

## ANNOUNCEMENTS | SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

### “OUT OF MY MIND” - Thoughts from Colin Saxton

Last evening, members of the NVFC administrative committee (AC) met to “reboot” some of our patterns and practices. With so much change in the past year or more, we have fallen out of good practice.

The AC consists of representatives, usually the clerks, from our various committees. These include Buildings & Grounds, Finance, Trustees, Fellowship, and Elders. Other AC members include our clerk, Ron Mock, and recording clerk, Lisa McMinn. Once we have a Treasurer (hint, hint), that person will also participate. There is also someone representing the pastoral team.

The AC plays a vital role in our congregation. They coordinate efforts, help plan for the future, and ensure we work together in healthy ways and are engaged in ministry that reflects our mission and values. When needed, they are authorized to make decisions on behalf of the entire Meeting. Minutes from AC meetings will be accessible to all Friends to read. They are found in the office and will soon be available to you through other means.

One of the things they approved last night was resuming a regular schedule for all church business meetings. These will take place on the third Wednesday of every other month (except in June, when we will meet the second week). We will gather at 6:30pm and plan to have childcare available. Our next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. I hope you will plan to be there!

~Colin

### MINISTER OF PASTORAL CARE & SPIRITUAL FORMATION

We are still accepting applications for this 10-hour-per-week position on the NVFC Pastoral Team. Please take a look at the job description ([found here](#)) and contact Colin if you have any questions or would like to talk about it more.

### FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR GRACE PENDER

Earlier this month, Grace Pender made her way to England to spend the next year volunteering at a Christian camp in Sheffield. The Oakes Holiday Centre is a year-round camp that has inner-city school groups come for a few days for the opportunity to experience play, joy, creativity, and lessons about Jesus. Grace will be serving as a ministry assistant doing media, helping plan camps, and ministering to youth volunteers. Her fundraising goal is \$5,400, which covers the year, including accommodation, food, a Bible study program, insurance, and visa costs. If you'd like to help Grace meet this financial goal, contributions can be sent to NVFC with a clear memo of “Grace Pender” or made online via [Tithely](#) by selecting the “Support for Grace Pender” fund.

### LEADERSHIP AT NORTH VALLEY FRIENDS

The current elders at NVFC are Paula Hampton, Rick Muthiah, Joel Mayward, Justin Neiman Westbrook, Melanie Springer Mock, Paul Bock, and Jim Sanders (clerk).

### YOUTH EVENTS

- Sunday 9/21 - **Youth Group - now on Sundays!** Youth group is on Sunday afternoons at NVFC from 3:30-4:45 pm.
- Sunday 9/28 - **Donuts!** Every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month, donuts in the youth room at our new time, **10:00 am**.
- Saturday 9/27 - **Board games!** Middle school and high school students are invited to the St. Cyr's home for an afternoon of board games on Saturday, 9/27 from 3-5 pm.
- We have a new [permission & medical release form](#) for the 2025-26 school year. Parents, please fill this out so we have it on file.

If you have questions about youth programming, contact Steph St. Cyr - [steph@northvalleyfriends.org](mailto:steph@northvalleyfriends.org).

### THIS WEEK AT NORTH VALLEY

SEPT 21	9:30am	Unprogrammed Worship
	10:45am	Programmed Worship
	3:30pm	Youth group
	7:00pm	Basketball night - gym

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Youth Event: Board Games | Sept. 27  
Fellowship Sunday | October 5  
Business Meeting | October 15

## LINKS

**\*\* ZOOM LINK FOR PROGRAMMED WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS | 10:45AM \*\***

**Tithely Giving Form**

**Laundry Sign-up | Newberg Drop-In Center**

**Directory Update Form**

### **2025-2026 Budget (July-Jun) General Fund Tithes and Offering**

Donations are accepted at [northvalleyfriends.org](http://northvalleyfriends.org)

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

<b><u>September 2025 Tithes/Offerings</u></b>	<b>\$18,333.33</b>
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September 2025 Tithes/Offerings Received through 9.14.25	<b>\$10,367.44</b>
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Percent of Month's Projected Tithes/Offerings Received:	<b>56.55%</b>
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<b><u>Fiscal Year to Date</u></b> Budgeted Tithes/Offerings (Jul-Sept 25):	<b>\$36,666.66</b>
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Tithes/Offerings Received (Jul-Sept 25):	<b>\$34,238.44</b>
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Percent of Budget/Offerings Received (Jul-Sept 25):	<b>93.38%</b>
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<b>Emergency/Benevolent Fund Balance:</b>	<b>\$3,749.76</b>
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