

Village Service

July 12, 2020



In this Sunday's service, we welcome Fuller Seminary's Chaplain, Pastor Inés Velásquez-McBryde, Director of Chapel Julie Tai and Fuller graduate January Lim.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Four Things To Know About Giving And Covid-19

There are new opportunities to give in 2020 due to legislation passed this year in response to the pandemic. We're all trying to do more with less because of the downturn in the economy. Contact Patty Deiser if you have questions after you check out these options!

[Click here for all giving opportunities.](#)

Distribution Center

In partnership with Washington county Emergency Service, Village is helping to provide men and women in Oregon migrant camps with basic needs such as soap, shampoo, diapers, deodorant, dish soap and toothbrushes and toothpaste. Village is the only organization providing for these needs at this time. Your donations can be dropped off at the Village Distribution Center Tuesday-Friday, 9:30am-4:00pm.



Racial Studies

Race is NOT in the Bible. So What is it and Why Does it Matter? (And What is in the Bible?)

Tuesdays, 7:00 - 8:30pm. July 14, 28, Aug 4, 11.

We will explore what IS in the Bible and if race is a social construct, why do we pay attention to it, should we be colorblind? We will explore via scripture and a video series called Race: The Power of an Illusion. We will explore the biology of race, the story of race, and the inequality of social outcomes. If you are wanting to figure out what is going on in the last few weeks, this is for you!

Questions? Contact [Mariko Gilman](#).

Pursuing God's Shalom Community in a Multiracial Church

Wednesdays, 6:30 - 8:00pm. July 15, 22, 29, Aug 5 & 26 (potentially skip Aug 12).

With all of the racial and ethnic strife in the world, how do we think about the multiracial church and its role in God's story to bring about the Biblical vision of a Shalom Community on earth as it is in heaven. Tentatively in person, with social distancing guidelines, thorough cleansing before and after, unless COVID begins to rise.

Questions? Contact [Kafi Carrasco](#) or [Chris Johnson](#).



Connection Opportunities

Senior Ministry: Have you wondered when you qualify to be part of our stellar Seniors at Village and thus qualify to receive their informative monthly newsletter? There is no set age but between 55 to 60 might be a good marker. If you would like to be included (no membership fees required!), please send your name and email address to info@villagebeaverton.com and you will be included. You won't regret this decision. Doors will be opened to great fellowship together from Sunday School classes to Life Groups and to social activities (all your choice), and relationships built that will last into eternity. We hope to see a few of you (55+) accept this invitation and have your names added to the mailing list! Blessings from your Seniors Advisory Team Nancy Anderson, Bud Lindstrand, Tom Grey, Dorothy Kelson, and Dale Aufrecht.

Corona Conversations: "The reason Zoom calls drain your energy: Video chat is helping us stay employed and connected. But what makes it so tiring - and how can we reduce 'Zoom fatigue'?" [Recommended Reading](#) Join counselors Tracy Lewis and Hannah Haskell today from 12:30 - 1:30pm.

Prayer Groups: An online prayer group meets via Zoom Tuesday mornings at 11am for 30 minutes, led by Mikel & Karen Neumann. [Sign up here](#) and instructions will be sent to you.

Summer Life Groups: Social distancing shouldn't equal relational distancing. Life Groups at Village are one of the best ways to connect with others and grow spiritually! [Click here](#) to see our new life groups for Summer 2020.



CONFESSION

Greeting Time

We miss being and worshipping together. Please take this time to text, call, facetime, skype, beep, send a pigeon to your friends, family, and Villagers during this time. And please enjoy the greetings submitted by our Villagers!

Offering

We practice worship through giving. Please continue to partner with us to meet our monthly budgeted needs, to zero out our deficit every quarter and to increase our Cash Reserve Fund. As we grapple with increasing effects of the COVID-19 virus on our Sunday worship service attendance, we humbly ask that you continue to give as though you attend Sunday worship services. 70% of our congregation currently gives in person in a Sunday service. You are welcome to mail in your offering, drop it off at the locked box outside our Front Office, or utilize [Pushpay](#).



Prayer Points

- Pray for the partnership between IRCO, OHSU and Village as we prepare for the COVID testing event at Village on July 18th.
- Continue to pray for Lebanon regarding their economy. Reports are now talking about starvation within the poorest communities. Pray for our workers there as they navigate the financial instability and its impact on them personally and their ministries.
- Pray for Village to have eyes to see where God is working locally and globally so we can join Him in making Him known to people.

LISTENING

Fuller Seminary's Chaplain, Pastor Inés Velásquez-McBryde
The Faith of a Foreign Woman

The faith of women is the seed of the church. God makes room for women to lead in the Kingdom of God. In Matthew 15:21-28, Jesus and the Canaanite Mother face patriarchal & socio-political barriers that must be overcome in the new community. Is the healing a sign that Jesus still heals & mends the family of God through the faith & witness of women?



COMMUNION

As you feel comfortable, we encourage you to partake in communion with your family, friends, and neighbors as we remember the sacrifice Christ made on the cross.

SENDING

Discussion Questions

- Pastor Inés challenges that God responds to our prayers for mercy with his command to "have mercy" on others. Have you considered this before?
- How have you experienced running out of your own mercy and needing God's mercy?
- How can we recalibrate our mercy, where and to whom we direct it?

Resources

In light of our efforts to self-educate and act as Christ followers against racism, here is a [resource list](#).

