VILLAGE ONLINE

Announcements — September 20, 2020

1 Corinthians 13 Interim Lead Pastor Paul Choi – May We See Extravagant Love Part 2

Elder Listening Session

Our Village Elders invite you to our third listening session this today, September 20, at 2pm via Zoom. This is a chance for our elders to hear your questions, comments, and concerns regarding our current Lead Pastor transition season. In case of Zoom difficulty, please know that you can enter the numbers in the link to your browser, as well as email **Insil Kang** if needed. Join the **Zoom meeting here** or dial in by telephone: 346-248-7799 or 885-3029-7674. Meeting ID 885-3029-7674.

Upcoming Communion Sunday

On Sunday, September 27, we will be taking communion during our online service. Please prepare the elements with whatever you have at home to be representative of the body and blood of Christ. While we would so much prefer to partake in this meal together in person, we are encouraged knowing that our community can come to Jesus' table no matter our circumstances.

Village Celebration 101: Beauty of Diversity

Join us for our celebration of cultures in Village Celebration 101: Beauty of Diversity. This online course will take you through 8 weeks of learning about the beauty in cultural differences within our own Village community. Taught by Villagers, this 90 minute time together will give you a taste of how the image of God is so wonderfully complex. You will be taught cultural values by fellow Villagers and ministry leaders, with of course time to discuss in small groups and ask questions. We'll end our time together with a celebration and meal of all that we have learned about our diverse body of Christ. The first class begins on Thursday, October 1, and continues for 8 weeks, Thursdays, 6-7:30pm. We encourage you to join us! <u>Register Here</u>.

The Well

The letters of the Apostle Peter were written in the early days of the Christian church to people confronted by difficulties and troubles. Peter writes to encourage and strengthen them in the Lord Jesus. Our world too is a place of difficulty, and Peter's words also ring true for our faith. Peter exhorts believers to be absolutely certain of that which we believe, continuing to deepen our faith as we look to the Lord. Grace and peace can be ours through our hope in Christ. The Apostle himself has much to teach us. It is one of the miracles of the Gospel that the Holy Spirit empowers this impulsive headstrong man to become an eloquent defender of faith in Jesus Christ. Such change is possible for us as well!

The Well has been a wonderful place to deepen our understanding of God's Word, and to fellowship with one another. If we abide by firm COVID-19 safeguards, The Well can continue. Our interaction with one another will be in small groups, no more than 6-8 women in each group. We will watch the taped lecture together in our small groups, then discuss our lesson. We would like to meet in October/November, then break for the winter months, resuming in early spring. We will also offer a Zoom group for our high-risk health or hearing-impaired sisters. Of necessity, registration will be limited. We will meet on Tuesday mornings, from 9:00-11:00, beginning October 6th. Groups will have staggered start times for safety.

Unfortunately our online payment system is currently down. We encourage you to <u>register online</u> and bring your \$15 payment with you on the first day.

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>.

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Prayer Points

• Pray for our missionaries who continue to navigate ministry during the pandemic with shutdowns, travel restrictions, and health concerns. Pray for God to bless them with creativity, increased faith, and opportunities to reach people with the gospel despite the challenges.

• Pray for David Castaneda who is coming to Portland the first end of September and first of October. Pray for safe travel, good health and successful meetings.

• Thank God for his provision through Village and our community for all the supplies donated to help fire victims and the fire fighters this past week. Village was able to provide food and water to the front lines of fires for the fire fighters as well as provide blankets, hats, gloves, socks, and food supplies to multiple evacuation sites in Oregon.

Sharing and Listening Guide

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

• Look back this past few days. Where did/do you see God present and moving? Try to remember and witness His love.

• Imagine the situations that the Corinthian Christians were in, based on what you caught from the sermon or from what you've known. What are the areas that you see similar situations in today's context?

• Self-responding to the above question, what would 'gospel of the cross (1 Cor. 1:18; Chpt 13)' mean in today's situation?

• From the four verbs in 1 Cor. 13:7, and from the 8 ministry emphases, what do you most resonate with?

• What excites you the most from the ministry emphases and plans, and where do you see yourself in what God is doing in and through Village?

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