Why can't we get past this? That is the question that frames a three-week preaching and teaching series this month. The series will consider the ways that racism remains a challenge in our country and for the church. Rev. Tom Are, Jr. senior pastor, and Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishioka, senior associate pastor, will lead the series.

“We both have lived long enough to see that the practices of racism in many ways are not the same as they once were. The days of slavery are in the past and Jim Crow is not the law of the land, but it is still true that people of color have a different experience in our nation than white folks,” said Rev. Tom Are.

The two acknowledge that this is partly due to the attitudes and biases of individuals which is something with which all persons struggle. But even more, Tom and Rodger have come to see that racism is more than bias and prejudice. Racism occurs when bias is joined with power. Then, it becomes a structural reality which is the primary reason that racism remains such a challenge today. While it is difficult enough to change individual biases and prejudices, it is even harder to change structures and systems.

To prepare for this sermon series, the two recently engaged in a book study of “White Fragility” by Robin Diangelo. They read and discussed the book with a small group of Village Church members. Both gleaned much from the conversations of the group. One of the most important insights was the quote that “racism is a structure, not an event.”

Rev. Are continues, “This is a hard thing to talk about, and we are not suggesting that we have all the answers, nor is it our calling to point fingers, but we do feel called to talk about this because it impacts all of us. And we continue to live in hope that the conversations and choices we make today can make it possible for all of us and our children to walk in a land that is fairer to all. Where all can live in a community that is less controlled by structures built from bias and prejudice and more by this truth – that all of us are God's children and deserve to be treated as such.”

The preaching series begins on Sunday, May 19, with Rev. Nishioka preaching. Rev. Are will preach on May 26 and then the two will preach a dialogue sermon on June 2.
In addition, Rev. Nishioka is teaching a three-session evening Village U course titled “Christians and Race in the 21st Century.” The course runs from 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesdays, May 8, 15, and 22, in Rooms 132 & 133. The class will explore what the Bible says about race and how Christians are called to abide with one another and work to dismantle the structures of racism. Register online at [www.villagepres.org/village-u-community-classes](http://www.villagepres.org/village-u-community-classes).

Following the conclusion of the sermon series, both Revs. Are and Nishioka invite the congregation to a “sermon talk-back” conversation from 7-8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 4, at Village on Antioch, and from 7-8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 5, in Friendship Hall at Village on Mission. The two will field questions and welcome insights and concerns. The two see this evening as an opportunity to hear from the congregation and for church members to hear from one another.

Said Rev. Nishioka, “The question of Why can’t we get past this? is a real one and the answers are complex. But ultimately, we are guided by the Christian doctrine of hope. Christian hope is the confidence that God’s goodness and love are trustworthy and reliable. If that is true, then the more we hope in God, the more we are shaped into the community that God intends for humankind and all of creation.”

**MISSION**

**Witness Offering Supports Our Youth Generation**

Presbyterian Youth Adult Volunteer (YAV) Kristen Young served in Peru at a shelter for youth survivors of sexual abuse and domestic violence. As she served, she saw God at work as her clients graduated high school and took steps toward independent living. After Kristen completed her YAV service, she followed a call to serve in a church internship in Hawaii.

In celebrating Pentecost, we recognize the birth of the church and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Christ’s followers. The Witness, also known at the Pentecost offering, focuses on supporting young people like Kristen by inspiring them to share their faith, ideas and unique gifts. The offering helps nurture the faith formation of our members in the first third of life as children, youth and young adults.

This offering is divided up as follows:

- 40% is retained by Village Church for local programs focused on children at risk and development of youth and young adults.
- 25% to Presbytery for youth/adult programs throughout the world
- 25% to Presbytery for the Guiding Youth program
- 10% to Presbytery for advocacy that protects and education that nurtures our children.

If you wish to support youth programs in the church, you can do so on Pentecost Sunday on June 9 with the yellow envelopes in the hymnal slots in the pews, or you can mail a contribution to Village Church (please note that it is for the Witness offering).

**Habitat for Humanity House Makes Family Whole Again**

On Wednesday, April 3, Village Church welcomed Talina to her new Habitat for Humanity home, made possible with funds from the church. Talina was excited to receive her house keys and become a homeowner for the first time. Not only is this newly renovated house a healthier place to live, but it’s also an opportunity to make her family whole again. After repeated and violent gang activity in their neighborhood, Talina’s son and daughter left Kansas City to live with a family member in a safer location. Now, Talina’s family has a chance to reunite and once again share a home together.

Village Church was the first organization to sponsor a house with Heartland Habitat for Humanity 40 years ago. Now 40 years later with more than 49 homes and nearly $2 million in donations, Village Church continues to support this vibrant ministry financially and with the volunteer man hours of our Tuesday-Thursday Crew. If you are interested in joining the Village construction team, contact Deborah White at 913-671-2369 or deborah.white@villagepres.org. No construction experience is required.
**Food Pantry**

This Sunday, May 5, is Canned Fruit Sunday, the second Food Drive of 2019 for our Food Pantry. Please grab a few cans of fruit when you are shopping this week and bring them to the church on Sunday (or any day). Mandarin oranges, peaches, Tropical fruit, pears, etc. - our shoppers love to be able to choose from a variety of canned fruit. If you can’t make it to the stores, cash and checks are gratefully accepted.

**Cross-Lines Cooks a Meal**

Village Church will cook and serve a meal at the Cross-Lines Community Kitchen in Kansas City, Kansas on Friday, May 10. We need volunteers from 9:30-11 a.m. for prep and from 11:15 a.m.-1:30 p.m. to serve and clean up. We also need cookie donations that can be dropped off at the church reception desk from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. on Thursday, May 9. Sign up to volunteer at [http://www.bit.ly/cross-lines-sign-up-2](http://www.bit.ly/cross-lines-sign-up-2).

**SESSION RECAP**

**At the April 1 meeting of the Session, the elders of the church...**

- Met for the first time at the Village on Antioch campus. Those elders who had not yet visited the building were given a tour of the church. The Session gathered in the Sanctuary, and the Rev. Dr. Brandon Frick, site pastor, gave a report on the ministry at Village on Antioch (VOA). Sunday worship at 9:30 a.m. is holding steady at approximately 120 persons with strategies and plans in place to grow that number significantly in the months ahead. There are visitors regularly with follow up by Rev. Frick. The music ministry is thriving under the leadership of Ryan Main, music director.

- Reviewed the insurance coverage for the church on all campuses. The premium for liability and property protection for 2019 is $105,049.

**Heard reports that...**

- Two new initiatives are emerging under the Adult Educational Ministries including a spirituality project named “The Feast” and a leadership project named “Discover Your Calling.”

- The Mission Committee approved a total of $12,000 in grants for the Higgins Brothers Surgicenter in Haiti, scholarship funds for the Girls’ Home in Thwake, Kenya and the Light a Candle Community Center with the Dominican Republic Medical Partnership. $1,253 in emergency assistance was distributed in February to 32 individuals and 15 households.

- The church will welcome 10 new members in April.

- Attendance at the monthly Taizé worship services is increasing.

- Materials have been purchased to enhance the security of our children and their teachers in all classrooms.

- 105 deacons and ushers have been secured to assist with Lenten and Easter services.

- The Youth Chili Cook Off raised just under $2,000 to support the summer ministries.

The Session closed the meeting with prayer, noting all persons on the prayer list. The next meeting will take place at the Village on Mission campus on May 6 and will welcome the 2019 Confirmation Class.

**What is the Session?** The Session is the governing board of the congregation. The 29 elders are elected by the congregation. Each one serves for a three-year term. Currently the Session is comprised of 13 women and 16 men. Two of the elders are young people. The Session meets monthly except for July. The Rev. Tom Are, Jr. is moderator of the Session. Pastors and directors also attend the meetings.
Kansas City Wind Symphony Concert
7 p.m. This Sunday, May 5, Village on Mission Sanctuary
This season-closing concert titled, "Top of the Pops," will feature a mix of popular style music from John Philip Sousa, John Williams, Eric Whitacre and more. Admission is free.

Second Thursday Recital May 9
Guest Artist: Countertenor Jay Carter
Please join us from 12:15-12:45 p.m. Thursday, May 9, in the Village on Mission Chapel. Jay Carter, one of the nation's most beloved countertenors and a faculty member of William Jewell College, will sing a program of works by Purcell, Mozart, Hahn and Howells. Admission is free.

Te Deum Chamber Choir Presents “Cathedral Classics”
7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 25, Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
3 p.m. Sunday, May 26, Village Church on Mission
Te Deum wraps its 11th season with a program of some of the 20th century's most notable composers. Focusing on familiar music designed for the warm acoustics of the world's greatest cathedrals, the audience will experience a cappella classics by Byrd, Barber, Britten, Mendelssohn, Stanford, Rachmaninoff and more. Come hear this music in two of Kansas City’s most acoustically beautiful churches. Tickets are $15 online at www.te-deum.org/concerts or $20 at the door. Te Deum is a proud member of the Village Church Arts Alliance.

Summer Choir Starts June 16
You are invited to sing in the Summer Choir! We have an 8:45 a.m. rehearsal in the Village on Mission Chapel before the 9:30 a.m. service each Sunday from June 16 to July 28. Summer Choir members love sitting with their family and friends in the congregation, and then coming just to sing the day's anthem. It’s a little more casual, and a little more low-key, but still with beautiful and exciting music. Contact Will Breytspraak at william.breytspraak@villagepres.org or 913-671-2345 for more information.

Community Summer Sing: Music of America
Please join us at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 26, in the Village on Mission Sanctuary. We will do a short rehearsal, and then sing through stirring and light-hearted American classics. Repertoire will include the “Battle Hymn of the Republic,” “Stomp Your Foot” and the “Promise of Living”, as well as some jazz favorites by Ellington and Gershwin.
Weekly Wednesday Dinners

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 & dessert is $7. Salad bar & 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.

May 8 is our last Wednesday Night Dinner for the spring. We hope to see you in the fall. Dinners resume on Wednesday, Sept. 11.

Menu:
May 8—Baked ziti with Italian sausage, baked vegetarian ziti

Save The Date

Village on Mission Ice Cream Social
5-7 p.m. Friday, June 21

You are invited to our 44th Annual Ice Cream Social from 5-7 p.m. on Friday, June 21, in Friendship Hall and the south parking lot area at Village on Mission. This intergenerational event includes a petting zoo, Kona Ice Truck (flavored, shaved ice drinks), popcorn, clowns, balloon figures, inflatables, a 15-foot slide and of course, all the ice cream you can eat! Admission is only $2 per person.

NEW MEMBERS

We joyfully welcomed 10 new members who joined Village Presbyterian Church on Sunday, April 7.

David and Amanda Hetro
Judy Lindberg
Woody Longan III
Keith and Judy McCluskey

Mike and Kristi McCluskey
Vicki Tomblinson
Shirley Wagner

SUMMER HOURS IN THE VILLAGE CUP

The Village Cup will switch to its summer schedule beginning Sunday, May 26.

Summer hours are:

8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  Sunday
8 a.m.-1 p.m.        Monday-Thursday
8 a.m.-noon         Friday
Closed              Saturday
VILLAGE ON MISSION EASTER LILY MEMORIALS

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Growing Through Grief – Next Series Starts May 8

Growing Through Grief is a five-week class where those who have lost a loved one know that God is with us even through our hardest moments. Each person will receive a copy of “Understanding Your Grief – Ten Essential Touchstones for Finding Hope and Healing Your Heart,” by Alan D. Wolfelt, Ph.D. The next series is from 5:30-6:45 p.m. every Wednesday, May 8-June 5, in Room 124. There is no cost to attend, but registration is required. Contact Linda Alley at 913-671-2327 or linda.alley@villagepres.org for more information or to register.

Faith & Grief Lunch is Every First Tuesday

There’s nothing easy about grief, and grief never really goes away. It changes shape, and sometimes it might seem to disappear for a while, but it is always there in some fashion. That is simply the price we pay for loving someone. Faith & Grief lunches are for anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one and wishes to connect with others who have traveled the same road. All participants receive lunch and benefit from a short program and conversation around tables led by a trained facilitator. Lunches are from noon-1 p.m. on the first Tuesday of every month in Friendship Hall at Village on Mission. Come every month, come when your schedule allows, or even just come once to check it out. Our next lunch is Tuesday, May 7.

Registration is available online at www.faithandgrief.org. Faith and Grief Ministries is a program designed by Presbyterian pastors in Texas, with lunches taking place in numerous locations throughout the country. We are grateful to partner with neighboring churches to offer this important ministry to Kansas City. If you have questions or would like more information, contact Linda Alley at 913-671-2327 or linda.alley@villagepres.org.

Mission Sewing

Mission Sewing is working on little girl dresses for City Union Mission’s summer camp. We can always use cute fabric for these. Also working ahead on Christmas bags for them. Christmas fabric welcome. Spots are available for afternoon machine sewers. Knitters, we have sent out our supply of hats, scarves, and mittens so don’t forget to start knitting for next winter. For more information, please call Edie Hultman at 913-432-3515.

Tech Talk with Tony

Join us from 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, May 7, in Room 316 at Village on Mission when Tony Liu will discuss ways to organize your pictures, documents, spreadsheets and other digital data to share with others. You will be able to find, change or email this digital data to family and friends. We will talk about where to store data in the Cloud (public or private), laptop, tablet, smartphone or other Smart devices.
Gun Violence in Johnson County: The Community Response
6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 9, Village on Antioch

We invite you to join us from 6:30-8 p.m. Thursday, May 9, at Village Church on Antioch for a panel discussion about “Gun Violence in Johnson County - The Community Response.” The Social Justice Committee at Village on Antioch has assembled an expert panel with experience in the fields of law, mental health, school safety and citizen advocacy to discuss gun violence in Johnson County and what citizens can do to prevent more senseless deaths.

Panelists include JoElla Hoye from Moms Demand Action, Judy Sherry from Grandparents Against Gun Violence and the Lock it for Love program, Dan Carney, director of safety and security for Blue Valley Schools, and Bonne Swade from Mo-Kan Suicide Awareness Survivors Support.

The panel will examine the facts of gun violence in Johnson County and begin a conversation about creating a safe, just and faithful community for the future. Rev. Tom Are, senior pastor of Village Church, will give a theological reflection. There is no cost to attend. Child care is available. Email kathleenpmorrow@yahoo.com with questions.

Blessing of the Animals
9 a.m. Saturday, May 18
Village Church on Antioch

Please bring your pets to Village Church on Antioch at 9 a.m. Saturday, May 18, for the Blessing of the Animals led by Rev. Dr. Brandon Frick and Rev. Hallie Hottle. All animals welcome, leashed or otherwise safely restrained.

Village on Antioch Preps for Summer VBS

Lois Ansay and Susan Pittman have been hard at work painting a beautiful backdrop featuring the planet Mars for the “To Mars and Beyond” themed VBS. Vacation Bible School is June 24-27 at Village on Antioch. Visit www.villagepres.org/antioch for more details.
Children’s Summer Camps

**Vacation Bible School** registration opens at 8 a.m. Monday, May 6, for church members and 8 a.m. Monday, May 13, for community members. You’ll find the registration link online at [www.villagepres.org/summercamp2019](http://www.villagepres.org/summercamp2019).

Our VBS theme this year is To Mars and Beyond. Kids will become voyagers on a journey through space, exploring where God’s power can take them.

Enrich your summer and impact others. Join our VBS volunteer team! Please sign up online at [www.villagepres.org/summercamp2019](http://www.villagepres.org/summercamp2019) or call the Children & Family Ministry Office at 913-671-2350 to learn more.

**Creations by Kids Summer Camps** begin on June 3. Here are the camps that we have open. Sign up before it is too late!

- **June 3-7 morning camps**
  - Kansas Pride for Preschoolers
  - Snacks with Stacey for children completed K,1,2 grades

- **June 10-14 morning camps**
  - Artist Studio for Preschoolers
  - Art around the World for children completed K,1,2 grades

- **June 17-21 morning camp**
  - Mini Chef for Preschoolers
  - Musical Petting Zoo for children completed K,1,2 grades
  - Museum Tour for children completed 3,4,5,6 grades

- **June 24-28**
  - Mission is Possible 10 a.m. -3 p.m. for children completed 3,4,5,6 grades

We are looking forward to seeing all our friends, new and old, at camp this summer. Contact Debbie with any questions at 913-671-2379.

**Sixth Grade Move Up Brunch**

This Sunday, May 5, our 6th graders are officially welcomed into Middle School Youth. Sixth Graders and their families will enjoy Sunday Brunch and meet the Youth staff.

**Summer Sunday School**

Broadly-graded summer Sunday School begins on June 2. Sunday school continues throughout the summer during the 9:30 a.m. worship service. Regular Sunday school resumes on Aug. 18.

**Baptisms**

Our next baptism date is Mother’s Day, May 12. Future baptism dates are July 15 and Sept. 15. To register your child for a future baptism date, visit [www.villagepres.org/baptisms](http://www.villagepres.org/baptisms). Call the Children and Family Ministry office at 913-671-2350 with any questions.

**Kids Day Out**

We still have some openings for children ages 2-3 yrs. on Thursdays from 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Our program runs from Sept. 5, 2019 through May 14, 2020. Your child will be cared for in a safe, nurturing and fun environment. Enrollment for the fall ‘19 semester has begun. Tuition is $125 a month plus a one-time registration fee of $50. For more information call Marjean 913-671-2322.
Summer Worship Schedule Begins Sunday, May 26

Sunday Worship Services at Village on Mission
9:30 & 11 a.m. in the Sanctuary
5 p.m. The Gathering in Friendship Hall

Sunday Worship at Village on Antioch
10 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Our worship service radio broadcast on 1660 AM, KMBZ the Business Channel will be a recorded broadcast of the previous Sunday’s service starting Sunday, June 2.

We will return to our regular worship schedule Sunday, Sept. 8.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

CELEBRATION OF FAITHFUL WOMEN

Highlights from Celebration of Faithful Women
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VILLAGE COMMITMENT

Your Stewardship is HEART at work.

Happy Spring, Village community! I’m Gina Monger, a member of the Village Commitment Committee. As a working mother of three young children ages 2, 3 and 7, I look for convenience and support anywhere I can find it. Online Giving is one way that I simplify our support for Village. I set our weekly contribution at the time of our pledge and never think about it again. If I had to find my pledge envelope each week and write a check, we might not ever make it to church on time. Let’s be honest, we’re still late sometimes.

You can make it easy for yourself and set up your automatic withdrawal by going to villagepres.org/giving and click on “Online Giving.” Complete the required information and relax, knowing your annual gift to Village Church is at work.

Thank you again for your continued support of Village Church. We are grateful for you and look forward to seeing what God will do through Village Church in 2019.

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

VILLAGE ON MISSION
Traditional – 8, 9:30 & 11 a.m.
In the Sanctuary
The Gathering – 5 p.m.
In Friendship Hall

VILLAGE ON ANTIOCH
Traditional - 9:30 a.m.
In the Sanctuary
14895 Antioch Rd.
in Overland Park

IN MEMORY
Norma Cousins
Hubert "Arnie" Eversul
Betty Foster
Martin ‘Martty’ Hodges
Robert “Bob” Johanson
Larry McCallister
Marilyn Mooney
Paul Raikula
Mary Ellen Rixey
James “Jim” Troester
Teresa “Tessie” Young

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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