

## ***Almond Valley Mailbox Messages March 8, 2020***

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Ripon First Responders Appreciation Day Saturday, April 4, 2020** See Flyer on bulletin board.

**Job Opportunity: Sierra Salem Christian Homes** is working to provide a lifetime of high-quality, Christ-like residential care, support and training for people who have developmental or intellectual disabilities. We serve a fun and active group of people, who are in need of a part-time (10 hours per week) **Registered Nurse** to perform health care case management tasks and provide general nursing care to the residents living in our Kirkwood Home. For more information, contact Tena Meinders at 909-342-4929 or Jerald Pasma at 209-404-4749.

**Shine Strong is an apologetic conference for women.** Have you ever wondered “how do I stand strong in Christian beliefs?” Join us as Alisa Childers walks us through the pretty little lies of this world and into the Beautiful Eternal Truths of God’s Word!!! Don’t miss this amazing opportunity to learn how to defend your faith! Date: March 13, Friday evening 7:00-9:00 PM, March 14, Saturday morning 8:30 AM-12:00 PM, Tickets: \$25.00, Shelter Cove Community Church

to learn more about Alisa visit: [www.alisachilders.com](http://www.alisachilders.com)

### **Save the Date! Learn how to Maintain a Healthy Brain Without Really Trying!**

Bethany Home has invited Dr. Robert Halliwell BSc, MSc, PhD, and professor in Schools of Pharmacy and Dentistry, UOP to present on this topic Thursday, March 26 at 2:00 p.m. at Almond Valley CRC. Bring your family and friends! You won’t be disappointed!

### **RIPON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**

**Ripon Christian Schools Merchandise & Livestock Auction** – Please mark your calendar for Saturday, April 4 to attend the 38<sup>th</sup> Annual RCS Merchandise & Livestock Auction. The auction starts at 9:30AM & will again be held at the Escalon Livestock Yard located at the corner of Lone Tree & Escalon Bellota Roads. If you have an item you would like to donate towards this year’s auction, please call Bryan Van Groningen at 765-1494 or Ken Van Gorkum at 838-2549.

**Ripon Christian is now accepting applications** for the 2020-2021 school year -- We have one more Preschool-5th Grade Open House/Information Night Scheduled for **Tuesday, March 10th**. Please contact the admissions department at [info@rcschools.com](mailto:info@rcschools.com) for more information!

**4<sup>th</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Musical at RCS!** On Thursday, March 12, the fourth and fifth grade students will be presenting their musical: “Let’s Go to the Movies”. Join us at 7:00 in the PAC for a fun show of Disney favorites! This event is free, but there will be a freewill offering.

## God Feeds Us – Communion

*My Savior's Love* (Screen)

I stand amazed in the presence  
of Jesus, the Nazarene,  
and wonder how he could love me,  
a sinner, condemned, unclean.

Refrain

How marvelous, how wonderful!  
And my song shall ever be:  
How marvelous, how wonderful  
is my Savior's love for me!

He took my sins and my sorrows;  
he made them his very own;  
he bore the burden to Calvary  
and suffered and died alone.

When with the ransomed in glory  
his face I at last shall see,  
'twill be my joy through the ages  
to sing of his love for me.

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## God Sends Us

Parting Blessing

*Glory Be to the Father* (#635 PH)

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### God Gathers Us

*This Is the Day That The Lord Has Made* (Screen) #241:1 PH

*Behold Our God* (Screen)

Who has held the oceans in His hands  
Who has numbered every grain of sand  
Kings and nations tremble at His voice  
All creation rises to rejoice

Chorus

Behold our God seated on His throne  
Come let us adore Him  
Behold our King nothing can compare  
Come let us adore Him

Who has given counsel to the Lord  
Who can question any of His words  
Who can teach the One who knows all things  
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds

Who has felt the nails upon His hand  
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man  
God eternal humbled to the grave  
Jesus Savior risen now to reign

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### Isaiah 55:6-7 Responsively

Seek the Lord while he may be found; call on him while he is near.

***Let the wicked forsake their ways and the unrighteous their thoughts.***

Let them turn to the Lord, and he will have mercy on them,

***and to our God, for he will freely pardon.***

*Jesus Calls Us; O'er the Tumult* (#553:1-4 PH words only)

### God's Will for Us – Commandment #9

### Prayer of Confession/Assurance

*Take Time to be Holy* (#451:1,3,4 PH)

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Children, ages 3 – 2<sup>nd</sup> gr, come up front for their blessing

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### God Hears our Prayers

**Offering:** General Fund (Next Week: Resonate Global Missions: Gho)

### God Teaches Us

Text: Mark 3:7 – 19 (p. 1555)

Message: Jesus Appoints Apostles

**Today**

**A Warm Welcome to All!** Please join us after the service for coffee and fellowship. This morning Pastor Mark will be continuing his *Behold Jesus* series from Mark 3, *Jesus Appoints Apostles*. This evening Pastor Phil will preach from Daniel 3, *The Golden Image*.

**Communion:** This morning we have an opportunity to joyfully receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. At Almond Valley the bread and juice are distributed to the congregation as you sit and contemplate the work of Jesus Christ in reconciling us to God. After the whole congregation has been served, we eat and drink together when led by Pastor Mark. Any person who honestly repents of their sin, looks to Jesus for their salvation, and who is a professing member in good standing at a Bible-believing church is welcome to receive the sacrament this morning. God bless you as you commune with him!

**Our Children in Worship** program is for 3yrs old – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade children that meets downstairs in the youth ministry center during the morning worship service for age appropriate worship. Today's story is *Jesus and the Children*.

**Announcements**

**Next week** the Director of Resonate Global Missions, Rev. Zach King, will be preaching for us during the morning worship.

**We need your help** by donating Easter candy for Open Door's annual Community Easter Egg hunt. Please have the donations to the church by April 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Become a Member of Almond Valley** – If you have been visiting Almond Valley for some time and would like to officially make AV your church home, you're invited to Pastor Mark's house (240 Sun Valley Ct) on Friday, March 13 at 7:00 PM for dessert and information about membership. If you're "on the fence" about attending, be aware that there will be no pressure to join Almond Valley. This is a chance for people to learn what it means to join up with what the Lord is doing at our church, and we hope it becomes *your* church too!

**Ladies take note!** Due to other events on March 12, the Women's Ministry team is rescheduling the "I Still Believe" dinner and movie night. We will now be meeting **Wednesday March 11**. Due to limited showings we will be going to Riverbank. Meet up times are the same but there is an increase in ticket cost. Details and sign ups on the Women's Ministry table. Please sign up by March 8.

**AVCRC Council** is taking nominations to serve in place of the four retiring Council members: Randy den Dulk and Ron Vander Molen as Elder; Dusty Hoekstra and Jon De Zwaan as Deacon. Please give your names to any current Council member or place them in the box at the Welcome Center by Tuesday before the council meeting. Please specify name and office of nomination.

**REMINDER:** Ladies, the shower celebrating Bailey Kee is **Tuesday**. Please help us bless the marriage of this special couple. Any questions? Contact Karen Viss (209) 329-7522 or Janeen Dykxhoorn (209) 986-8007.

**SAVE THE DATE:** Deacon's Senior Dinner (65+) – March 28, 5:00pm

**Church Family**

**Update from the Oines family in Montana:** We appreciate your prayers as Hans travels to Cape Town this week. He leaves March 12 and returns on the 30th. The purpose of his trip is to be present for the final few weeks of the program that he developed and that has continued to run after our departure. He will lead a week of debriefing for the staff and students of the 18-month school of discipleship training and Bible study, and then he will be part of the graduation ceremony and celebrations. He is looking forward to reconnecting with everyone and helping to launch them into what God has next for each of them. Hans' mom will be staying with Susan and the kids, so they are looking forward to a few weeks with Grandma Oines. Please pray for safety as Hans travels, especially considering the health concerns in the world right now, as well as for his time in South Africa. Thank you!

**New Address:** Zwany Bosma has moved to Beth Haven, room #4.

**Birthdays this week:** 3/8 Richard Brown 3/9 Kathy Vis 3/10 Steve Emrick 3/12 Pete Bulthuis 3/14 Renae Goslinga 3/15 Gwen Hollander

**Anniversary this week:** 3/11 Wayne & Gina Moret

<b>Sunday 8</b>	Morning Worship – 9:30am - Communion Beth Haven B & C – 10:45am Sunday School Classes (K-12) -10:45am Adult Sunday School - 11am Evening Worship – 6pm
<b>Monday 9</b>	Cadets – 6:30pm CIC: Gators Deacons Meeting – 7pm
<b>Tuesday 10</b>	Council Meeting – 7pm
<b>Wednesday 11</b>	WWW - 9am Ladies Movie Night – 5:15pm Red Robin, Riverbank HS Youth Group – 7:30pm
<b>Thursday 12</b>	Women's Bible Study – 6am (Judy/Jennifer) Worship Practice – 7pm
<b>Friday 13</b>	GEMS Camp – 4:15pm meet at church
<b>Saturday 14</b>	GEMS Camp
<b>Sunday 15</b>	Morning Worship – 9:30am – Zach King Beth Haven B & C – 10:45am Sunday School Classes (K-12) -10:45am Adult Sunday School - 11am Evening Worship – 6pm

# Evening Worship

March 8, 2020

Leading in Worship: Pastor Phil Kok, Joyce Kok

## Welcome & Opening Prayer

### God's Greeting

### Songs of Faith

Give us Clean Hands (Screen)

We bow our hearts we bend our knees  
Oh Spirit come make us humble  
We turn our eyes from evil things  
Oh Lord we cast down our idols

(Chorus)

Give us clean hands give us pure hearts  
Let us not lift our souls to another  
Give us clean hands give us pure hearts  
Let us not lift our souls to another  
And oh God let us be a generation that seeks  
That seeks Your face oh God of Jacob  
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I Know whom I Believed (Screen)

I know not why God's wondrous grace  
To me He hath made known  
Nor why unworthy Christ in love  
Redeemed me for His own

(Chorus)

But I know whom I have believed  
And am persuaded that He is able  
To keep that which I've committed  
Unto Him against that day

I know not how this saving faith  
To me He did impart  
Nor how believing in His word  
Wrought peace within my heart

I know not how the Spirit moves  
Convincing men of sin  
Revealing Jesus through the Word  
Creating faith in Him

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## Prayer Time

### Offering

General Fund

### Song of Illumination

Thy Word (Screen)

(Chorus) Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet  
And a light unto my path  
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet  
And a light unto my path

When I feel afraid  
And I think I've lost my way  
Still You're there right beside me  
Nothing will I fear  
As long as You are near  
Please be near me to the end (Chorus)

I will not forget  
Your love for me and yet  
My heart forever is wandering  
Jesus be my guide  
And hold me to Your side  
I will love You to the end

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### Scripture Reading

Daniel 3:13-30 (p. 1374)

### Message

"The Golden Image"

### God's Parting Blessing

### Closing Song

By the Sea of Crystal (#620 PH)