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## 1st Pres eNews

August 9, 2022

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### Blog of the Week

Ellen Taylor



#### A Dream or a Calling?

I believe that everyone has a dream and a calling. How we spend our lives and the people whose hearts we touch are one of the reasons we try to fulfill these dreams. Whether we chose to be teachers, scientists, doctors, politicians or a million other things, the choices we made years ... [Read More](#)

## This Week



1stPresDowntown  
**Neighborhood  
Closet**

### An Easy Way to Give

Loving, generous, supportive -- we're talking about YOU, the amazing 1st Pres community! As we seek to fully outfit the Neighborhood Closet, funding for additional racks and shelving (approx. \$2000 needed) as well as signage and various supplies would be very helpful. Our church Giving Portal offers a great avenue for you to make monetary contributions to meet the needs of this wonderful, new neighborhood outreach. You can access the [Giving Portal](#) here or at the link below and look for the 1stPres Neighborhood Closet donation line.

### Parents of 1st Pres Youth

**We need your input!**

Wednesday, Aug 17th

Parents of youth (6th-12th grade) ... we want to hear from you! Please join Kierstie and members of the Youth Team for an open-house-style forum on Wednesday, August 17th from 6-7 pm in the Youth Room. As we look ahead to the fall, we need your input! See you there!



### Worship Service for Ukraine

August 21 | 9 am service

As the violence in Ukraine continues, the number of

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### Hygiene Drive

We're in the midst of our Hygiene product drive. 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.

**Save The Date:** August 21st, Closet Sneak Peek!

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### Youth Sunday School is Back!



Calling all youth!  
Please join us in

the Youth Room to continue our study of Psalms!

**AND** ... don't forget to sign-up for board games and ice cream on **Wednesday, August 10th from 6-8 pm!**



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 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.

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### Family Promise NI was hosted by First Pres at Calvary Lutheran

The week at a glance -- Teri Burch



First! Thank you to our many volunteers who offered to spend the night, eat dinner with the guests, or make dinner for the guests. Thank you to the

other three network 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. We learned lockboxes do not have the same code, extra keys do come in handy, how to open the garbage dumpster just as the trash was beginning to smell, how difficult it must be to have joint custody of kids and be homeless and how hard to test positive for COVID and

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.

The three families were grateful for the things they were achieving through the help of the staff of Family Promise NI. Laura and her baby found housing and moved out before the week was up. Elisa's teen-aged son was a whiz at cleaning up after dinner. Dan said we could ask anything of him because he and his family was so grateful.

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

get moved to a hotel -- all plans changed. help.

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## Sunday's Service

Watch again or for the 1st time!

God's Fruit Stand. Faithfulness. Proverbs says our hearts are like deep water. We can't see what is in there, but if we are wise, we will, with God's help, draw it up. What does that have to do with Faithfulness? You'll need to watch!

[Watch this service for the first time or once again!](#)



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

[Watch this service or any of our past services on our YouTube Channel](#)

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## Church News

### Mission Committee Update Juvenile Justice Outreach

Juvenile Justice Outreach (JJO) is a mission that has been long-supported by First Pres. There are two big changes for JJO this past year. They launched a new fundraiser to the First Tee Golf Program for "at risk" kids and they were able to add the position of a Community Outreach Coordinator.

JJO is actively looking for volunteers, which has been challenging for them. Specifically, they hope to find mentors for their different youth programs. If you or anyone you know would like to be a mentor for "at risk" youth who could use the steady support of a Christian adult, please contact Jackson Lanterman at 208-297-7955.

### Welcome Pastor-elect Pastor McLane Stone



person!

Sunday, July 24, we had the opportunity to meet Pastor McLane and his wife Charley and daughter Epperly in

Pastor McLane was unanimously approved as our Pastor-elect during the congregational meeting that followed the 9 am combined service.

[Listen to the July 24th Service](#)

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### 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 long-time attender of 1stPres who passed away last year. Ray generously donated his estate to the church. Please read the

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### This Past Week

We lost Two Long-time Members

**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.

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**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.



letter (link below) to learn more about this encouraging story.

[Gotz Family Donation](#)

## Do You Know Someone ..

Prayer shawls and lap robes are available for uplifting folks due to



the hard work of our Prayer Shawl Ministry! You can find the clearly marked bins in the Fireside Room to select a shawl or lap robe. Please use the clipboard to record the recipient's name allowing the Ladies to pray specifically for that person.

## 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](#)

## August Schedule

### Sundays

7:55 am Bible Study

9 am Classic Service in Sanctuary & Online

10:30 am Contemplative Service in Sanctuary

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Masks are recommended if you are vulnerable.

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DOXA 11 am in Gym

### Thursdays

Ecumenical Lunch Kitchen  
ARMS

### Fridays

Knitting for Warmth

## Children & Family Ministry

# Thank You Volunteers

## Summer Sunday School:

Thank you for getting some of the summer calendar filled up! We still have plenty of open dates if you would like to get involved with the kids! We currently have 8/14, 8/28, and 9/4 waiting to be filled.

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 volunteer one of the weeks you are here. Bring a background check form to the office if you have not completed one for the church in the past two years.



## Special Events:

**8/21** Beach Day after Sunday service- two people needed to help put up pop-up tent.

**9/18** Blessing of the Backpacks

Email Kyler for more information if you would like to volunteer

[1stpreschildren@gmail.com](mailto:1stpreschildren@gmail.com). 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

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

### 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

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.

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### **Sign-up for the Youth Family Newsletter**

Get connected with our family newsletter!  
Email [Kierstie](#) to receive the newsletters.

students, etc. Please email Kierstie if you would like to get involved!

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### **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!