

ANNOUNCEMENTS | JANUARY 18, 2023

RETHREADS CLOTHING CLOSET 2022 STATS

Our ReThreads clothing closet partner, St. Pauly, just told us that we donated 17,184 lbs of clothing in 2022, enough to clothe 3,165 people all over the world!

ReThreads is currently primarily staffed by volunteers from the community including a retired woman named Luvia who has taken a lot of ownership over the space. She comes several times a week and has even cleaned up around the building and regularly cleans the gym bathrooms so they are nice for ReThread shoppers! If you happen to notice Luvia doing her good work, please let her know how much we appreciate her service!

ReThreads: Friends Simply Sharing | Acts 2:41-45

Our mission is to live simply, tread lightly, infuse beauty, and clothe the community. The idea behind ReThreads is simple: share. There is an abundance of clothing in our community. We at ReThreads desire to share that bounty. No income limits, no faith requirements, no rules, except one: share. We want to be mindful of reusing good clothing and creating a place of beauty to receive it. Come, browse, donate, take. Live simply by buying less and sharing more. We can all do our part.

YEAR END GIVING STATEMENTS FOR 2022 AVAILABLE

North Valley Friends Church 2022 Individual Giving Statements (for your tax purposes) are available for you to pick up on a table in the foyer. The statements will be available in the meeting house foyer through Sunday, January 29th. Those left will be sent by mail on Monday, January 30th.

LABORATORY IN FAITHFULNESS | THIS SUNDAY, JANUARY 22

As NVFC's Laboratory in Faithfulness (LIF) moves into its second year, we will continue to meet on the fourth Sunday of each month from 6:30pm to 8pm at the Meetinghouse. Our focus is going to shift a bit, however. We will use the gathering to encourage, support, resource gathering, and provide encouragement and accountability for one another as we each pursue faithfulness. As the way opens, we may find opportunities for collaboration. If you want to be added (or deleted from) the LIF email group, contact Colin at colinbsaxton@gmail.com. Our next gathering is Sunday, January 22.

NORTH VALLEY FRIENDS GREEN TEAM TASK FORCE FORMATION

We've been holding concern for the well being of our planet and all that lives on it. As you likely are aware, climate change is drastically altering the delicate balance of our natural rhythms, and this is causing serious problems. These problems disproportionately affect the poor and marginalized. We feel called and compelled as a meeting to be faithful in response to this crisis, both as a pragmatic matter, but also as part of our call to be stewards of the earth.

We also realize that climate change is a symptom of our greed, our consumerism, and our lack of simplicity. We hope that we might, as a body, find ways to respond in ways to nurture healthier ways of living that protect our environment, but also that we might find ways to be faithful to God's call to be good neighbors and stewards in the ways we interact with the earth and each other.

To this end we are hoping to form what we're calling the "Green Team". We're hoping that this task force might be willing to head up our efforts, from looking into solar panels to help with our energy usage, to the community garden, to engaging in conversation with local and national officials who are responsible for decisions that affect our climate future, to things that we haven't even thought of yet about how we might be a faithful community together to address both climate change and the underlying practices that keep us complicit in climate change.

If you're interested in being part of this task force please come to our first meeting, on January 29 at 3:00 pm, or, if you can't make it, let Nate Macy know you're interested.

YOUTH UPDATES

Youth Groups Middle School 6:15-7:15 pm and High School 7:30-8:30 pm. North Valley fellowship hall.

High School Hang Time Open tabs at Chapters and Cream with Cole and Rachelle every Tuesday from 4-5p.m.

January 20, Friday, 6:30-8:30p.m - Games and Goodies (at North Valley - ms/hs), snacks provided.

February 5, Sunday - Broomball at Lloyd Center, Camp Connections with Cascade and Wayside. \$15 for first student, \$10 for any additional sibling. Snacks only provided. Leaving Wayside at 5:15p.m returning at 8:45p.m.. (Typically there wouldn't be a youth event scheduled on a Sunday evening, but the exception was made because of tricky logistics).

Summer Camp Also do not forget to mark your calendars! Camp at Suttle Lake, **July 10-13**, the cost is \$345 and registration will be opening soon!

UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY

- 18 Youth Groups (NV)
- 20 Youth Games and Goodies event at NV
- 22 *Unprogrammed Worship & Programmed Worship*
Laboratory in Faithfulness gathering
- 23 Basketball pickup game
- 24 Hang Time for HS students
- 25 Youth Groups (NV)
- 29 Green Team meeting

<u>2022-2023 Budget (July-Jun) General Fund Tithes and Offering</u>	
Donations are accepted at northvalleyfriends.org	
Need more info? E-mail office@northvalleyfriends.org	
Jan 2023 Budgeted Tithes/Offerings:	\$18,500.00
Jan 2023 Tithes/Offerings Received through 1.15.23	\$8,079.00
Percent of Month's Projected Tithes/Offerings Received:	43.67%
Fiscal Year Budgeted Tithes/Offerings To Date (July-Dec 2022):	\$121,170.00
Tithes/Offerings Received To Date (July-Dec 2022):	\$126,251.32
Percent of Budget/Offerings Received (July-Dec 2022):	104.19%
Emergency/Benevolent Fund Balance:	\$270.19