

## ANNOUNCEMENTS | NOVEMBER 20, 2024

### SMALL GROUP SURVEY

The Passionate Formation/Discipleship visioning workgroup invites everyone to take a couple of minutes to answer this [brief survey](#). We are excited about the possibility of learning ways we might meet the community's desire for more relational connection. Through this brief survey, our group hopes to gather additional information from the congregation to help us better discern next steps in the formation of small groups. We are targeting to start the small groups in late January.

### COMMUNITY FOLK DANCE | SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Mark your calendars for an old North Valley tradition - the community folk dance! Join us this Saturday evening, November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 pm in the gym. All ages welcome, but we ask children 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and younger have an adult dance partner. The first half of the evening is especially planned with all ages in mind, but the second half provides dances that are a bit more challenging for younger children. Bring your dancing shoes and a snack to share during intermission!

### NO CHILDREN'S WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

We would love to have the children stay in with the adults for our Thanksgiving service, so there will be no Children's Worship this Sunday. The Nursery will still be open and staffed. Children's Worship will resume on 12/1/24.

### LESLIE OUT OF OFFICE

Leslie will be on vacation starting this Friday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> and will return back to the office on Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### MEETING FOR WORSHIP FOR BUSINESS | TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17

Mark your calendars for our next meeting for worship for business - Tuesday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the sanctuary. The main agenda item will be the upcoming 6-month budget for January to June 2025.

### A PLACE AT THE TABLE

This year we are hoping to estimate our 2025 giving by asking folks to fill out an "intention card." Please see the attached note from Colin for more information.

### ADVENT ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN | STARTING DECEMBER 1

This Advent season, each child will get an Advent Envelope to take home with them each week. The envelope contains something to make and a story to read and wonder about together as a family. These envelopes will be passed out at the end of Children's Worship each week. If you have questions, please reach out to Gina Ankeny ([gina@northvalleyfriends.org](mailto:gina@northvalleyfriends.org)).

### HOLIDAY MEAL | SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

Save the date for our annual Holiday Meal following worship on December 8th. We will gather for a wonderful, holiday-themed lunch. We will be providing ham and roast and hope that you will bring your favorite holiday side dish to share. If you're interested in volunteering (decorating on Saturday, prepping/serving food, or helping with cleanup), and/ or bringing a dish (dessert, salad/veggie, potato dish or rolls/bread) please [sign up here](#) or in the foyer. As we plan for this event, it would be helpful to have a count of who is planning to attend - *please let the office know if you plan to join us*.

### HOLIDAY FOOD BOXES FOR CATALYST

As in years past, we are collecting food for Catalyst Alternative High School to send holiday food boxes home with their students for Christmas Break. Attached is a [Google Doc Sign-Up](#) for you to indicate what items you're willing to contribute. We will need these items by Sunday, December 8th. Let's collaborate to provide food for the Newberg community this holiday season!

### QUAKER ARTISAN FAIRE @ WEST HILLS FRIENDS CHURCH

Come shop for your holiday gifts at the Quaker Artisan Faire - December 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm in the West Hills Friends Church Community Building (7425 SW 52<sup>nd</sup> Ave in Portland). Everything is handmade by local artisans. There will be handmade jewelry, greeting cards, baked goods, hand-crocheted items, books, nature photographs, and lots of other handmade gifts. Proceeds will go to the Capital (Building Improvement) Fund.

## JOB POSTINGS

Our job postings for a [new Senior Pastor](#) and a [new Youth Pastor](#) are open!

## YOUTH EVENTS

- December 11th - students will be combining ms/hs youth group to process food boxes for the Newberg school district from 6:30-8pm, note the time adjustment. There will be music and snacks!
- December 31 - ms/hs students are invited to a day adventure at [SkyZone](#), a trampoline park with other bonus activities. Meet at Wayside at 12:30pm with a 3:45pm return. Cost is \$20 per student and \$15 for an additional sibling, 3rd sibling free.
- Middle School (6:30-7:30 pm) and High School (7:45-8:45 pm) Youth Groups meet every Wednesday until December 11<sup>th</sup> (**and skipping next week, 11/27 for Thanksgiving**) at Wayside Friends Church in the social hall (around the back of the building). We are learning about the life of Jesus.
- High School Hang Time is on Tuesdays from 3:30-4:30 pm. Leslie and Rachelle will be there hosting space and will have tabs open at Chapters and Cream for high school students. The next Hang Time is December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

If you have any questions about youth programming, contact Rachelle at [rachelle@waysidefriends.org](mailto:rachelle@waysidefriends.org)

## THIS WEEK AT NORTH VALLEY

NOV	20	6:30pm	MS youth group
		7:45pm	HS youth group
	21	6:00pm	Elders meeting
	23	6:30pm	Community Folk Dance - gym
	24	9:30am	Unprogrammed Worship
		10:45am	Programmed Worship
	25	7:30pm	Basketball night - gym
	27		<i>No youth groups for Thanksgiving</i>

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Fellowship Sunday | December 1  
Holiday Meal | December 8  
December Game Night | December 13  
Meeting for Worship for Business | December 17  
Christmas Eve Service | December 24  
Youth event @ SkyZone | December 31

## LINKS

[Small Group Survey](#)

[Holiday Meal Sign-Up](#)

[Catalyst Food Boxes Sign-Up](#)

**\*\* [NEW ZOOM LINK FOR PROGRAMMED WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS | 10:45AM](#) \*\***

[Tithely Giving Form](#)

### **2024 Budget (July-Dec) General Fund Tithes and Offering**

Donations are accepted [here](#).

Need more info? E-mail [office@northvalleyfriends.org](mailto:office@northvalleyfriends.org)

<b>November 2024 Budgeted Tithes/Offerings:</b>	<b>\$17,500.00</b>
November 2024 Tithes/Offerings Received through 11.17.24	<b>\$11,743.95</b>
Percent of Month's Projected Tithes/Offerings Received:	<b>67.11%</b>
<b>2024 Budget to Date Budgeted Tithes/Offerings (July 24-Oct 24):</b>	<b>\$70,000.00</b>
Tithes/Offerings Received (July 24-Oct 24):	<b>\$71,793.16</b>
Percent of Budget/Offerings Received (July 24-Oct 24):	<b>102.56%</b>
<b>Emergency/Benevolent Fund Balance:</b>	<b>\$3,186.36</b>