



### FOOD BANK DONATIONS

Donations to the Meridian Food Bank are now being collected in a closet in the church foyer (look for the Meridian Food Bank sign). In the month of May, please consider donating tuna.

### CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Work has begun removing the damaged wall. You will notice more street noise in the sanctuary during this part of the repair process. Beginning May 10, the plan is to start repairing the women’s restroom in the foyer. Once that work begins, that restroom will not be available until the repairs are completed (about 6 weeks). We will have signs to direct people to the available restrooms during the construction work. Our theme during reconstruction is **“A rigid commitment to flexibility.”** Help us navigate these interruptions with flexibility!



### GUEST INFO

Come to the Welcome Center in the foyer

### Sunday School 9:30am

- Early Childhood (birth – K) is available during Sunday School and Worship.
- Children’s Class 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Room 139/140
- Youth Class Room 162
- Adult Classes are available for all ages.

Church Office Hours  
Monday—Thursday, 8:30am—4:30pm

### PRAY FOR:

- The Mozambique Mission Team.
- Mark Anderson and family as they grieve the loss of Priscilla.
- Those in our church family dealing with health issues, including Grace Coddington, Christine Vasquez, Ellen Lester.
- Those homebound or on hospice.

Financial Update		
<b>April 2024</b>	<b>Budgeted to Date</b>	<b>Received to Date</b>
Tithes & Offerings	\$94,083	\$84,993
Faith Promise (supports missions around the world)	\$6,111	\$3,865
<b>Church Year (Mar 1-Feb 28)</b>	<b>Budgeted to Date</b>	<b>Received to Date</b>
Tithes & Offerings	\$206,983	\$218,023
Faith Promise	\$13,448	\$10,752

### Pastors’ Emails / Birthdays:

**Jimmy Skeen**, Lead Pastor  
jimmy@myvsn.org, Nov 17

**Rick Garmon**, Journey Pastor  
rgarmon@myvsn.org, Aug 1

**Stephen List**, Pastor for Creatives and Gathered Worship, slist@myvsn.org, Sept 2

**Joy Lindner**, Pastor of Communication and Information, jlindner@myvsn.org, Feb 14

**Kaleb Harper**, Children Integration Pastor  
kaleb@myvsn.org, Sept 11

**Ryan Schwin**, Student Integration Pastor  
ryan@myvsn.org, June 13

Our Pastors can also be reached by calling the church office at 208-888-2141.



# Welcome!

## April 28, 2024



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Wifi available: VSN-Guest

**Passion for Jesus, Compassion for People**



Thank you for joining us today – April 28, 2024

### JADE Academy Students Sunday

- Piano Solo: Kathy Tuso
- Welcome and Opening Prayer
- Worship in Song
- Prayer
- Vocal Solo with Piano: Evangeline Nelson
- College Graduates Recognition
- Offering
- Piano Solo: Ashlyn Havens
- Message
- Good News People: What you need to make life worth living
- Ephesians 1:17-19, 3:18-19
- Pastor Jimmy
- Amazing Grace: Cailey Havens, Sara Ross, Ron VanOrder
- Closing Prayer
- Benediction

### STARTING POINT

For our guests this morning, please join us right after the service in the coffee shop for a brief introduction video, gift, and next steps for getting connected at Valley Shepherd.

### NEWCOMERS WELCOME LUNCH

Today after the service in the fellowship hall



### FOR THE JOY CAMPS June 3-7

Discover a world of creativity and fun at our summer camps designed for first through sixth graders. Choose from a variety of engaging activities including art, music, dance, drama, culinary arts, sports, and much more. Our experienced counselors and instructors ensure a safe and exciting environment for all campers. **Registration is open!**

#### Camp Details:

- Age Group: 1st-6th Grade (Fall 2024)
- Camp Hours: 9:30am-4:00pm
- Session Options:  
Full-Day or Half-Day
- Fees:  
Full-Day: \$125/week  
Half-Day: \$75/week

Visit [www.forthethejoyministries.com/camp](http://www.forthethejoyministries.com/camp) or scan the QR code above to learn more and to register.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Monday, April 29

- 9:30am Monday Morning Men's Prayer Mtg.
- 6:00pm AA Meeting

### Tuesday, April 30

- 10:00am Ladies Morning Bible Study
- 4:00pm Quilter's Ministry

### Wednesday, May 1

- 5:30pm Men's Ensemble Rehearsal
- 6:30pm Ladies Evening Bible Study
- 6:45pm Valley Kids Wednesday
- 6:45pm Youth Group
- 6:45pm Choir Rehearsal
- 6:45pm Prayer Shawl Ministry

### Thursday, May 2

- 6:30am Men's Prayer Time
- 6:00pm AA Meeting
- 6:30pm Men's Bible Study
- 6:45pm Zoom Adult Prayer Gathering

### Sunday, May 5

- 9:30am Sunday School for all ages
- 10:45am Worship Service, Pastor Joy
- 4:00pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal



### MOZAMBIQUE MISSION TEAM

Please support our Missions Team through your prayers and financial support. You can give financially to support our Team by cash, check (write Mozambique in the memo) or through online giving at [myvsn.org](http://myvsn.org) (choose the Mozambique option).



### SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION

Register at [tpines.org/summer-camps](http://tpines.org/summer-camps).

- Genesis Camps (1st-3rd Grade):  
Girls June 10-12, Boys June 12-14
- 4th-6th Grade Camp: June 24-28
- Junior High Camp: July 15-19
- Senior High Camp: June 17-21

### We have scholarship funds available!

If scholarship funds would be helpful for your family, contact Pastor Kaleb or Pastor Ryan.



### NEXT STEPS CLASS

For those new to Valley Shepherd, join us for Next Steps, a set of four classes that will introduce you to our church, help you discover places to connect, and more.

The Next Steps class will meet on Sundays, May 5-26, at 9:30am in Room 159. Scan the QR code to sign up.



### SENIOR CONNECTIONS TRIP

**When:** Tuesday, May 14

**What:** To tour Mission Aviation Fellowship in Nampa. Meet at the church to ride the bus. Signups will begin May 5.



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