

VILLAGE ONLINE

Announcements — November 4, 2020

Matthew 22:15-22

Pastor Renjy Abraham – The Power of Extravagant Love



Village Yule Log

What can offer holiday cheer? Why the crackling warmth of a lovely fire, while listening to festive music and encouraging stories from our own Village community! We are excited to bring our community the first Village Yule Log, featuring music and readings from our very own Villagers. We would love to feature your musical gifts of piano, organ, woodwinds, brass, strings, on any Christmas songs and hymns. Have a special Christmas family tradition? A unique treat you bake? A Christmas that was particularly memorable? We want to hear about them! All singles, couples, kids, families, and grandparents are welcome to share their stories.

Please send questions, requests, audio recordings, or videos to [Charlotte Bryan](#) by Thanksgiving, November 26. Please see below for song guidelines and recording options. [More Information](#)

All Church Thanksgiving Food Drive!

November 19, 2020, 4:00 - 6:00pm

Drop off your donations at the Village Upper Parking lot in support of at-risk children and their families on November 19. Food baskets will be given to families by BT Kids, a ministry of Because People Matter serving the Portland Metro area. Click image to for detailed information regarded foods needed. [More Information](#)

Advent Adventures Free to Village Kids

Visit us in the Village Upper Parking lot to pick up your copy of this fun activity book! Pick up dates are November 19, 4:00-6:00pm and November 22, 12:30-2:00pm.

Portland Rescue Mission: Donation Drop Off

Sunday, November 22, 12:30 - 2:00pm

Our friends at Portland Rescue Mission will be at Village November 22 to take your donations as you drive up to the Village Upper Parking Lot. Please donate: Blankets, Winter Coats (No coat is too big! Many of the PRM clients are adult sizes L-XXL. No children's coats needed at this time), Hand Warmers, Anything that can help with the rain, New underwear (mostly for men's size L-XXL), Large cans of chili, stew, tuna, fruit, vegetables. Coffee, All condiments, Toiletries, Bibles.

Fall Finance Meeting Recap

Thanks to all those who attended our Fall Finance Meeting which is part of an annual process leading to the budget vote in late January. Our Interim Lead Pastor, Senior Director of Operations, and Treasurer shared details about our current finances, 2021 budget options, and an overview of what God is putting on our hearts. Available for the next two weeks, you can watch the [meeting here](#) and download the [presentation here](#). Don't miss the [20 minute video](#) we sent in advance with highlights from several ministries about their hopes and vision for 2021. The budget will be finalized by the Elder Board in early January and then we'll host small group meetings for clarification questions from the congregation before the vote in late January. We welcome questions over the next two months!

Deepest Sympathy

Please join Deborah Kisor in praising the Lord that her mother, Pauline Wright, is now with Jesus. She passed from this earth on Monday, November 2, in the Centralia, WA area where she had been weakened by pneumonia. Pauline and her husband had been long-time members of Village and used to be greeters on Sunday mornings according to Deborah. A funeral will be held at a later date.

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Personnel Committee

Our Personnel Committee is headed by an elder, Don Roach, and responsible to consider and advise Village's staffing needs and processes. We want to expand the committee and could use your help with recommendations. The new PersCom member, who will serve a one or two year term, should:

- Understand cross-cultural issues when it comes to employment.
- Have experience and skills in one or more of the following: compensation/salary evaluations, insurance expertise, conflict resolution, small business HR/management experience.

To recommend or find out more, please [email us](#).

Employment Opportunity: Administrative Specialist

We are hiring a full-time Administrative Specialist position, 32-40 hours per week with full benefits depending on the level of qualification and experience of the candidate. Interested applicants should email a resume and cover letter to the attention of [Yenna Lee](#) or send by postal mail to the church.

IRCO Preschool at Village - Job Opportunities

In partnership with Village, Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization is opening their first preschool for refugee families/essential workers on our campus starting December 2020. They are currently in the hiring process for a Teacher, an Assistant Teacher, and a Teacher's Aide. These are full time positions. If you are interested and would like the job description(s), please contact us and we will connect you with more information.

[More Information](#)

Village App

Have you downloaded the Village App? It's a one stop spot for all Village updates, right on your phone! We share weekly prayer requests, announcements, event details, and sermons through our app. Available for [iPhone](#) and [Android](#) users.

PushPay Giving

You can access [PushPay](#) anytime from our church app, the church website, or from your phone by texting VILLAGEGIVE to 77977. Thank you for your generosity towards Village! Questions? Email [Patty](#).

Giving Updates

Looking for updates on giving? Want to give? Please visit our [giving page](#).

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Prayer Points

- Pray for heart space to meet the Lord in this next hour.
- Prayer of thanks for the blessing to gather as a body of Christ—even virtually.
- Pray for our nation; that our hope and trust is in God.
- Pray for our elected leaders; for wisdom, for compassion, for a servant heart.
- Pray for my neighborhood; picture the faces of my neighbors as my prayer of peace and knowing God's love today.
- Pray for my family; pray for peace and knowing God's love, pray for wisdom in how I love them.
- Pray for myself; repentance for when I did not show love to the image of God in my interactions this past week, thanksgiving for being loved as God's own, for grace to love extravagantly today.
- Pray for those effected by COVID; healthcare workers, family members, those who are sick, those who have recovered, those who have lost loved ones.
- Pray for our missionaries all over the world; that their sacrifice and love is a blessing, that they are supported in prayer by a larger family of Christ.

Sharing and Listening Guide

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

DISCUSS

- What stands out to you in the story? What is surprising? What is encouraging? What is worrying?
- Why is it surprising to see the Pharisees and Herodians work together?
- How did the Pharisees and Herodians try to trap Jesus? Why was paying the tax a significant thing?
- Who was on the coin and what did it say? How does this go against Biblical world view?
- What questions are being asked of us through Jesus' answer?
- What does it mean to be image bearers of God, especially in the season we are in?

RESPONSE

- How does this passage address our world today?
- What ways do your struggle to honor the image of God in others?
- What are the works that he has for you this week? Where?
- Who or what is Jesus calling you to this week?

Connect with Others

We want to help connect you with other members of the church in your walk with the Lord. Click below for more information on any of our fellowships or ministries.

[Asian American Fellowship](#)

[Kids Ministry](#)

[Chinese Fellowship](#)

[Middle School Ministry](#)

[Hispanic Fellowship](#)

[High School Ministry](#)

[Korean Fellowship](#)

[Seniors Ministry](#)