

The North Hill Christian

Spokane, WA

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Flurries from Chris

You may or may not be aware that July is Disability Pride month. This stems from The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) being signed into law on July 26, 1990. While the ADA is recognized as an offshoot of the Civil Rights movement and subsequent Civil Rights Act (CRA) of 1964 it took 26 years for those with disabilities to have their rights formally recognized in law.

Much like with the CRA, faith communities were early supporters of the ADA, that is until they read the early drafts of the bill and discovered what they would be required to do to comply. This resulted in the faith communities lobbying for exemptions and utilizing the court system, arguing religious exemptions, all to avoid the work of justice for the disability community.

As we seek to be a welcoming community for all, let us be aware of our responsibility to do the work of accessibility as a congregation. While the big visuals we get when thinking about accessibility are large projects like elevators and ramps, there are many things we can, and some of which we are already doing, to make the church more accessible. Such as:

- Posting signage showing barrier-free pathways and marking every room
- When using slides, use dark, basic font on light/white background- no text on top of images
 - Remove anything scented, when possible. Name a 'fragrance free' policy.
 - Lend headphones/noise-limited earmuffs
 - Provide name tags at all events

What other easy ways can you think of to make our ministries, and how we practice our faith, more accessible to those who may find themselves permanently or temporarily disabled?

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 Michele Fleck, (509) 327-3451, michele fleck@comcast.net



Read Along with Pastor Chris

Pastor Chris has already begun finding books that he is planning on reading during his sabbatical and wanted to offer you the opportunity of reading along with him in this time. You are invited to look through the following book list and see if any of the titles are of interest to you. Once Pastor Chris returns from his sabbatical he will offer times to discuss the books that you have read along with him.

"How Ableism Fuels Racism" Lamar Hardwick
"My Body is Not a Prayer Request" Amy Kenny
"Disciples and Friends: Investigations in Disability, Dementia,
and Mental Health" Armand Léon van Omen, Brian R. Brock
"Becoming the Baptized Body" Sarah Jean Barton
"The Viral Underclass" Steven W. Thrasher

Collection list for the Salish School Needs 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 report for June

	June	YTD	YTD Budget	
Income	\$ 10,845	\$ 72,664	\$ 68,898	
Expense	\$ 13,993	\$ 81,765	\$ 81,912	

General Offering income was above budget by \$2875 Income does not include:

- \$16,000 pulled from investments in May to pay for 2 new furnaces & an air conditioner
- \$7,500 pulled from investments in June to cover bills

Prayer Concerns

- Prayers for David Medina and Rebecca Young for health and healing.
- Continued prayers for Sam Selley. He will begin infusion therapy for his cancer this Friday.
- Continued prayers for Jane Burkett and family. Howard passed away.
- Riley Gray is asking for prayers for Margaret Gray. She will be interviewing for a music position in the Spokane School District.
- Prayers for all who are traveling.
- Prayers for people in Gaza Strip, Israel, and the Ukraine.

Joys

 Sarita's cousin, Randy reports a good PET scan, treatments for his cancer are working.

Birthdays

- 7/1 Kathy Riley
- 7/16 Billie Fullmer
- 7/18 Liz Kohler
- 7/22 Vivian Knapp
- 7/24 Bob Burkhead
- 7/25 Linda Alexander
- 7/31 Kim Greene
- 7/31 Bob Hooker

Anniversaries

None



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July, 2024 Serving Schedules						
	7	14	21	28		
Count	Linda Alexander	Sheila McCrea	Michele Fleck	Linda Alexander		
	Arlene Pandelis	Sally Deranleau	Patty Morris	Arlene Pandelis		
Diaconate	Patty Morris	Nathan Burford	Linda Alexander	Michele Fleck		
Elder	Janie Selley	Sarita McReynolds	Sheila McCrea	Debbie Jennison		
Lay Leader	Sheila McCrea	Nathan Burford	Sheila McCrea	Debbie Jennison		
Power Point	Debbie Jennison	Natasha Carter	Debbie Jennison	Natasha Carter		
Sound	Nathan Burford	Michele Fleck	Ben Greene	Nathan Burford		
Pick Up	Bobbie Belton	Janie Selley	Arlene Pandelis	Sally Deranleau		
Greeter	Bill Phipps	Sarita McReynolds	Arlene Pandelis	Sam Selley		
Coffee Hour						