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## 1st Pres eNews

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### Blog of the Week

Bonnie Piovesan



#### Foolish Messengers

I am often amazed by the men and women in the Bible. They were handpicked by God Himself, called for a special purpose, for a certain time to be God's messengers. We call them heroes, prophets, apostles, saints, and sometimes we call them holy. It is as if we forget to call them human.

The Bible unfolds the story of God choosing to use humans even when it must have seemed ... [Read More](#)

## This Week

Sunday, June 6th

### Confirmation

Help us celebrate our confirmands as they share their personal statements of faith and mission this Sunday, June 6th. We know you'll be inspired and encouraged by the present and future they represent!

We will also be celebrating Holy Communion and serving individual cups in the sanctuary. If you are worshiping from home, please be sure to prepare your own elements.



# Farewell to NIC Children's Center

The campus at 1st Pres is quieter these days. The children and staff of NIC Children's Center finished up their semester and are now on summer break. The NIC staff packed up all of their items to go back into storage. The NIC Children's Center is still undergoing repairs and should be done in August.

As a thank-you, each Children's Center class painted a bird house, and one of the children wrote a book called **The Perfect Place**, about finding a new space after the storm damaged their center.

You can see each of the bird houses as well as the story book on display in

Krueger Hall. You can also watch this delightful story here in a simple read aloud video narrated by our own Carley Walker.



The Perfect Place

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## Serving Ecumenical Kitchen

June 3rd

1st Pres is scheduled to provide lunch for our Ecumenical Kitchen guests on **Thursday, June 3.**

Please contact the office or Bev Rasor if you can help.



## Feeding Five Thousand

Starting June 6th

Our food drive doesn't begin until the first Sunday in June and we thought a reminder to be thinking about what you might bring would help. The bins will be in Krueger Hall and near the office on June 6th.



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## Sunday's Service

Watch again or for the 1st time!

God's Love for You. God loves us so much he calls us his children. Can we come to God as children?

This week's assignment: Read 1 John - the entire book! Watch the service for the first time or once again: [Watch What is Love?](#)

This week Carley's message was all about sacrifice and remembering why we celebrate Memorial Day. Listen to the [entire message here](#).

Many thanks to our team of volunteers that make broadcasting the service possible!  
[Watch this service or any of our past services on our YouTube Channel](#)

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## Post Worship Zoom

Pastor Craig hosts a prayer session each Sunday at the conclusion of our regular 9 am service. You can find the link on your website home page, in Pastor Craig's weekly Digital Check-in, and right here ... [Zoom Prayer Service](#)



## Church News

### Ninos Con Valor COVID Update

Last week we told you about the critical situation and need at our Mission Partner, Ninos Con Valor.

To help or find out more about Ninos Con Valor, they can be found at <https://ninosconvalor.org/> or reach out to Matt Broadway with the 1st Presbyterian Missions Committee.

Please pray for the health and well-being of their vulnerable children and staff.

### 2021 College Scholarships Applications Due June 15th



Do you know a college-bound student who is graduating this year? The church is pleased to award a limited number of scholarships each year to deserving students. It's time to start the application process!

[SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION](#)

Please email your application to our bookkeeper, Stephanie Rogge ([bookkeeperfirstprescda@gmail.com](mailto:bookkeeperfirstprescda@gmail.com)). You can also mail applications directly to the church office.

As always, if you have any questions, don't hesitate to call the office: 208.667.8446

### 2nd Annual Lutherhaven Family Camp



Spend the weekend at Lutherhaven with your whole family (and invite friends too!).

We will have flexible programming, but if you just want to hang out at the waterfront all day and skip worship, crafts, and games that's totally cool. This is a no-pressure event! Contact Carley directly for details. We only have 10 spots available!

Register here (be sure to note you are with 1st Pres in the space for entering your family members): [Family Camp Sign-Up](#)

### Contemplative Service to Begin



We are happy to report that our Contemplative Service will once again commence on Sunday, June 13 at 10:30 am. This will be the same service format we followed in early

2020. If you have any questions, please call the office.

### Summer Reading?

We have had so many generous donations to our church library that it's time

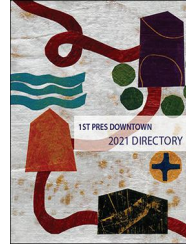


### Church Directory 2021

Update your photo! Many of the pictures we have

to share the wealth and let some of these gems go to new homes.

Every week a new selection will be available in the Fireside Room on specially marked shelves. Please feel free to stop by during the week or before church on Sundays to check out the latest free titles.



for the new directory are VERY out of date. You may also like to submit something more casual!

Please contact the church office either by [email](#) or call (please leave a message if no one picks up) 208.667.8446. You do **NOT** need to be a member to be included in the directory!

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## Support the 38TH Annual Clothing Giveaway

This is what we need!

Please contact Diane Wakkinen or Barb Proper if you'd like to volunteer or have questions about clothing donations. We'll need help the week before setting up and on the day of the event on August 21st.

All donations should be cleaned and in good shape. Drop them in a bag with a dryer sheet so they'll stay fresh-smelling and please label the bag "clean". You can also let the Deacons do your shopping by making a direct donation through our [Giving Portal](#), select Deacons and specify clothing drive in the comment box.

### Elementary school age children's clothing only

- Very gently used, no stains, discoloration, tears or holes, and working zippers
- Prefer name brands when possible
- Sweatshirts/Hoodies
- Seasonal winter clothing (coats, hats, gloves, snow pants, and boots) are welcome
- Sizes 5-14 in girls and boys, encourage slim and plus sizes in both boys and girls
- Girls shoe sizes 3-4, and 5-7 in women's
- Boys Shoe sizes 3-9
- Discourage short-shorts, tank tops, camisoles (not appropriate to meet school dress codes)



### Most in need of...

- Packages of socks S, M, L
- Packages of underwear 5-14 or S, M, L, XL
- Boys jeans 5-14 slim, regular and plus sizes
- Girls leggings (XS, X, M, L, XL)
- Girls jeans 5-14 both slim, regular and plus sizes
- Boys/girls long sleeved t-shirts
- Shoes: girls 3-4 and 5-7 (women's); boys 3-9
- Boots - see above sizes
- Sweaters - especially girls

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## Daily Devotionals Available

**REMINDER:** Daily Devotionals - The Upper Room and Daily Bread - are always available for pickup at the Welcome Desk in Krueger Hall or during the week in the office.

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## June Schedule

Sundays

Thursdays

## Children & Family Ministry



I can't believe we are about to enter the final weeks of the school year! I am setting aside time in my schedule over the summer for some one-on-one relationship building. If you and your children would like to hang out over the summer and go to the park for a picnic or perhaps to have ice cream I'd love nothing more! My boys (Sawyer 8 and Emmett 6) would love it too! Just shoot me a text or an email and we can get it on our calendars!

### Adventures in Caring Missional Opportunity

**June 6th, 8:30 AM (before church):** Adventures in Caring Missional Opportunity (Krueger Hall). During church we will be holding a food drive. Your children can help gather the supplies before the church service. Please arrive by 8:30 am to participate in this volunteer opportunity.

### Adventure Kid's Club

We are ON for Adventure Kids' Club Wednesday, June 2 at 6 pm.

### Downtown Church Alliance Partnership

**5:30 - 8 pm**

It's a kick-off block party! We are partnering with Trinity Lutheran and St. Luke's Episcopal Church over the summer to bring you and your family some really exciting events and opportunities. We are kicking off the summer with a block party! Each church will provide activities. You'll begin at 1st Pres, where we will have a bouncy house and an obstacle course. Once you've had your fill of bouncing, you'll head a few blocks north to St. Lukes where you will be able to eat a hotdog and hang out with some pretty amazing animals from 2nd Chance Petting Zoo. Finally, you'll head down to Trinity Lutheran where there will be more games and a yummy treat to finish off the night! Think of it as a progressive dinner but it's all about having fun and you can walk!

### St. Luke's "The Orchard" Invitation

St. Luke's has invited us to participate in a new program for children ages 3 (and fully potty trained) through 3rd grade. The Orchard will meet every Wednesday from 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm beginning on June 2nd. The program includes a pizza dinner, Bible storytime, crafts, and games. Contact Carley if you have questions.

## 2nd Annual Mommy (or anyone!) & Me Pottery Painting 'n Storytime @ Hands to Art

June 23rd, from 10:00-11:00 AM followed by a picnic at the park!

Parents, Grandparents, Aunts, and Uncles (basically any adult) are invited to bring their 3-year old through 6-year old for pottery painting and storytime at Hands to Art! We will follow our art time with a picnic and playtime at North Pines Park (1015 E. Luncelford). Please bring a blanket and sack lunch for you and your kiddo(s).

We will meet at Hands to Art at 10:00 AM to paint adorable cross-shaped boxes with

lids (littles always love places to hide their "treasures"! ). We ask that you bring your own sack lunch. The cost will be \$20.

We will be following city/county COVID safety protocols. Currently, that means that masks are optional, but recommended. Staff and volunteers will be wearing masks for this event.

Link to register : [Register Now](#)

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## 2nd Annual 1st Pres Art Camp

July 6th - 9th, 9:30 am - 11:45 am

We are partnering with Hands to Art again this year to provide your child the opportunity to attend art camp with their church family! We will be creating five amazing masterpieces throughout the 4-day camp. Throughout the week we will be exploring what it means to be God's child, and how God views us. We will be focusing on figuring out what characteristics make us different from each other and celebrating our uniqueness through the eyes of Christ!

We will begin the day at "Hands to Art" pottery studio where the campers will complete a different art project each day. Following that, we will stay on-site to eat a sack lunch (provided by you) and discuss our topic for the day.

This camp experience is open to incoming 1st graders through current 5th graders. The total cost will be \$120, we ask that you provide your child's sack lunch daily. Drop off at 9:20 am and pick up at 11:45 am. Scholarships are available, please email Carley@1stpresdowntown for information.

We will be accepting up to 25 children for this event. We will follow city/county and school district guidelines for COVID safety protocols during this event. Currently, that would mean masks would be optional but strongly recommended for participants. All adult staff and volunteers will be wearing masks.

If transportation is a barrier to attendance, please reach out, and let's collaborate to make sure your child can attend! [Register Here](#)

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## Save the Dates

June 16th, 5:30-8 pm: Downtown Church Alliance Summer Kick-Off Block Party!



June 23rd, 10:00 AM: Mommy and Me Pottery Painting

**June 27th, during and after church:** Adventures in Caring Missional Opportunity (the Adventure Zone). Immediately following the church service, we will be handing out water and cheering on Ironman racers! During the service, we will make signs to use while cheering on the racers reflecting our Love 1st mission.

**July 6th-9th:** 2nd Annual Summer Art Camp

**July 23-25th:** Lutherhaven Family Camp

**August 8th -13th:** Summer camp at Lutherhaven

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I hope you all have an amazing week. I am praying for you and your children. Please reach out with specific prayer requests, questions, or concerns.

Carley

[Carley@1stpresdowntown.org](mailto:Carley@1stpresdowntown.org) or 208-215-5337

## Youth Ministry

### Confirmation

#### Bi-Weekly Confirmation Details

- Expect an email from Pastor Craig with updates, expectations and assignments.
- Both in-person in Youth Room at 1stPres and/or on Zoom.
- Masks are optional if you're meeting in-person.
- If joining via Zoom, come in at 6:00 pm, have your handout downloaded and ready. Zoom meeting information was sent in a separate email from Pastor Craig.

We are excited to journey towards confirmation with any interested middle or high schooler! Please reach out to Pastor Craig, or Tyler & Kierstie Renninger if you have any questions!

Learn more about our Youth Program on [Youth](#) on 1stPresdowntown.org

## Groups & Gatherings



### Knitting For Warmth

Please join us for fellowship and a

### Staying In Touch

Remember that phone contact is a good substitute for in-person



little creative time every Friday from 10-11:30 in the Fireside Room. Please call Carolyn Peterson or the office if you have any questions.

contact. Be sure to keep in touch with each other. We'll keep you up-to-date in the eNews, on the church calendar, or you can call the office.