



Thank you for joining us today. To those who are new, we understand how walking into a new place can be an intimidating experience. Our desire is that you and your family would feel like this is a place to belong in your faith journey, and we are here to come alongside you in the process.

Valley Real Life consists of people from many walks of life who are here to worship God, draw closer to Him and to connect with other people. We gather together during services for encouragement from God's Word, His Spirit and each other. However, there is more to VRL than what you see on a weekend. Small groups are smaller gatherings of people which give us a place to be real, to be known and to know others, with Jesus at the center. We believe these groups are key to being the church, and we welcome you to join us in these smaller environments. Be sure to visit the Connecting Point to find out how!

We're glad you're with us today.

Dan Shields, Lead Pastor

## CHILDREN



VRL Kids Ministry is available for infants through fifth grade during all of our services. Our KidMin Team is background checked and trained to create a great environment for every age level. You can check in your kids at the KidMin kiosk in the lobby.



## CONNECTING POINT

Have questions? Want to get connected? Stop by the Connecting Point in the lobby for resources and opportunities.



## CONNECTION CARD

We would love to get to know you better! Fill out the attached Connection Card and include anything we can pray for, questions we can answer, or ways we can help you take your next step here at VRL.



## COFFEE

Find complimentary coffee at our self-serve station in the lobby or support our Outreach Ministry at the Soul'd Out Café at our Barker Campus with a suggested donation of: \$4 coffee | \$3 Italian soda/Red Bull | \$2 donut.



## SMALL GROUPS

You don't have to feel lost in a big church. Our Connection Booklet (found at the Connecting Point) features many small groups you can join to help you grow in your relationships with God and others.



## MEDIA

Visit [www.vrl.church](http://www.vrl.church) under the Sermons & Media page to catch up on previous messages.



Whether you're new to VRL or been here a while, you're invited to take your next step by attending our DNA class. This is where we share our vision, our discipleship process, the beliefs that unify us and what it means to be a part of the VRL family. Childcare is provided. Register at [vrl.church](http://vrl.church) under Next Steps.



NOV 29 & DEC 2 @ BARKER | DEC 2 @ OTIS

XP: Jingle Jam will take place at VRL KidMin for K-5th graders. We are throwing the biggest and best Christmas party you've been to and it's all for you and your friends. Tons of games, prizes and a special guest speaker! For more information visit [www.vrl.church](http://www.vrl.church) under News and Events.



If you've lost someone you love you may have found that there are not many who understand your hurt. Grief Share is a class & support group for people grieving the loss of someone close and sponsored by people who have experienced the same. Visit the Feature Booth in the lobby today for more info.



Senior adults, come ready to start off the Season celebrating with good food, friends and beautiful Christmas music by the East Valley HS Strolling Strings. Sign up for the potluck luncheon at the Feature Booth on November 15, 18, 29 or Dec 2. Contact Connie Clark for more info at [conniemc4967@gmail.com](mailto:conniemc4967@gmail.com).

- ONGOING**
- JOIN THE ELDERS IN PRAYER**  
SUN | 9:30-10:30AM | RM 104 | BARKER CAMPUS
  - ALL CHURCH PRAYER**  
MON | 9:00-9:30AM | BARKER CAMPUS
  - CELEBRATE RECOVERY**  
MON | 6:30-8:30PM | BARKER CAMPUS
  - MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY - FUZE**  
WED | 6:30-8:00PM | BARKER CAMPUS
  - HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY**  
WED | 6:30-8:00PM | BARKER CAMPUS
  - MIDDLE SCHOOL SMALL GROUPS**  
THUR | 6:30-7:45PM | BARKER CAMPUS

- UPCOMING**
- TITUS2 MENTEE INFO MEETINGS**  
NOV 15 & 18 | AFTER SERVICES | BARKER CAMPUS
  - GRIEFSHARE - SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS**  
NOV 17 | 2-4PM | BARKER CAMPUS
  - OPERATION UGANDA BACKPACKS DUE**  
SUN | NOV 18
  - GRIEFSHARE SUPPORT**  
MON | NOV 19-FEB 18 | 6:30PM | BARKER CAMPUS
  - IN OBSERVANCE OF THANKSGIVING**  
NO SERVICE THUR NOV 22

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON ALL OF OUR EVENTS AND CLASSES, VISIT [WWW.VRL.CHURCH](http://WWW.VRL.CHURCH) OR THE CONNECTING POINT IN THE LOBBY.**

# NEXT STEPS

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like more information about:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTING CHRIST                              | <input type="checkbox"/> I WOULD LIKE TO TALK TO SOMEONE ABOUT (WRITE IN THE SPACE BELOW) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BAPTISM                                       | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SMALL GROUPS                                  | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DNA CLASS                                     | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> VOLUNTEERING - OUR TOP 5 VOLUNTEER NEEDS ARE: | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> KIDMIN  | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GREETERS                                      | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNION & OFFERING                          | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SOUL'D OUT CAFÉ                               | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> MEALS FOR EVENTS/ MEETINGS/FAMILIES           | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER _____                                   | _____   |



Check out "Serving at VRL" located at the Connecting Point for more information and ways to volunteer at VRL.

# PRAYER + PRAISES

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# CONNECTION CARD

We are glad you are here. Whether you are visiting or a regular attendee, this card is one of the ways we get to know and care for you. Please complete this card, tear it off at the perforation, and place in the offering container or drop box located at the auditorium exit doors. *If you're a first time guest, visit the Connecting Point in the lobby for a free gift.*

TODAY'S DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ (Please print clearly)

I'm a first time guest       Please update my info

I attend the  Barker Campus     Otis Campus

YOUR FULL NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(AREA CODE) CELL PHONE

\_\_\_\_\_  
EMAIL ADDRESS

SPOUSE'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_

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(AREA CODE) CELL PHONE

\_\_\_\_\_  
EMAIL ADDRESS

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ APT # \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

## CHILDREN LIVING AT HOME

CHILD'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_

CHILD'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_

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# SERMON NOTES

## A CHANGE FOR GOOD - THANKFULNESS

Psalms 136: 1-3 | Dan Shields | Nov 8 & 11

We all appreciate and \_\_\_\_\_ well to gratefulness.

Are you a thermometer or a \_\_\_\_\_?

When we don't focus on God we tend to \_\_\_\_\_.

**Yahweh:** God – He is the \_\_\_\_\_ yesterday, today, and forever. He cannot be improved.

**Elohim:** Father God / God the \_\_\_\_\_.

**Adon(ai):** Lord God – He is the \_\_\_\_\_, the ultimate leader.

**El Shaddai:** God Almighty – The all \_\_\_\_\_ God.

**El Roi:** The God who \_\_\_\_\_ me.

**Yahweh Shalom:** The God of \_\_\_\_\_.

**Yahweh Tsur:** God is my \_\_\_\_\_.

**El Olam:** The \_\_\_\_\_ God.

**Yeshua:** Jesus. Jesus is Lord, Messiah and \_\_\_\_\_.

*Interactive sermon notes and group discussion questions are available on YouVersion® Bible app. Tap on "Live" and search for postal code "99016". You can also find group discussion questions at [www.vrl.church](http://www.vrl.church) on our Small Groups page under Ministries & Classes.*

### BARKER CAMPUS

#### SERVICE TIMES

THURSDAY: 6:30PM / SUNDAY: 8, 9:30 & 11AM

#### CONNECT WITH US

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#### OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY-THURSDAY: 9AM-4PM

### GENEROSITY

#### WAYS TO GIVE AT VRL

TEXT TO 509.309.0071  
PLACE YOUR GIFT IN OFFERING CONTAINER OR DROP BOX  
YOUR BANK'S BILL PAY  
ONLINE AT [VRL.CHURCH](http://VRL.CHURCH) UNDER "GIVE"

### OTIS CAMPUS

#### SERVICE TIMES

SUNDAY: 9:30 & 11AM

#### CONNECT WITH US

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#### OFFICE HOURS

MON, WED, THU: 9AM-1PM

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# A CHANGE FOR GOOD

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