

Village Online Bulletin

February 21, 2021

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Announcements

Village Café and Workspace

Great News! The Village Café and Workspace is reopening. Come visit us Monday, February 22 or any week day after, from 8:00am-2:00pm. This is a safe, cozy indoor space for students, families, and small groups to gather. See you soon!

The Well

Our multicultural, multigenerational Tuesday morning Women's Bible Study is preparing to complete our study in 1 & 2 Peter. After a long break for the holidays and COVID-19 concerns, we are picking-up our study again on February 23 at 9:00am. In Peter's letter to a persecuted group of first-century believers, we found pertinent and applicable lessons for our unusual times as well. We have a few openings in our Zoom groups and would love to have you join us. If you are interested, please contact **Sheri Moxley**.

Donation Boxes to Venezuela

Join our Hispanic Fellowship's relief ministry to brothers and sisters in Venezuela. This is the second time we are sending much needed, basic items. Please drop off your donations Saturday, February 27, 3-6pm, and Sunday, February 28, 1-4pm, at the main Sanctuary entrance.

Donation list:

- Food – Oatmeal, Rice, Ensure, Grain, Pasta, Canned foods (tuna, chicken chickpeas, tomato paste), Powdered milk in small packages.
- Medicines – (in small packages only) Tylenol, for pain, for flu, acetaminophen, Vitamin C, Vicks Vaporub
- Personal care – Cotton, Razors, Large Ziploc bags, Shampoo, Toothpaste, Tooth brushes, Deodorants, Laundry soap, Bath soap, Masks, Gloves size M and L, New clothes for boys, New clothes for girls, Baby diapers, Adult diapers, Wet wipes, Sanitary towels

Condolences

We extend our love and prayer to the Lindley family in the loss of Kip's mother, Sheila. After a four month battle with pancreatic cancer, she went to be with the Lord from her home in Moro, Oregon late Tuesday evening. She was the youngest of six siblings and leaves behind 2 loving children, 10 grandchildren, and 3 great-grandchildren.

Dig Deeper

John 13:34-35

Lead Pastor Paul Choi – Community in Christ

Prayer Requests

Please keep these prayer requests in mind this week.

- Pray for upcoming meetings with Washington County as they plan for future COVID vaccine clinics to be held at Village. Pray for wisdom in the organizing, patience for participants and for equity among cultural groups as the vaccine is distributed.
- Prayer for those without electricity or heat due to downed power lines.

Sharing and Listening Guide

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

- What have been your experiences in the church with authentic relationships? Pastor Paul used the metaphor of a masquerade—has that been your experience?
- Consider our triune God— “This call for authentic relationship actually began from the very beginning of the creation – meaning, we are created/created to be in a community from the very beginning – that is how we ought to be, in accordance to the design of God.” How

does this impact your idea of a community in Christ? What does this tell us about God and who we are as the image of God?

- Knowing the context of “small group” gatherings of the early church, what does Jesus’ command to love look like for you today? Use these verses as reflection points:
 - John 13:34-35: “A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men (and women) will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”
 - 1 John 4:11-12: “Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.”
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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.

*These are responses to last week’s sermon: **The Inconvenient Gospel from Paul Choi***

“It’s so tempting to hear familiar scripture and respond with “oh yes, I’ve heard that and believe” – yet not really take it in. This morning was a reminder to hear the Spirit today, let His Word permeate my being and draw me to Him today for what He wants to do today. I will miss the blessings if I don’t embrace this, deny self, and follow Him – willing to face the tough stuff head on and experience His power at work in us, the Church, TODAY! Together with Him in HIS Shalom for this planet. At Village, we can (and WILL) encourage one another in this journey. “

“Some thoughts about Pastor Paul’s message: Realization that the church is the only space where heaven and earth are connected brings deeper meaning of “The Kingdom of Heaven is at hand.” I know we must see and celebrate our differences with each other to bring about true Shalom, but there is a fine line between seeing our differences and judging our differences. I am also guilty of simply holding the key, and not using it to unlock the door. I find myself adopting the patterns of this world, and not hearing (or maybe not listening to) God’s voice. What is ‘my cross’ I must

take up? I repent and ask God to give me the wisdom, strength and courage to open the door, stop being a stumbling block, and become a channel.”

“Pastor Choi’s message made me evaluate my own part in bringing the presence of Jesus Christ’s kingdom to Village and others. I want the key to open that door, not lock it. I think giving up the right to ourselves and following Jesus is the answer that Pastor Choi was leading us to. “

Please 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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