



The North Hill Christian

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SUNDAY MORNING ADULT STUDY FOR LENT

Beginning Sunday, March 10; 9:15 am During Lent, the Sunday morning Adult Study will explore our connection with material things by looking at what Jesus has to say. We will work to better understand God's provision for our needs, 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 reflect on the act of giving and discover how it can make a positive impact in our lives. Come with open minds and hearts as we explore Scripture to learn more about Jesus and our possessions. Sunday morning 9:15 beginning March 10 in the Fireside Room.

Baked Potato Luncheon

Whatever condiments we like on our baked potatoes, the men of the congregation will be providing them for us on **SUNDAY MARCH 17TH**. 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 have a great time!

Citizenship classes begin soon

North Hill, in collaboration with World Relief, will begin offering citizenship preparation classes in April. Class will be held on Thursday nights from 6-7:30, beginning on April 4. There is a cost of \$21 for the book, but no additional charges. The class is open to anyone who wishes to study for the US citizenship exam and interview. Please note, we do not administer the exam nor conduct interviews, that is done by the US Customs and Immigration Service. For more information, contact Sarita McReynolds at 509-863-9377.

CONGREGATIONAL GIVING IN 2018 RECOGNIZED

This past month the church office received a letter of recognition for our giving to the Region's General Operating Fund and the Disciples Mission Fund. We were recognized as being in the top three congregations in direct giving to the Region and in the top ten congregations of the region in our giving to the Disciples Mission Fund. I am thankful that we have been faithful in supporting of ministries not just within our walls but also in the larger church.

5th Sunday Special Worship

The committee has been quite creative in structuring an alternative worship experience for March 31st, so y'all be sure to come! Many great ideas were shared from the recent retreat @ WinterTalk. This opportunity to really see the systemic racism extended toward indigenous peoples and the prejudice experienced by this nation's numerous tribes was instructional and vital to the continuing Pro Reconciliation/Anti-Racism ministry of the Christian Church (DOC) church today.

As an important element of the special worship service, we are gathering supplies for the **Salish School of Spokane** now through the 31st. Salish School of Spokane was incorporated as a non-profit charitable organization in October of 2009 and opened its doors to students in September 2010. From 2010-2013 they operated as a home daycare in a rented house on N. Cedar Street. They then rented their current site on Maple Street in August of 2013. They operate a licensed childcare center, an ECEAP Center, and a K-12 certified private school, while providing Salish language and culture classes to parents and community members to keep their language and heritage alive and prospering. The board of directors help to guide the school's programming. They serve children and youth aged 3 to 18 years old. They offer preschool/ECEAP classes for children 3-5 years old; a combined K-2 elementary class; a combined 3-6 elementary class; and a secondary class for grades 7-12. They offer *free* Salish language classes for parents and the community. Parents are required to complete at least 60 hours of Salish class per year in order for their children to attend. Currently, there are 23 staff for their intensive Salish language training program. They developed their Salish language books and curriculum materials for adults and children and also assist other organizations in developing their own Native language books.

Please join us in the gathering of needed supplies for this exciting local outreach:

Construction Paper (assorted colors)	Printer Paper (assorted colors)		
Card Stock (assorted colors)	Wiggly Eyes (assorted sizes)		
Scissors (Teacher & Child)	White Board Dry Erase Markers		
Regular Markers	Glue Sticks	Regular Glue	Staplers
Spiral Notebooks	Pom Poms	Pipe Cleaners	Paper Clips
Index Cards	Foam Pieces	Felt Sheets	Tape Dispensers
White Out	Rulers	Sharpie Markers	Scotch Tape Refills

Flurries from Chris,

Over the past month I have found many things to be thankful for. I am thankful for the wonderful turn out even with a snow storm upon us, to shower the Kohler family with those ways in which we can support them as they prepare for their new child. I am thankful for the ways in which we have continued to support the XPLOR residents as they continue to bring who they are into our lives. I am thankful for the gifts that Rachel and Colby have shared with us and the encouragement they have received in return.

Another piece I am thankful comes out of the seemingly mundane task of retrieving information on the life of our church over the past year. Sometimes we get overly focused on the visible numbers on Sunday morning. Sometimes we focus on empty seats. At times we continue to grieve the loss of loved ones and friends. But in doing so we can lose sight of the bigger picture.

One of the data points that the yearbook reporting worksheet asks us to consider is how many different people have been impacted by our worship? The answer I was able to quantify was 150, knowing there were probably several more uncounted. Then I was asked how many people have been impacted by the ministry work of our members. Quantifying that number may seem simple enough, by counting those in worship, and those in classes. But then we are asked to consider how many people are helped by the work of our congregation both in direct ministries and the work done in the community as a response of one's faith. Each week we have hosted family promise there have been on average three families with about 10 individuals each week. Then you can start adding up the number of people we engage with each month through meals on wheels. Then the hundred or so individuals who come through our building seeking support in battling addictions. Those are just some of the ways our congregation directly impacts our local community.

There are also those ways in which you each serve in our community while realizing it or not. As you each serve in different roles of various organizations, serving as a volunteer, and even helping your neighbor, your work there is the work of the church. As I considered all these ways in which our congregation impacts the community around us, there are many reasons why we should all be joyful.

It can be easy to look at the easy numbers of what may define who we are, but I would encourage us all to look deeper, consider the impact that we have on our local community, and give thanks that we are able to do so many wonderful things through our faith.

Peace in Christ,

Chris Snow

March

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Calendar Key ♦ = Birthday ♥ = Anniversary						
3 10:30 AM Worship Coffee Hour After Worship	4	5 10:30 AM Bible Study	6 6:30 PM Choir Practice 7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service	7	8	9 1-4 PM Game Day
10 9:15 Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship Coffee Hour After Worship Board Meeting	11	12 10:30 AM Bible Study	13 6:30 PM Choir Practice	14 ♦ Sandy Stone	15 Newsletter Deadline	16 4-8 PM Att. Adj. Potluck in Hazen Hall
17 9:15 Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship Baked Potato Lunch: After Worship	18	19 10:30 AM Bible Study	20 6:30 PM Choir Practice	21 ♦ Karl Kohler Chris Snow	22	23 ♦ Nathan Burford
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Weekly Events

Meals on Wheels: Monday thru Friday 11:00 am

Attitude Adjustment: 7 Days a week at 12 noon and 5:30 pm.

Saturday @ 9 am Potluck—3rd Saturday of the month

First Ukrainian Baptist Church (UBC): Worship- Sunday 2-6 PM

Bible Study and Choir—Tuesdays 6-9 PM

Holding One Another in Prayer

Prayers for

- Continued Prayers for:
 - Those impacted by the snow storms
 - Bill and Alvina Cockburn
 - The Dyson Family
 - Tucker Family
- Those who are cold, hungry, and forgotten
- The work of the larger Church

Joys

- The many ways we help our community
- Being recognized for our giving to the Regional Church and Disciples Mission Fund
- The work of all of our volunteers
- The love and support for those who are grieving.

March 2019 --- Serving Schedules

	3-Mar	10-Mar	17-Mar	24-Mar	31-Mar
Children's Church	---	Debbie Jennison	Janie Selley	Patty Morris	---
Coffee Hour	Morris/Luher	Mason	Baked Potato Bake	Deranleau/Fullmer	Alexander/McReynolds
Count	Sam Selley Sally Deranleau	Bob Tibbetts Vivian Knapp	Linda Alexander Michele Fleck	Joann Vaughn Patty Morris	Sheila McCrea Arlene Pandelis
Diaconate	*Sally Deranleau Nathan Burford	*Linda Alexander Karl Kohler	*Don Morgan Patty Morris	*Nathan Burford Linda Alexander	*Arlene Pandelis Sally Deranleau
Elder	Debbie Jennison	Jerry Klein	Madaline Luher	Sheila McCrea	Joy Reitemeier
Greeter	Billy Fullmer	Don Morgan	Linda Alexander	Joy Reitemeier	5th Sunday
Lay Leader	Jenn Snow	Dan Stewart	Nathan Burford	Bill Jennison	Debbie Jennison
Power Point	Cat Borquin	Natasha Carter	Liz Kohler	Debbie Jennison	Jenn Snow
Sound	Bill Jennison	Liz Kohler	Jenn Snow	Cat Borquin	Nathan Burford
Van Driver	Dan Stewart	Nathan Burford	Jerry Klein	Dan Stewart	Nathan Burford



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Next
Newsletter Deadline
March 15th
@ Noon

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The sign-up sheet for drivers and runners is available in Hazen Hall. Your next opportunity to serve will be the week of **March 18-22**. Every month, folks from our congregation, take time to serve our elderly neighbors by delivering food and smiles. New help is always welcome!