



“Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. “

1 Thessalonians 5:18

“Count your blessings, name them one by one; Count your many blessings, see what God has done.”

So goes the old hymn. How often do we really do that though? How often do we count our blessings? As this is November, it's quite appropriate that we prepare for Thanksgiving by listing the great things God has done for us and giving him the praise and thanks he deserves.

It's amazing when you think about it; how much we have to be thankful for. I'm reminded of this every time I catch a glimpse of the lake or see the sun reflecting off the clouds or the mountains. There is so much more we can thank the Lord for, though. We need to thank God for running water or electricity? For libraries, hospitals, street lights, and garbage men?

These thoughts are just about our physical and material blessings, which are temporary and fleeting. How much more should we thank our Father in heaven for the spiritual riches and grace he has lavished on us in Christ. Paul tells us that we have been blessed “in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.” We, who have trusted Jesus for our salvation, have been promised “an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade - kept in heaven” for us for which we wait. How much we have to be thankful for because of what God has done for us in Christ. We have been freed from guilt, sin, death and hell. We can begin to experience eternal life now. A life full of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. What a lot to be thankful for, all of it given to us as a gift from our Lord. I think that if we think about these things this month, we'll find our experience of Thanksgiving to be a truly rich one. Thanksgiving is not just a holiday in November, it's a way of life!

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, November 15th

A congregational meeting will be held immediately following our 10:00 a.m. worship service on November 15th. This meeting is called to receive the report of our church nominating committee and to elect elders and deacons to serve in leadership for 2021. We will also be electing members-at-large for our 2021 nominating committee. Additionally, we will be voting on amendments to our Bi-laws. Members are encouraged to participate in this brief but very important meeting.

DEACONS' MEETING

Sunday, November 8th

The Deacons will be meeting on Sunday, November 8th at 11:35 a.m. via Zoom Online meeting.

MISSION COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, November 9th

Mission Committee meeting on Monday, November 9th at 4:00 p.m. via Zoom Online meeting.

SESSION MEETING

Wednesday, November 18th

The Session of The Village Church will be meeting on Wednesday, November 18th at 4:00 p.m. via Zoom Online meeting.



In-Person Indoor Worship Sundays at 8:00AM & 10:00AM

Requirements:
Face Coverings
6 Feet Social Distancing
50 Person Max in Sanctuary
50 Person Max Overflow in Fireside Room

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Sunday Church Services Live-Streamed 8AM & 10AM via YouTube



The North Pole Comes to North Tahoe

North Tahoe Thrift Stores
Holiday Open House
Saturday, November 14th
10:00am to 5:00pm

- The unveiling of all Holiday gifts and decorations each store has for sale
 - Wrapped treats for the kids
 - Santa sightings between the stores

Pet Network
Thrift Store
760 Mays Blvd
Suites 9 & 10
Incline Village, NV
775-548-5049

Tahoe Family
Solutions Thrift Store
797 Southwood Blvd
Incline Village, NV
775-833-4414

Tahoe Forest Hospice
Gift & Thrift Store
893 Tahoe Blvd
Suite 1500
Incline Village, NV
775-298-7901

The Village Christian
Thrift Shop
799 Southwood Blvd
Incline Village, NV
775-831-3902

Join your local community Thrift Stores as we ring in the holidays and celebrate the North Pole in North Tahoe!

Masks & Social Distancing are Mandatory at All Stores

VILLAGE CHRISTIAN THRIFT SHOP

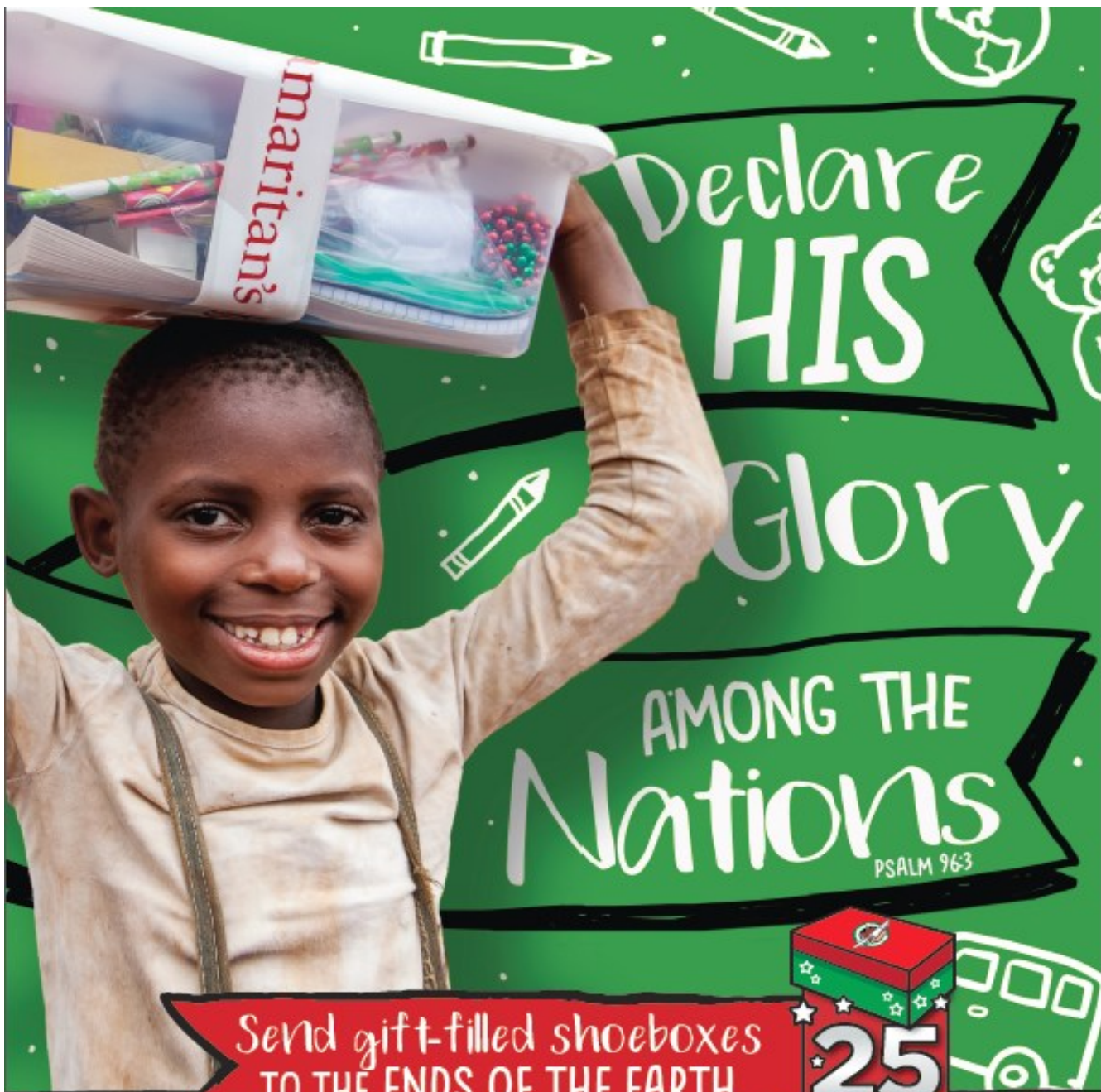
Lots of Exciting News! Our Thrift Shop has expanded and we have new flooring! We are so thankful to our many volunteers who helped with this project and to all of thrift shop volunteers!

Thrift Shop Christmas Open House! Join our thrift shop Village Christian, Tahoe Forest Hospice, Tahoe Family Solutions, and Pet Network Thrift shops as we ring in the holidays and celebrate the North Pole in North Tahoe! The unveiling of all Holiday gifts and decorations each store has for sale. Wrapped treats for the kids and more. (Masks and social distancing are mandatory). **We need volunteers Friday, 11/13 at 3:00pm to setup for the event. Also, need volunteers for the event 11/14 9:30am-5:30pm. Contact Karen Ferrell at 415-302-7208 to volunteer.**

Women's Ministry Board Meeting Tuesday, November 17th at 9:00am.

The Thrift Shop is always in need of volunteers to help out at the shop. To volunteer please contact Linda Robbins 775 831-5200, Vickie Twichell 775 434-5830, or Tony Conrigan (775) 830-0566. The Thrift Shop days of operation are Monday-Saturday 11:00am-3:00pm.





**Packed shoeboxes due
at the Church on
Sunday, November 22nd**



Visit samaritanspurse.org/occ and learn how to bless a child overseas through a gift-filled shoebox, given in Jesus' Name.

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VILLAGE CHURCH MISSIONS

Reaching Area Youth through the Young Life Ministry

Young Life (YL) is a non-denominational Christian ministry focused on introducing adolescents to Jesus Christ and helping them grow in their faith. It starts with adults who are concerned enough about kids to go to them, on their turf and in their culture, building bridges of authentic love and friendship.



YL leaders and volunteers accomplish this mission by:

- Praying for young people.
- Going where kids are and building personal relationships with them.
- Earning the right to share the Good News of Jesus Christ.
- Providing fun, adventurous, life-changing and skill-building experiences.
- Inviting kids to personally respond to the Good News and walking in friendship with them regardless of their response.
- Preparing kids for a life-long relationship with Christ and a love for His word, His mission and the local church.
- Working in community alongside volunteer leaders, committee members, and donors.

YL's ministry values and approach include:

- The Gospel — living according to and communicating the whole gospel of Jesus Christ.
- Scripture — acting under the authority of Scripture and relying on the Holy Spirit to empower the ministry.
- All Kids — reaching adolescents of every ability, economic, cultural and ethnic background.
- Ecumenical — collaborating with followers of Christ from various traditions and local churches.
- Diversity — welcoming those whom God calls — adults who are committed to the common purpose of introducing adolescents to Jesus Christ and helping them grow in their faith.
- Health — encouraging YL staff and volunteers in their personal and spiritual health so they may minister out of a consistent and growing relationship with Christ.
- Stewardship — observing the highest standards of stewardship of all the resources placed in YL's trust.
- The Next Kid — developing innovative approaches to reach uncommitted, disinterested young people.

The Village Church is a regular financial supporter of the North Tahoe area YL ministry. Wyldlife is their program for middle school kids. During the COVID crisis the ministry has been creative in using Zoom for club meetings and activities. It recently obtained new office space and a meeting area where in-person club gatherings are permitted using appropriate safety guidelines. **Please pray for the youth of our community as well as for those staffing and supporting this important ministry.**

JEFF'S PHOTO PAGE



2021 Stewardship Commitment Card



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 2021:

_____ Will commit to reading through the Bible in 2021.

_____ Will invite two new people to church.

_____ Will commit to give generously of **RESOURCES** by giving \$_____ Per Week; _____ Per Month; _____ Per Year

_____ Will commit to give through my Donor Advised Fund or Charitable Trust.

Name(s) _____

Phone _____

Email _____

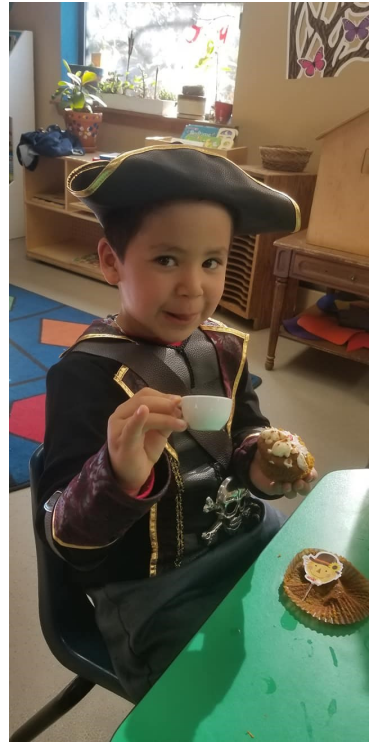
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City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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

Village Christian Preschool & K-5 Photos



Village Christian Preschool & K-5 Trike-a-Thon



BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES



Nursery & Sunday School - Sundays 10:00 a.m.

The church will have Nursery Care in-person every Sunday for the 10:00 a.m. service. Sunday School is on the 2nd - 4th Sundays. Sunday School will be in Room C at the church. Nursery care will be in the Nursery.

**Youth Bible Study - 2nd & 4th Sundays at 10:15 a.m.
In-Person and Online**

This is a Bible Study for Middle & High Schoolers. Group Led by Tim Gilbert. You can join in-person in the Youth Room or online on the 2nd & 4th Sundays at 10:15 a.m. Link to join <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/98494686433?pwd=MzZnSIF3OW1heWFxbEJzdWJicFU0QT09>

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

Everyone is welcome to join. Group Led by Tim Gilbert. Link to join <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/396067313?pwd=Smc1U29GVEVsYW85UkZoODFycHlDdz09>

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

All men are invited for prayer and Bible study. Link to join <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/284810005?pwd=QVJ6SzZzc2VDNlZwcFNobnBwTjhTUT09>

Prayer Group - Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.

Everyone is welcome to join our prayer group. Link to join <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81423073885?pwd=ZTJsQVFcjFic3RaNEl3UUJyeUVpUT09>

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

This group is for all adults. Group Led by Pastor Jeff Ogden. Link to join <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/366324920?pwd=UVR3UU40K1RKNzk5YnRtamJyTkZnUT09>

If you would like us to create a new small group/Bible study via Zoom please let us know the date and time.



CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

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

Did we forget your birthday?
Call us at the church office - 775.831.0784

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.

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 Conragan
11/8	Darlene Nilsson	11/26	Chuck Dowd
11/9	Mark Lee	11/26	Sam Harris

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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."

Church Leadership



November 2020

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| <i>Paul Ackerman - Deacon</i> | <i>Marilyn Merritt - Deacon</i> |
| <i>Dolores Alferez - Preschool Staff</i> | <i>Darlene Nilsson - Elder & Children's Ministry Director</i> |
| <i>Alfredo Amezaga - Elder</i> | <i>Rev. Jeff Ogden - Pastor</i> |
| <i>Lynn Bandaruk - Deacon</i> | <i>Ella Ogden - K-5 Program Staff</i> |
| <i>Ted Bandaruk - Elder</i> | <i>Steve O'Malley - Deacon</i> |
| <i>Pastor Tony Conragan, CLP - AV & Grief Minister</i> | <i>Annie Payne - Office Manager</i> |
| <i>Stephanie Conragan - Office Assistant</i> | <i>Chris Peterson - Deacon</i> |
| <i>Jim Dykstra - Deacon</i> | <i>Sabra Presler - Preschool Staff</i> |
| <i>Karen Ferrell - Women's Ministries Moderator</i> | <i>Lonny Reed - Custodian</i> |
| <i>Betsy Garfinkle - Deacon</i> | <i>Linda Robins - Thrift Shop Manager</i> |
| <i>Tim Gilbert - Elder</i> | <i>Maricarmen Rubio - Preschool Staff</i> |
| <i>Keith Hansen - Elder</i> | <i>Ann Schofield - Clerk of Session, Elder</i> |
| <i>Yolanda Jimenez - Preschool Staff</i> | <i>Jason Stanton - Accompanist</i> |
| <i>Scott Johnson - Elder</i> | <i>Lynne Swingley Donat - Deacon</i> |
| <i>Kira Kitzman - K-5 Program Leader</i> | <i>Vickie Twichell - Thrift Shop Manager</i> |
| <i>Ryan Kitzman - K-5 Program Leader</i> | <i>Paul Twichell - Elder</i> |
| <i>Cindy Liggett - Preschool Director</i> | |
| <i>Miriella Melara - Deacon</i> | |