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## 1st Pres eNews

May 24, 2023

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### Blog of the Week

Yvette Wyatt

#### The Oldest New Kid on the Block

As someone who is blessed to have been a part of this incredible FPC congregation for 27 years, it seems a strange thing to be introducing myself. Yet as your newly hired part-time Pre-K-1<sup>st</sup> grade Sunday School Teacher, I thought I would share a bit about why this position was created, why I felt ... [Read More](#)

## This Week

### Do You Know Someone Who is Graduating?

If you know a graduate and would like them to be recognized Sunday, June 4th on our graduate slides, please email Kierstie or the church office no later than May 26th.  
**Please include:** name, where they are graduating from, and degree if applicable.



### Union Gospel Mission

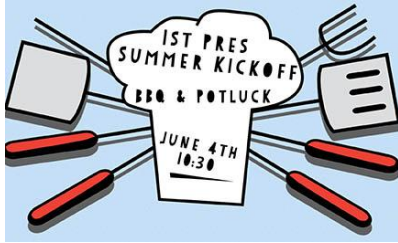
May Mission Team Update

Since 1951, the Union Gospel Mission has partnered with the Inland Northwest to reach the poor and homeless with the love and the power of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Our purpose is for them to become lifelong God-dependent, contributing members of society.

UGM offers long-term recovery programs for people dealing with overwhelming personal issues such as addiction, domestic violence, or a criminal record.

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**Summer Kickoff BBQ & Potluck**  
~ All Church ~  
Sunday, June 4th



Let's get this summer started! Join us for our All Church Summer Kick-off BBQ & Potluck on June 4th, following a combined service at 9 am. We'll provide burgers, hot dogs, and cake! There are many ways to join in the fun: volunteer to help serve food, bring a side to share, or just come enjoy the fun and fellowship. Sign ups for serving and sides will be available in Krueger Hall the next 2 Sundays, or you can email Kierstie Renninger. All are welcome. See you there!

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## Office Closed

Memorial Day | Monday, May 29

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## Due May 30! 2023 Scholarship Applications

Any students entering college, trade or technical school or those continuing their education may apply.



Applicant must be directly related to the church or a member of the church.

The application for is available in the church office or you can [download it here](#). If you have questions as to eligibility, please call the office.

The application deadline is **May 30, 2023**.

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## Ecumenical Lunch Thursday, June 1



In just over one week, 1st Pres has the pleasure of serving lunch to our Ecumenical Lunch guests. There is a

Recognizing that permanent change takes place at the heart level, these programs address the underlying thoughts, feelings, and beliefs that drive destructive behaviors.

UGM opened the Center for Women and Children in Coeur d'Alene in September 2012. At the Center, women and their children find healing for their brokenness and the tools and direction they need to live in the freedom Jesus offers.

### ***Your donation helps provide these services and more:***

- Three meals a day
- Basic medical care
- Case management
- Individual and group counseling
- Bible study and life skills classes
- Work therapy and job training/placement
- 18-months of shelter at the Recovery Center
- Ongoing support and accountability after moving out

### ***UGM Works - A Success Story!***

Megan is almost in phase 4 of our UGM LIFE Recovery program. She came to UGM from the Boise Correctional Center where she was doing time for a drug charge. She had recently lost her mom, which sent her further into her addiction. Megan struggled with drug addiction on and off for many years and when it came time to be released from jail, she decided to come to UGM.

Megan has thrived in the program. She has deepened her relationship with Jesus, addressed past hurts, found healing, began working at the UGM thrift store, and openly shares her story to help others and educate the community about the UGM Recovery Program. Megan plans to live next door at our UGM Aftercare Apartments when she reaches phase 5 (the last phase) of her program. Aftercare housing allows graduates to pay rent on a sliding scale according to their income and

sign-up sheet in Krueger Hall. We need help providing, serving and clean-up. Any help you can provide is always appreciated. Please contact Bev Rasor or the office if you have questions.

stay connected to support.

## Sunday's Service

Watch again or for the 1st time!

**Ephesians | The Same Heart.** How do we make sense of challenging scripture passages? Join us Sunday as we explore the Good News revealed in God's Word. [Watch Now](#)



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](#)

## Church News

### New Staff Position Open

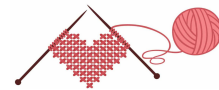
~ Director of Worship ~

The job description and details have been posted to [Indeed](#). Please take some time to review the position. If you or someone you know has a heart and talent for music and worship and feels led by God to this position, you can apply through Indeed. You will need to submit a cover letter and resume. Please pray for God to bring the right person to our church family.

### Gift a Prayer Shawl or Lap Blanket

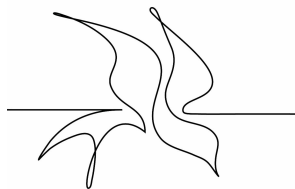
For someone who could use a lift

Prayer shawls or lap blankets are a cozy boost for a loved one!



You can find them in the Fireside Room. Please be sure to fill-in the sign-out sheet when you choose your gift.

### Small Groups



If you are interested, please stay tuned - we're re-imagining our Small Groups. 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](#)

### Be a Prayer Warrior



You too can be a prayer warrior! We are a praying church and you can be a part of this important ministry. Contact the office if you'd like to be added to the iPray team.

[office@1stpresdowntown.org](mailto:office@1stpresdowntown.org)

## Sunday Morning Early Risers!

Can you help serve donuts around 7:00 am on the occasional Sunday, we'd love to have your help!



The church pays for the donuts. We pick them up and serve them. If you're interested in helping out please contact Carolyn Keefer or the church office.

## May Weekly Events

### Sundays

7:15 Bell Choir Rehearsal

9 am **Classic Service** in Sanctuary & Online

10:30 am **Contemplative Service** in Sanctuary

10:30 am Bible Study

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Masks are encouraged if you are vulnerable.

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DOXA 11 am in Gym

### Thursdays

Ecumenical Lunch Kitchen

ARMS Meeting

Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### Fridays

Knitting for Warmth

## Children & Family Ministry

### Volunteers

Look below for the volunteer sign-up link! The sign-up sheet is also available on the wall in its usual place outside of the Adventure Kids Zone, and has been updated with May dates.

#### Volunteer Dates Needed:

5/28 Both assistants needed

6/11 Pre-k/K assistant needed

6/18 Pre-k/K assistant needed



Email Kyler for more information if you would like to volunteer:

[1stpreschildren@gmail.com](mailto:1stpreschildren@gmail.com). You can also check the volunteer sign-up sheet to sign-up for Sunday School and to help with kids' events:

Sunday School and Event Volunteer  
Signup

Background Check Form

# Youth Ministry

## Register for Summer Camp



**CAMP SPALDING**

Camp Spalding offers great camps for students of all ages throughout the summer! Please contact Kierstie if you're interested in registering.

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### Sign-up for the Youth Family Newsletter

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

### Sunday Morning Youth Group

Join us in the Youth Room!

The 1st Sunday of every month, all youth will stay in the Sanctuary to participate in Holy Communion.

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### Check Out Our Schedule

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!

Middle Schoolers are invited to join us Sunday mornings in the Youth Room for connection and discipleship during the 9 am service.



High Schoolers will meet at 11:30 for lunch and connection. Contact [Kierstie](#) for details.

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### Volunteers Needed!

Our team has many fun events planned for our youth, and we would love your help and participation! There are many ways to get involved, from chaperoning big events, serving meals, hiking with students, etc. Please email [Kierstie](#) to get involved!