# VILLAGE ONLINE

# Announcements — September 13, 2020

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## Women's Bible Study

"The Sermon on the Mount" by Jen Wilkins. We'll meet in-person Tuesday evenings from 6:45-8:30pm in the Columbia Rooms. September 15 - November 17. The study is 10 lessons, each with a video. The first week we will be getting acquainted with each other and the material, which can be ordered from Amazon costing \$14.99. We want to keep the group 10-15 in size to aid discussion. Masks required, social distancing encouraged, and sanitizing products will be provided. Questions? Email <u>Betsy Adams</u> or call 503-267-2076.

*Exodus: Learning to Trust God.* Led by Poppy Smith, meets via Zoom every other Tuesday, 7-8:30pm. We will begin September 15 and run for seven sessions through November 17. All women need to order a study guide: IVP, author James Reapsome, available on Amazon. Email **Poppy Smith** or call 503-367-1374 for more details.

The Well, Village Women's Morning Bible Study, has been a wonderful place to deepen our understanding of God's Word, and to fellowship with one another. Following firm Covid-19 safeguards, we will study 1 & 2 Peter this year. Even as the first-century readers of Peter's letters were experiencing a difficult and threatening world, so are we. The Apostle offers hope and encouragement through faith in Jesus Christ - for them and for us. We will plan to meet in October/November, then break for the winter months, resuming in early spring. More information will be available in the Village weekly email on Wednesday.

## Support Your Cafe

Our Village Café fall hours are Monday-Friday, 7:30-11:30am. Great prices! Kind baristas! And, unlike many coffee shops, plenty of room to socially distance in our lobby, Columbia Rooms, or plaza!

### Village Front Office Hours

Following Labor Day, our Front Office Hours will be Monday-Thursday 9:00am-4:30pm, Friday 9:00am-noon.

#### **Distribution Center Needs**

We are teaming up with the Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue to help provide food and supplies this week to evacuees of the fires and first responders. The biggest needs for the center are bottled water, individual packaged snacks (such as granola bars), diapers, and clean blankets.

## Calling All Village Artists

We're looking for painters, sketchers, sculptors, woodworkers, sewers, quilters, and every artist in between to contribute their talents to decorating our new studio. We have had the opportunity to transform one of the Rita houses into a space for filming weekend content and our team would be honored to display Villager's art in the background of our services.

We are looking for many pieces that could be put on a rotation. We can't guarantee your piece will be featured in every service as our goal is to feature as many artists as possible. Please **email us** with any questions.

#### PushPay Giving

You can access PushPay from our church app, the church website, or from your phone by texting VILLAGEGIVE to 77977. Thank you for your generosity towards Village! For more information, email <u>Patty</u>.

### **Giving Updates**

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## Description of the Series

Where are you now? Where are we now? Where is the world now? Do any of the following words describe where we are: instability, conflict, trauma, loneliness, brokenness, fear, threatened, uncertainty, concerns, separation from community, anger, longing for peace and justice...

The historical context of Biblical times was no different. There was persecution, suffering, chaos within/outside church, racial/ethnic debates, gender debates, Emperor-worship-government, church-state debates, exile/quarantine, being unable to gather as churches, financial challenges due to holding onto faith.

The Christian gospel is fundamentally rooted in extravagant love. It's love that made God come down to the earth. It's love that made Christ take up His cross. It's love that calls followers to love even their enemies. It's love that is visibly expressed within small communities. It's love that calls followers to love the world as Christ loves it. It's love that revives life and the world. This series explores the love of Christ (depth, length, width; Eph.3:19), and challenges us to be rooted and participate in love despite challenges and hardship. May we see extravagant love!

### Sharing and Listening Guide

Take a moment to invite the Holy Spirit to minister to you through this time.

- · When did you feel most lvoed in your life? Whan was that, and why did you feel so?
- · Describe the sweetest memory you have with Jesus.
- · Are you feeling loved (by God and by others) where you are today?
- · How is your love for Jesus being espressed visibly today?
- · Ask one another and discern if there's anything your group could do to assist each other in your journey toward extravagant love.
- · What is a one-sentance prayer that you'd want to pray based on today's time together as you wake up each morning this week?

#### Connect with Others

We want to help connect you with other members of the church in your walk with the Lord. Please click below for more information or to sign up for weekly newsletters for any of our ministries.

Weekly Church Wide Email

Kids Ministry

Korean Fellowship

Middle School Ministry

Hispanic Fellowship

**High School Ministry** 

Asian American Fellowship

**Seniors Ministry**