

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN 2019



GROWING IN GENEROSITY, ROOTED IN FAITH

This has been an exciting year here at The Village Church. Our understanding of God's Word has deepened as we collectively studied "The Story." This fall, we will continue to grow in our faith and practice as we study prayer in the Christian life.

Along with prayer, we are called to service. Service at The Village Church is manifested in numerous ways. We serve with our time, talents, and treasure. Although committing support through financial resources may be a touchy subject, Christ showed no reservation. Numerous verses throughout the Bible state unequivocally that God owns everything and we need to hold our possessions with an open hand. Other verses tell us that we are stewards of what God has entrusted to us. An owner (God) has rights, but a steward (us) has responsibilities. Society says, "I possess, I own, and I'm in control." The Bible says, "God owns, God's in control, and we are only stewards of what he has entrusted us."

There are several creative ways to financially contribute to our church. These include setting up auto-pay with your bank, making gifts of appreciated assets with favorable tax advantages, naming the church as a beneficiary in your will or trust, donating your IRA required minimum distribution and creating Charitable Remainder Trusts.

Enclosed you will find a pledge form. As faithful stewards, we hope you will prayerfully consider increasing your financial and time commitment to The Village Church for 2019 to help maintain and expand our service in our church, community, and the world at large. Dedication Sunday will be held on Sunday, November 11th.

Thank you for your support of our Lord's ministry through The Village Church and for living your faith through your commitment.

Yours, LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendor, for everything in heaven and earth is yours.

1 Chronicles 29:11

NOVEMBER NEWS OF OUR CHURCH



POTLUCK LUNCH

November 4th

Following our 10:00 a.m. worship service on November 4th, we will be sharing a potluck lunch following our 10:00 a.m. worship service. Our food

theme is soup. Bring your favorite soup, chili, or your favorite salad or dessert to share. The church will provide the rolls. This is a great opportunity for fellowship and to get to know each other.

DEACON'S MINISTRY SUNDAY

November 4th

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.



CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, November 11th

A brief congregational meeting will be held immediately following our 10:00 a.m. worship service on November 11th. This meeting is called to receive the report of our church nominating committee and to elect elders and deacons to serve in leadership for 2019. We will also be electing members-at-large for our 2019 nominating committee. Members are encouraged to participate in this brief but very important meeting.



Remember to set your watches and clocks

back one hour before you go to bed on November 3rd

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

November 4th

The Lord's Supper will be celebrated at our Sunday morning worship services on November 4th. If you are unable to attend worship and would like to receive this Sacrament, please contact Pastor Jeff at the church to arrange for home Communion.



SESSION MEETING

Wednesday, November 14th

Our Session will be gathering on Wednesday, November 14th at 4:00 p.m. for study and business.

DEACONS' MEETING

November 11th

The Deacons meeting for November will be held on Sunday, November 11th at 11:45 a.m. in Room A.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Deadline is November 11th

This is a reminder that you and your family have the opportunity to make a big difference in the life of a child in a third-world country this Christmas by packing a shoebox-size box full of things such as small toys, a toothbrush, school supplies, hard candy, jewelry, hand sanitizer or a t-shirt. Help bring joy into the life of a less fortunate boy or girl. Michele Young is organizing this ministry for The Village Church this year. To participate, all you need to do is pick up a sheet of instructions and a box in the lobby of our church, fill the box with goodies, and bring the packed shoebox to our church by Sunday, November 11th. We will deliver your shoebox to an Operation Christmas Child distribution center that week. For more information, please call the church office at 775.831.0784.



BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

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 Tim Gilbert for more info.

Christ, Coffee and Cinnamon Rolls Men's Study

Wednesday at 6:30 a.m.

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

Adult Bible Study

Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

Join Pastor Jeff for a study on the Apostles Creed. This is a great opportunity for learning more about God's Word, to fellowship together and enjoy snacks. Meets in the Fireside Room.

Kings Beach Small Group

1st, 3rd, & 5th Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

The Kings Beach small group meets at the Ackerman's home. 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.

Reno Small Group

November 29th 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. The study is on "Integrity: Living the Truth" by Carolyn Nystrom.

NOVEMBER WORSHIP SERVICE VOLUNTEERS

November 4th Communion Servers:

1. Ted Bandaruk
2. Lynn Bandaruk
3. Tim Gilbert
4. Joannie McNulty

Worship Assistants:

- November 4: Rich Caviness
November 11: Veronica Kilbourn
November 18: Don Ferrell
November 25: Linda Robins

Ushers:

- November 4: Ted & Lynn Bandaruk
November 11: Craig & Michele Young
November 18: Paul & Judy Ackerman
November 25: Don & Karen Ferrell

Children's Message:

- November 4: Tony Conragan
November 11: Darlene Nilsson
November 18: Cindy Liggett
November 25: Need Help

Hospitality Teams

- November 4: Team 5
November 11: Team 6
November 18: Team 7
November 25: Team 1



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.

SERVE AS A SKI CHAPLAIN

TAHOE RESORT MINISTRY is seeking people who would be interested in serving as mountain chaplains at any of the following ski areas: Mt. Rose, Diamond Peak, Homewood, Northstar, Squaw Valley, Alpine Meadows, or Sierra at Tahoe. Services are held each Sunday between Christmas and Easter at 2:00 p.m. at each ski area. A free lift ticket for the day will be provided for each chaplain except for at Mt. Rose which requires that you have a Mt. Rose ski pass. All materials needed to lead the service are provided. You would lead the service with a partner. For more information, contact Bethany Hansen at 530-583-7458 or at bethany@fbctahoe.com. The webpage is: <http://tahoeministries.com/tahoe-resort-ministries/ski-ministry/>. The deadline to apply is November 10, 2018.



WOMEN'S MINISTRIES NEWS

WOMEN'S MINISTRY BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, November 13th 9:00 a.m.

There will be a Women's Ministries Board Meeting on Tuesday, November 14th at 9:00 a.m. in the Fireside Room.

THRIFT SHOP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are seeking volunteers to help out at the Thrift Shop. The Thrift Shop is open Monday-Saturday 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. and we need men and women volunteers to help out on any of the days that we are open. Please contact Linda Robins at 775-831-5200 or Vickie Twichell 775-434-5830 to volunteer or for more information.

SUNDAY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

We need your help with our Children's Message. Connect with our youngest by sharing a story about God's Word. Every Sunday at the 10:00 a.m. worship service, a volunteer provides a special message for our children before they are excused for Sunday School. You don't need to come up with your own material, the church can provide it to you. If interested in volunteering, the sign-up sheet is on the Narthex counter.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

We need people to teach Sunday school to our young people. Please pray about God touching your heart to help with this ministry. Mary Gilbert, Christian Ed. Director, will provide the lesson plans and crafts. Contact Mary Gilbert if you would be available to help.

COUNTERS

We are looking for folks from our congregation who would be willing to be on two person teams to count the weekly offerings on Sunday after the 10:00 a.m. worship service. Counting is easily taught and takes fifteen minutes to thirty minutes from start to finish. The volunteer sign-up sheet is on the Narthex counter.



25th Annual Women's Christmas Tea

Saturday, December 1st
2:00pm to 4:00pm

At the Village Church
In the Fireside Room

Music by the Barefoot Trio

Come prepared to enjoy a delightful "English" tea complete with homemade finger sandwiches, cookies, candies, tea and coffee. But most of all, come to enjoy this incredible time of fellowship.

DECEMBER EVENTS IN THE LIFE OF OUR CHURCH



DECORATING THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS

Sunday, December 2nd

The Advent season and Christmas are just around the corner.

We will be decorating

the church after our 10:00 a.m. worship service on Sunday, December 2nd, the First Sunday of Advent. Please plan on joining us as we prepare the Sanctuary and church for Christmas.

CHRISTMAS FOOD BOX DISTRIBUTION

There are a great number of organizations in the North Lake Tahoe area that are working together to help those struggling in these economic times. The Village Church is glad to do its part through the Deacon's Food Closet Ministry. After church on Sunday, December 9th, we will be setting up for the food box packing including organizing the food and folding boxes. On Wednesday, December 12th, at 5:00 p.m. we will be packing food boxes. The distribution will be on Saturday, December 15th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the church and we can use help hosting applicants and loading items into cars. Volunteers - please be at the church at 9:15 a.m. The Deacons thought it would be fun to wear Christmas attire, hat, sweater, jingle bells, etc. We'll have some tunes! Also, if anyone speaks Spanish and wants to act as an interpreter, please let Jim Dykstra know.

Thank you to all of our volunteers for the outstanding help throughout the year!



Each year we look forward to the beauty the poinsettia plants bring to our sanctuary during the Christmas season. If you would like to purchase a plant and dedicate it in celebration of a



special occasion or in memory of a loved one, please fill out the form below. Your celebration or memorial will be printed in the Christmas Eve bulletin. You may take your plant home after the last Christmas Eve Service.

The cost of each plant is \$10.00. Please make your check payable to the church. Deliver the form and your check to the church or mail to:

**The Village Church
736 McCourry Blvd.
Incline Village, NV 89451
(775) 831-0784**

*The deadline for all orders is
Sunday, December 2nd*

Poinsettia Order Form

Name _____

Phone Number _____

No. of Plants _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____

In Celebration of _____

In Memory of _____

ADVENT IS COMING!
Beginning Sunday, December 2nd



Advent is the season of the Church year which begins four Sundays before Christmas Day. The Advent season starts this year on December 3rd. Advent means “coming” or “arrival” and the focus of the entire season is the celebration of the first coming of our Lord as a baby in Bethlehem, and the anticipation of our Lord’s return as King at the end of time. Bring your family, friends, neighbors and join us on Sunday mornings at either 8:00am or 10:00am for a special Advent series called *God With Us*. The Advent series will start on Sunday, December 2nd.

Advent Devotionals will be available in the Narthex in mid November. Also, there will be Advent calendars for our children.

SAVE THE DATE!
Monday, December 24th



Christmas Eve Candlelight Services are on Monday, December 24th with new times this year! The services will be at 5:00pm & 7:00pm in the Sanctuary of the Church.

Christmas Sing-Along

Saturday, December 15th

At 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

FREE Admission

Join us for a fun time of singing Christmas songs.

Ugly Christmas sweater contest!

**Cookies and hot chocolate
following the sing-along in our Fireside Room.**

Invite your family, friends, and neighbors!

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YOUTH NEWS

Happy Thanksgiving Season,

This month will be “stuffed” with the word of Christ, thankfulness, and fun! This is the time of year we really think about being thankful. All through November we will talk about being thankful people in The Upper Room youth group and have some amazing fun. The special ops outreach meets on Sundays to go to Reno and visit with senior citizens in assisted living facilities and visit the homeless in the downtown area and give out lifpaks. All of our groups promote loving Jesus, friendship and are for youth in 6th-12th grade.

The Trail of Treats and the Halloween Outreach were a big success! It was amazing to be apart of this, and it showed off Jesus and our church in a **HUGE** way. The trail of treats was a massively visible time for our church in the community. This year we brought a new game called the Frog Flinger and it was a huge hit! Collectively for both events we gave away 300 light sticks and a bunch of candy. I wish I had pictures of the hundreds of kids spread out through Mill Creek waving light sticks that had Jesus and our church name on them, or lined up to play games in the rec center filing past our church signs, but take my word for it, it was spectacular. Most importantly, **God was glorified** and glorified on a day when death and darkness usually get the glory. Part of John 1:5 was on each light stick (Thanks Pastor Jeff) The light shines in the darkness. The rest of that verse fits very well with the holiday-“and the darkness has not overcome it.” Thank you to all the volunteers that helped out at these events.

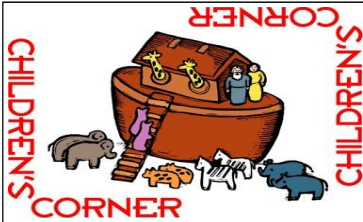
The Village Church Youth Groups:

Wednesdays - The Upper Room Youth Group, 6-8pm, meets in Church Youth Room (snacks included)

Sundays - Special Ops (Outreach Group), 12-3pm, meets at the Church (lunch included)

Thank you, Pastor Tony





CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Good News from Good News Club!



Good News Club® is a ministry of *Child Evangelism Fellowship* in which trained teachers meet with groups of children just about anywhere the children can easily and safely meet with their parent's permission. Each week the teacher presents an exciting Bible lesson using colorful materials from CEF Press. This action-packed time also includes songs, Scripture memory, a missions story and review games or other activities focused on the lesson's theme. The purpose of *Good News Club* is to evangelize boys and girls with the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ and disciple them in the Word of God. Each club includes a clear presentation of the Gospel and an opportunity for children to trust the Lord Jesus as Savior. Every club also includes strong discipleship training to build character and strengthen moral and spiritual growth. All children are encouraged to attend a local church.

Darlene Nilsson, Alder Crowther, and her GNC crew meet weekly on Thursday at Incline Elementary School from 3:15 – 5:00 PM in room 218. This fall, GNC is focusing on David: having a heart for God, and Daniel: having courage when you are the only Christian among your circle of friends. The lessons are tailored to meet the needs of the group and include many means of engaging the children through movement, games, silliness, giggles, and fun.

The 2018-19 calendar year for Good News Club started in October, and God has already brought many blessings to this ministry. The Lord has blessed GNC with children! There are twelve children currently attending regularly, and we expect more to join the group as the school year progresses. Three children have already made professions of faith and accepted Christ as their savior.

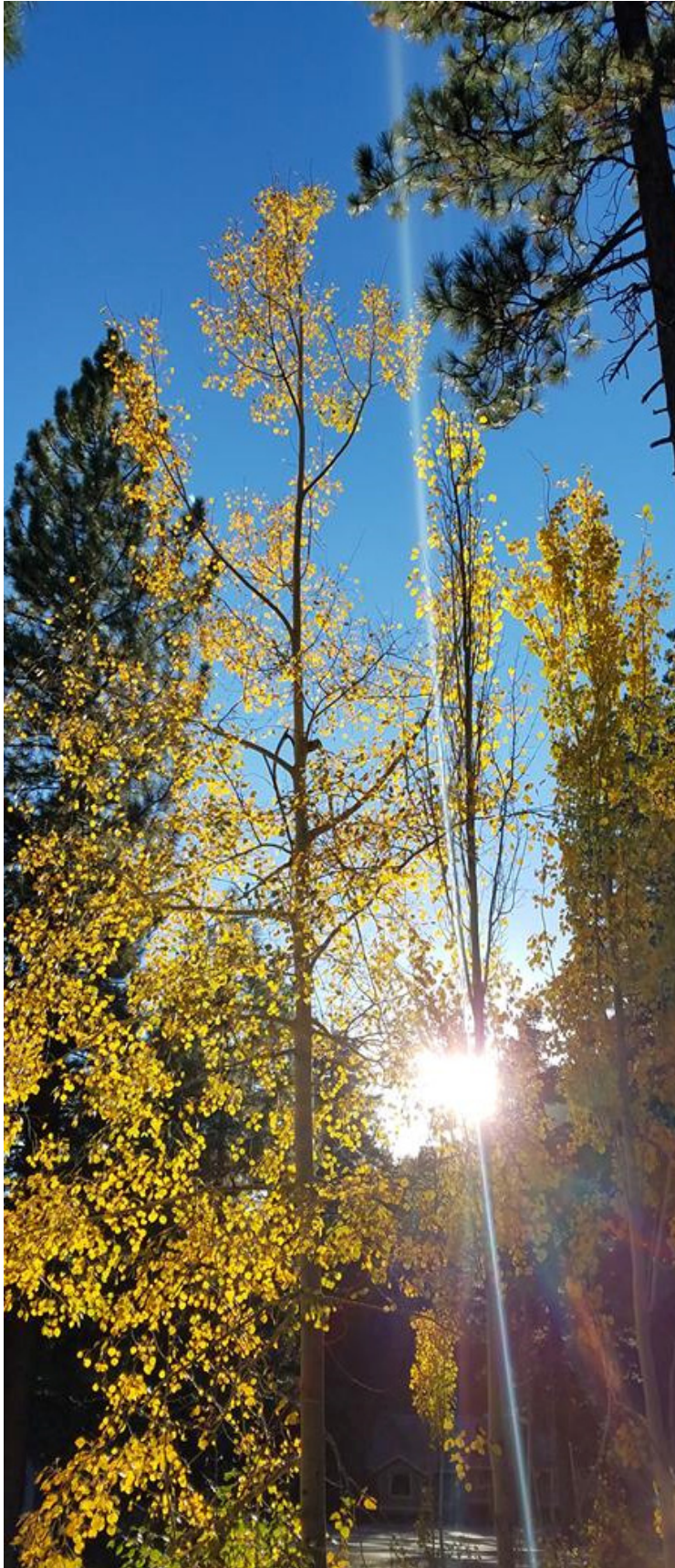
It is a welcome blessing that Incline Elementary has generously provided GNC with a spare classroom for its use. This classroom provides more space for children to move about and get their wiggles out.

Statistics show that the great majority of people who accept Christ do so between the ages of four and fourteen – when they are children. There are several opportunities to be involved with *Good News Club*. You can pray for the children and teachers in the club, or become a club teacher or helper by contacting Darlene Nilsson at dac0857@gmail.com and asking about training or other opportunities. More information can be found at cefonline.com/ministries/goodnewsclub.

Mary Gilbert, C.E. Director



JEFF'S PHOTO PAGE



VILLAGE CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL PHOTOS





11/2	Jim Bennett	11/10	John Morris
11/2	Paul Leonhart	11/15	Linda Robins
11/3	John Paulson	11/21	Bill Florentine
11/3	Pam McQueen	11/23	Paul Ackerman
11/4	Carole Averkin	11/24	Joannie McNulty
11/5	Tom Payne	11/24	Tony Conrigan
11/8	Darlene Nilsson	11/26	Chuck Dowd
11/9	Mark Lee	11/26	Sam Harris

*Did we forget your birthday? Please let us know.
Call the church office at 775-831-0784.*

**OUR TITHES
AND
OFFERINGS**



Year To Date Through October 28, 2018:	
<u>Needed</u>	\$367,951
<u>Given</u>	\$413,228
<u>Difference</u>	\$45,277



**Remember those
who served
Veteran's
Day
November
11th**

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

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 Sunday school teacher, worship assistant, usher, or prayer warrior. If you are interested in volunteering with any of these areas, send an email to apayne@thevillagechurchnv.org and put what you are interested in volunteering for.

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.

CHURCH OFFICE AND PRESCHOOL CLOSURE DAYS AT THANKSGIVING

This is a reminder that the church office and the Preschool will be closed November 22nd and 23rd to celebrate Thanksgiving.

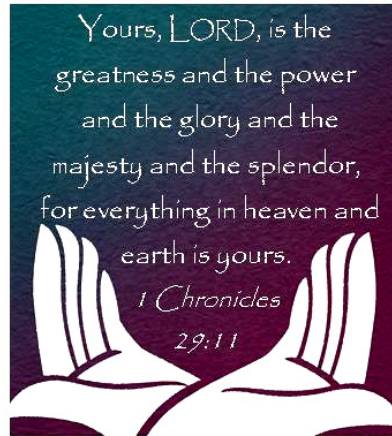


The Village Church is affiliated with ECO: A Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians.
For more information about ECO, visit our website:
www.TheVillageChurchNV.org
or www.eco-pres.org.



2019 Stewardship Commitment Card

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In response to God's love and as a concrete expression of my faith in and commitment to Christ and His Church, I/We plan to do the following in 2019:

_____ Will participate in a small group or Bible study.

_____ Will invite two new people to church.

_____ Will commit to give generously of **RESOURCES** by giving \$_____

Per Week; Per Month; Per Year

Name(s) _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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This commitment may be revised or cancelled at any time upon my request.

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November

2018

Scripture of the Month:
 "Praise the LORD. Give thanks to the
 LORD, for he is good;
 his love endures forever."
Psalms 106:1

SUN

MON

TUE

WED

THU

FRI

SAT



1
 6:30pm Kings Beach Small
 Group - Paul & Judy
 Ackerman's Home

2

3 **3**
 Day Light Saving Time
 ends - remember to set
 your clocks back one
 hour at bedtime!

4 *The Lord's Supper*
 8 & 10am Worship in Sanctuary
 8:15am Choir Practice - F/R
 9:15am Praise Team Practice - Sanctuary
 10:15am Sunday School
 11:30am Soup Themed Potluck

5 *Office Closed*

6
 2:00pm Staff Meeting
 6:30pm Incline Small Group
 - Lee's Home

7
 6:30am Men's Study - F/R
 10:00am Prayer Group - Room A
 6-8pm Upper Room Group - Y/R
 No Adult Bible Study

8

9

10

11 *Dedication Sunday*
 & OCC Shoeboxes Due **VETERANS DAY**
 8 & 10am Worship in Sanctuary
 8:15am Choir Practice - F/R
 9:15am Praise Team Practice - Sanctuary
 10:15am Sunday School
 11:15am Congregational Meeting - Sanctuary
 11:45am Deacon's Meeting - Room A
 12-3pm Special Ops H/S Outreach

12 *Office Closed*

13
 9:00am Women's Ministry
 Board Meeting - F/R
 2:00pm Staff Meeting
 6:30pm Incline Small Group

14
 6:30am Men's Study - F/R
 10:00am Prayer Group - Room A
 4:00pm Session Meeting - Pastor's Study
 6:00pm Pastor Jeff's Adult Bible Study - F/R
 6-8pm Upper Room Group - Y/R

15
 12:30pm Preschool Thanks
 giving Party & Christmas
 Child Box Packing - F/R
 6:30pm Kings Beach Small
 Group - Paul & Judy
 Ackerman's Home

16

17

18
 8 & 10am Worship in Sanctuary
 8:15am Choir Practice - F/R
 9:15am Praise Team Practice - Sanctuary
 10:15am Sunday School
 12-3pm Special Ops H/S Outreach

19 *Office Closed*

20
 2:00pm Staff Meeting
 6:30pm Incline Small Group

21
 6:30am Men's Study - F/R
 10:00am Prayer Group - Room A
 No Adult Bible Study

22 *Office and
 Preschool Closed*

23 *Office and
 Preschool Closed*

24

25
 8 & 10am Worship in Sanctuary
 No Choir Practice
 9:15am Praise Team Practice - Sanctuary
 10:15am Sunday School
 12-3pm Special Ops H/S Outreach

26 *Office Closed*

27
 2:00pm Staff Meeting
 6:30pm Incline Small Group

28
 6:30am Men's Study - F/R
 10:00am Prayer Group - Room A
 6:00pm Pastor Jeff's Adult Bible Study - F/R
 6-8pm Upper Room Group - Y/R

29
 1:00pm Reno Small Group
 6:30pm Kings Beach Small
 Group - Paul & Judy
 Ackerman's Home



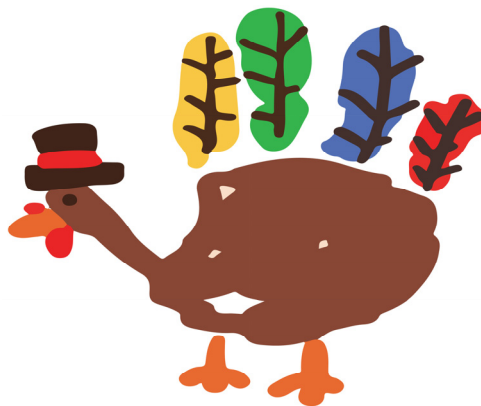
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A joyful place to grow

Psalm 100:4, NIV



"Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name."



November 2018

Church Leadership

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| <i>Alfredo Amezaga - Elder</i> | <i>Miriella Melara - Deacon</i> |
| <i>Doug Baker - Deacon</i> | <i>Marilyn Merritt - Deacon</i> |
| <i>Lynn Bandaruk - Deacon</i> | <i>Darlene Nilson - Elder</i> |
| <i>Ted Bandaruk - Elder</i> | <i>Rev. Jeff Ogden - Pastor</i> |
| <i>Patti Boxeth - Deacon</i> | <i>Vicki Ogden - Deacon</i> |
| <i>Gary Boxeth - Elder</i> | <i>Annie Payne - Office Manager</i> |
| <i>Stephanie Conragan - Preschool Staff</i> | <i>Linda Robins - Thrift Shop Manager</i> |
| <i>Pastor Tony Conragan, CLP - AV & Youth Pastor</i> | <i>Allie Sacci - Preschool Staff</i> |
| <i>Jim Dykstra - Deacon Moderator</i> | <i>Ann Schofield - Financial Administration,
Clerk of Session, Elder</i> |
| <i>Jon Fay - Choir Director</i> | <i>Brooke Spanial - Preschool Staff</i> |
| <i>Roxanne Fernandez - Preschool Staff</i> | <i>Jason Stanton - Accompanist</i> |
| <i>Don Ferrell - Elder</i> | <i>Lynne Swingley Donat - Deacon</i> |
| <i>Betsy Garfinkle - Deacon</i> | <i>Vickie Twichell - Thrift Shop Manager</i> |
| <i>Mary Gilbert - Christian Education Director</i> | <i>Paul Twichell - Elder</i> |
| <i>Tim Gilbert - Elder & Custodian</i> | <i>Debby Wiens - Pianist</i> |
| <i>Patti Hanczarek - Preschool Staff</i> | <i>Michelle Young - Elder, Treasurer,
Women's Ministries Moderator</i> |
| <i>Janet Howell - Preschool Staff</i> | |
| <i>Cindy Liggett - Preschool Director</i> | |