



# The North Hill Christian

Spokane, WA

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## Flurries from Chris

As I find myself looking out of my home office window at the buds beginning to form on our lilac bush, I can't help but consider the importance of the seasons. Especially the importance of winter. I often bemoan the stoppage in my opportunities to get outside to ride my bike or paddle on the river, all because of the cold. But at the same time the stoppage makes me take that time to slow down, in some ways, and contemplate what is really important to me.

For the past two years we have found ourselves in a period of forced stoppage. This time where we have had to step back from certain activities and intentionally take steps to care for ourselves, both mentally and physically. In this time we have stepped away from various gatherings, but also called to consider what relationships are most important to us and worth the additional effort to maintain them.

As April is now upon us and we also find ourselves returning to some of those activities that have been put on hold, I find myself asking, "which of those activities are important to me and why?" Were there some of those things that I had simply been doing for the sake of filling time, or was there value in those things?

In the same way we find ourselves evaluating the ministries that were put on hold, while at the same time creating new ministries out of needs that we saw within our community. All of this because of the "season" of COVID. Now, just as we cultivate our gardens and prepare our yards for the new life that will flourish, we need to intentionally cultivate and prepare our relationships, ministries, and activities so that they may flourish in this new season of life in this new normal.

Peace in Christ,  
Chris Snow

## Weekly Events

### Attitude Adjustment

Every day at noon and 5:30 p.m.

### Citizenship Preparation

Thursdays 6-7:30, except Thanksgiving.

### 1<sup>st</sup> Ukrainian Baptist Church

Worship: Sun. 2-6 p.m.

Study & Choir: Tues. 6-9 p.m.



### Meals on Wheels

Meals on Wheels is delivering seven frozen meals to clients each Friday. North Hill Christian is responsible for delivering once a month. Please call or email Kathy Riley to sign up to help deliver (509-599-0183 or [haverile@msn.com](mailto:haverile@msn.com)). If you want to help with a donation, contact Meals on Wheels at 509- 862-6367.

## Easter offering

Easter is almost here. The Special Offering will be collected on April 10th and 17th. The Easter offering supports General Ministries of the Church. General ministries strengthen congregational life for the church's mission. Some of the ministries are: Chalice Press, Higher education, National Benevolent Association, and Christian Church Foundation.

## Salish School Needs Pantry Supply Drive

We will be collecting hygiene supplies for the Salish School needs pantry through June. As we collect these items it is important to ensure they are appropriate for sensitive skin as a number of those who will be using these items do have skin conditions that make this an important consideration.

Some items that we are collecting are:

Shampoo  
Conditioner  
Lotion  
Body Wash  
Deodorant

## Baked Potato Luncheon Returns

Although we won't be celebrating St. Patrick's Day as before, the baked potato luncheon has returned. We'll be enjoying the return of spring as we put whatever condiments we like on our baked potatoes. The men of the congregation are once again providing everything necessary for us on **SUNDAY, APRIL 24<sup>TH</sup>** following the service. There will be everything from chili to cheese and in between. Finish your lunch with dessert which will be provided by the ladies.

Following the potatoes will be the ever popular **WHITE ELEPHANT BINGO**. You will not want to miss an opportunity to win a lovely, needed and treasured prize. Should you have an irreplaceable family heirloom that you might like to gift to another bingo player, please let Janie Selley know at church or at 468-3713. We always have a good time!!

## Thanks

Thank you for making the March 20<sup>th</sup> service special & for helping with the cleanup after.

The creative ideas that came out of the PRC for this service came to fruition. The barriers that people listed will be helpful for us to examine as we move forward.

## Prayer Concerns for

- Continued prayers for Jack and Joyce Mason. Jack is still in the hospital.
- Lil Hairston is back in the hospital with stomach issues and a mild case of Covid.
- Prayers for Alvina and Bill Cockburn. They have Covid.
- Prayers for Ukraine.
- Prayers for regional church
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Mannam Christian and Korean Crystal churches in Everett, WA  
Ministerial Bethesda, Everett, WA  
Central Christian, Great Falls, MT.

## Joys

- Spring is coming

## Birthdays

- 4/11 Virginia Burkhead
- 4/12 Madaline Luher
- 4/24 Shirley Tucker
- 4/25 Ruth Snow
- 4/26 Peyton Greene
- 5/9 Kaitlyn Kohler

*Please note: When applicable, birthdays include the first week of the next month.*

## Anniversaries

- 4/9 Bill & Alvina Cockburn
- 4/11 Bob & Virginia Burkhead

*Blessings! Debbie*

## **Northern Lights Regional Assembly**

Registration is now open for our Regional Assembly in Post Falls, ID. May 19-22. Our Theme is Authentic Unity. With a great speaker (Kaitlin Curtice, check out her book, Native!), meaningful interest groups, creative worship, and an opportunity for fellowship and building connections, this is a must-not-miss event! Registration and more information can be found at: <https://northernlightsdisciples.org/2022-regional-assembly/> Registration is due by May 6, 2022.

Remember that all ministers with standing are automatically voting members of the Regional Assembly. In addition, each congregation can appoint two voting representatives. The names of those representatives must be sent to [office@northernlightsdisciples.org](mailto:office@northernlightsdisciples.org) by Friday, May 20.

Those attending online will have the opportunity to speak at the business sessions and authorized voting members will have the ability to vote.

## **JESUS AND OUR POSSESSIONS**

Join us on March 6 as the Sunday morning class will begin a Lenten study exploring our connections with material things. Together we will ponder our attachment to possessions; grapple with the question, “how much is enough?”; and explore the risks and consequences of being too attached to possessions. We will also spend some time reflecting on the act of giving and its positive impact on our lives. Beginning SUNDAY MORNING, MARCH 6 AT 9:15 IN THE FIRESIDE ROOM. All are welcome

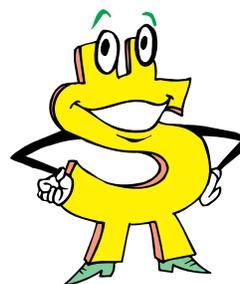
## **March Financial Roundup:**

	March	YTD	YTD Budget
Income	\$ 11,293	\$ 43,098	\$ 35,358
Expense	\$ 12,388	\$ 35,504	\$ 39,957

**General Offering income was above budget by \$456**

Week of Compassion total for year \$695

Avista bill is going up \$375/month starting in April





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**April, 2022 Serving Schedule**

	<b>April 3</b>	<b>April 10</b>	<b>April 17</b>	<b>April 24</b>
Count	Sheila McCrea Patty Morris	Michele Fleck Madaline Luher	Michele Fleck Sally Deranleau	Linda Alexander Arlene Pandelis
Diaconate	Sally Deranleau	Patty Morris	Arlene Pandelis	Ben Greene
Elder	Janie Selley	Bill Jennison	Joy Reitemeier	Sheila McCrea
Lay Leader	Debbie Jennison	Bill Jennison	Jenn Snow	Nathan Burford
Power Point	Natasha Carter	Debbie Jennison	Natasha Carter	Jenn Snow
Sound	Bill Jennison	Ben Greene	Nathan Burford	Michele Fleck
Pick Up	Michele Fleck	Arlene Pandelis	Janie Selley	Bobbie Belton
Greeter	Sam Selley	Joy Reitemeier	Bill Phipps	Sarita McReynolds
Song Leader	Debbie Jennison	Bill Jennison	Jenn Snow	Bobbie Belton
Coffee Hour	Arlene Pandelis	Janie Selley	Sheila McCrea	
		Palm Sunday	Easter	Baked Potato Lunch