

NORTH VALLEY FRIENDS ANNOUNCEMENTS | DECEMBER 31, 2019

MEAL TRAIN FOR CROPPER-RUSSEL FAMILY

Emily Grace & Caleb welcomed baby Thalia this week and we have a chance for the NV community to help support them in this transition by providing meals. Follow [THIS LINK](#) for the Meal Train to sign up. Thank you friends!

FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY | JANUARY 5

We'll meet together early this Sunday, December 1, at 10:15 am, to enjoy extended fellowship time with hot drinks and pastries. Plan to join us! ReThreads (clothing ministry) is always open during Fellowship Sunday.

OF A CERTAIN AGE LUNCH | JANUARY 5

If you are *of a certain age* (55+), please plan to join us to have lunch together at the La Sierra Mexican Grill this Sunday, January 5 at 12:15pm.

MEETING FOR WORSHIP FOR BUSINESS | JANUARY 8

Mark your calendars for an important Meeting for Worship for Business on January 8. Dinner with Friends at 5:30pm followed by the meeting at 6:30pm. Childcare provided. (No small group gatherings or youth groups)

Note from the North Valley elders:

The elders took your feedback from the previous First Reading of a Revised NVFC Mission statement and have an updated proposal for you to consider. This time we will look for approval on the first reading so that we can make slight changes and come back with a 2nd (and hopefully final) reading which we can then minute and that will complete this phase of the process. We received a wide range of feedback from the previous meeting and we have done our best to navigate through it and turn it into a new statement. We heard that there was a desire to be clear about who we are without being too specific or too limiting. We also heard that some of the words in the previous statement were causing confusion or unnecessary complexity. We have done our best to take your feedback and create a new statement. Similar to the previous discussion, we ask that you would attend the meeting, be open to listening, and ready to share your part.

BABY SHOWER FOR CROPPER-RUSSEL FAMILY | JANUARY 12

Join us for a baby shower to celebrate the arrival of Thalia Cropper-Russel! We'll shower Thalia and parents Emily Grace & Caleb on January 12 at 6:30pm in the fellowship hall.

OFFICE CLOSURES & PASTOR TIME OFF

The church office will be closed January 1. Other days over the holiday break may have modified office hours. Leslie Murray will be on vacation and out of the office through January 5.

NURSERY & LITTLE FRIENDS HELP NEEDED

We need a few more adults willing to hold and play with our kids 3 and under. If you can, add your name to the [children's ministry worship schedule](#) in either the Nursery slot (infants) or Little Friends play (toddlers-3). No teaching required, just a calming, playful presence.

NO WEDNESDAY WITH FRIENDS | CHRISTMAS BREAK

Wednesday with Friends is on break for the holidays and will resume January 8 with dinner and a Meeting for Worship for Business. Adult small groups and youth groups will resume January 15.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

2020 POINT IN TIME HOMELESS COUNT HELP NEEDED

YCAP is planning for the 2020 Point In Time Homeless Count coming up on January 29th. During that day they will be surveying and providing survival supplies and resources to persons experiencing homelessness in locations all over Yamhill County, including several locations in Newberg. They need about 75 volunteers to make the day a success and wondered if there might potentially be folks at North Valley Friends that might want to participate? Volunteer locations are available in every community in Yamhill County. To sign-up or for more information on the Homeless Count, contact Julie Bishop at 503-687-1492 or pit2020@yamhillcap.org. See the flyer in the foyer for more info.

NEWBERG EMERGENCY SHELTER

The Emergency Shelter opens during temperature extremes to allow folks without access to resources to be safe. This is during both freezing and heat events. If you or someone you know would be able to spend some hours between 8pm and 8am at the Newberg Emergency Shelter hosted at Zion Lutheran Church (301 S River St, Newberg, OR 97132), please fill out our volunteer interest form [HERE](#) or send an email to newbergemergencysHELTER@gmail.com with the days/hours you are available. Thank you so much for your help.

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 5:9 - "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God."

UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY

- 4 Prayer group
- 5 Fellowship Sunday
Of A Certain Age lunch @ La Sierra
- 6 Basketball night
- 7 Peace & Justice group
- 8 Dinner with Friends
Meeting for Worship for Business
- 10 Friday Night Fun
- 11 Prayer group
- 12 Baby Shower for Cropper Russel family
- 13 Building & Grounds Stewards meeting
Basketball night
- 15 Wednesday with Friends – dinner, adult small groups & youth groups (MS 6:30pm; HS 7:30pm)