



The North Hill Christian

Spokane, WA

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Flurries from Chris

As I continue to watch for updates about how our city, state, and country are handling the Corona Virus Pandemic, I am excited for the idea of returning to a new normal without restrictions and at the same time hold some trepidation with concern for those who remain at high risk of serious illness until they can be vaccinated. I am excited to have real bread back on the communion table, and gathering with our wider community as we intentionally plan for things like Trunk or Treat once more. But I am also concerned with what type of welcoming message we send if we remove precautions too soon.

For the past several months I have been working with the PRC to put together the survey that went out to the members of the congregation, and as we have tried to offer a variety of options for individuals to submit their information, I found myself sitting with and meditating on the welcome language that is present in our vision statement. "God calls us to be a whole community and we are a place where all people are welcome, all are accepted..." This statement has been at the forefront of my mind since I arrived here 8.5 years ago. It is a statement that continually called me to ask, "Who may not feel welcome here, and how can we do better?"

As we prepare to continue to move forward I invite you to consider how each of our actions and decisions make a statement of welcome or not. It takes constant work. It isn't always easy, often going against our initial instincts, but it leads us towards creating whole community. Leading us towards realizing a mere sliver of the Kingdom of God here in Spokane.

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.

1st 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). If you want to help with a donation, contact Meals on Wheels at 509- 862-6367.

Soup Bowl Luncheon Successful

North Hill is blessed to have many good cooks among us. The soup luncheon on Feb. 13th was a great time to share food and fellowship. Almost everyone there sampled at least two or three of the five soups offered. The soups were all delicious. Thanks so much to Debbie Jennison, Linda Alexander, Patt Hooker, Sally Deranleau and Janie Selley for providing the soups. Thanks, too, to those who provided crackers and bread and the yummy desserts. Everyone had a good time celebrating both Valentine's Day and the upcoming afternoon's Super Bowl.

Northern Lights Regions says "thanks"

Thank you for your gifts to Disciples Mission Fund during 2021. I am pleased to share with you that North Hill was once again among the top DMF giving congregations in our region, one of the top 3 direct giving congregations, and that you also contributed to all 6 of the Special Day Offerings! Thank you for your faithfulness. *-Sandy Messick-*

JESUS AND OUR POSSESSIONS

Sunday morning Lenten Study, March 6

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.

Salish School Needs Pantry Supply Drive

We will be collecting the following supplies for the Salish School needs pantry through March 31st.

- Dryer Sheets (free and clear)
- Disinfectant
- Wipes
- Toilet Bowl Cleaner
- Bath/Shower Cleaner
- Dusters
- Floor Cleaner
- Dish soap
- Dishwasher Pods
- Laundry Detergent (free and clear)
- Disinfectant Multi-surface Cleaner (kitchen, bathroom)



Prayer Concerns for

- Bobbie called asking for prayers for Lil Hairston. She is in the hospital with fluid on the lungs.
- Jim Burford requesting prayers for Cathy and Frank Dormaier. Cathy has been placed in Hospice care.
- Debbie requests prayers for her Aunt Jean's family. Her Aunt passed away at the age of 99.
- Sheila requests prayer for her sister, Laurie, as she transitions to a new job and location.
- Prayers for our regional church, First Christian Church in Clarkston, WA
- Prayers for Randy McReynolds' cousin, Jim, who lost his wife last week to COVID.
- Also prayers for Sara McReynolds' cousin, Georgie Lindsey, who has been diagnosed with stage IV colon cancer.

Joys

- New joys

Birthdays

- 3/21 Chris Snow
- 3/21 Karl Kohler
- 3/23 Nathan Burford
- 3/25 Kellyn Kohler
- 3/28 Richard Minkler



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

Anniversaries

- 3/13 Ben & Kim Greene



Special Worship – March 20th

The Pastoral Relations Committee wants to thank all of you who took the time to fill out the survey that we sent out in February. Plan on joining us in worship (in person or via Facebook) as we share what we heard and celebrate our ministry together!

Northern Lights Regional Assembly

Registration is now open for our Regional Assembly in Post Falls, ID. 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 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.



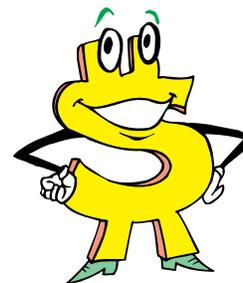
Citizenship Class

The Citizenship class received answers from the local USCIS office in response to our request for information about current procedures. In addition to the information, the local office sent us ten sets of flash cards, five in English and five in Spanish. Hurray!

February Financial Roundup:

	February	YTD	YTD Budget
Income	\$ 12,452	\$ 32,104	\$ 23,572
Expense	\$ 11,364	\$ 23,134	\$ 26,638

General Offering was \$955 over budget
Week of Compassion offering was \$495





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March, 2022 Serving Schedule

	March 6	March 13	March 20	March 27
Count	Sheila McCrea Patty Morris	Michele Fleck Madaline Luher	Sheila McCrea Sally Deranleau	Linda Alexander Arlene Pandelis
Diaconate	Michele Fleck	Sally Deranleau	Arlene Pandelis	Ben Greene
Elder	Dan Stewart	Bill Jennison	Jerry Klein	Sheila McCrea
Lay Leader	Nathan Burford	Bill Jennison	Dan Stewart	Sheila McCrea
Power Point	Debbie Jennison	Jenn Snow	Natasha Carter	Jenn Snow
Sound	Bill Jennison	Nathan Burford	Ben Greene	Michele Fleck
Pick Up	Arlene Pandelis	Sally Deranleau	Michele Fleck	Bobbie Belton
Greeter	Sam Selley	Sarita McReynolds	Bill Phipps	Joy Reitemeier
Song Leader	Dan Stewart	Debbie Jennison	Jenn Snow	Bobbie Belton
Coffee Hour				

Board Meeting