The Rev. Dr. Brandon Frick was born and raised in Chapin, S.C. “I was raised Lutheran (like my family before me). We were in that pew—7 from the front on the right-hand side—every Sunday,” said Brandon.

One day, one of my teachers, whose husband was a Presbyterian pastor, invited me to church to hear their bagpipers one Sunday. I became Presbyterian a couple of years after that. Certainly, attending Presbyterian College [where Brandon received his B.A. in Religion and Philosophy] had a lot to do with that.

“My second semester of my senior year, my future wife Aaryn and I started dating. I had been her brother’s RA my sophomore year. She would come to visit him and we got to know each other. It took me 2½ years before we actually went out. Four states, a dog and two kids later, she is without a doubt the gift that keeps on giving. (And, she’s a licensed clinical social worker, which is super important to us pastor-types.)”

Brandon received his M.Div. from Princeton Theological Seminary and his Ph.D. in Theology from Baylor University.

The Road to Ministry

“When I was in Waco, Tex. to do my Ph.D. and become the next Dr. Rodger Nishioka, my wife and I were active at First Presbyterian, which ended up being crucial in my call. Though I had been training since I was 18 to teach in an academic setting, just as I was wrapping up my Ph.D., I realized that I was being called elsewhere. I just didn’t know where.

At the same time I was falling out of love with being an academic, I was falling in love with the church. One of the nagging feelings that I had was there are these things that I feel like God has gifted me with that I don’t really get to use that often in the academic setting. It felt like I really couldn’t be my full self.”

Brandon’s wife was then offered a job in her hometown of Jacksonville, Fla. “We moved, and I began a period of discernment, first spending nine months working in pastoral care at Wolfson Children’s Hospital, and then a year at Palms Presbyterian Church in Jacksonville Beach. It was at Palms that I began to embrace and rejoice at my calling to congregational ministry.”

Brandon’s first installed position was at Woods Memorial Presbyterian Church in Severna Park, Md. where he served as the associate pastor of adult education, small groups and young adults.

The Road to Village on Antioch

Being a site pastor in Kansas was not something on Brandon’s radar when he received a call from Rev. Tom Are about the VOA site pastor position. He had been recommended to Rev. Are by another pastor who thought Brandon’s skills set were a perfect match.

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Elder Tyler Nottberg asked Brandon at his first Session meeting on Feb. 5, “Was there a moment during all of your interviews and conversations where it hit you that this was what you wanted to do next?”

“Yes,” replied Brandon. “The moment for me happened on my second visit out here. There were these things that I was envisioning. I wasn’t sure if I was just totally out of my mind or other people were envisioning them, too. And almost to a T, folks from the APNC went around the room and said, ‘This is what we see happening.’ And I was thinking, ‘Are they reading my thoughts? This is kind of freaky.’ In that moment, it was undeniable that the Spirit was moving.”

“And then, to top it off, living right in between D.C. and Baltimore, you don’t go anywhere on Friday night because it takes you seven hours to get wherever you want to go. So my wife and kids and I were driving back to the hotel in rush hour Kansas City at 5:30 on a Friday night, and no one was on the road. It was awesome! We get to the hotel and my wife says, ‘This is it!’ And I thought, ‘I think so, too.’ And then we’re coming up the elevator and my 4-year-old son Nathan says, ‘I love Kansas!’ And I thought, ‘All right. I think we’re going to do this!’”

Brandon’s first time leading worship as VOA site pastor was Sunday, Feb. 4. “There’s an excitement for it to be a new day in a new way. I’m really excited to be a part of that as the site pastor.”

Brandon and Aaryn have been married nearly 13 years. Their son Nathan attends Village on Antioch Preschool. Their son Levi is 19 months old. “As a licensed clinical social worker, Aaryn has done a little bit of everything,” shared Brandon. “She’s taking some time looking at what’s right for her professionally, but also what’s right for our family right now. Being a mom is hard. Being a pastor’s wife is not the easiest thing on the planet. She does it all with style and grace, and I’m proud of her.”

“Most of my free time is spent with my family. So when the weather’s nice, we’re outside. The kids are on bikes and scooters up and down the sidewalk going to the playground. Our house is next to a lot of trail systems in Overland Park, so we’re out there a lot. I love to bike and I’m really looking forward to getting out there to ride.”

“I also love woodcarving. I’ve got my bench and my space set up. I just have to figure out what I want to carve.”

Brandon and Aaryn are grateful for the wonderful welcome they have received from Village Church. “The thing that we keep remarking is how quickly this feels like home. It’s been a really quick transition for us – feeling settled. We’ve met so many neighbors both at the church and in our actual neighborhood and beyond that. It has really been humbling.”

**The Challenge – Pulling it All Together at VOA**

“What we’re seeing is folks who are just itching to get moving. Part of what we’ve got to do is take that energy and harness it in a specified direction with some forethought and really be intentional about what we’re doing. We need to have something that not only meets the needs of the moment, but the need of a community for a very long time. That’s what we’re called to do as a church. We’re committed to building this congregation up in a lot of ways, not just in terms of numbers or budgets, but in terms of overall vitality.”

“Here’s how the congregation can help me. Tell me what you know. Tell me what you dream. Where is your heart? Where is the passion for this place? What kind of ministry is God calling you into, and how can Village on Antioch be a part of that? Actually being able to hear that from folks is something that gives me a lot of life, but even outside of that, really helps me think about ‘How do these pieces come together?’ There’s so much energy, it’s hard to pinpoint it. So whenever people will just name it – ‘This is the thing that I’m really excited about!’ it helps me know how to engage folks around building the congregation. It’s conversation and prayer.”
Good News, March 7, 2018

MISSION

Food Pantry
Thank you on behalf of the clients of the Food Pantry for your generous donations to the Souper Bowl Sunday Food Drive. The four services at Village on Mission on Sunday collected over 900 pounds of soup (and LOTS of crackers) and Village on Antioch collected 443 pounds. This mission is a success because of your ongoing support.

During March, the Food Pantry is requesting donations of all types of pasta. Each family gets a one-pound box at every visit. Whether it’s spaghetti, penne or lasagna please donate some of your favorite pasta to the Food Pantry. Thank you also for recycling your clean plastic and paper grocery sacks for use by the Food Pantry clients. Donation drop boxes are at south and north main entrances, and near the crib room.

Do You Dig Gardening?
Spring is just around the corner, and it’s time to start thinking about the Village Community Garden at 99th and Mission Road. Village is looking for volunteers to help plant, weed, water and harvest during 2018. Depending upon the weather, we hope to plant some of our cooler weather crops such as spinach and lettuce beginning this month. Garden produce is donated to the Village Food Pantry for our clients.

If you would like to join the community garden team, call Deborah White in the Mission Office at 913-671-2369 or email deborah.white@villagepres.org. We will then contact you as we get closer to the planting season with a sign-up list of times to help.

LENTEN SERMON SERIES

When Things Have Gone Wrong
The season of Lent is a slow walk to the cross. On one hand, the cross is shocking. On the other hand, it is expected. Things go wrong in everyone’s life. Life is not fair. No one escapes suffering. Power is often used in abusive fashion. The passion of Christ did not eliminate the brokenness in our world, but he did battle it every day. He showed us the healing difference that love can make in a world that always knows pain and disappointment. The life of Christ is not simplistic or Pollyanna, but it is hope when things have gone wrong.

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Reflections from January Trip to Haiti

Dr. Ted Higgins led a 21-person team that included four Village Church members to the Higgins Brothers Surgicenter for Hope. HBSH is a full-service, pay-what-you-can medical facility on the campus of Haitian Christian Mission (HCM) in Fonds-Parisien, Haiti. Dr. Darryl Wallace, Maria Kindred, Layne Stowers and Lora Garrison, director of international mission, share their thoughts about their time in Haiti.

Dr. Darryl Wallace

It was just a typical Sunday afternoon this past fall when I decided to hop in the car and head to The Gathering. Dr. Higgins happened to be speaking to the congregation about his surgical center in Haiti. I reflected on my 35-year career as a surgeon and medical school teacher. Since retiring three years ago, I knew I would never return to the operating room again.

Fast forward three months – I am in the operating room. In Haiti. I am fully scrubbed, hands raised to avoid contamination, waiting for the patient to be brought in. It all feels so strange yet so natural. I spend the next four hours working on a major bowel obstruction and trying to pass on time-tested basic surgical principles to the French-speaking Haitian resident surgeons.

Perhaps it was the timing, or the music, or a God “thing”, but I found myself saying “Yes” to an unknown challenge in my otherwise predictable life. I guess it is true that we never really know what God has in store.

Maria Kindred

It was an honor to be a part of the HBSH team, to help the patients in recovery and to observe the surgeons, nurses and entire team in action. This experience made me even more excited to work hard toward a future in surgery.

Layne Stowers

The trip opened my eyes to how other cultures live on so little and reminded me of what is truly important. Being there confirmed my desire to pursue a medical career, whether as a nurse or a surgeon.
Lora Garrison

I participated on this trip to learn about HCM’s ministries and to evaluate mission opportunities for our members to engage in. Simply put, I was blown away. Regardless of age, professional background or skills, there is something important for everyone to do in Haiti. HCM can host groups of up to 25 people on their secured eight-acre campus. Our members can work in any of their 16 schools on campus and in the surrounding villages; participate in their Play It Forward program for youth basketball/soccer; hold babies and play with kids in the orphanage; assist doctors and nurses in Higgins Brothers Surgicenter; help the nurses in HCM’s maternity ward; attend Vacation Bible School; help in their sewing, woodworking and peanut butter factories; and much more. HCM is also happy to create a customized/tailored service trips, such as mountain biking, hiking, camping trip to deliver medical supplies and food to hard-to-reach villages; a coffee, culture and church tour where our group visits different churches and coffee growing regions; whatever wild ideas you might have!

HCM’s sewing program helps create jobs for local women and promotes sustainable change in the community.

HCM’s peanut butter factory helps alleviate Haiti’s widespread malnutrition problem. The factory creates jobs for locals and brings in revenue to help fund our malnutrition programs.

If you are interested in learning more about Haitian Christian Mission and mission trip opportunities, contact Lora Garrison, director of international mission, at lora.garrison@villagepres.org or 913-671-2390.
Wednesday Night Dinner
Dine before or after your class. Salad bar opens at 5:15 p.m.; hot food buffet is open 5:30-6:30 p.m. These dinners offer an opportunity for everyone to enjoy a well-balanced, convenient meal. Full meal with salad bar and dessert is $7. Salad bar and dessert is $6. Children ages 4-10 are $3 and children age 3 and under are no charge. Contact Liz Middleton 913-671-2359 or liz.middleton@villagepres.org for reservations by noon Monday. NEW: Standing reservations are available on a pre-pay basis only. Contact Liz Middleton at liz.middleton@villagepres.org if you are interested in paying ahead for a month or more of your meals.

Menu:
March 14 – No dinner due to Spring Break
March 21 – Corned beef and cabbage, buttered new potatoes, baby carrots, vegetarian entree
March 28 – Holy Week – New England clam chowder, vegetarian soup, grilled cheese sandwiches
April 4 – Easter! Pork loin roast, scalloped potatoes, vegetarian entrée, green vegetable

Brent Isom Concert with the More Love Chorale
7 p.m. Friday, March 23, in the Village on Mission Sanctuary
Guitarist Brent Isom of St. Joseph, Mo. is music director at New Harvest Baptist Church in Agency, Mo. He’s also a singer/songwriter. Brent will be joining with the Village Church More Love Chorale for a concert of sacred music. Brent will bring Ben Howe (keyboard player) and vocalist Angela Voga to accompany him. The audience will also be invited to sing along on a few pieces. Admission is free. The concert is sponsored by Connectional Ministries.

Kansas City Wind Symphony Concert March 18
The Kansas City Wind Symphony will present their fourth concert of the season, “Of Gods and Men,” at 7 p.m. on Sunday, March 18, in the Village Church on Mission Sanctuary. Admission to this event is free. This performance will feature selections from Gustav Holst’s “The Planets,” along with music by Morton Lauridsen, John Mackey, Gary Ziek and Oscar Navarro!

Te Deum Chamber Choir Presents: Seven Last Words from the Cross
3 p.m. Palm Sunday, March 25, Village on Mission Sanctuary
Te Deum offers a choral reflection for the Lenten season with James MacMillan’s masterpiece depicting the crucified Christ’s final utterances. Tickets are $15 and available at www.te-deum.org/concerts or at the door. Te Deum is a member of the Village Church Arts Alliance.

Mozart in the Village
3 p.m. Sunday, April 22, Village on Mission Sanctuary
There is perhaps no greater composer to help us celebrate the joyful season of Eastertide than Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. Featuring renowned violinist David Hays performing Mozart’s "4th Violin Concerto" and the Village Chamber Choir, with soprano soloist and Village intern, Jee Yeun Kim, singing the Mozart Vespers.
A retiring offering will be taken for the Veterans Community Project – an organization dedicated to providing homes for Kansas City’s homeless heroes.
**WOW Lunch at Joe’s Cellar**

Women of Wisdom (WOW) warmly invites all ladies to lunch at noon on Wednesday, March 21. We’ll dine at Joe’s Cellar, the new cozy restaurant inside the Mission Road Antique Mall, which features authentic Italian dishes, salads, quiches and soup. We hope you will join us to share conversation, laughter and good food at this popular Prairie Village gem at 4101 West 83rd. RSVP by March 20 to Marvie Sneegas, sneegi@kc.rr.com, 913-209-9608.

**Celebration of Faithful Women Brunch**

The 2018 Celebration of Faithful Women Brunch will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 24, in Friendship Hall. This year we will celebrate together in honoring Margaret Dalke, Vicki Graham and Jennifer Sawyer. Our guest speaker will be Rev. Sarah D. Brouwer who will speak on “Open Doors, Open Futures.” The reservation deadline is fast approaching so please get your tickets online at [www.villagepres.org/pw](http://www.villagepres.org/pw) or Sundays in Friendship Hall from 9-11:30 a.m. The reservation deadline is Sunday, March 18. Tickets are $16 a person.

**Easter Lilies Need to be Delivered – Will You Help?**

You can help share the joyful promise of Easter by taking an Easter lily to members who are unable to attend church during Lent or Easter. If you’re interested in helping deliver a lily or two after the last service, please contact Linda Alley at 913-671-2327 or linda.alley@villagepres.org. You will be contacted the week before Easter with specific information.

**New Growing Through Grief Series Starts April 18**

If you have lost a loved one, consider coming to Growing Through Grief, a five-week class where you can learn more about the grieving process, meet others who understand your struggles, and be reminded that God is with us through even the hardest of moments. The next series is from 5:30-6:45 p.m. every Wednesday, April 18-May 16, in Room 124. You’ll receive your own copy of “Understanding Your Grief – Ten Essential Touchstones for Finding Hope and Healing Your Heart,” by Alan D. Wolfelt, Ph.D. This is optional reading, but many have found it to be incredibly helpful. There is no cost, but registration is required; contact Linda Alley at 913-671-2327 or linda.alley@villagepres.org for more information or to register.

**Alzheimer’s Support Group Meets Twice a Month**

If you have a loved one or know someone who is living with Alzheimer’s, join us every first and third Wednesday for our support group. This program has both a support group for caregivers, and an art element serving those with Alzheimer’s. The groups meet at the same time in different rooms and is completely confidential. The Alzheimer’s Support Group meets in Room 124 while Memories in the Making meets in Room 126. You are invited to come to our upcoming session from 3:30 -4:45 p.m. on Wednesday, March 21. Contact Rev. Len Carrell at len.carrell@villagepres.org to find out more.
May God Bless You and Keep You, Rev. Jenny McDevitt

Friendship Hall was packed on Sunday, Feb. 18, as church members lined up to give Rev. Jenny McDevitt one last hug around the neck before she heads to New York City to become senior pastor at Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church. During a congregational meeting after the 9:30 a.m. service, Rev. Tom Are said, “Madison Avenue has a long history of giants as their pastors. She is tiny. But they will discover that they have called another giant.”

Jenny received many parting gifts of gratitude, including a pastor’s stole from PW, New York Yankees ballcap, Jackie O sunglasses and pearls. Rev. Len Carrell serenaded Jenny with a Broadway showtunes farewell tribute. Rev. Are closed the presentations with, “We want you to remember us because there were things that you experienced here that were grace, and love and hope. And it will give you strength as you go forward.” He then presented Jenny a gift from the church - a photo montage of highlights of her 5½ years of service at Village Church.

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

On Sunday, March 25, Village collects for One Great Hour of Sharing. Gifts from this offering are distributed among the following: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (32%) to rebuild communities after natural and human-caused disasters, Self-Development of People (32%) to provide resources to disadvantaged communities working to overcome poverty and Presbyterian Hunger Program (36%) to support initiatives that create sustainable food systems.

Supporting One Great Hour of Sharing provides assistance to organizations like Action for Rural Women’s Empowerment (ARUWE), a partner of the Presbyterian Hunger Program. With support and land rights training from ARUWE, Najjuma, a 56-year-old widow in Uganda, was able to keep her 8-acre farm to grow food for the three children and eight orphaned grandchildren in her care. Without the land, she would have no means to support these children. When Najjuma’s in-laws ordered her to leave the land her husband had inherited, she was able to work with ARUWE to appeal for help through local governance structures.

Donations to this Presbyterian Mission Agency initiative provide relief to poor and oppressed communities. Consider making an offering on Sunday, March 25.
Understanding Housing Options Available to Seniors

Most of us love our houses, and want to stay there, even as we age. However, we never know what the future may bring, and remaining in our house may become unsafe or even unaffordable. You owe it to yourself to create a “Plan B”, so that if an unforeseen event occurs, you and your family members will know exactly what to do.

The Education Group is an organization of knowledgeable volunteers with the goal of providing information that aids people in making decisions on issues that come with aging. Their presentations are aimed at helping seniors, and those who care about them, avoid common pitfalls, consider options and make informed choices that may translate into years of increased comfort and enjoyment. 6:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 17. Rooms 232-233.

The Presenters include:

Mark Gingrich, retired from careers in engineering and management consulting. Married to Milly, Mark and Milly are currently dealing with Milly’s late-stage dementia. Mark gains knowledge and energy from helping others find the right housing option.

Rachel Monger is the vice president of Government Affairs for LeadingAge Kansas and a lobbyist for non-profit senior services at the state and federal level. A Kansas licensed attorney specializing in Elder Law and adult care home administrator, Rachel has dedicated her career to advocating for the best quality of life and care for older Kansans.

Chuck Nigro grew up in Kansas City. He has a BBA from the University of Notre Dame and a MPA from UMKC. His 1967 to 2007 career in health care management encompassed a variety of executive positions in the public and not-for-profit sectors. Chuck currently serves as chair of Commission on Aging for Johnson County.

Evie P. Curtis retired following a 43-year career in financial services. Evie focused her non-profit work on advocacy for seniors and the disability community. It is the passion from volunteer service and the experience from her career that forms a post-career centered on seniors and their needs.

Don Williams, retired from careers as a pilot, team leader and contract manager for major federal projects. Now an ordained clergy person, Don's contact with numerous elderly, ill and terminally people revealed that most had no comprehension or understanding of the myriad of difficult decisions required for the particular phase of their lives.

Upcoming Village U classes:

"Leaps & Bounds" Screening – "Leaps & Bounds" is a one-woman show produced and performed by Tevin East of the Affording Hope Project. Written in collaboration with Chad Myers (biblical scholar, author and teacher), this video explores the intersection of faith, ecology and the global economy. Led by Rev. Jay McKell. 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, March 20, Room 127.

Climate Change & Health Workshop – This morning workshop shares the basics of how our warming climate affects life and health. Plenary and workshop sessions share the history of rising temperatures which are causing an increase in disease. Co-sponsored by Earthkeepers of Heartland Presbytery and Environmental Action Committee of Village Church. Keynote speaker: Rick Randolph, MD, medical director of Heart to Heart. 8:30 a.m., Saturday, March 24, registration and refreshments; 9 a.m.-noon Plenary, worship and workshops, Rooms 126 and 127.

Book Club – Join us for an interesting book discussion while your children enjoy childcare. Facilitated by Katie Montgomery. 9:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesdays, March 27 and April 24, Room 133.

Daily Practice of Yoga – In each session, participants will be guided through breathing exercises, movement, and meditation. Jack Whitaker has years of experience as a yoga instructor and is glad to offer this at Village Church. There is no charge but donations to the church are encouraged. 10-11:30 a.m. Tuesdays, April 3, 10, 17, 24 and May 1, 8, 15, Room 15.
Early Christianity and Beginning of the Church – Popular instructor John Borden will lead an exploration of the beginning of the church examining such topics as the world of the ancient Middle East, the thought, religion and culture in the time of Christ and the early church, what worship was like for the early Christians and how the New Testament came to be. 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesdays, April 4, 11, 18, 25 and May 2, 9, 16, Room 127.

Growing in Awareness of Islam, Muslims and the Qur’an – Many Americans have a very limited knowledge of Islam, Muslims, and the Qur’an resulting in generalizations tinged with negative stereotypes and prejudice. This course will help the learner grow in their understanding by exploring the Qur’an, God’s revelation to Muslims through the prophet Muhammad. Taught by Rev. Biagio Mazza, pastoral associate and facilitator for adult faith formation at St. Sabina’s Parish in Belton, Mo. 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesdays, April 4, 11, 18 and 25, Room 132.

Village Church 101: Believing and Belonging – Whether you are new to the church, a long-time member, or not a member but just curious to know more, all are welcome to this series on believing and belonging. The first three sessions will focus on learning more about Village Church, our mission and ministry, and how to be a part of the church. The final session is a conversation with Senior Pastor Tom Are. Dubbed the “Ask Tom Anything” session, all are invited to ask Tom anything! Taught by Rev. Tom Are, Jr., Rev. Len Carrell, Dr. Rodger Nishioka and Cindy Wilcox. 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesdays, April 4, 11, 18, and 25, Room 232.

Be a Voter! Why Christians and Politics Mix – This three-part class focuses on being politically involved in our midterm elections. Dr. Rodger Nishioka will focus on the theological foundation for social and political involvement. Kansas State Senator Barbara Bollier (R-7th district) will present issues before the Kansas legislature. Brandi Fisher, Mainstream Coalition, will discuss how informed citizens with different points of view can work together to forge representative government. 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesdays, April 4, 11 & 18, Room 232.

Adult Sunday Morning Classes:


Foundations of Faith – This class is studying the significance of Jerusalem, the holiest city for the three Abrahamic faiths of Islam, Judaism and Christianity. Taught by the Rev. Dwight Tawney, the class enjoys thoughtful discussions and conversation prompted by this beloved teacher who served as one of the pastors here at Village Church. Room 15.

Growing Together – If you are interested in biblically-based lessons that help you increase your impact on others in your life, then you should drop into Room 124 at 9:30 a.m. You will find a small group exploring the Acts of the Apostles. Facilitated by Lawrence Andre, the group is asking where we are called as apostles and what that even means.

The Village Forum class on March 11, 18, 25, will study “Lenten Study of Jesus’ Last Week” as narrated by the Apostle Mark with help from Marcus Borg and Dominic Crossan, led by Gus Breuysprak and Rodger Nishioka. Room 126.

Single Adults-Let’s Play Pickleball

6-8 p.m. Friday, March 16, Chicken & Pickle

All single adults are invited to come play (and eat!) at Chicken & Pickle on Friday, March 16. We have two indoor pickleball courts reserved and a gathering area to eat at Chicken & Pickle, 1761 Burlington, North Kansas City, MO 64116. All equipment/lessons are provided. A $5 deposit and RSVP are required to cindy.wilcox@villagepren.org or liz.middleton@villagepren.org. Please call Cindy at 913-671-2331 with questions.
New Babies
Join Children and Family Ministry in welcoming Andrew Christopher Vonnahme. Greg and Beth Vonnahme are his parents.

Baptisms
Future baptism dates are March 18 and May 13. To register for a future baptism date, an interactive baptism "registration" form can be accessed on our website at www.villagepres.org/baptisms. Call the Children and Family Ministry Office at 913-671-2350 with any questions.

Palm Parade
Children ages 4 years- 6th grade, please come process, sing and waive your palms on Palm Sunday, March 25. Meet by 9:10 a.m. in Room 309. Children younger, infants-3 years, are welcome escorted by parents.

5:30-7 p.m. Friday, April 13
Village on Mission
Enjoy artwork by artists of all ages, amateur to professional, and children from Village on Mission Preschool, Kids Day Out and the VCCFDC. Enjoy hors d'oeuvres, live jazz music by the Aaron Linscheid Trio. Admission is free. Call Connectional Ministries at 913-671-2331 for more information.
Awesome Moment #2

Brought to you by Village Commitment Committee

On Keaton’s first day of Extended Preschool Day, Owen noticed Keaton didn’t know exactly what to do so he says, “I want to play with Keaton.” Owen then sits with Keaton and makes a plan: “Where do you want to go?” Keaton says, “The art area,” and Owen says, “Hey, I want to go there, too. Do you want to play with playdoh?”

Thank you for making Village awesome!

Food Pantry & Clothes Closet Drop-Off Hours
10 a.m.–2:30 p.m. Monday–Friday
9:30–11:30 a.m. Saturday

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IN MEMORY
Frances Clarke
Diana Lee
Frank “Butch” McGinley
Sally Quinn

We mistakenly listed Diana Lee in this section of the Feb. 7 Good News.