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Are You In Need Today?

We are here to help. You are not alone.

The mission of Deacons is to serve as the hands and feet of Christ to the church and greater community. Through loving care, prayer and support, Deacons seek to serve the spiritual, emotional and physical needs of the congregation as they meet the challenges of life, especially in times of grief, illness and misfortune.

Each Deacon is assigned a share of the church membership for personal contact, support, care and assistance, as needed. Deacons also assist the pastors during worship, communion and memorial services.

villagechurch.org/care/deacon-ministry



Adult Ministry – Bible Studies

WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDIES

ROMANS & REVELATION

Led by our pastors, recorded Wednesday mornings and available later that day on our website (villagechurch.org/bible-studies)

La Costa Glen Bible Study – Resumes Tuesday, September 15 – 10:00 AM

Meets in the Laguna Room at La Costa Glen

Contact Alan Goodman at alang17lcg@gmail.com

Men's Bible Study – Resumes Wednesday, September 16 – 6:30 AM

Meets at the Lomas Santa Fe Country Club

Contact Michael Dyer at michaeldyer98@gmail.com

Women's Bible Study – Resumes Wednesday, September 16 – 9:00 AM

Meets in the Fellowship Center, followed by small groups

Contact Terri Dickson at terri.dickson@gmail.com

Monday Evening Bible Study – Monday, September 21 – 6:30 PM

Online Zoom study, led by Laura Metzger ljmetzger@gmail.com

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Led by Lynn Fauth

Sunday, September 20 – 9:00 AM

Meets in Fellowship Center, Room B

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MARK

Led by Bill Hoehn

Sunday, September 20 – 10:20 AM

Meets in Fellowship Center, Room B

SEE MORE ONLINE: villagechurch.org/bible-studies



New Members Class

Sunday, October 11 | 11:45 AM – 1:45 PM | Parlor

If The Village Church is your home congregation and you aren't yet a member, this class is for you! Join our pastors and leaders for a lunch and conversation on The Village Church's vision, mission, and values; discovering the meaning, benefits, and responsibilities of membership; and belonging to what God is doing through our congregation.

Complimentary lunch provided with RSVP: villagechurch.org/new-members-class



How to Follow Jesus for Life

Sunday, October 18 - November 22 | 11:45 AM - 1:15 PM

6-week Video and Discussion Series | Parlor

As an ideal first step in the Adult Ministry discipleship pathway, this series helps you become like Jesus by growing in freedom and wholeness from the inside out. In this course you'll be able to establish your foundation in spiritual formation; learn how your picture of God, self, and the gospel shape how you think and live; and grow in friendship with God through simple formational practices.

Complimentary lunch Provided with RSVP: villagechurch.org/how-to-follow-jesus-for-life



Moms' Fall Study – Practicing the Way

September 22 – January 19

Meets the first & third Tuesday at 6:00 PM in the Youth Room

The Practicing the Way course features eight sessions of teaching, guided conversation, and spiritual exercises designed to lay a foundation for lifelong apprenticeship to Jesus.

For more information and to sign up for the course, please contact Lori Ramsay at lramsay.carlsbad@gmail.com



Gatherings of Eight

Sign up by Sunday, September 13

Deepen relationships with fellow congregants by meeting four times this coming year to experience local events together. We'll arrange the groups and let you decide the activities: brunch, picnic, beach, park, museum, and more!

Visit the designated table or email Robin Singer at rlsinger1@hotmail.com



Dads' Group

First Wednesdays of the Month | 6:00 PM | Nick & G's

The dads of school-aged children get together for a meal and fellowship the first Wednesday of the month and support each other throughout the year.

For more information email David Herman, Director of Adult Ministry, at davidh@villagechurch.org

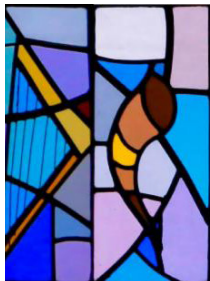


Journey Through Grief

**Wednesdays, October 14 through November 11
1:00 – 2:30 PM | Dierenfield Parlor**

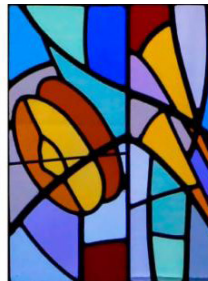
Facilitated by Wendy McClave Elliott, LCSW (Ret.) Please help us plan for your presence via RSVP to:

wendymcclavelcsw@yahoo.com or call the church office 858.756.2441.



VILLAGE CHURCH

Choral Programs



Worship & Arts

Choral Program for All Ages

CHANCEL CHOIR

ADULTS — Thursday evenings from 7:00–9:00 PM in the Music Room.

Contact Director of Worship Ministry, Juan Carlos Acosta, at jacosta@villagechurch.org

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

AGES 5-11 — Thursday evenings from 5:15–6:00 PM in the Chapel.

Contact Director of Worship Ministry, Juan Carlos Acosta, at jacosta@villagechurch.org

YOUTH CHOIR

GRADES 6-12 — Thursday evenings from 5:30–6:30 PM in the Music Room.

Contact Director of Worship Ministry, Juan Carlos Acosta, at jacosta@villagechurch.org

VILLAGE RINGERS BELL CHOIR

ADULTS — Thursday evenings from 4:45–6:15 PM in the Fellowship Center.

Contact Bell Choir Director, Phyllis Graham, at grahamphyllis357@gmail.com



Worship at the Beach

Sunday, October 4 | 1:00-3:00 PM | Cardiff State Beach

Come join us for a beautiful afternoon of worship, fellowship, and community at the beach! Bring your own picnic lunch, a beach chair or blanket, and a heart ready to worship. We'll gather together by the shore, enjoy some good food and fellowship, and lift our voices in praise.

Contact Contemporary Band Leader, Barbara Heran, at barbarah@villagechurch.org



2026-2027 CONCERT SERIES

Visit our website for additional event information: villagechurch.org/2026-concert-series



70th Anniversary Concert

Sunday, October 18 | 4:00 PM

In celebration of the 70th anniversary of the Village Community Presbyterian Church of Rancho Santa Fe, we will have a concert featuring the Chancel Choir, Children's Choir, Handbells, and Contemporary Worship Team in some of the favorite pieces of the last 70 years as well as pieces written specifically for us. ***Free-will offering***



Left Coast Wind Quintet

Sunday, November 15 | 4:00 PM

Founded in San Diego in 2014, the Left Coast Wind Quintet brings together five musicians who share a love of great music and the joy of performing for their community. The ensemble's programs blend classical favorites with music from Broadway, film, jazz, folk traditions, and beyond, creating concerts that are both familiar and full of surprises. Known for their engaging performances and conversational style, the group enjoys sharing stories behind the music and

creating an atmosphere that is welcoming to longtime concertgoers and first-time listeners alike. Whether performing in concert halls, museums, community spaces, or special events throughout Southern California, the Left Coast Wine Quintet believes that live music is at its best when it brings people together.

Free-will offering



Christmas Choral Concert

Sunday, December 13 | 7:00 PM

The Village Community Chorale, under the direction of Juan Carlos Acosta joined by instrumentalists from such ensembles as the San Diego Symphony, the Pacific Symphony, and beyond, will present their annual Christmas Choral Concert. This beloved holiday tradition will perform Bach's Magnificat, along with Heather Sorenson's "Carol Cantata" a work of familiar carols set for choir, orchestra, and audience sing-along. So, warm up your voices and join us in singing some of your favorite Carols. ***Ticketed Event***



St. Olaf Choir

Thursday, February 11, 2027 | 7:00 PM

The St. Olaf Choir, conducted by Anton Armstrong will perform across the country during their national tour. For more than a century, the St. Olaf Choir has set the gold standard for choral singing, performing for millions around the world. Composed of 75 mixed voices, the St. Olaf Choir is hailed as one of the nation's premier a cappella ensembles, renowned for its artistry and beauty of sound.

Ticketed Event



Concordia Choir

Tuesday, March 9, 2027 | 7:30 PM

Michael Culloton conducts the renowned 70-voice Concordia Choir of Moorhead, Minnesota during their 16-day National Tour of the Southwest United States. Performances with the Grammy Award-winning King's Singers and in nearly every major hall, including Carnegie Hall and the Kennedy Center, highlight the choir's world-class quality. Experience an eclectic program of traditional and contemporary choral works. ***Ticketed Event***



Spring Choral Concert

Sunday, May 2 | 7:00 PM

Village Community Chorale presenting Mendelssohn's Elijah

Felix Mendelssohn's dramatic oratorio is one of the most frequently performed well loved pieces in the literature, and in the minds of many it is second only to Handel's Messiah. Composed in the spirit of the Baroque oratorio tradition, but with the grandiosity of the early Romantic era. The work balances memorable solos with dramatic choruses that bring to life the Old Testament story of the prophet Elijah confronting King Ahab and the priests of Baal. ***Free-will offering***



Hymn Festival

Friday, June 6 | 4:00 PM

We will once again be celebrating the theological and musical richness of Christian hymnody, while highlighting more recent contributions to "Glory to God" the most recent hymnal released by the PC(USA). The afternoon will feature scriptures and stories behind many of our favorite hymns, along with plenty of opportunities for the congregation to join us in singing. ***Free-will offering***



Welcome to Kids' Village

We believe that Jesus Christ has a plan for every child, no matter their age, and it begins to unfold with the consistent and faithful teaching of His Word. In Kids' Village, we offer a place where children can begin to experience a deeper relationship with God and learn to follow Jesus for life. Our kids are taught Bible-based lessons that help deepen their knowledge of God, but they also learn through the living example of the Christ-following men and women who work and volunteer in Kids' Village.

Weekly Sunday School for babies through 5th grade

Special Events include:

Vacation Bible School (VBS)

Easter Eggstravaganza

Christmas Breakfast in Bethlehem

Halloween Trunk or Treat

Movie Nights

Family Events



Kids' Village Classes

Babies & Toddlers - Room 113

Infants through preschool. Children should be checked in and dropped off at the beginning of the service.

Kindergarten through 5th Grade - Room 106

Children should be checked in before the service but will be encouraged to sit with their families for the beginning portion of the worship service. They will be dismissed by the pastor and escorted to their classrooms by staff members (Parents are also welcome to walk their children over to Kids' Village at this time, if desired).

Need More Information

Please contact Director of Children's Ministry,
Michelle Yuen, at michelley@villagechurch.org

VILLAGE CHURCH YOUTH MINISTRY

Christine Hecker, Director of Youth Ministry, christineh@villagechurch.org

Our Youth Ministry programs meet on Sunday in the Youth Room during the 10:30 AM worship service. In addition, we offer serve opportunities in the community, social events, youth mission trips, camps, and have a youth band that helps lead worship in the sanctuary on Youth Sundays. Our students are growing spiritually, they are diligently serving in the community, they are an integrated culture within our church community, and they are being fostered as future leaders. God is good!

10:30 Sundays, Middle School Program in the Youth Room
10:30 Sundays, High School Program in the Youth Room



Middle School Youth Day

Thursday, September 17 - Pelly's Mini Golf in Del Mar

Meets from 6PM–8PM on the 3rd Thursday of the month.

Our Middle School students get together the third Thursday of each month for a social hang-out. You can join us in the youth room for pizza or meet us at the offsite location!

Parents are welcome, but can drop-off as well.



Youth Band Rehearsals Begin

Sunday, September 20 | 11:45 AM – 12:30 PM in the Youth Room

We'll have lunch in the Youth Room & start rehearsals by 11:45AM. Only students who can make the November 1 tech rehearsal and the November 8 performance will be considered, so please check your calendars.

September 20 & 27 | October 4, 11, 25

Tech Rehearsal (mandatory) - November 1 at 12:30 PM

Sound Check (mandatory) - November 8 at 7:15 AM

*Youth Band will lead worship both services on November 8



Ladle Fellowship

Sunday, November 22 | 1:00 – 4:00 PM

Ladle Fellowship is located downtown at First Presbyterian Church, 320 Date St., San Diego. We will serve lunch in the Youth Room right after regular Youth programming and leave with the Church Shuttle Van by 12:15 to get our assignments and training at Ladle by 1:00 PM. Clean-up is typically done by 3:30 PM and we'll be back to the church by 4:00 PM.

RSVP with Christine Hecker at christineh@villagechurch.org



MISSIONS

LOCAL
& GLOBAL

Making a difference in the world

Put your faith into action with hands-on mission projects that share Christ's love and compassion worldwide. Learn about how you can participate in local and global service opportunities.

Gretchen Scruggs, Director of Missions, gretchens@villagechurch.org

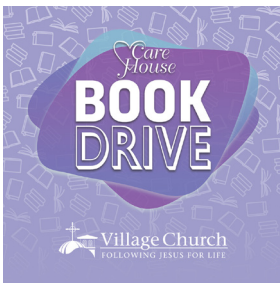


Urban Youth Collaborative Teen Center Workday

Saturday, September 26 | 8:30AM–12:30PM

One of our core mission partners needs help making improvements to their teen center. Tasks include assembling, organizing, painting, and installing.

Contact Missions Director, Gretchen Scruggs at: gretchens@villagechurch.org



Care House Book Drive

October 4 – 16

The Mission Commission invites you to participate in an exciting opportunity to support Care House, one of our local mission partners. We are collecting NEW books for homeless and under-served children in San Diego. An Amazon wish list will be available to purchase books requested by Care House. Books

can be ordered and sent directly to Care House or dropped off on the patio at the Mission table, Sunday, October 4 and 11. Final day to drop books off in the church office is Friday, October 16.



New Day Urban Ministries: Golf 4 Good

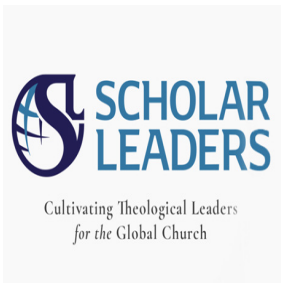
Monday, October 19 | 12:00 Noon
Fairbanks Ranch Country Club

17th Annual Golf 4 Good Event Benefiting New Day Urban Ministries

Play, sponsor, donate or volunteer!

Shotgun Start 12:00 PM | Auction / Cocktails 5:00 PM | Dinner 6:00 PM

For more information contact: Bruce Huebner at 858.354.9872 or bahuebners@gmail.com



Scholar Leaders Luncheon

Sunday, November 1 | 11:45 AM – 1:30 PM | Parlor

Scholar Leaders exists to encourage and enable Christian theological leaders from the Majority World for the Global Church. Their vision is to cultivate theological leaders from around the globe for lifetimes of impact in the Church and on societies. Please join us for a lunch to hear from one of the Scholar Leader's students.

Please RSVP to Gretchen Scruggs, Director of Missions at gretchens@villagechurch.org



Alternative Christmas Market

Sunday, November 22

The Alternative Christmas Market provides opportunities to give Christmas gifts that will bring the true joy of Christmas to the giver, the recipient and to those who are in need.

Join us on the patio from 10:00 AM until noon, you can visit over a dozen booths representing various missions that will benefit from direct donations in honor of friends and loved ones.

Upcoming Special Events

Visit our website for additional event information: villagechurch.org/special-events

September 2026

Sunday, September 13	70th Celebration - Unified Worship 10:00 AM
Sunday, September 13	Gatherings of Eight signup deadline
Tuesday, September 15	La Costa Glen Bible Study Begins 10:00 AM
Wednesday, September 16	Men's & Women's Bible Study Begins 6:30 & 9:00 AM
Thursday, September 17	Middle School Youth Days 6:00 PM
Saturday, September 19	2026 Planting Hope Gala 5:30 PM
Sunday, September 20	Sunday Morning Bible Studies Begin 9:00 & 10:20 AM
Monday, September 21	Monday Evening Bible Study Online Begins 6:30 PM
Tuesday, September 22	Moms' Fall Study Begins 6:00 PM
Saturday, September 26	Urban Youth Collaborative - Teen Center Workday 8:30 AM
Saturday, September 26	Branch BBQ 12:00 Noon

October 2026

Sunday, October 4	Worship at the Beach 1:00 PM Cardiff Beach
Wednesday, October 7	Dads' Group 6:00 PM at Nick & G's
Sunday, October 4-16	Care House Book Drive
Sunday, October 11	Giving Campaign Kick-Off
Sunday, October 11	Explorations – New Members Class 11:45 AM
Wednesday, October 14	Journey Through Grief 1:00 PM
October 18-23	Plant with Purpose - Puebla, Mexico Vision Trip
Sunday, October 18	Blood Drive 8:00 AM
Sunday, October 18	How to Follow Jesus for Life Study 11:45 AM
Sunday, October 18	70th Celebration Concert 7:00 PM
Monday, October 19	Golf 4 Good 12:00 Noon
Saturday, October 24	Branch BBQ 12:00 Noon
Sunday, October 25	Congregational Meeting Following Worship at 10:30 AM
Sunday, October 25	Trunk or Treat 11:30 AM

November 2026

Sunday, November 1	Scholar Leaders Luncheon 11:45 AM
Sunday, November 8	Giving Commitment Sunday
Sunday, November 22	Alternative Christmas Market Kick-Off
Sunday, November 22	Ladle Fellowship
Saturday, November 28	Branch BBQ 12:00 Noon
November 26 & 27	Thanksgiving Office Closed