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Blog of the Week

Janet Starkey



Beginnings & Endings

My first grandchild, Constance Nora, was born on Sunday, July 30th. She is healthy and in the arms of her enormous, loving family. We are so very blessed. My dearly loved and former father-in-law, Chuck Wallin, turned 98 on August 8th. I think they waited to meet each other. Their crossover time may be brief, and I can only imagine what ... [Read More](#)

This Week

New Staff Position
~ **Sunday School Teacher** ~
2nd to 5th Grades



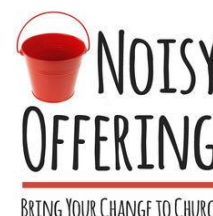
Great news! Session has approved a new staff position for a 2nd- to 5th-grade Sunday School teacher! This is a paid position, three hours per week. Approximately one hour each week will be for teaching our Sunday School curriculum. The rest of the time is flexible for preparation. You will be working alongside Yvette Wyatt who is our Pre-K- to 1st-grade teacher.

If God is leading you to apply for this position, please review the [Job Description](#) and send a cover letter and resume to the [Church Office](#) or [Jeannie](#)

Noisy Offering
August 27th

Our Noisy Offering Sunday has been a long-standing tradition at 1st Pres, and we'll once again be giving you the opportunity to donate your loose change and paper money of any denomination!

This year, all money collected will benefit our Neighborhood Closet. So bring your change, and let's get the buckets jangling!



**A Touching Note from the
Friends of Eswatini**

Logozzo. Thank you for your consideration to work with our treasured children.

~ Your HR Committee

Youth Lake Day

August 23 | 11:30 - 5:30 pm

As the summer draws to a close (yes, indeed) our youth will be celebrating with a Lake Day! All youth are welcome August 23rd from 11:30 - 5:30. Please contact [Kierstie](#) if you have questions.

Financial Report

January 1 - June 30, 2023

Please take a few minutes to read the important attached report presented by the 1st Pres Finance Committee about the financial health of the church.

[Read the Report](#)

The Missions team recently received the following, beautifully written letter from one of our Mission partners that brought the news of the death of Bishop Emeritus Amos Mali Dlamini, pastor of Kukhany'okusha Zion Church, Eswantini.

[As you read this letter, please pray for all of Kukhany'okusha Zion Church as they mourn.](#)

Family Camp This Week

Join us in praying for a safe and fun week for those attending Family camp this week at Camp Spalding!



Sunday's Service

Watch again or for the 1st time!

Walking with Abraham | God Acts.

Words without action are empty. Listen to the promises of the One who acts. [Watch Now](#)



Church News

Getting Connected : Small Groups



We are happy to report that the list of those interested in our new Sermon-based Small Groups is growing! We will be collecting names for the initial groups throughout August, but you can join at any time. Pastor McLane and Dan Brown will be answering questions this Sunday to further explain these Small Groups.

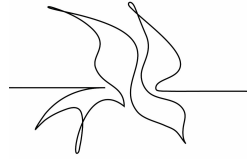
Adult Discipleship will be reaching out in early September to let us know how the groups will be organized, so stay tuned for updates!

The goal of these new small groups is to encourage personal growth in our church family. The groups will meet one to two times a month, with discussions based on the current sermon series.

Sign-up by calling the office during the week or in Krueger Hall on Sunday.

Small Groups

In addition to the upcoming Sermon-based Small Groups, there are other groups meeting. Many groups take off during the Summer. In the meantime, you can find information on our website. If you can't find what you're looking for, please call the office.



- [Men's Fellowship](#)
- [Sunday Bible Study](#)
- [Women's Circles](#)



Prayer Shawls Available

Who in your life could use some support and a

reminder that there are those who are praying for them? Our knitters and crocheters have been busy, and our inventory is high. Please visit the Fireside Room to pick out a shawl for someone special. Please be sure to complete the sign-out sheet so we know where our prayers should be directed.

Sundays

9 am **Classic Service** in Sanctuary & Online
10:30 am **Contemplative Service** in Sanctuary
10:30 am Bible Study

DOXA 11 am in Gym

Thursdays

Ecumenical Lunch Kitchen
ARMS Meeting

Fridays

Knitting for Warmth

Children & Family Ministry



Are You Willing to Assist?

A new sign-up board has been hung outside the Adventure Zone in Krueger Hall. If you feel led to serve now or in the future, please sign-up to assist our Sunday School teachers. We must have two adults in every classroom, so your help is invaluable!

You may go directly to the link provided below or you may

contact the office at 208-667-8446 or office@1stpresdowntown.org.

We thank you ahead of time for your service.

[Background Check Form](#)

Youth Ministry

Welcome 1st Pres Youth

Welcome middle- and high-schoolers! Whether your student joins us for Sunday mornings in worship and/or for special events, they will have opportunities to connect with peers, grow in their faith, and serve together. Friends are always welcome!

Sign-up for the Youth Family Newsletter

Get connected with our family newsletter!
Learn about the latest Youth news.
Email [Kierstie](#) to get started.

Get Connected with the Band App

Join our group on the Band App to see our schedule, upcoming events, and more!
Don't forget to turn on notifications.
Click [here](#) to join!