

BE GREAT

THE UNEXPECTED PATH TOWARD GREATNESS

WELCOME TO VALLEY

NOVEMBER 9 & 10

We are so glad you could celebrate with us today. If you are new to Valley, visit the Welcome Center for refreshments and a **Meet and Greet**. We'd love to meet you and give you a gift.

BAPTISM ON THE WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 7 & 8!

Whether you've been a Christian for a couple of weeks or a couple of decades, baptism is your next step! To participate, attend a meeting in November. Classes for students are held Sundays, November 17 & 24 at 10:45 am. Adult classes are Saturdays, November 9, 16, & 23 at 6:45 pm and Sundays, November 10, 17, & 24 after each worship gathering. Sign up on the community card, or visit valley.church/baptism.

Celebration of Thanks (Sunday, November 24 | 6:30-8 pm)

Valley Church presents a special Thanksgiving Celebration event for the whole family. We will also be having baptisms for students 1st-5th grade. Bring your Operation Christmas Child Boxes!

Parenting in a Tech-Savvy World

Join us on Wednesday, November 13, from 6:30-8 pm in the Chapel as we equip you with several tips that help parents become more aware and active in the digital conversation.

Night to Shine

We're excited to be hosting Night to Shine, for those 14+ with special needs, on February 7, 2020! Registration is live for guests and volunteers, so sign up today at valley.church/nighttoshine.

Christmas Decorating (Sunday, November 17)

Help us decorate Valley Church from 12:45-2:30 pm and get in the Christmas spirit with Christmas music and lunch in Courtyard Hall. All ages are welcome. Sign up on the community card today!

MOBILIZING EVERYONE'S GOD-GIVEN POTENTIAL TO DEEPLY LOVE CHRIST AND THEIR NEIGHBORS.

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TIME IS SHORT. USE IT WISELY.

1 PETER 4:7-11

1. When time is short, _____

_____ is a must.

• _____ with God for _____.

• Let _____ be your _____.

• Make _____ for _____ in your life.

2. Focus on _____.

• Serve others with your _____. You have something to _____.

• Serve others by sharing _____.

When we do that, everyone _____.

• Serve others with the "_____." It makes all the _____.

• Serve others for God's _____. Our goal is not only to help out others, but to guide them to _____.



LIFE GROUP GUIDE

SHARE

1. At what temperature do you turn on your heat? Who in the group has waited the longest to fire up the furnace?
2. Share a time when you were under a tight deadline. To what lengths did you go in order to make it?

STUDY

3. What is a significant takeaway that stood out to you from this weekend's message?
4. What do we learn about time and priorities from 1 Peter 4:7-9?
5. As Pastor Quintin mentioned, each of us has a unique SHAPE (Spiritual Gift, Heart, Abilities, Personality, Experiences). How have you seen your unique SHAPE positively affect how you serve?
6. What does it look like when you serve in your own strength instead of God's (1 Peter 4:11)? What are practical steps to keep leaning on God's strength?
7. What's your primary barrier that makes you hesitate to serve others, especially in the life of the church? What motivates you to serve others? Give practical examples.

Community Bridges Parties

Would you like to have stronger connections with your neighbors and your community? Join our Community Bridges Team on the second Sunday of every month, starting THIS SUNDAY, at 11am to discuss simple ways to reach the people around you and begin building bridges. Stop by the party (no registration required) or email Lisa at lisal@valleycommunitycenterdm.com.

Valley Community Center Activities

Invite a neighbor, friend, or co-worker and join us for a bunch of FREE classes and activities on Friday, November 15, including a Pancake Breakfast from 8:30-10 am and bounce house party from 3-6 pm! Visit valleycommunitycenterdm.com for the full schedule of activities. #loveyoudsm

DIGGING DEEPER (Alt. Passage: Philippians 2:19-30)

8. In Philippians 2, Paul writes about two men who demonstrated exemplary service in both their actions and attitude. Read about Timothy in Philippians 2:19-24. What was it about Timothy's mindset that gave Paul confidence in his abilities?
9. Read about Epaphroditus in Philippians 2:25-30. What titles does Paul use to describe Epaphroditus in v. 25? Keeping in mind that Jesus said, "whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant," (Matthew 20:26), what did Epaphroditus do to earn these labels?
10. What can you do this week to be more like Timothy and Epaphroditus?

SUPPORT

11. We believe everyone has unique, God-given potential that's used for the glory of God, but clearly seeing your giftings can be tricky. Spend some time encouraging each other and affirming your SHAPE, especially thinking of how your SHAPE will help in your bold faith moves.

SERVE

If you'd like more information about these opportunities, email serve@valley.church.

- Operation Christmas Child Packing Party – Sunday, November 23
- Christmas Dinner for Internationals – Sunday, December 15

Operation Christmas Child

This is your chance to bring joy and the gospel message to a child in need by filling shoe box gifts. Mark your calendars to pick up a box next week and/or attend the Valley Community Center Packing Party on Sunday, November 24, from 4:30-6:30 pm. For families and individuals with special needs, packing is from 3-4 pm. Everyone is invited to this free event!

Valley Community Center Volunteers

Connect with Valley Community Center guests and meet new friends as you serve! We're looking for volunteers to serve as welcome hosts in our entryway and baristas at the Maplenol Café (we'll provide the training). If you're interested, sign up on the community card or email Lisa at lisal@valleycommunitycenterdm.com.