



The North Hill Christian

Spokane, WA

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Flurries from Chris

As September has come to a close and I am whittling away at all those projects that tend to pop up in the fall, and in preparation for the season of advent. One theme that keeps coming up is that we used to do it this way but that won't work any more. Not just because of COVID but because our lives have changed over the past couple of years and we have given ourselves permissions to get out of our own routines of doing things. This is not necessarily a bad thing, only that it causes us to rethink how we go about doing things within our lives.

As we have changed our weekly routines, I have found the need to transition my typical Tuesday Morning Bible study to become a "brief" devotional moment on Facebook. A medium in which I may continue my practice of study and wonder around the scripture text while also requesting insights from others who may have questions as well. Will this work out long term? Who knows but it is something new that comes from a change in our routines.

Sometimes when our routines are changed we need to take a moment to ask, "What are we losing and what are we gaining in this change?" Sometimes these changes give us the permissions to do those things that we have been meaning to take care of. To do those things that are life giving and provide us with new energy to tackle new projects. Within every change there are those experiences of loss and grief because those routines have been a part of our lives. But let us not be held back by the fear of losing something in the change. Let us instead be open to the possibilities that come with a change in routine while seeking out those things that we deem important for our faith lives.

If you have picked up a new faith practice over the past year I would love to hear about it. What has changed within your faith life that has encouraged you along on this journey? What new opportunities have you found that have caused you to change your routines?

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.

Choir Returning

Please join us for the choir's first rehearsal of the year Wednesday September 8th at 6:30pm. We will be meeting in the Sanctuary for rehearsal. Make sure to bring a mask and singing enthusiasm!



!OLE! Fall, October Nacho Fiesta

Por favor join us on Sunday, October 31st following worship as we have a nacho fiesta. We will be making our own nachos with the many condiments provided by our congregation. If you are called and asked to provide one of the many toppings, please say

"si". Otherwise, you don't need to bring anything but your appetite. There will be a basket if you would like to contribute toward the expense of the meat. **!Todos Asistimos!**

Any questions, please feel free to call Janie Selley at 468-3713



POTLUCK FELLOWSHIP

After more than a year, on Sunday, September 12th, we had a potluck at North Hill. The hamburgers and hot dogs were prepared by Sam Selley, Bob Hooker and Bob Burkhead. Thanks to all of you who brought side dishes and desserts to finish

off the meal. It was great to be back sharing a meal together. All of the help in the kitchen before and after we ate was greatly appreciated. Maybe we should try a similar event again.

Remembering The Saints

It is our tradition on the first Sunday of November to take time during our service to honor those who have passed over the previous year. If you have a friend or family member who has passed, and would like their name to be shared with the congregation. Please provide their name to pastor Chris in writing by October 31st.

Prayer Concerns for

- Patty Morris called regarding her mom, Irene Zimmer. She fell, causing a brain bleed.
- Her surgery went well but she will be in ICU at Deaconess hospital for a few days. Please pray for a speedy recovery for her. And prayers for the family.
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Joys

- The war in Afghanistan is over.

Birthdays

- 10/1 Lily Greene
- 10/6 Don Morgan
- 10/11 Randy McCrea
- 10/15 Joy Reitemeier
- 10/19 Dan Stewart
- 10/23 Kam Kohler
- 10/24 Sheila McCrea
- 10/30 Jenn Snow
- 10/31 Jack Mason

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

Anniversaries

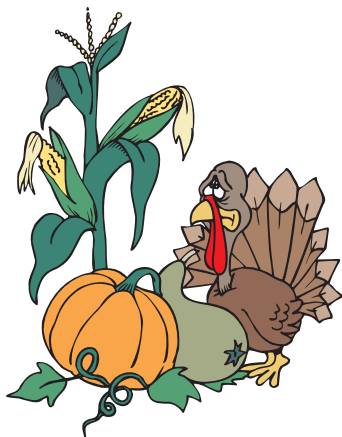
- 10/18 Pat & Bob Hooker
- 10/22 Marilyn & Sonny Smith

Salish School Needs Pantry

As we find ourselves entering a new quarter of collecting items for the Salish School we will be focusing on hygiene products. The Salish school has requested that as many of their families have eczema, which is a skin condition associated with allergies, if possible please donate items that appropriate for sensitive skin. Here is a list of recommended hygiene items to donate in this quarter:

shampoo, conditioner, body wash, hand soap, lotion, face wash, deodorant, baby wipes, children's and adult tooth brush, child friendly tooth paste, floss, socks, dryer sheets, laundry detergent.

Questions, ask Debbie Jennison.



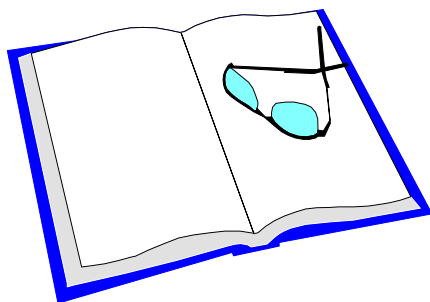
We will be continuing our tradition of collecting food for the holiday baskets. This year we are collecting food for 5 families from the Salish School of Spokane. For the Thanksgiving baskets we will begin collecting food items on October 26th through November 14th so that the food may be distributed on the 21st.

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	Milk
Cranberry sauce	Butter
Rice Olives & Pickles	Frozen Pies
Bread (white sandwich) & Rolls	
Jell-O 6oz	Egg Noodles
Cream of mushroom soup	Poultry Seasoning
Peaches & Pears canned	
Quart sized cans of Chicken Broth	
large alum. roasting pans	
large roll aluminum foil	\$ will go for Extras

Pastor on Vacation

Pastor Chris will be taking two weeks of vacation in October from the 11-24th. If there are any pastoral emergencies please contact your elder and if deemed necessary they will be in contact with Pastor Chris.



Fall Book Study

This fall pastor Chris will be hosting a book study on Diana Butler Bass' book, "Freeing Jesus: Rediscovering Jesus as Friend,

Teacher, Savior, Lord, Way, and Presence."

As with previous book studies pastor Chris will set the meeting time(s) based on those who would like to participate.

The hope of this book study is to find ways for each person to reflect upon their faith lives and the different ways in which we have come to understand who Jesus is along our journey.

Amazon Smile

During this time of social distancing and shopping online, you may be purchasing items at [Amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com). If you do, a portion of your purchase price for qualifying items can come to the North Hill Christian Church by choosing the church as your recipient in their Amazon Smile (<https://smile.amazon.com>) program. It doesn't cost you anything extra to participate; it just shares the profit with a charity of your choice. If you have any questions, ask Debbie Jennison.

October is Stewardship Month

Join us in worship each Sunday in October to find out how we, as a congregation, take care of ourselves, relate to the community we live in and how we use our resources for our ministry. Sunday, October 31st, will be Commitment Sunday where each of us will be asked to make a financial commitment to the ministry of North Hill. Please prayerfully consider what stewardship means to you.

Here is a quick description of the book:

How can you still be a Christian?

This is the most common question Diana Butler Bass is asked today. It is a question that many believers ponder as they wrestle with disappointment and disillusionment in their church and its leadership. But while many Christians have left their churches, they cannot leave their faith behind.

In Freeing Jesus, Bass challenges the idea that Jesus can only be understood in static, one-dimensional ways and asks us to instead consider a life where Jesus grows with us and helps us through life's challenges in several capacities: as Friend, Teacher, Savior, Lord, Way, and Presence.

Freeing Jesus is an invitation to leave the religious wars behind and rediscover Jesus in all his many manifestations, to experience Jesus beyond the narrow confines we have built around him. It renews our hope in faith and worship at a time when we need it most.

Updated Mask Guidance

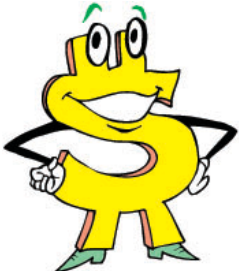


In keeping with the most recent CDC guidance we strongly recommend that everyone, regardless of vaccination status, coming into the church building wear a mask that covers both your

mouth and nose.

Also please note that beginning on August 23rd the Governor has instituted a mask mandate for all indoor public spaces.

Recognizing that there are some in our congregation who do heavily rely on lip reading (Pastor Chris included) recommendations and resources can be made available regarding clear masks that are effective. Please let Pastor Chris know if you would like to know more.



September Financial Information - Budget Figures

	Sept	YTD	YTD Budget
Income	\$ 11,154	\$ 387,554	\$ 95,823
Expense	\$ 8,366	\$ 389,487	\$ 120,540

Income reflects proceeds from the sale of the rental house
of \$277,836.53

General Offering income was above budget by \$254

Expenses include expenditures to get the rental house ready for sale
and the investment of \$268,006 to provide future income
and the replacement of the A/C unit for Hazen Hall



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October 2021 --- Serving Schedules

	Oct. 3	Oct. 10	Oct. 17	Oct. 24	Oct. 31
Count	Linda Alexander Arlene Pandelis	Sheila McCrea Patty Morris	Michele Fleck Sally Deranleau	Linda Alexander Madaline Luher	Sheila McCrea Arlene Pandelis
Diaconate	Michele Fleck	Sally Deranleau	Arlane Pancelis	Patty Morris	Ben Greene
Elder	Jerry Klein	Joy Reitemeier	Sheila McCreea	Dan Stewart	Bill Jennison Debbie Jennison
Lay Leader	Jenn Snow	Bill Jennison	Dan Stewart	Nathan Burford	Debbie Jennison
Power Point	Debbie Jennison	Jenn Snow	Natasha Carter	Debbie Jennison	Jenn Snow
Sound	Bill Jennison	Nathan Burford	Jenn Snow	Ben Greene	Michele Fleck
Pick Up	Michele Fleck	Linda Alexander	Janie Selley	Sheila McCrea	Sally Deranleau
Greeter	Sam Selley	Madaline Luher	Sarita McReynolds	Joy Reitemeier	Bill Phipps
Song Leader	Jenn Snow	Debbie Jennison	Janie Selley	Bill Jennison	Bobbie Belton
Coffee Hour	Bill Phipps	Arlene Pandelis			Nacho Fiesta