



# The Messenger

For Presbyterian Women of Village Church

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**Wednesday  
September 12**

**9:30 - 11 am  
Friendship Hall  
Village on Mission**



## “Crêpes & Conversation”

Come and enjoy fellowship with Presbyterian Women at this complimentary event. Learn about this year’s PW events and activities. Share a cup of coffee or tea while enjoying Chef Emily’s Crepe Bar.

Reservations required by Friday, August 31. Invite your friends!

Please RSVP to Carrie Craig 913-706-5757 or [a.carrie.craig@gmail.com](mailto:a.carrie.craig@gmail.com)

Child care is available. Contact Pam at [pam.southerland@villagepres.org](mailto:pam.southerland@villagepres.org) or 913-671-2352 by September 5.



**“Inviting All to Share God’s Love”**

*“May the Lord direct your hearts into God’s  
love and Christ’s perseverance.”*

2 Thessalonians 3:5



LOVE WINS



Niki Krenzel and Ann Flanders

## Moderators' Message

Have you ever considered joining a Circle or a stage group? What does sharing God's love mean to you? Our message, "inviting all to share God's love," is our vision for a more inclusive and invitational experience for all women who come to Village Church.

***"When love and inclusion are the default values we call upon, when we engage with others we radically enlarge the circle of our relationships, the scope of our community."*** \* (\*from the Parliament of the World's Religions)

We are very excited and honored to be your co-moderators for the coming year in Presbyterian Women. We would like to take the opportunity to share a bit about us.

A Kansas City native, Ann has been married to Dave Flanders for 41 years. Their family includes two grown daughters, their husbands and three granddaughters. Ann has worked part time for more than 27 years as a travel consultant. A Village Church member for about 40 years, Ann grew up at Westport Presbyterian Church. She has loved her involvement here as a Deacon and a member of the Youth Division. Ann has traveled with the youth four times to the Dominican Republic. She helped start the Amazing Graces stage group and has led it in subsequent years. She co-chaired the Advent Dinner last year, and for the past twelve years has served as a Stephen Minister. She says the involvement with the people of Village and serving is what has made her time at Village meaningful.

Niki was born in California and grew up in New Jersey. Her husband of 25 years, Bob Krenzel, and she have two children. Samantha is a freshman at DeSoto High School and Andrew just departed to be a freshman at Bradley University. Born and raised Presbyterian, Bob's army career took them to Texas, Kentucky, Germany, Connecticut, Kansas, New York and back to Kansas. Niki was the support for the families of his army units during 6 deployments. She enjoys horseback riding, travel and family time. While at Village, she's been a Deacon, a bible study leader, co-chaired Women with Spirit as well as the Advent Dinner last year. Her passion is helping others.

We challenge the amazing women of Village to find ways to be more involved and reach out to someone else and share God's love. There are so many things happening at Village. Come to Crepes and Conversation on September 12th, 9:30-11am to learn about the many offerings Village has for women. Please know we are always available to you!

Sharing God's love,

Niki Krenzel at [susannkrenzel@aol.com](mailto:susannkrenzel@aol.com) and Ann Flanders at [annflanders1@gmail.com](mailto:annflanders1@gmail.com)

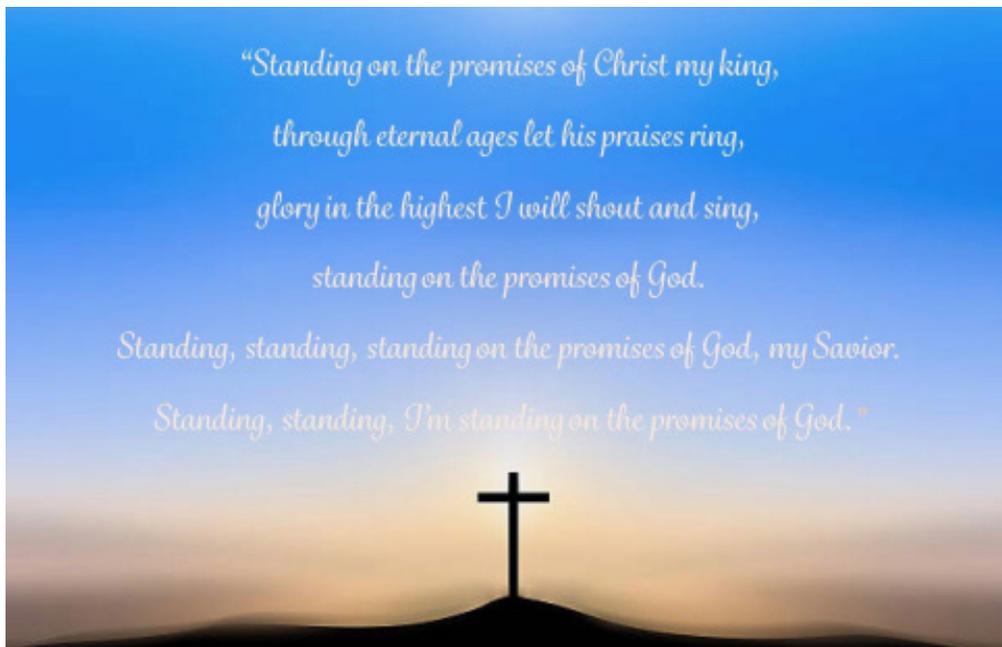
### Presbyterian Women Purpose

Forgiven and freed by God in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves:

- \* To nurture our faith through prayer and Bible Study
- \* To support the mission of the church worldwide



- \* to work for justice and peace
- \* to build an inclusive, caring community of women that strengthens the Presbyterian Church (USA) and witnesses to the promises of God's Kingdom



*From Standing on the Promises, text and music by R. Kelso Carter*

## Horizons Bible Study 2018-19

... a few  
thoughts  
from  
Rodger

### These hymn lyrics may be familiar to many and new to others.

What the writer proclaims is that God's promises are the foundation upon which we build our lives. This year's Presbyterian Women's Bible study is titled "God's Promises."

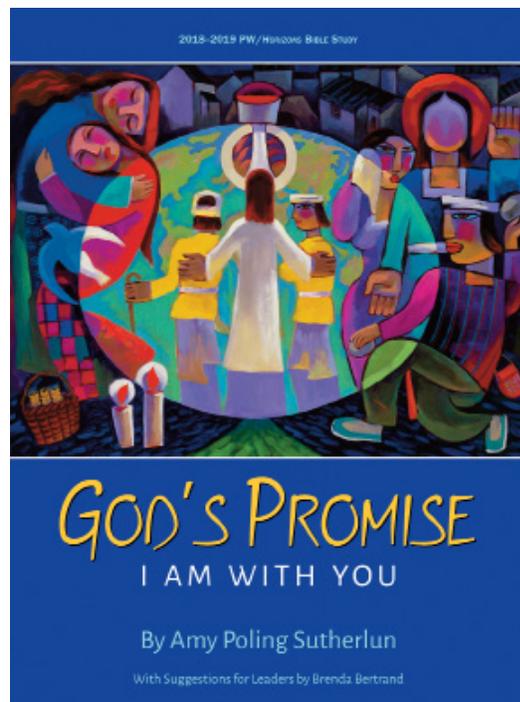
The author of the study, the Rev. Amy Poling Sutherlun, explains that of all God's promises, the one that is most repeated is: I am with you.

Together, we will journey through scripture to explore how God's promise of being with us is fulfilled time and time again.

What a gift to know and affirm that of all God's promises, the most persistent one is that God is always with us. To believe this and to trust it means that in all of life's circumstances, the one who created us in God's own image, redeemed us through Jesus Christ, and sustains us now through the Holy Spirit is ever present.

I invite you to join with other sisters as we learn more about God's constant presence as together, *we stand on the promises of God.*

Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishioka  
Senior Associate Pastor  
Interim PW Staff Advisor  
[rodger.nishioka@villagepres.org](mailto:rodger.nishioka@villagepres.org)



# WOW! Lunch The Tavern at Mission Farms



Women of Wisdom, (WOW), begins a new season by welcoming all Village ladies to join us for lunch on Tuesday, September 18 at noon. We'll enjoy good food and warm fellowship together at the Tavern at Mission Farms, 10681 Mission Road, a popular restaurant featuring classic American cuisine served in a stylish, comfortable setting. RSVP by September 17 to Marvie Sneegas, [sneegi@kc.rr.com](mailto:sneegi@kc.rr.com), 913-209-9608. Whether you are a longtime attendee or are considering joining us for the first time, please know that you are warmly welcome.

## Mission Sewing News

“Join us,  
we need  
some  
new  
faces!”

Eddie Hultman  
Mission Sewing

Attention Knitters:  
Time to pick up yarn for  
Christmas Hats!



**Knitters:** start your Christmas hats. Pick up your yarn in the sewing room Tuesday's, 8am till 3pm. If you have not knitted for us before, check us out!

**Sewers:** we really need some new faces! We would love to have some afternoon sewers as some of our sewers leave at noon. We also need non-sewers for various jobs like pressing, pillow stuffing and simple hand sewing. You may come and go as your time allows and if you can stay all day, we go to lunch at noon. Bring your own or purchase lunch at the Village Cup. For more information, call Edie Hultman at 913 432 3515.



## Operation Breakthrough Reading Program

*Making a Difference, One Child at a Time*

**2018 Fall Dates**

**Wednesdays 9:30-11:00**

**September 19\* - October 24**

Be a reading buddy. Read to a child. Engage in literacy activities. Men and women volunteers needed. You will make a difference in the life of a child and your own!

For six weeks in the fall and spring, our PW Operation Breakthrough Reading Program brings children from Operation Breakthrough in Kansas City, Missouri, to our church for a wonderful, enriching experience with Village volunteers. Each child is paired with a reading buddy for the hour session. Many of these children do not have a male role model in their lives and we have found that MEN volunteers are very important to the boys who come to our program.

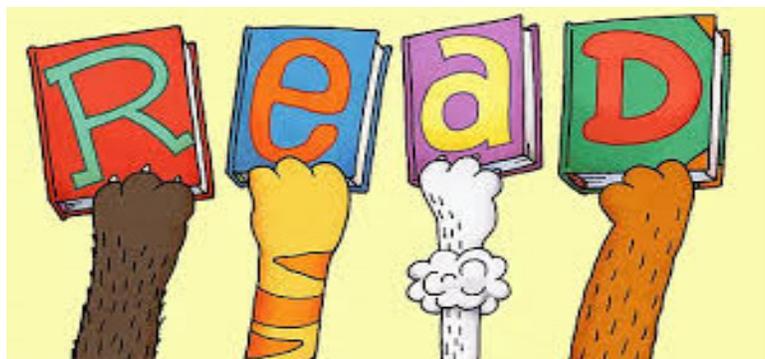
During each reading session, there will be group songs, guest readers, snacks, one-on-one reading with your reading buddy, and craft time. Each child is able to take home their craft and two books each week to start their own library. If you can't come every week, please come when you can. We would love your help!



*Reading to these kids brings out the best in everyone."* OB Reading Committee

Contacts: Questions, please contact: Cindy Whitham [ciwhitham@aol.com](mailto:ciwhitham@aol.com) (913.262.3062). Child care will be available beginning Sept. 19. Contact Pam at 913-671-2352 or [pam.southerland@villagepres.org](mailto:pam.southerland@villagepres.org) to make a reservation by the Wed. prior to the day you plan to volunteer.

Donations: Donate a pre-school (3,4,5 year old) level book. Donation boxes can be found at the south entrance and in the hallway near the children's library. Also, donations by check payable to Village Presbyterian Church with the notation "Operation Breakthrough Books" are appreciated .



**"The children are never absent on Wednesdays, they love to come to Village."**

Operation Breakthrough Teacher

Come enjoy fellowship and a delicious lunch prepared by Chef Emily at the Lunch Between Circles! Lunch is served from 11:30 until 12:30 in Friendship Hall after your morning circle meeting, or before your afternoon circle meeting.

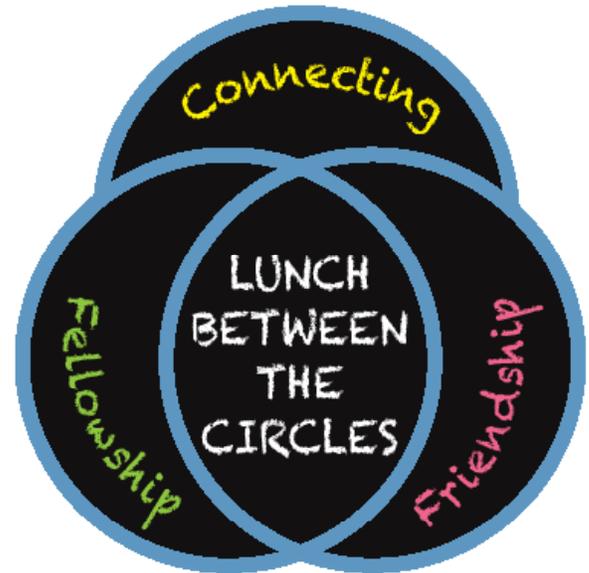
The cost is only \$6.00 and you pay at the door. We do, however, ask that you make a reservation, so that we will know how many to expect and Chef Emily can plan accordingly.

For lunch reservations, simply make a reservation at your circle meeting the month prior, or contact your Circle Leader or Leslie Conrad, [conradleslie@aol.com](mailto:conradleslie@aol.com), at least ten days before your Circle.

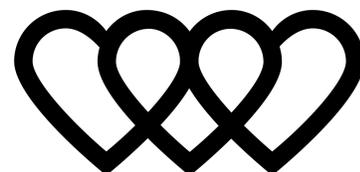
Child care is available, keep in mind it is essential that you request this extended time when you are making your regular child care reservations. Also, remember to bring a sack lunch for your child!

The Lunch Between Circles will be served in the following months: October, November, January, February, March and April.

Hope to see you there!



Breaking  
bread  
together...  
an opportunity  
for nourishment  
on many levels!



# Amazing Graces Fall Gathering

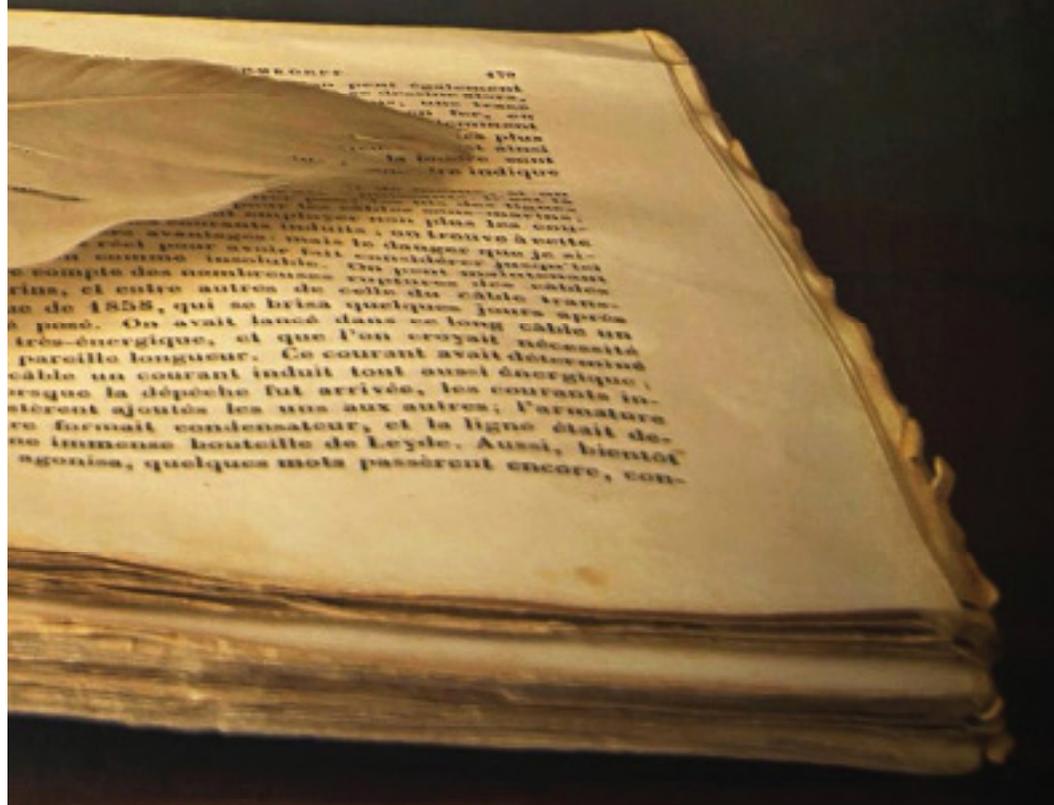
*stories for the soul*

New Books reviewed by  
Vivien Jennings of Rainy Day Books

October 4th 6:30pm – 8:30pm  
Home of Susan Creidenberg  
6401 Sagamore Road Mission Hills KS

Make \$10 check payable to "Village Presbyterian Church" with memo to "Amazing Graces" and send to Dee Gound at 8208 Cherokee Leawood KS 66206 by September 27. Limited to 50 Guests

*"Reading nurtures the soul, and an enlightened friend brings it solace."*  
-Voltaire



# Amazing Graces

Reservations for "Stories for the Soul" will be sold between worship services in Friendship Hall on Sundays, September 9 and 16. Please note this event is limited to 50 participants. For questions, contact Martha Tatman at [matatman@hotmail.com](mailto:matatman@hotmail.com) or 913-221-5280.

# PW Honorary Life Member Nominations



We are inviting you to consider and submit candidates for the 2018-19 Honorary Life Member award to be given at the Celebration of Faithful Women event March 23, 2019.

In honoring the gifts and talents of women in our church, we are asking you to please nominate a Village Church woman who strives to “promote the mission of the church, nurtures your faith, works for peace and justice and promotes an inclusive community through service and leadership to the church.”

Please submit nominations by October 15 to:

**Nominating Committee**

Kim Stratton (co-chair)

[kastratt1@gmail.com](mailto:kastratt1@gmail.com)

Patty Zender (co-chair)

[patriciaazender@gmail.com](mailto:patriciaazender@gmail.com)

Nancy Cantril

Carolyn Eakins

Pat Harris

Shelby Krumm

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For more information visit: [presbyterianwomen.org/honorary-life-memberships](http://presbyterianwomen.org/honorary-life-memberships)

## PW Alive Now

Alive Now is a Bible Study for women who are early risers. We meet each Wednesday from 7:30 to 9:00 am in the Heritage Dining Room. We study a passage of scripture and we are a support group for one another, often spending as much time sharing and caring for each other's needs. For more information, please contact Judy Cooper at [judycooperjc@gmail.com](mailto:judycooperjc@gmail.com).



# women with spirit

WWS Happy Hour  
Thursday, September 27th  
6:00 pm

**Martin City Brewing Company  
in Mission Farms**

For **Child Care** reservations  
contact Pam  
at [pam.southerland@villagepres.org](mailto:pam.southerland@villagepres.org)  
RSVP and Questions?  
Email [shelbykrumm@yahoo.com](mailto:shelbykrumm@yahoo.com)



Village on Antioch

## Fellowship Dinner

Monday, September 24, 6:00 pm  
(4th Monday each month)



Panera Bread  
6800 W. 135th, Overland Park, KS  
(135th & Metcalf)

Questions? Kelly Thomason at  
[kellythomason61@att.net](mailto:kellythomason61@att.net)



### PW Circles

2nd Tuesday  
each month

Village  
on  
Mission

7:00 & 9:30 am  
12:15 & 7:00 pm

Questions?  
[conradleslie@aol.com](mailto:conradleslie@aol.com)



### PW Circle

2nd Monday  
each month

Village  
on  
Antioch

6:00 pm

Questions?  
[joycebardeen@gmail.com](mailto:joycebardeen@gmail.com)

# YOGA

## Gentle Yoga Classes

A regular yoga practice keeps your body young and pain free. Gentle Yoga is taught by Katie Hurcomb, a registered yoga instructor with 20 years of teaching experience to populations that are 50+. Katie knows first hand that yoga has the power to heal injury and maintain a pain free life.

She shares her love of yoga with her students as she guides them through poses that are doable and easily modified to fit each individual in class.

This class is appropriate for students wanting to get stronger abs, back, hips, buttocks, legs, feet, etc. Special focus is paid to improving posture and improving daily movements like walking, sitting, sleeping, standing.

Students do have to be able to get up and down off of the mat to perform seated, standing, prone and supine poses. This class will help to heal the following conditions: Sciatic pain, low back pain, hip pain and some knee pain.

Email Katie at [hurkate@gmail.com](mailto:hurkate@gmail.com) or text at 913-244-5623 for questions. (Please do not leave a message on Katie's phone.) Come watch or try the first class free!

Classes are held on Mondays and Wednesdays from 1:30 - 2:30 pm in the Youth Loft (3rd floor) at Village on Mission.

8 week session of 1 class/week = \$96  
Walk in price = \$15/class  
Please bring your own yoga mat!

## Page Turners

Women of all ages are encouraged to join this group for lively discussion of books selected by consensus from a variety of sources.

*A book is  
a dream  
that you  
hold in  
your hands*  
-Neil Gaiman

Page Turners meets the fourth Tuesday of each month in room 127 at 9:30 AM.

For more information please contact either Judy Lockett at [judyloket5@gmail.com](mailto:judyloket5@gmail.com) or Rosella Hoglund at 642-3574.

**Pageturners**  
opening books opening minds

## Box Tops for Education

Proceeds from the collection of these coupons benefit the children of Menaul School in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Check out [boxtops4education.com](http://boxtops4education.com) for coupons and participating brands.

Drop off your coupons at the south entrance of Village on Mission.

**Note:** Please be sure the box tops and labels have not expired.

