

Village Online Bulletin

March 21, 2021

Stay in the know as you go about your week!

Announcements

Spring 2021 Giving Campaign

Did you know that, on average, almost 35,000 vehicles pass our campus each day? Did you hear that a recent COVID vaccination clinic run by Washington County authorities used most of our campus and we provided snacks, drinks, and lunches to over 70 volunteers using our facility? Did you know approximately 2,000 people engage with our online services each week? As we reopen, what will a first-time visitor see and feel? We believe in Biblical hospitality which welcomes the “stranger” with open arms. Your gift will help us make key improvements to give a better first impression of our care and love.

Questions? All Details Here!

Village Cafe Spring Break Hours

The Village Cafe will be closed next week for Spring Break. We'll be happy to serve you again on Monday, March 29!

Free Food market – Donations Needed!

Help make our Village neighborhood Free Food Market a success! Many of our neighbor families are experiencing food insecurity and the Free Food Market on March 26 is an opportunity to love our neighbors extravagantly! **See all donation needs here.**

Uncommon Ground Study Group

You are invited to the Uncommon Ground Study Group. Over a six-week period, we will read and discuss the book **Uncommon Ground: Living Faithfully in a World of Difference**. This book is co-edited by Tim Keller (Senior Pastor of Redeemer Presbyterian Church in New York City) and John Inazu (law professor at Washington University School of Law). The book features chapters by 12 Christian leaders including Shirley Hoogstra, President of the Council of Christian Colleges and Universities; Tom Lin, President of InterVarsity Christian Fellowship; and Claude Alexander, Senior Pastor of The Park Church in North Carolina. This book expands on Village's vision to grow deeper as a multicultural and reconciling church. We will meet over Zoom for six consecutive Sunday evenings beginning on April 11 and concluding on May 16. Questions about this group? Contact **Rudy Carrasco**, lead facilitator for the Uncommon Ground study group. **Register Here**

Village Family Camp Update

Last year, due to COVID-19, we had to pivot from our tradition of Village Family Camp weekend at the coast and instead came together for Village Family Camp-ish right here on campus. We are unable to safely offer Family Camp weekend at the coast again this year, but are planning an all ages, everyone invited day of Village fun at our church on Saturday, August 7, 2021. If you would like to join our fun times planning team, please email **Cori Christian**. **For those Villagers who have made Family Camp a personal tradition, please know that we have intentionally planned our on campus event for the first weekend of August to ensure that you can still plan camping with your pod of family and friends.

Baptism Class

Thinking about Baptism? We're excited for Pastor Tony to begin teaching a class on Baptism. This is a dynamic 4 week course that will cover aspects of your faith and beliefs as you consider commitment and new life in Jesus. To sign up or to get more information, email **tony@villagebeaverton.com**.

Village Community Garden is Open!

Half of our Community Garden beds have been claimed! It's not too late to choose a plot and start planting! Our Community Garden is a multicultural space with Villagers of all background and neighbors from all backgrounds coming together to get their hands dirty and enjoy the fruit of their labors! Villagers **Dan and Susanna Ballard** are our trusted garden coordinators this year and are available to encourage you no matter your expertise level! The garden is all organic and open to all Villagers and our community members. To rent a garden bed, please bring your \$20 to the Front Office by the end of the month. You'll be able to sign up for the exact bed location afterwards. **Questions?**

Spiritual Journey: Passion Week

Sign up today for your chance to go through a special Spiritual Journey, March 29-April 2, 7am to 7pm. The sanctuary will provide stations, space and guidance to follow the events of the night before Jesus' crucifixion. We look forward to spending time in prayer, meditation, reflection through this spiritual journey. We pray you would encounter the loving redemption of Jesus. **Sign up for your entry time slot.**

Dig Deeper

Luke 4:14-21

Executive Director Ben Spotts – Life and Ministry of Jesus

Prayer Requests

Please keep these prayer requests in mind this week.

- Pray for the Free Food Market on March 26th. We have invited 400 families in the Village Church neighborhood. Donations and volunteers are needed. Pray for more than enough food to be donated and for Villagers to volunteer to help with lots of set up, greeting guests, and clean up. Pray people will feel comfortable at Village as a result of their experience.
- Pray for this Saturday's Lebanon Training. Pray medical and dental professionals will respond to the need and join the team. Pray for those doing the training to have time to prepare and for the technology needs to go smoothly. Ask God to work in the country of Lebanon to bring calm, restoration financially, and healing to the Lebanese people.
- We are thankful for the 300 people who visited the Village campus this Tuesday to receive COVID vaccinations by Washington County. We are also thankful for the Villagers who translated Mandarin, Cantonese, Vietnamese, and Korean languages for many who came. A second clinic for 300 Pacific Islanders is this Saturday. Pray for Villagers who are serving as medical and hospitality staff.

Sharing and Listening Guide

Take some time alone or with a small group to discuss the following questions based on today's sermon:

- Is it easier for you to think of Jesus as fully God or fully human? Where in the Scriptures do you see examples of Jesus experiencing the human side of his nature?

- How does viewing the rest of the stories about Jesus through the lens of the three main elements of Jesus' ministry (as presented in Luke 4:18-19) change your perspective, if at all? How are you (or could you) focus on these three things in the ministry that you are currently doing?
- In light of Jesus' examples of Elisha and Elijah who helped non-Jews, what will you do differently this week to help people who are not like you?
- When you think of Jesus' description of himself as gentle and lowly toward each person who comes to him, how does it make you feel? How is this different or similar to what you normally think about Jesus?

Responsive Worship

Worship is often described as 'response to the Word.' We have inquired how we as a community can best worship in this time of COVID, where we, instead of watching, can participate in our services, with as much engagement as possible. Our worship response is both personal and corporate–communal. Our online services have aimed to share the hearts of our Villagers, especially while we are physically distanced.

Please consider participating in Responsive Worship this week, in response to this week's sermon: Life and Ministry of Jesus

Take a moment to share your response from this Sunday's sermon; it can be a few thoughts of reflection addressed to God, a paragraph, a prayer inspired by the teaching. Please consider this as an act of worship, in response to His Word. We will share your reflections anonymously by adding them to our following week's service, as our community grows together in Responsive Worship. *Due to service time limitations, we may not be able to share all submissions.

Participate in Responsive Worship now.

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