

The Bridge

Connecting ABC Barn & SVLC Community



Welcome to The Bridge!

A few weeks ago one of our ABC Barn teachers, Ms. Jade, approached me in my office. "Pastor Marcus, there's been a car accident, and one of our families is really hurting. I know it's Friday, but can the church bless quilts to send to these kids?"

As Ms. Jade moved through the church narthex picking out a set of quilts to go to the family, I sent off an email to our congregation quilting leaders asking

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Grief Group

SVLC will offer a 6-week grief group on Wednesdays at 6:00 P.M., starting on August 12th. [Sign up here.](#)



Graduation 2026

Congratulations to the ABC Barn class of 2026! Parents and families, [share this link](#) or the QR code below to watch the ceremony live on YouTube on June 11, 10:00 A.M.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR:
FALL KICKOFF 2026
 Sunday, September 13
 More info next month!

FANTASY FOOTBALL
[Click here to sign up now!](#)
There will be prizes

WEDNESDAY COFFEE CART
 Every Wednesday during drop off

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whether we could pull off a quilt blessing on short notice. Aware that it was graduation Sunday and that we'd be blessing quilts they had been working on all year for a number of SVLC High School grads, I suspected the answer but didn't want to presume anything. A few minutes later came the response from Martha, one of our quilting leaders: "ABSOLUTELY!"

This new monthly newsletter is inspired by so many moments like this one, where the church and school already come together in support, love, and mutual well-being.

As a parent of two ABC Barn kids, one in our after school program and one in a preschool class, I'm conscious of the ways that life as a parent can simultaneously fill me up and leave me isolated from a wider community. The goal of this newsletter is to communicate the ways that SVLC is here, not only for your kids, but for your whole family. Your wholeness matters, and we're here to support you.

No matter who you are or where you're coming from, know that you're welcome to jump into community in whatever way feels nourishing to you. This might mean joining our new a grief group on Wednesdays this August, attending the



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Fall Kickoff Party, or joining a Fantasy Football league to make new friends, and more.

The aim of this newsletter – the first of many, I hope – is to make sure you know you're not only valued, but invited, just as you are.

Peace,
Pastor Marcus

OPEN DOOR POLICY

When Mr. Ron walks a prospective new ABC Barn family through the property, he always makes a point to show them the pastor's office. "Our pastor is here for you," he says. And it's true.

Pastor Marcus is here to support you or your family in whatever way he can, whether that means seeking counseling, pastoral care, counseling support, or just looking for a safe place to ask big questions.

[Click here to make an appointment with him.](#)

