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Blog of the Week

Stephanie Rogge

Rest

It amazes me how quickly time passes. Often it seems the day begins with plans of what I want to accomplish, and, before I know it, the day ends with things still left undone. Days turn into weeks and weeks into months where I never feel like I can catch up with all the Read More

This Week

Worship Service for Ukraine

August 21 | 9 am service



As the violence in Ukraine continues, the number of people being displaced internally and fleeing to

neighboring countries increases by the day. Our denomination has churches and ecumenical partners who are already providing assistance with basic items for survival. These established partners have the knowledge and expertise to carry out this important work.

Two world-class musicians based in Spokane will share their passion and music in our service. We will have a

Parents of 1st Pres Youth

We need your input! Wednesday, Aug 17th

Parents, your input is so valuable to our team as we move forward this fall.

Please take a couple minutes to fill out the Youth Family

Survey. Don't forget, you're invited to join us this Wednesday, from 6-7, in the youth

team. Thank you!

Youth Family Survey

room to share ideas and feedback with our



1stPres Neighborhood Closet

chance to pray with them for Ukraine and collect an offering to be donated to the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance fund earmarked for Ukraine. You may also use our giving portal to direct funds to Ukrainian relief.

Family Beach Day This Sunday



Join us down at the city park for a family beach day and/or bring a picnic lunch and chairs to enjoy a concert in the

park. We'll be set up with our 1st Pres flag and some treats following the 10:30 service. The concert starts at 1. All are welcome to join us for some fun in the sun!

(*Please note, families are responsible for supervision of children in the park and water.)

Sneak Peek | August 21st

This Sunday, August 21st, you'll have an opportunity to take a sneak peek at our brand new 1stPres Neighborhood Closet! Look for one of our Closet Ambassadors -- they'll be wearing denim and an easily identifiable name tag -- for a tour of this beautiful new space.

Serving children in grades K-8

Ways to Support the Closet

Access the Giving Portal by clicking the link below. Check **1stPres Neighborhood Closet**.

Giving Portal

Hygiene Drive

Our Hygiene product drive is still underway. If you've mislaid your list, you can find it here!

List of hygiene items needed

Shopping bags of items can be dropped off in Krueger Hall or the Church office.

Sunday's Service

Watch again or for the 1st time!



God's Fruit Stand. Gentleness. The truth: gentleness is not weakness. We can't overstate this or emphasize it enough, because people seem to think the exact opposite. Gentleness is power under control. You'll need to watch!

Watch this service for the first time or once again!

Many thanks to our team of volunteers who make broadcasting the service possible!

<u>Watch this service or any of our past services on our YouTube Channel</u>

Church News

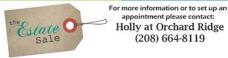
Orchard Ridge Senior Living
Estate & Moving Services

Welcome Pastor-elect
Pastor McLane Stone



In an effort to raise funds for charitable care at Orchard Ridge, the Volunteers provide the service of organizing and managing your estate sale for the cost of a suggested donation.





How You Can Help Ukraine GIVE. ACT. PRAY.



Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is organizing assistance for Ukraine. Please click on this link to find out more and how you can help.

Helping Ukraine

Gloria Klotz passed into
Jesus' loving arms on
Friday, August 5th. Gloria
had been homebound for
several years, but
remained connected with our church.
There will be a private graveside service.
Please pray for comfort for Gloria's family
and friends.

Mark your calendar! Pastor McLane's first Sunday with us is September 18th.



Ray & Louise Gotz' Generous Gift!

For some time now, the Finance team and Session have been working on a special gift



from Ray & Louise Gotz. Ray was a longtime attender of 1stPres who passed away last year. Ray generously donated his estate to the church. Please read the letter (link below) to learn more about this encouraging story.

Gotz Family Donation



Anna Setzer passed into the arts of Jesus on Tuesday, August 2nd. Funeral services for Anna will be held in the 1st Pres Sanctuary

on Thursday, August 18th at 10 am followed by graveside services. Please pray for comfort for Anna's sister, Barbara Cassidy, and Anna's friends.

Family Promise NI was hosted by First Pres at Calvary Lutheran

The week at a glance -- Teri Burch

Thank you to our many volunteers who spent the night, ate dinner with the guests, or made dinner for the guests.

Thank you to the other three network

I learned what a mighty team we have with Judy and Ann, because Bill and I had reservations for camping and a concert. We left town! We appreciate those two very much.

churches who helped with dinner hosting, overnight hosting, and taking down the rooms. And deep appreciation to Joan, the coordinator from Calvary Lutheran, who came to show us where things were and how they worked.

It is not easy to host in a different church, but we were witness to navigating life as a homeless family. We were blessed to help.

August Schedule

Sundays

7:55 am Bible Study
9 am Classic Service in Sanctuary & Online
10:30 am Contemplative Service in Sanctuary

Masks are recommended if you are vulnerable.

DOXA 11 am in Gym

Thursdays

Ecumenical Lunch Kitchen ARMS

Fridays

Knitting for Warmth

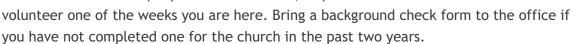
Children & Family Ministry

Thank You Volunteers

Summer Sunday School:

We are coming to the end of the summer calendar! Thank you so much for keeping the kids safe and excited throughout the summer. We still have open dates for the last few Sundays if you would like to get involved with the kids! We currently have 8/28, and 9/4 waiting to be filled. We also need help in the nursery 9/4.

During the summer, only one Sunday School helper is needed each week. You do not have to teach (Kyler will), unless you would like to. A lot of people are out of town, so please



On September 11th, we will be going back to two separated classrooms upstairs! A very exciting transition!

Special Events:

8/21 Beach Day <u>THIS WEEKEND</u> after Sunday service9/11 Kids go back upstairs to separated classrooms9/18 Blessing of the Backpacks

Email Kyler for more information if you would like to volunteer



<u>1stpreschildren@gmail.com</u>. You can also check the volunteer signup sheet to sign up for Sunday School and to help with kids' events:

Sunday School and Event Volunteer
Signup

Background Check Form

Save the Date

Beach Day Aug 21st

Upstairs Classrooms Sept 11th

Blessing of the Backpacks Sept 18th

Youth Ministry

Fruits of the Spirit

Sunday Mornings



Our Fruits of the Spirit series is in full bloom, and it has been so fun digging into a new spiritual fruit each week. If you know a middle or high schooler,

invite them to join us Sunday mornings in the Youth Room! Students are dismissed after the praise music during the 9am service.

Sign-up for the Youth Family Newsletter

Get connected with our family newsletter! Email <u>Kierstie</u> to receive the newsletters.

Searching for Summer Volunteers

Our team has a big summer of fun events planned for our youth! We are still seeking additional volunteers to help ensure that each event runs smoothly. There are many ways to get involved, from chaperoning big events, serving meals, hiking with students, etc. Please email Kierstie if you would like to get involved!

Check Out Our Summer Schedule

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