

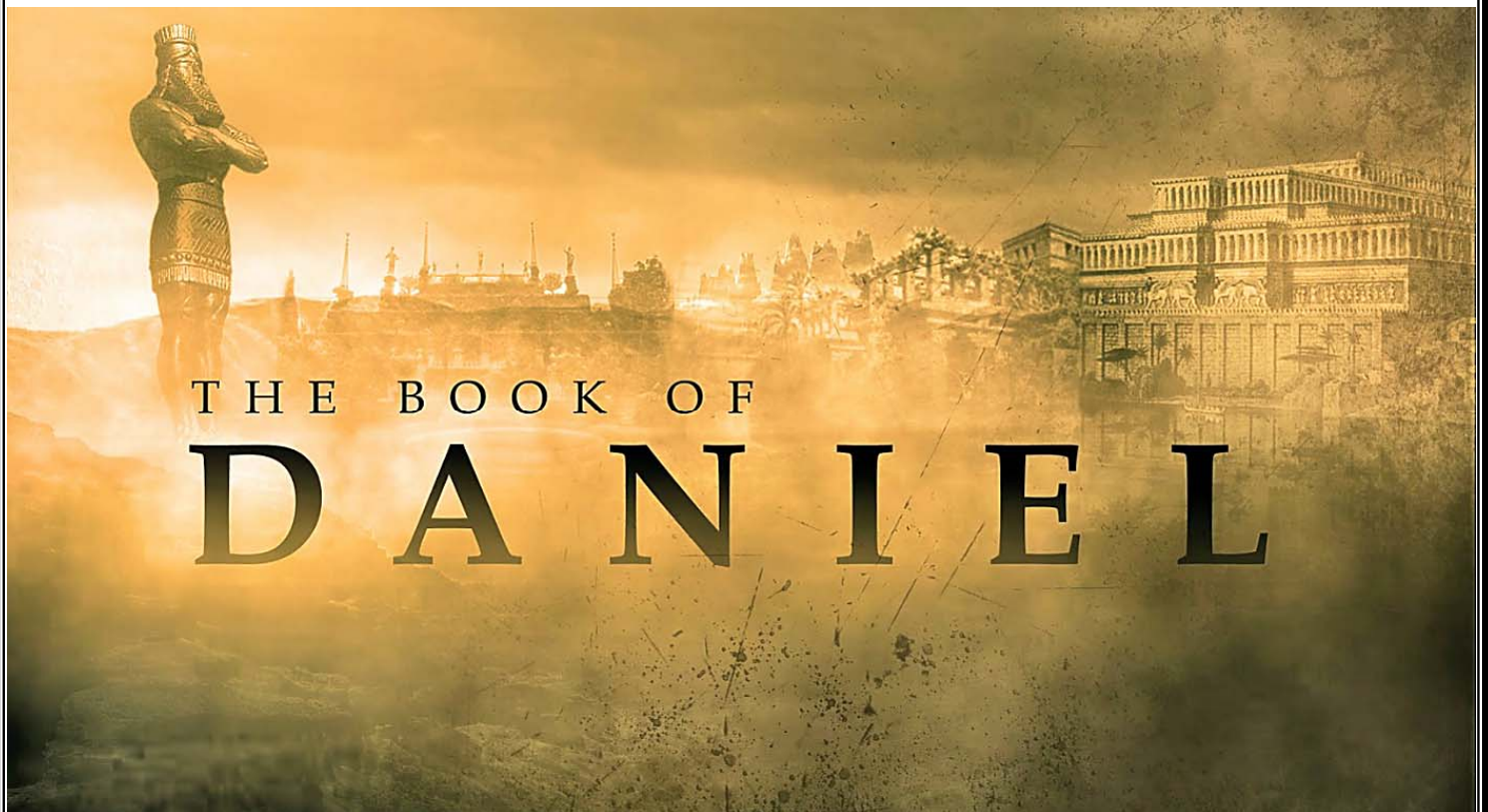


*From Pastor Jeff*

This month, on September 8, we will begin looking at the Old Testament book of Daniel. Daniel is a fascinating and puzzling book for many people. The book is named after its main character, the prophet Daniel, who probably wrote it or completed it in about 530 BC. It contains some of the most famous bible stories, Daniel in the Lions Den, the Three Hebrew children in the Fiery Furnace, Nebuchadnezzar's Dream, as well as some of the most obscure visionary chapters in the whole Bible. The Book of Revelation learned its tricks from Daniel!

Daniel was a son of the nobility, possibly even a descendent of David, who was taken into captivity to Babylon in 605 BC. This was the first deportation and the beginning of the 70 years of exile prophesied by Jeremiah. Daniel was an adolescent when this happened, a young man of 14 or 15. He spent the rest of his life serving in Babylon under four different kings. In fact, he was probably in his mid-eighties when he was thrown into the lion's den.

The book is divided into two sections. Chapters 1-6 are historical stories about how Daniel and his friends endured under the pagan kings of Babylon and stayed faithful to the LORD, Israel's God. Chapters 7-12 record dreams and visions that Daniel has where God shows him how the rise and fall of kingdoms through history are the outworking of the divine plan. The theme of the book is God's sovereign rule over history and his preservation of his people in the face of trials and persecution. I look forward to exploring this book with you this Fall and encourage you to sit down and read through the book as we study it.



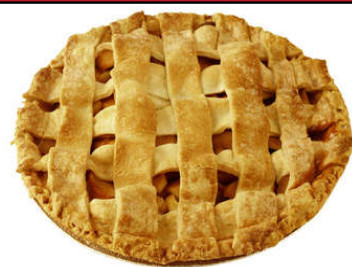
**SEPTEMBER EVENTS**



**FRIED CHICKEN POTLUCK**

**Sunday, September 1<sup>st</sup>**

FRIED CHICKEN THEME POTLUCK! On September 1<sup>st</sup> we will gather for a potluck after 10:00 a.m. worship. Bring watermelon, corn on the cob, your favorite kind of pie, or other picnic items. The church will be providing fried chicken and ice cream! Join us for good



food and fellowship.



**THE LORD'S SUPPER**  
**THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

**September 1<sup>st</sup>**

The Lord's Supper will be celebrated at our Sunday morning worship service on September 1<sup>st</sup>. If you are unable to attend worship and would like to receive this Sacrament, contact Pastor Jeff to arrange for home Communion.

**DEACON'S MINISTRY**

**September 1<sup>st</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.



**LAST OUTDOOR WORSHIP**

**Sunday, September 1<sup>st</sup>**

On Sunday, September 1<sup>st</sup> will be the last opportunity of the year to worship outdoors in our Chapel in the Pines. We've had a blessed season of outdoor worship in sharing the good news of Jesus Christ with many guests and members of our Village Church family. Our Lord is truly using our summer worship times to further His message. Thank you go to staff and many volunteers for facilitating our outdoor worship services: Tony Conrigan for setting up and running our sound system each Sunday morning; Tim Gilbert and his crew for setting out cushions for worship and cleaning the chairs and Chapel area; Ann Schofield for planting and maintaining the beautiful flower pots and gardens; Jason Stanton and praise team for leading our worship music; our ushers and hosts for quickly adjusting to whatever situation was presented; those who helped with initial clean-up of the chapel and setting up and taking down the shade sails each week; to everyone for helping take down the chapel after each service; and our hospitality teams and volunteers for providing goodies, ice cream, and other refreshments after



**OUR CHOIR RETURNS**

**September 8<sup>th</sup>**



The choir will again begin sharing their musical gifts with our

congregation during our 10:00 a.m. service starting Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>. All who are interested in singing with the choir are invited to participate. A heart willing to worship our Lord is! Our choir rehearses on Sunday mornings at 8:15 a.m. in our Fireside Room. If you have questions, please contact Jon Fay, our Choir Director.

**WOMEN'S RETREAT MEETING**

**September 8<sup>th</sup>**

Women's Retreat meeting will be held on Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. in the Office Lobby.

**DEACONS' MEETING**

**September 8<sup>th</sup>**

The Deacons meeting for September will be held on Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. in Room A.

**LABOR DAY**

**September 2<sup>nd</sup>**

The Office and Preschool will be closed on Monday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> in observance of Labor Day.





**THANK YOU!****THANK YOU!**

The Church has a lot of volunteers that step up and bless the church. Thank you!

**VBS volunteers:** we had a lot of volunteers and they were so amazing with the kids, the program, Bible stories, games, food preparation, registration, crafts, preparation, behind the scenes, ice cream serving, and much more. Thank you!

**Maintenance Volunteers:** We were blessed with a bunch of volunteers that did a special project of maintenance and fixing of the church's emergency lights and signs. It is hugely appreciated all of the work that was put into that project. Thank you!

**SHAPE Seminar Volunteers:** We had a great turnout and the volunteers made it a great experience. Thank you!

**Outdoor Worship and Indoor Worship:** Sunday volunteers make so many things happen at our church. Thank you praise team, AV, sound, lights, choir, worship assistants, ushers, communion servers, ice cream servers, Sunday School teachers, children's message, hospitality teams, counters, and flower arranger. Thank you!

**Ministry Workers:** Thank you small group and Bible study leaders, youth group, hiking leaders, women's retreat volunteers, Good News Club, library organizer, and preschool workers.

**Elders, Deacons, and Committee Members:** Thank you for serving our church with your time, wise decisions, and direction.

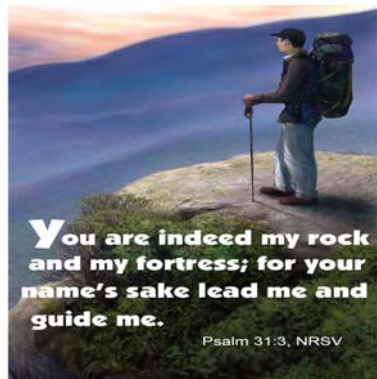
**Building and Grounds Workers:** Thank you to all who maintain the building and property. You do a great job keeping our church looking great.

**Our I.T. Specialists:** Thank you so much for all of the behind the scenes work that you do. Thank you for maintaining, updating, and upgrading the church's computer systems, internet, cameras, and so much more.

**Thrift Shop volunteers:** Thank you so much for all of the hard work that you do at our Thrift Shop. You bless people around the world with all of the hard work that you put in.

**Thank you to anyone that has ever volunteered at the church in any capacity:** There are so many areas that we are blessed with volunteers. Thank you from all the Church Staff!

**CHURCH NEWS**



**MOUNT ROSE HIKE**  
**Saturday, September 21<sup>ST</sup>**

Would you like to see the spectacular views from the top of Mt. Rose? We will be hiking Mt. Rose on Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, leaving the church parking lot at 6:50 a.m. and starting the hike at 7:00 a.m. from the Mt. Rose parking lot. The hike is over ten miles with a net vertical gain of around 3,000 feet.



**COME & SING**

Choir Kickoff – September 8<sup>th</sup>

CONTACT:

Jon Fay  
775-742-1056 ~ muse56@idoud.com

**SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS**  
**(CURRENT OR INTERESTED IN BECOMING ONE)**

**Coffee & Donut Meeting**  
**Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.**

If you are a current Sunday School volunteer or would like to become one, please come to the Sunday School Volunteer coffee and doughnut meeting Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in Room A. For more information please contact Darlene Nilsson.

**WOMEN'S MINISTRIES NEWS**

**COME VISIT OUR THRIFT SHOP**

Come see what is new at the Village Christian Thrift Shop, 799 Southwood. We have dedicated men & women who donate hours a week to support local, national, and international mission projects. Your donations of quality, gently-used clothing, furniture, artwork, housewares, small appliances, toys, books, etc. (and seasonal items) are greatly appreciated! Call Tony Conragan for furniture pickup 785 831-3902. **Come shop Mon-Fri 11am to 3pm.**

**THRIFT SHOP NEWS!**

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. Please contact Linda Robins at 775-831-5200 or Vickie Twichell 775-434-5830 to volunteer or for more info.

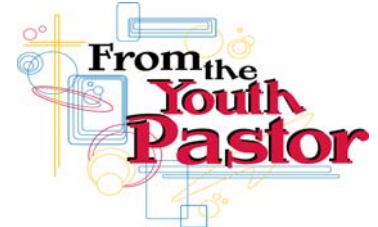


## YOUTH NEWS



### Back to School

This past Summer the Village Church sent a group of middle school campers to Calvin Crest Camp in Oakhurst, Ca. The camp was full of hiking, games and worship time with amazing leaders and staff. This year the Scripture text for



the week was all about the Kingdom of God within us, from Luke 17:20-21 (Being asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, he answered them, "The kingdom of God is not coming in ways that can be observed, nor will they say, 'Look, here it is!' or 'There!' for behold, the kingdom of God is in the midst of you."). God moved in powerful ways in many of the campers and it was a blessing to be apart of what God was doing with these young people. We also did a high school mission trip to Oakland, Ca, with "Youthworks". We did service work in the community and showing the love of Jesus to those in need and families there for a week.

Our weekly youth group will be starting up again for the 2019/2020 school year this month Our first Upper Room youth group will be held on Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>. The Upper Room Group is for all middle and high school youth to enjoy. We meet in the youth room on Wednesdays from 6-8pm and follow the Washoe county school schedule. That means when there isn't school, we aren't meeting, but if there is school we are. We will be starting back-up the Youth Bible Study group on Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup>. This is an excellent way to go deeper in your faith and Gods word. On Sundays, the youth will visit the homeless and/or senior citizens in Reno with our group called "Special Ops", which meets Sundays from 12-3pm.

Thank you to all of the volunteers! I have really enjoyed and appreciated the adult volunteers for the youth groups. If you are interested in helping out in any or all of our events please contact me, or Annie in the church office. Please keep our groups in your prayers as we reach young people with the Gospel.

Thank you, *Pastor Tony*

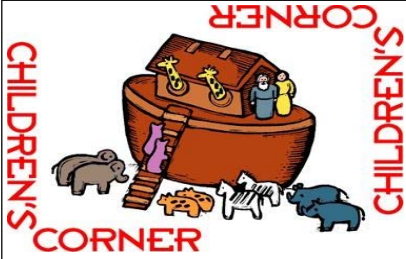




# YOUTH OAKLAND MISSION TRIP PHOTOS







## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

### Sunday School Curriculum

Welcome back to school! Starting September 8, the Sunday school program at the Village Church will be using the same Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF) press curriculum that is used by Good News Club.

Here are some of the changes going forward:

As much as possible, the children's Sunday school lessons will match the same topic as what is being preached on Sunday. Pastor Jeff is beginning a sermon series on the book of Daniel, and the Sunday school will also be covering the life of Daniel.

The PreK and Elementary children will be combined together in the classroom upstairs.

Also new to our Sunday school program, we will be having worship songs, review games, and a time slot to hear stories about real life missionaries have been added to our lesson plan. Our first missionary story will be a 6-part series about the life of Jacob DeShazer, missionary to Japan.

We are looking forward to implementing these new changes and are excited for the feedback from the children, parents, and volunteers!



**SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** We are seeking volunteers for Sunday school. Our classes are for ages three thru Elementary grade 5. Please pray about God touching your heart to help with this very important ministry. This is a great opportunity to serve. If you would like to volunteer please contact Darlene Nilsson at [dac0857@gmail.com](mailto:dac0857@gmail.com).

Darlene Nilsson  
Elder and Children's Ministry Director



# Vacation Bible School





# CHURCH BARBEQUE PHOTOS





**JEFF'S PHOTO PAGE**





## VILLAGE CHURCH MISSIONS

### Dental Mission Trip to Belize

In May, a team of eight traveled to Belize, a small, English-speaking country south of Mexico, to provide the sixth dental clinic at the Calvary Chapel in Seine Bight, Belize. Jim and Anna Mensie, missionaries the Village Church helps to support, moved to Seine Bight from Truckee over ten years ago to plant the church in a community that was steeped in voodoo practices. Renee Taylor, a Village Church member and team organizer, said that they have seen God move in the community over the years. Jim performed three baptisms for Belizeans this spring and the church is flourishing – with many new local members. While ministering is very tough for Jim & Anna, God is bringing strong believers into their fold to help lift them up.

Angie Tolbert, of the Village Church, participated in the trip for the first time by assisting in the dental clinic. She said her impression of the country changed in the short time she was there as she experienced the people of Belize first-hand, by worshipping with them, praying for them and seeing the effect the gospel of Jesus that is preached from Jim and Anna's church is having on their lives. Angie stated, "I am so blessed I was able to experience His grace and love while there – I know I was changed within!"

Another effect of the dental team's enduring ministry there is that the people of Seine Bight have much better oral hygiene! The mission team is allowed to work directly with the school to pull children out of class for evaluation and instruction on how to care for their teeth – for some of them it may be the first toothbrush and toothpaste they have received. As the years have passed, the team finds that it is able to see more adults in the community at the clinic (which is held in the church) as the children do not need as much intensive work. This year the team saw 179 patients! One of the team members was able to do maintenance jobs for the Seine Bight Calvary Chapel, including installing sinks and vanities in the bathrooms and framing a storage shed.

The team of eight included four dentists: one from Maryland, one from Iowa, and two from Texas. They were all strong believers and prayed with each patient. Dr. Jeff Akey who along with his wife, Carol (who participated in the trip along with Jeff in 2016) spends his summers at The Village Church. Regarding the trip he said, "Just a note as to why prayer was so important on this trip was one young girl. I asked her what she would like us to pray about, and she thought for a minute, and said, *"I would like to make better choices."* My heart melted for her, and yes, it was easy to pray for her request."

Staffing the trip has become an issue – this year's team was short three volunteers in the clinic and fortunately, Anna & Jim were able to get local volunteers to help most days. The clinic could not function efficiently without the extra hands – please join us in praying that God will open the hearts of more people within the Village Church family – and the greater Church - to join our work helping the people of Seine Bight in Jesus' name. Renee says she hopes our church family will continue to support the dental mission trip by lifting it, as well as the Mensies, up in prayer.





## BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES



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

The Kings Beach small group is 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 Jim & Jane Dykstra's home in Incline Village. Everyone is welcome to come. Contact Tim Gilbert for more info.

### **Men's Bible 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. This is a great opportunity for learning more about God's Word and to fellowship together.

If you would like to start a small group or a Bible study please contact the church office.

## SEPTEMBER WORSHIP SERVICE VOLUNTEERS

### September 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Servers:

1. Karen Ferrell
2. Don Ferrell
3. Rob Robins
4. Linda Robins
5. Keith Hansen
6. Marji Hansen
7. Chris Peterson
8. Joannie McNulty

### Worship Assistants:

- September 1: Joannie McNulty  
 September 8: Don Ferrell  
 September 15: Miriella Melara  
 September 22: Linda Robins  
 September 29: Millie Clarke

### Ushers:

- September 1: Linda & Rob Robins  
 September 8: Vickie & Paul Twichell  
 September 15: Carla & Chris Peterson  
 September 22: Nancy & John Manter  
 September 29: Karen & Don Ferrell

### Children's Message:

- September 1: Darlene Nilsson  
 September 8: Don Ferrell  
 September 15: Cindy Liggett  
 September 22: Need Help  
 September 29: Need Help

### Hospitality Teams

- September 1: Team 6  
 September 8: Team 7  
 September 15: Team 1  
 September 22: Team 2  
 September 29: Team 3





# Village Christian Preschool Photos







# September Birthdays

9/5 Mark Nielson	9/22 Jim Turpin
9/8 Lynne Swingley Donat	9/24 Jean Klein
9/11 Debby Wiens	9/25 Paula Townley
9/13 Cheryl Turpin	9/28 Scott Johnson
9/16 Joann Fortier	

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

## OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS Year To Date Through August 25:



Needed	\$294,202
Given	\$304,383
Difference	\$10,181

## OCTOBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

**Monday, September 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Send your news to:**

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



## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

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

## 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.

Please pray for the teachers and the students as they begin the new school year.



*A word  
FITLY  
SPOKEN  
is like  
APPLES  
OF GOLD  
in a  
SETTING  
OF SILVER.  
PROVERBS 25:11*

## 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.



**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).**







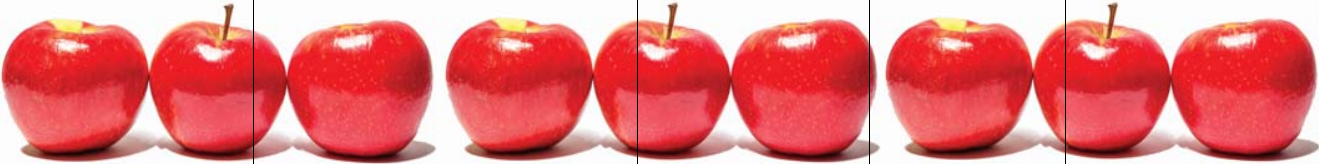
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# September 2019



Scripture for the Month:  
 "He will be like a tree firmly planted by streams  
 of water, Which yields its fruit in its season  
 And its leaf does not wither; And in whatever  
 he does, he prospers."  
 Psalms 1:3

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<b>1</b> <i>Lord's Supper &amp; Last Outdoor Worship</i> 8:00am Worship in Sanctuary 9:00am Sunday School Volunteer Mtg. Room A 9:15am Praise Team Practice - Outdoor Chapel 10:00am Worship Chapel in the Pines 10:15am Sunday School 11:30am Fried Chicken Potluck 	<b>2</b> <i>Office &amp; Preschool Closed</i>  <b>LABOR DAY</b>	<b>3</b> 3:30pm Staff Meeting 6:00pm Incline Small Group - Dykstra's Home	<b>4</b> 6:30am Men's Study - F/R 10:00am Prayer Group - Room A 6:00pm Adult Bible Study - F/R	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 7:50am Hike - Meet in Church Parking Lot 
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A joyful place to grow



Refresh me  
with apples,  
for I am faint  
with love.

SONG OF SOLOMON 2:5

## Church Leadership

*Paul Ackerman - Deacon*

*Alfredo Amezaga - Elder*

*Doug Baker - Deacon*

*Lynn Bandaruk - Deacon*

*Ted Bandaruk - Elder*

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

*Jim Dykstra - Deacon*

*Jon Fay - Choir Director*

*Don Ferrell - Elder*

*Linda Florentine - Elder*

*Betsy Garfinkle - Deacon*

*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*

*Darlene Nilsson - Elder*

*Rev. Jeff Ogden - Pastor*

*Vicki Ogden - Deacon*

*Annie Payne - Office Manager*

*Sabra Presler - Preschool Staff*

*Linda Robins - Thrift Shop Manager*

*Ann Schofield - Clerk of Session, Elder*

*Jason Stanton - Accompanist*

*Lynne Swingley Donat - Deacon*

*Karyss Thompson - Preschool Staff*

*Vickie Twitchell - Thrift Shop Manager*

*Paul Twitchell - Elder*

*Debby Wiens - Pianist*

*Michele Young - Women's Ministries Moderator*

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