

## ANNOUNCEMENTS | NOVEMBER 19, 2025

### THANKSGIVING

This Sunday, there will be several different ways to express our gratitude to God and one another. One way to express gratitude will be through cards available in the foyer. You are invited to write a note to someone in the congregation, thanking them for who they are, noticing the consistent ways they serve, or for some kindness they have offered to you or others. If you don't prefer to write a note, tell them in person!

### FOOD COLLECTION

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to the generous food donation for Newberg FISH. With an increase in the number of people needing assistance with food, we have decided to maintain a stockpile of non-perishable items here at the meetinghouse. These are available to anyone, so if you or someone you know needs additional food, please get in touch with the office. Donations can be left in the bin located in the foyer.

### ADVENT ACTIVITIES FOR FAMILIES - AVAILABLE STARTING NOVEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>

This Advent season, there are Advent Activity Packs for your child/children to take home with them, if they want. The pack contains an activity for them to work on (at their own pace) over the course of the Advent season. These activities will be passed out at the end of Children's Worship beginning November 30th. If you have questions, please reach out to Gina - [gina@northvalleyfriends.org](mailto:gina@northvalleyfriends.org).

### HOLIDAY MEAL | SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14

Save the date for our annual Holiday Meal! We'll gather after programmed worship for a festive lunch on Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. More details to come!

### YOUTH EVENTS

- Sunday 11/23 - **Donuts & Divina!** We'll share scripture, reflection, and donuts. Every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month at 10:00 am in the youth room.
- Sunday 11/23 - **Friendsgiving!** We'll gather from 3:30 to 4:45 pm in the fellowship hall for a Thanksgiving Feast. All are welcome.
- Sunday 11/30 - **Christmas Decorating Party!** During our normal youth group time (3:30-4:45pm) next Sunday, we'll decorate the youth room, make cookies, build a large gingerbread house, and have a white elephant gift exchange. Please bring a wrapped gag gift under \$5 to participate.
- Wednesday 12/3 - **High School Hang Time!** Meet us at Chapters Books & Coffee for a low-key midweek hangout with games and conversation every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday from 3:30-4:30 pm.
- Sunday 12/14 - **Youth-Led Worship!** Youth will be leading Christmas music during worship on December 14<sup>th</sup>. If you'd like to participate (singing, instruments, or tech), please contact Ella St. Cyr.
- Friday 12/19 - **After-School Laser Tag!** We'll pick youth up from school and go to Langer's for laser tag. Bring \$20 for laser tag, snacks, and arcade. Please RSVP to Stephanie so we can plan rides and numbers.
- Sunday 1/18/26 - **Camp Reunion Overnighter!** All 4 churches from camp will gather at NVFC for an overnighter with food, activities, and time to reconnect. Don't miss it!
- **Youth Group!** Sunday afternoons at NVFC from 3:30-4:45 pm.

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

### THIS WEEK AT NORTH VALLEY

NOV	19	6:30pm	AC meeting
	23	9:30am	Unprogrammed Worship
		10:00am	Youth: Donuts & Divina - youth room
		10:45am	Programmed Worship
		3:30pm	Youth: Friendsgiving - fellowship hall
	24	7:00pm	Basketball night - gym

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

If you have been reading along in our Sunday morning study of Luke, it might be helpful to know that we have adjusted the schedule through the end of the year. To create some additional time to focus on Advent, the reading schedule will now be:

11/23: *Luke 7:1-18-35*

11/30: *Luke 1:5-25*

12/7: *Luke 1:26-38*

12/14: *Luke 1:39-80*

12/21: *Luke 2:1-40*

12/28: *Luke 7:1-17*

As you can see, we saved the birth narratives for this season as we wait together for the Coming One and embrace his way of hopeful waiting, courageous peace-making, resilient joy, and self-giving love in our still-suffering world.

In peace, Colin

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Youth: Christmas Decorating | Nov 30

High School Hang Time | Dec 3

Youth-Led Worship | Dec 14

Holiday Meal | Dec 14

Meeting for Worship for Business | Dec 17

Youth: Laser Tag | Dec 19

Christmas Eve Service | Dec 24

Youth: Overnighter | Jan 18

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

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<b><u>November 2025 Budgeted Tithes/Offerings</u></b>	<b>\$18,333.33</b>
November 2025 Tithes/Offerings Received through 11.16.25	<b>\$13,178.69</b>
Percent of Month's Projected Tithes/Offerings Received:	<b>71.88%</b>
<b><u>Fiscal Year To Date</u></b> Budgeted Tithes/Offerings (Jul-Oct 25):	<b>\$73,333.32</b>
Tithes/Offerings Received (Jul-Oct 25):	<b>\$69,882.88</b>
Percent of Budget/Offerings Received (Jul-Oct 25):	<b>95.29%</b>
<b>Emergency/Benevolent Fund Balance:</b>	<b>\$3,709.78</b>

## **LINKS**

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

**Tithely Giving Form**

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

**Directory Update Form**