



April 28, 2024

### SERMON INFO

Series: Faith on the Move

Sermon: Church Planting for the Joy of It

Reference: [Luke 15:1-10](#)

### GIVING FY2024 - Last Sunday

Ministries & Missions: \$33,568    Renew Campaign: \$13,397

FY2024 Giving: \$975,074    FY2024 Budget: \$1,075,000    FY2024 Renew Campaign: \$408,482

### WAYS TO GIVE:

1) Through the Realm Connect app on your mobile devices

2) Online – [vcgurnee.org/give](http://vcgurnee.org/give)

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**VILLAGE CHURCH WIFI:** VCOG Guest    Password: Mark12:29 (case sensitive)

### FOR MORE INFO OR TO REGISTER...

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### ALL CHURCH

#### PARENT NIGHT

- Sunday, April 28

- 4:00-6:00pm in Room 208

**Topic:** Generational Sins: How do the sins of one generation affect the next? **Speaker:** Spencer Smith

All parents are welcome to attend, no registration...just show up. We will discuss the topic from a biblical worldview and find grace in some of the darkest parts of our stories. Childcare is available for kids, nursery-5th grade. Contact Meg if you need childcare ([meg.fitzpatrick@vcgurnee.org](mailto:meg.fitzpatrick@vcgurnee.org) or x203).

Questions? Contact Spencer ([spencer.smith@vcgurnee.org](mailto:spencer.smith@vcgurnee.org) or x182).

#### ALL CHURCH PRAYER GATHERING

- Thursday, May 2

- 7:00-8:00pm

- Room 101

The first Thursday in May is recognized as the "National Day of Prayer." Everyone is invited to join the elders to pray at Village for the needs of our people, church, neighbors, nation, world, and God's restorative presence in our lives. Childcare is not available.

#### SPRING WORK DAY

- Saturday, May 4

- 8:00am-Noon (rain or shine)

- Tasty lunch provided

Mark your calendars for our annual Spring work day! There will be work to do inside and outside the building. [Register on Realm](#). Questions? Contact Dan ([dan.null@vcgurnee.org](mailto:dan.null@vcgurnee.org) or x191).

## **CHURCH PLANT TOWN HALL MEETING**

- Thursday, May 9
- 6:30-7:30pm
- Room 208

Erik Lundeen, our Discipleship Pastor, his wife, Bethany, and a core team of others are following God's call to plant a church in Wauwatosa, WI in the spring of 2025. If you have any questions about this process we want to talk through those with you. Join Erik, Pastor David, and several of our elders at this town hall meeting where we'll have an open Q&A to process and clarify any questions you have. If you need childcare for this event, email Mandy ([mandy.wilkerson@vcgurnee.org](mailto:mandy.wilkerson@vcgurnee.org)).

## **PARENT & CHILD DEDICATIONS**

- Sunday, May 12

We love to partner with parents in raising and discipling their kids in the Christian faith. Let us all come together and support our church families as they pledge to raise their kids to know and love Jesus! If you are interested in dedicating your child(ren), contact Wendy ([wendy.pellitteri@vcgurnee.org](mailto:wendy.pellitteri@vcgurnee.org) or x193).

## **2024 GRADUATE RECOGNITION**

- Sunday, June 2
- 9 & 10:45am services

If you or someone in your family who attends Village Church is a 2024 graduate from High School, College, or Grad School, we want to celebrate with you! Email us a picture with name/school/degree and we will include it in our slideshow. Send to Meg ([meg.fitzpatrick@vcgurnee.org](mailto:meg.fitzpatrick@vcgurnee.org)) by Monday, May 27.

## **IREF TOGETHER – Teachers**

On Saturday, April 13, IREF (India Rural Evangelical Fellowship, a Village Church missions partners) live-streamed their IREF Together fundraiser, highlighting the ministry done by teachers in southeast India. If 12 more people give a gift of at least \$50 to IREF Together by April 30, IREF can receive a matching gift of **\$10,000** to support this ministry! Visit [irefusa.org](http://irefusa.org) to watch the replay of this event – and be encouraged by the ways God is at work.

## **EARLY LEARNING VILLAGE (ELV) PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION**

Early Learning Village (ELV), the preschool program at Village Church, serves families of our community and the church. If you or someone you know is looking for a great place for their kiddos, registration is open for the 2024-2025 school year! For more info on our preschool program or to register, visit our webpage ([vcgurnee.org/preschool](http://vcgurnee.org/preschool)). If you have questions or would like to schedule a tour, contact the director, Amy Struck ([amy.struck@vcgurnee.org](mailto:amy.struck@vcgurnee.org) or x206).

## **ADULTS**

### **YOUNG ADULTS GROUP**

- Wednesdays
- 7:00-9:00pm
- 18-25 years old

Are you a young adult looking to get connected to community? We now have a Young Adults group that meets weekly on Wednesday nights in a home near Village. We eat, pray, read Scripture, and go deep with one another. And we'd love to have you or any young adults that you're connected to join! If you're interested in joining, fill out the online form at [vcgurnee.org/adults](http://vcgurnee.org/adults) or email [erik.lundeen@vcgurnee.org](mailto:erik.lundeen@vcgurnee.org) for more info.

### **SMALL GROUPS**

Here at Village, one of the primary ways we seek to grow as disciples of Christ is through participation in Small Groups. Our groups gather in community with one another, grow by praying and studying Scripture, and go by living on mission in every area of life. If you're not currently involved in a Small Group, we'd love to help you join one! Visit [vcgurnee.org/adults](http://vcgurnee.org/adults) to see a list of current groups and to sign up or stop by the Welcome Center on Sunday.

### **THRIVE SUNDAY – Adults with Special Needs**

- Sundays
- 10:45am in Room 106

This group is for adults (high school & older) with special needs. If you have any questions, contact Mandy ([mandy.wilkerson@vcgurnee.org](mailto:mandy.wilkerson@vcgurnee.org) or x202).

### **THRIVE LIVE! – Adults with Disabilities**

- Third Fridays
- 6:00-7:30pm
- Room 101

This is a Christian friendship group for adults (high school & older) with disabilities. Join us on the 3rd Friday of each month for food, games, and activities! If you have any questions, contact Mandy ([mandy.wilkerson@vcgurnee.org](mailto:mandy.wilkerson@vcgurnee.org) or x202).

## **CHILDREN**

### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2024 - Treasure Quest: A Pirate's Voyage**

- June 10-14
- 9:00-11:45am
- Kids age 3 years-entering 6th grade
- \$30/child or \$60/family

Treasure Quest: A Pirate's Voyage will send your child on a transformational adventure with the zany Christ-following pirates of Salvation's Cross. Chart your course along with the pirates as they search for the only true treasure. You'll make an island stop each day and learn what it means to follow the King as you seek his treasure. Captain Crook & Izzy the Land Shark will be racing the pirates, hoping to find and keep all the treasure to themselves. They will stop at nothing to beat our pirate friends on this exciting Treasure Quest! [Register today](#) and come on this incredible Vacation Bible School voyage.

## **STUDENTS**

### **VILLAGE STUDENTS**

- Sundays at Village Church
- Middle School: 4:00-6:00pm
  - High School: 6:00-8:00pm

We will continue in our series titled, "COMMUNITY." In this series we are discussing what the body of Christ looks like and how true community transcends all temporal relationships!

### **MIDDLE SCHOOL ALL-NIGHTER**

- May 10-11
- 8:00pm-8:00am
- \$5/student

Middle schoolers grab your eye patches and make plans to have a blast at the Pirate Style All-Nighter! There will be games galore (gym, video, and board), a taco bar dinner, donuts for breakfast, assorted snacks, time to hang out with friends & mentors, and a movie, too! If you bring a friend, they are **FREE**, just register them as a friend. [Register on Realm](#), deadline is May 6. Questions? Contact Spencer ([spencer.smith@vcgurnee.org](mailto:spencer.smith@vcgurnee.org) or x182).

## **HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS**

The Final Countdown Retreat

- June 3-5
- \$80/student

All high school seniors are invited to hang out in Shawano, WI for 2 nights/3 days. There will be plenty of food, fun, laughs...sleep is optional. We will be staying in an Airbnb and white water rafting on the Wolf River! [Register on Realm](#) for this exciting getaway, more details online! Deadline to register is May 27. Questions? Contact Spencer ([spencer.smith@vcgurnee.org](mailto:spencer.smith@vcgurnee.org) or x182).

## **MIDDLE SCHOOL SUMMER CAMP**

- June 16-19
- Camp Michindoh in Hillsdale, MI
- \$250/student (price increases after April 29)

All middle school students (grades 6-8) are invited to have a blast at summer camp this June! [Register on Realm](#) today to save some dough before the price increases. Cost covers camp & transportation fees. Questions? Contact Spencer ([spencer.smith@vcgurnee.org](mailto:spencer.smith@vcgurnee.org) or x182).

### **What to expect:**

- **sessions** filled with worship, teaching, and fun
- **cabins** to sleep in
- **space** for you to connect with God
- **outdoor activities** such as zip-line, ropes course, canoeing, water-slide, swimming, and more!
- **late-night fun** such as food trucks, glow-in-the-dark dodgeball, and more!