

NORTH VALLEY FRIENDS ANNOUNCEMENTS | DECEMBER 4, 2019

Wednesday with Friends Dinner tonight: chili, cornbread, & tossed salad

THANK YOU NOTES AND GIFTS FOR OUR PASTORS AND STAFF

The elders are collecting thank you notes and gifts for the pastors and staff. This is a great opportunity to give a note of appreciation for all they have given to North Valley and send them a nice gift just before Christmas. There are a few note cards in the foyer for your use. If you wish to give a monetary gift, please give it to a one of our friendly elders (Jonah Harkema, Noël Carey, Jim Sanders, Evelyn Myers, Carolann Palmer, Jered McConaughy & Tim Timmerman) or clearly mark it and put in in the offering. Checks should be made out to NVFC with the memo: pastoral gift. Please have gifts in by **December 15** to allow for accounting and distribution. Here's a reminder list of the pastors and staff that would love to receive a thank you note from you: Kim Boyd, Sammy Sanders, Leslie Murray, Nate Macy, and Erinn Hampton.

HOLIDAY MEAL | SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

Everyone is invited to the NVFC Holiday Meal Sunday, December 8, following worship, in the gym. Thank you to all who have generously signed up to help! We do still need 5 more desserts (10+ servings each) and one GF/DF potato dish. Please sign up [HERE](#), or on the list in the foyer. Plan to join us for this scrumptious annual event! Questions? Contact Amy Macy.

RETHREADS WINTER COLLECTION

Undie Sundays are back! Through the month of December, ReThreads will be collecting donations of new socks and undergarments for all ages and sizes. The more variety, the better. New undergarments are hard to come by when folks are pressed for resources. Donations of hats, gloves and scarves would be good too. Your generous gifts go a long way to help provide dignity to all whom we serve.

YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY | DECEMBER 15

Wayside and North Valley Christmas Party! Middle school and high school students wear your ugly Christmas sweaters or Christmas jammies to rock the holiday cheer. Party is from 7-8:30 pm at Wayside Friends Church located on Villa.

YOUTH CHRISTMAS BREAK BINGO | DECEMBER 20

Come after your last class of the calendar year and kick off your Christmas Break with Bingo, snacks, and dope Christmas Music! Meet in the Youth Room at 3:30-4:45 pm.

ECLECTIC CHRISTMAS CONCERTS | DECEMBER 20, 21 & 22

Eclectic Christmas is a family friendly Christmas concert featuring Nathanael Ankeny, Nate Macy, Aaron Pruitt, Nolan Staples, Melissa Thomas, and Frank Verhoorn. Come join us Saturday, December 21 at 7:00 pm for an evening of great music and space to be present to Christmas, at the Chehalem Cultural Center. Eclectic Christmas will also play on Friday, December 20 at the Multnomah Arts Center and on Sunday, December 22 at the Sherwood Center for the Arts. Tickets are \$12. Invite your friends and neighbors! Eclectic Christmas CD's are available for \$15 in the church office.

JOLLIFF FAMILY CONCERT | DECEMBER 23

Join Bill, Jacob and Anna Jolliff at 7:00pm on Monday, December 23 for an evening concert in the North Valley Friends sanctuary.

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE | DECEMBER 24

Join the NVFC community at 6:00 pm on Sunday, December 24th for our annual Christmas Eve worship celebration. This is a family friendly service of singing, reflection, celebration and candle lighting. No childcare provided.

YEAR END GIVING

Finance Committee would like to highlight the increased December budget for tithes and offerings. For all months except December, the budget for these gifts is \$21,000. In December, the budget is \$31,000. Historically, December giving outpaces the rest of the year, and in order to try and forecast accurately, Finance Committee budgeted for this increase in giving. Please consider joining us in reaching this special monthly goal to make our annual budget.

For year-end giving, please ensure all gifts are postmarked by December 31st in order to qualify for 2019 giving. Thank you!

WEDNESDAY WITH FRIENDS | CHRISTMAS BREAK

Wednesday with Friends will take a break for the holidays beginning December 18 and will resume January 8 with dinner and a Meeting for Worship for Business. Adult small groups will resume January 15. (*Youth groups will still meet on Wednesday, December 18th.*)

AMAZON SMILE & FRED MEYER FOR NORTH VALLEY FRIENDS

Did you know that your purchases can support our church? AmazonSmile donates to us when you do your usual shopping at smile.amazon.com and select North Valley Friends. You can also support NV by shopping at Fred Meyer with your Rewards Card. If you currently have a Fred Meyer rewards card, you can visit fredmeyer.com. Log in to your Fred Meyer account, search for North Valley Friends Church either by name or GB154 and then click Enroll. You will still get your personal Rewards Points, Fuel Points and Rebates, and in addition, Fred Meyer will give a donation to North Valley Friends for each time you shop using your Rewards Card.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

ARTISAN BAZAAR AT CHAPTERS BOOKSTORE | SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

The annual Marafiki artisan bazaar will be Saturday, December 7, 2019, 9-3 at Chapters Bookstore. It is that time again to begin working on those special projects to donate to the sale! We rely on the donations of many varied kinds of quality handcrafted items to make this sale possible. All proceeds benefit Marafiki's work in rural Kenya. Please contact Karen Lang [langk3@gmail.com] or Eloise Hockett [eloise@marafiki.us] or for more information. Happy building/making/creating!

HELP NEEDED | 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.

"THE BIBLE AND THE LGBTQ+ CHRISTIAN" | A PFLAG OPPORTUNITY

3rd of 3 part series: Tuesday, December 17, from 7:00-8:30PM At Newberg Catalyst High School (1421 Deborah Rd, Newberg) 1 hour of teaching and 30 minutes of a sharing circle

SCRIPTURE
Luke 1:46-55

UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER

- 4 **Wednesday with Friends dinner and small groups**
 Youth Groups (middle school 6:30pm; high school 7:30pm)
- 7 Prayer group
- 8 **Holiday Meal following worship**
- 9 Building & Grounds Stewards meeting
 Basketball night
- 11 **Wednesday with Friends dinner and small groups**
 Youth Groups (middle school 6:30pm; high school 7:30pm)
- 13 Friday Night Fun @ C & S Sanders home
- 14 Prayer group
- 15 **Youth Christmas Party @ Wayside Friends**
- 16 Finance Committee meeting
 Basketball night
- 17 Admin Committee meeting
- 18 No Wednesday with Friends ~ Christmas Break
 Youth Groups STILL MEET (middle school 6:30pm; high school 7:30pm)
- 20 **Youth Christmas Break Bingo**
- 21 Men's Breakfast
 Prayer group
 Eclectic Christmas Concert @ Chehalem Cultural Center (\$12)
- 22 Parents of Teens group
- 23 **Jolliff Family Concert**
 Basketball night
- 24 **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service**