



The North Hill Christian

Spokane, WA



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Flurries from Chris

As I look forward to Lent and a planned sermon series, on the narrative of Jesus healing the blind man in John 9, I continue to reflect on a phrase that was ingrained into myself and my fellow students during our preaching class. "Where is the good news?" A question seeking to ask of a sermon, where is the good news for the people?

At the moment I am asking that question a bit differently as I along with many of you are seeking to discern God's calling upon our congregation. As we have heard the good news, what is the good news that we are sharing with our wider community? With our family. With our friends. With our neighbors. And with those whom we may briefly interact. In what ways is God calling us to declare the good news? What does that good news look like?

As we consider these questions and probably many others, I would encourage you first and foremost to set aside time each day/week to be in prayer. Not a prayer in which you find yourself doing all the talking, but seeking to listen for God's guidance.

Prayers of quiet trust in which you seek to give up absolute control of what we are doing in the congregation, to instead trust that God has a plan.
Prayers of and for indifference in which we seek to get out of the way and truly listen for what God wants for our congregation.
Prayers for God's wisdom and guidance for what comes next in the life of our congregation.

After we have taken the time to center ourselves in prayer, I would then encourage you to find times and opportunities to sit with one another to share what you are hearing as you reflect upon the questions the discernment group will be providing through the season of lent starting on February 22nd.

Peace in Christ,

Chris Snow

Weekly Events

Attitude Adjustment

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

Citizenship Preparation

Thursdays 6-7 PM.

1st Ukrainian Baptist Church

Worship: Sun. 2-6 p.m.

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



Meals on Wheels

Meals on Wheels delivers hot meals to clients every weekday. North Hill Christian is responsible for delivering one week a month. Please call or email Kathy Riley to sign up to help deliver (509-599-0183 or haverile@msn.com).



The Week of Compassion offering is used to help those in need around the world. It is the mission fund of the Christian Church (DOC) that supplies relief, refugee and development funds. Week of Compassion is there when it is needed...during 2022 they provided support in Oregon for Emergency relief and Wildfire Long-Term recovery. In 2022, Week of Compassion responded to more that 200 requests from all around the world to give relief from hurricane, fire, flooding, earthquake, humanitarian, and COVID-19 relief along with empowering women and offering support to refugees. Week of Compassion is an important part of the ministry of the Christian Church (DOC) and your financial gifts allow you to be a part of taking care of those in need both locally and around the world. We will be taking a special offering for Week of Compassion on February 19th & 26th. Please mark your check or envelope to indicate your gift to this important mission of our church.



Prayer Concerns

- Prayers for Michele Fleck’s son, Dwight Fleck. He had a stroke .
- Prayers for Nathan Burford for speedy recovery. He will be having carpal tunnel surgery Friday 2/3.
- Prayers for all those having upcoming eye surgery.
- Prayers for the homeless and how to help.

Joys

- Bob Finney has been installed as minister in Westminster UCC
- Pastor Chris’ father, Larry Snow, is doing very well after his back surgery.

Birthdays

- 2/2 Karen Stewart
- 2/7 Bill Phipps
- 2/14 Deanne Miller
- 2/23 Bobbie Belton
- 2/25 Bill Jennison

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

Let it Snow; Let it Snow; Let it Snow

Many thanks to all of you members of our North Hill Congregation who so generously participated in giving to the “Tree of Caring” over the Advent holiday. Your donations included:

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| 2 crib blankets | 2 coloring books and pencils | pot holder and |
| kitchen towel | | |
| 2 scarves | 10 gloves/mittens | 14 pair of socks |
| 1 pair slippers | 11 stocking hats | |

These will be a wonderful gift for the residents of Transitions, a safe space for women and children for whom the snow can be debilitating. The housing which is provided is a stable environment for everyone. Also offered are job training, licensed childcare, counseling and parenting education.

Our Mission Statement here at North Hill is very inclusive. It has always been important to our congregation to participate in mission projects which include those of God’s people who have needs with which we can help. May our prayers include hope for assistance for not only those in Spokane, but that others may also find it in their hearts to help around the world.





Citizenship Class

One of our students has passed her test and needs to submit additional information before getting scheduled for her ceremony. There are two more students with applications pending. A fourth student is making progress.

Collection list for the Salish School Needs Pantry

The Salish School of Spokane has gotten us an updated list for their needs pantry. This list comes to us after they have done an inventory of what supplies are low in their pantry.

Household Items:

laundry detergent, fabric softener, dryer sheets, liquid hand soap, PineSol, disinfectant, dish soap

Personal Hygiene Items:

shampoo, conditioner, toilet paper, feminine hygiene products, body wash, lotion, deodorant, razors, hair ties, combs, hair brushes.



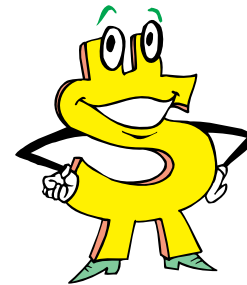
Financial Roundup for January, 2023

	January	YTD	YTD Budget
Income	\$ 16,188	\$ 16,188	\$ 11,140
Expense	\$ 14,087	\$ 14,087	\$ 13,141

The income includes income from 5 Sundays and 4 special sources:

- Zephyr Heritage Fund
- Laurence Omen Family Fund
- Dorothy L Penning Memorial Fund
- Qtrly income from our investment after selling house

General Fund giving was about \$600 over budget





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February 2023 --- Serving Schedules

	February 5	February 12	February 19	February 26
Count	Bob Tibbetts Sally Deranleau	Linda Alexander Patty Morris	Sheila McCrea Arlene Pandelis	Michele Fleck Madaline Luher
Diaconate	Patty Morris	Ben Greene	Linda Alexander	Arlene Pandelis
Elder	Jerry Klein	Madaline Luher	Bill Jennison	Janie Selley
Lay Leader	Dan Stewart	Sheila McCrea	Bill Jennison	Debbie Jennison
Power Point	Debbie Jennison	Jenn Snow	Natasha Carter	Jenn Snow
Sound	Bill Jennison	Michele Fleck	Nathan Burford	Ben Greene
Pick Up	Michele Fleck	Arlene Pandelis	Sally Deranleau	Janie Selley
Greeter	Bill Phipps	Sarita McReynolds	Bill Phipps	Madaline Luher
Song Leader	Dan Stewart	Bobbie Belton	Bill Jennison	Debbie Jennison
Coffee Hour	Arlene Pandelis	Sally Deranleau		