



# The North Hill Christian

Spokane, WA

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## Flurries from Chris

In the past week my inbox has been flooded with emails about how our Spokane community is responding to needs within the area. Emails trying to collect information about organizations providing thanksgiving meals, to finding out about warming shelter space for those who are experiencing homelessness. If these were emails that fell upon the shoulders of only one church or organization, I can see how overwhelming the need would seem.

Thankfully that is not the case. For these emails are being sent out within the Spokane Homeless Coalition. A coalition of all the organizations and interested parties involved and concerned with the needs of those experiencing homelessness in our area. Each group or organization is able to take on that which they are best suited and equipped for based on their gifts and mission.

In the same way we each are invited to share our gifts as we are able when there are needs in our community. For some that looks like taking care of grand children, reading to school children, sharing of your time at the church or another organization.

We all recognize that as the Thanksgiving and Christmas Seasons are quickly approaching our schedules and to do lists, on top of all the needs we are being asked to help with, may become overwhelming. Let us not forget that we are not alone in responding to every need, and every request. Instead we as a congregation and community are able to respond as we have the gifts and talents to do so.

Some times, this may look like handing over the responsibility of responding to another person or even another group, and that is alright. As we seek to respond to needs in our community, we do so by constantly recognizing what gifts and talents we have available to share. Not, trying to do everything the same way we have always done things. While in other times we may find that we are able to share of ourselves. However we respond let us be mindful of the gifts we are able to share when encountering needs in our community.

Peace in Christ,

Chris Snow

## Weekly Events

### **Attitude Adjustment**

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

### **Citizenship Preparation**

Citizenship class Thursdays, at 6:00 p.m.

### **1<sup>st</sup> Ukrainian Baptist Church**

Worship: Sun. 2-6 p.m.

Choir: Tues. 6-9 p.m.

Study: Wed. 7-10 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, [mfleck11@comcast.net](mailto:mfleck11@comcast.net)

## **Thanksgiving Baskets**

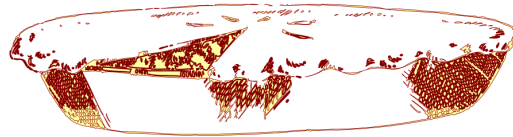
We will be continuing our tradition of collecting food for the holiday baskets. This year we are

collecting food for 5 families from CASA partners. For the Thanksgiving baskets we will begin collecting food items on November 5th-18th so that the food may be distributed on the 19th.



### **Here is a list of food we are collecting this year:**

Turkey, Stuffing Mix, Russet Potatoes 10 lbs., Gravy Mix, Onions, Celery, Carrots, Canned green beans & corn, Cranberry sauce, Milk, Butter, Rice, Olives & Pickles, Bread (white sandwich) & Rolls, Frozen Pies, Jell-O 6oz, Egg Noodles, Cream of mushroom soup, Peaches & Pears canned, quart sized cans of Chicken Broth, small Poultry Seasoning, large aluminum roasting pans, large roll aluminum foil, \$ will go for Extras.



## **CASA families to receive baskets**

Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) are trained volunteers who advocate for abused and neglected children in family court. CASA volunteers deal with abuse, neglect, and abandonment cases referred to them by Child Protective Services (CPS).

CASA Partners is a 501(c)3 charitable organization dedicated to supporting the local CASA Program. More than 1,000 children and youth who are currently living in foster care through CPS are among Spokane County's most disadvantaged citizens. These children belong to families who have failed them, many are severely abuse or neglected. They have few, if any, personal belongings. Youngsters living in foster care or relative placement commonly suffer from depression, behavior disturbances, poor health, learning delays, confusion, fear, and loneliness.

CASA Partners is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for children placed in the foster care system by allowing them to experience some of the pleasures of being a child. CASA Partners is grateful for the generous offer from your church to provide holiday meals for some of our foster and relative placement families. Thank you, North Hill Christian Church for partnering with CASA Partners to make the holiday season a little bit brighter for these children.

## **Prayer Concerns**

- Prayer for Bill Phipps & family, following the death of his cousin.
- Continued prayers for Kathy Riley who has been diagnosed with cancer.
- Prayers for Shirley Tucker and family. Her brother passed away.
- Continued prayers for Dave Medina having knee pain.
- Continued prayers for Ralph Harrison (hip) and his mother Lil having health issues.
- Prayers for Pastor Chris' Aunt, Diane Snow. She is in ICU with pneumonia and sepsis in Boise, ID. Prayers for her husband David and the children.

## **Joys**

- Citizenship Preparation class has started a new session.
- Virginia Burkhead is now living with her daughter & son-in-law, Sheila and Randy.

## **Birthdays**

- 11/05 Jane Burkett
- 11/6 Elizabeth Hooker
- 11/15 Ben Greene
- 11/19 Joyce Mason
- 11/20 Mike Morris
- 11/24 Linda Ellis
- 12/4 Bill Cockburn

## **Anniversaries**

- None in November

## **Thanksgiving Special Offering**

The Thanksgiving offering benefits the Colleges, Universities, Seminaries, and Divinity Houses affiliated with the Disciples Of Christ. Higher education has been an important focus for Disciples since the beginning of the movement. Throughout our history Disciples have founded institutions to educate and form leaders to make a difference in the world. Your gift to the Thanksgiving offering helps support the education of thousands of students at our 15 colleges and universities as well as seven seminaries and divinity houses. The Thanksgiving offering will be collected on November 12 and 19<sup>th</sup>.

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## **MUCHAS GRACIAS MIS AMIGOS**

Thanks you to all of you who said "si" when you agreed to bring toppings or dessert for our nacho buffet on October 29<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to Debbie Jennison for helping with the meat. The hands that served food and/or helped clean up were greatly appreciated. It was a bueno event full of food, fellowship and fun for all.

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## **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.

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## **Advent Events**

Even though the Advent season does not start until December 4<sup>th</sup> I wanted to get a few items onto your calendars sooner rather than later.

Hanging of the Greens (preparing the sanctuary and building for advent) December 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 10 a.m.

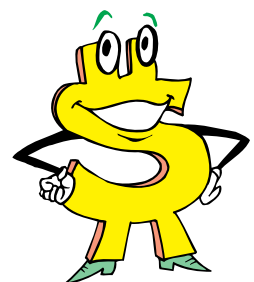
Joint Advent/Christmas Party with Country Homes Christian Church, December 9<sup>th</sup>, time TBD.

Christmas Eve candlelight service, Sunday December 24<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.

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## **October Financial Information**

	October	YTD	YTD Budget
Income	\$ 13,366	\$ 134,361	\$ 111,400
Expense	\$ 13,298	\$ 128,987	\$ 131,414



### **General Offering income was above budget by \$706**

Reconciliation offering for October is \$154...total = \$449

\$2542 qtrly income from investment of rental house money



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**November, 2023 Serving Schedule**

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