



The North Hill Christian

Spokane, WA

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Flurries from Chris

For the past several months I have intentionally spent time in gatherings of the church board, elders, discernment group, bible studies and the Pastoral Relations Committee (PRC) listening. Asking some questions, but listening to those gathered. Listening to their stories. Listening to their desires. Listening to their celebrations.

One of the topics that continued to arise again and again is the desire to better equip our congregation in connecting with those that are unable to join us in person on a regular basis. Those who can't make it to worship in our building on Sundays. Those who are unable to gather in times of fellowship or prayer. Those who we want to be connected to but there is a barrier in the way of making some of those connections.

In talking with the PRC a goal has been put forth for me to offer a learning opportunity for our congregation with a focus on building and strengthening our relationships with those that we may not see on a regular basis. Emphasizing the utilization of lay visitation, card writing, and electronic communication.

However, I need your help. I could easily put together a learning opportunity based on the questions that my comes up with. But, as you can imagine the question that I come up with may not be the questions that you have, regarding the various ways we can connect with those of this congregation that might feel a separation or barrier to nurturing those relationships that we value.

So, throughout the month of March I want to receive your questions about lay visitation, visiting those who for one reason or another are unable to easily join us in person for worship or ministry events. Questions about how writing cards can be utilized in nurturing those relationships. Questions about how technology may be helpful in making those connections that may have been lost. Or any other questions that you have around the general topic of nurturing our relationships with those that may have a barrier to their in person participation in the life of our congregation.

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).

Soup Luncheon Successful, 2023

North Hill is blessed to have many good cooks among us. The soup luncheon on January 29th 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 and Sarita McReynolds who joined me in providing the soups. Thanks, too, to those who provided crackers and bread and the yummy desserts. All of you who were good enough to join in the kitchen to take care of tidying up were greatly appreciated. Janie

BAKED POTATO LUNCHEON

The baked potato luncheon has returned. We'll be enjoying the fun, food and fellowship 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, MARCH 5TH** 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. This is a need where you can share. Should you have an irreplaceable family heirloom or two 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!!

Prayer Concerns

- Sarita's cousin, Randy Whitesell, is battling cancer.
- Prayers for the people in Turkey and Syria following the earthquake and continued prayers for the people of Ukraine.
- Continued prayers for PJ Kouri's family and friends as they mourn for 5 yr old PJ.

Joys

- Arlene's sister-in-law, Betty Thomas, turned 100 yrs old on February 9th.
- Sarita & Randy's daughter, Deanna has a new apartment, new caregiver and a mobility scooter.
- Congratulations, Lah, our new US citizen.

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



Citizenship Class

Another student has passed the test and is now a new US citizen. Congratulations, Lah. Another student is pending and a third has filed her application. There will be no class for the month of March, as the instructor will be out of state. See you April 13.

Remember Coffee Hour

If you would like to host a coffee hour, just let Janie Selley know at 468-3713. It isn't necessary to give a lot of notice. Remember a birthday, anniversary, special occasion or just an old fashioned "get-together". It isn't necessary to have homemade goodies.





Regional Summer Camps

The summer camp season is fast approaching and our Outdoor Ministries Team is hard at work planning a fun, faith-filled camping experience for our regional children and youth. Our theme will be “FruitFULL Faith: A Spirit Filled Life!”

Camps will be held at both of our Disciples connected campgrounds:

Gwinwood Retreat Center – Lacey, WA

July 10-13 – Kids Camp (Entering Grades 2-3) (Mon 11 am-Thurs 11 am)

July 10-15 – Junior Camp (Entering Grades 4-5) (Mon 11 am-Sat 11 am)

July 10-15 – ChiRho & CYF (Entering Grades 6-HS Grad) (Mon 11 am-Sat 11 am)

Cane Ridge West – Lincoln, MT

GMPK Camp (Entering Grades 1-3 w/ parent, grandparent, guardian)

July 10-15 – Kids Camp (Entering Grades 2-3) (Mon 11 am-Sat 11 am)

July 10-15 – Junior Camp (Entering Grades 4-5) (Mon 11 am-Sat 11 am)

July 17-22 – ChiRho & CYF (Entering Grade 6-HS Grad) (Mon 11 am-Sat 11 am)

Camp registration is open from the NLR web page:

<https://northernlightsdisciples.org/summer-camps/>

Or directly at the form:

<https://docgeneralassembly.regfox.com/nlr2023-summercamps>

Camp scholarships may be available.
Contact Pastor Chris for more information.

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:

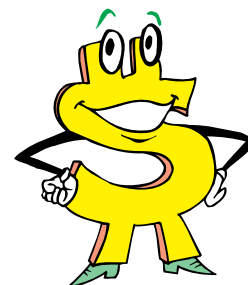
shampoo, conditioner, toilet paper, feminine hygiene products, body wash, lotion, deodorant, razors, hair ties, combs, hair brushes.



Financial Roundup for February, 2023

	February	YTD	YTD Budget
Income	\$ 10,797	\$ 26,986	\$ 22,280
Expense	\$ 12,505	\$ 26,611	\$ 26,282

General Offering was \$542 over budget
Week of Compassion offering was \$665





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March 2023 --- Serving Schedules				
	March 5	March 12	March 19	March 26
Count	Bob Tibbitts Sally Deranleau	Linda Alexander Patty Morris	Sheila McCrea Arlene Pandelis	Michele Fleck Madaline Luher
Diaconate	Michele Fleck	Sally Deranleau	Patty Morris	Ben Greene
Elder	Jerry Klein	Madaline Luher	Bill Jennison	Janie Selley
Lay Leader	Nathan Burford	Sheila McCrea	Bill Jennison	Jenn Snow
Power Point	Natasha Carter	Jenn Snow	Natasha Carter	Debbie Jennison
Sound	Jenn Snow	Nathan Burford	Ben Greene	Bill Jennison
Pick Up	Bobbie Belton	Arlene Pandelis	Michele Fleck	Janie Selley
Greeter	Bill Phipps	Sam Selley	Bill Phipps	Madaline Luher
Song Leader	Bobbie Belton	Bill Jennison	Dan Stewart	Jenn Snow
Coffee Hour	Baked Potato Luncheon			