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Village Online Bulletin

March 28, 2021

Stay in the know as you go about your week!

Announcements

From Online Services to In-Person Services

We are getting ready to be back in our physical worship space together! We will begin this transition in the month of April by gathering in-person to watch our pre-recorded services. This weekly event will begin on Easter Sunday! While most of our service will be pre-recorded, the sermons will be taught live and streamed simultaneously to our online service watchers at home. The RSVP link for each Sunday will be sent one week in advance. The weekly RSVP's will close the Thursday of that week. Look for April 4's RSVP link in March 28's email or check our social media the following week.

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!

Spiritual Journey: Passion Week

March 29 – April 2, 7am – 7pm, Village Sanctuary

This is a week where we take time to reflect and deeply consider the road Jesus walked to redeem a broken world. Where we normally focus on the events in Jesus' life, we are going to experience the passion week of Christ through the eyes of Simon Peter. Step in to each scene in the place of Peter, quieting your mind and heart to observe, listen and reflect. Each alcove comes with prompts and activities. These are recommendations of how you may spend your time. **Sign up for your time slot here.**

A few things to note:

- Please keep your face mask on at all times while inside the building.
- Please be mindful of others in the space with you; while we have intentionally created space between each participant, we ask that you maintain safe distance and wait until the person in the alcove ahead of you has left it.

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**

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**.

Dig Deeper

Prayer Requests

Please keep these prayer requests in mind this week.

- 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 last 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 was last Saturday. Pray for Villagers who continue to serve 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:

- Read Mark 14:17-72. Focus on what was said by Jesus to the disciples and their responses, what was said to Jesus and his response, and what was said to Peter and his responses. How do you read these passages? How do you relate?
- Failure is not the end, or final, for the redemption of Jesus in our lives. Scholar MinAh Cho states that shame, a signal of failure, can awaken our sense of who we are and what we hope to be. Share how you have known or experienced this in your own life.
- In light of the past year, what is the hope for the world that you feel God is placing in your heart today? Share with your group. *If you are alone, text or call a friend with this message of hope as your prayer for them this week.

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.