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



**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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# August 2017



Scripture for the Month:  
 "From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets, the name of the Lord is to be praised."  
 Psalms 113:3

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	<p>*****</p>	<p><b>1</b>            2:37pm Staff Meeting            4:00pm Men's Bible Study &amp; Fellowship - F/R</p>	<p><b>2</b>            6:30am Men's Study - F/R            10:00am Prayer Group - Pastor's Study            6-8pm Upper Room Group - Y/R            8:40pm Softball Game - Middle School Upper</p>	<p><b>3</b>            6:30pm Kings Beach Small Group - Boxeths</p>	<p><b>4</b></p>	<p><b>5</b>            7:50am Hike - Meet in Church Parking Lot</p>
<p><b>6</b> Aloha Sunday &amp; Lord's Supper</p> <p>8:00am Worship in Sanctuary            10:00am Worship in Chapel in the Pines            10:15am Sunday School            11:15am Pulled Pork Potluck            11:15am Deacon's Meeting - Rm A            12:00pm Softball Practice</p>	<p><b>7</b> Office Closed</p>	<p><b>8</b>            2:37pm Staff Meeting</p>	<p><b>9</b>            6:30am Men's Study - F/R            10:00am Prayer Group - Pastor's Study            6-8pm Upper Room Group - Y/R            6:00pm Softball Game - Middle School Upper</p>	<p><b>10</b></p>	<p><b>11</b></p>	<p><b>12</b>            7:50am Hike - Meet in Church Parking Lot</p>
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<p><b>27</b></p> <p>8:00am Worship in Sanctuary            10:00am Worship in Chapel in the Pines            10:15am Sunday School            12-3pm SOP H/S Outreach            1:00pm Lake Baptisms, Renewals, &amp; BBQ - Incline Beach</p>	<p><b>28</b> Office Closed</p> <p>3:30-4:30pm Youth Beach Bible Study - Burnt Cedar</p>	<p><b>29</b>            2:37pm Staff Meeting            4:00pm Men's Bible Study &amp; Fellowship - F/R</p>	<p><b>30</b>            6:30am Men's Study - F/R            10:00am Prayer Group - Pastor's Study            6:00pm Pastor Jeff's Adult Bible Study - F/R            6-8pm Upper Room Group - Y/R</p>	<p><b>31</b></p>		

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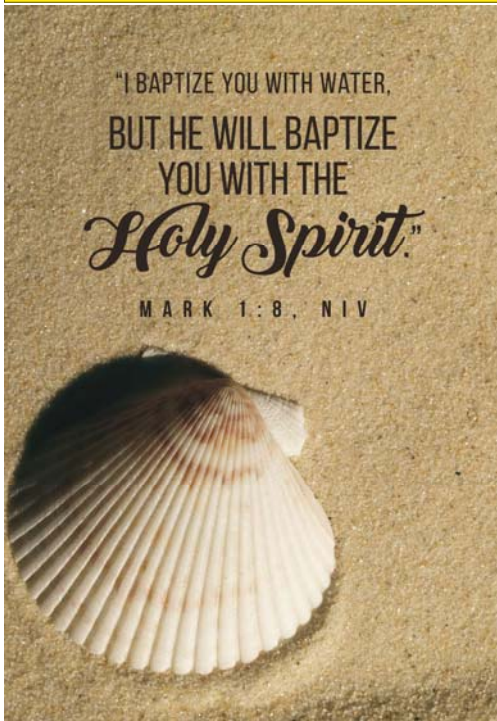
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A joyful place to grow



## Church Leadership

*Doug Baker - Deacon*

*Ted Bandaruk - Deacon*

*Patti Boxeth - Deacon*

*Gary Boxeth - Elder*

*Stephanie Conragan - Preschool Staff*

*Pastor Tony Conragan, CLP - AV & Youth Pastor*

*Chuck Dowd - Elder*

*Jane Dykstra - Elder*

*Jim Dykstra - Deacon Moderator*

*Jon Fay - Choir Director*

*Roxanne Fernandez - Preschool Staff*

*Don Ferrell - Elder*

*Linda Florentine - Women's Ministries Moderator*

*Betsy Garfinkle - Deacon*

*Mary Gilbert - Christian Education Director*

*Tim Gilbert - Custodian & Elder*

*Janet Howell - Preschool Staff*

*Cindy Liggett - Preschool Director*

*Terri Nielsen - Preschool Staff*

*Darlene Nilsson - Elder*

*Ann O'Keefe - Deacon*

*Rev. Jeff Ogden - Pastor*

*Vicki Ogden - Preschool Staff & Deacon*

*Annie Payne - Office Manager*

*Tom Payne - Deacon*

*Linda Robins - Elder, Thrift Shop Manager*

*Allie Sacci - Preschool Staff*

*Nathalie Sacci - Assistant Preschool Director*

*Ann Schofield - Financial Administration. & Elder & Clerk of Session*

*Jason Stanton - Accompanist*

*Lynne Swingley Donat - Deacon*

*Vickie Twichell - Thrift Shop Manager*

*Debby Wiens - Pianist*

*Michele Young - Elder*



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