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Blog of the Week

Brandie Edwards



Deep Breaths

In the beginning of everyone's life something simple yet amazing happens. Air enters your lungs, and you feel the Breath of Life enter into every fiber of your being.

Breath. What is it and where does it come from? For believers in God, it comes from God Himself. We are told in Genesis 2:7 that God breathed into Adam's nostrils the Breath of Life. ... [Read More](#)

This Week



Saturday Oct 23
8:45 am-1:00 pm | 1st Pres Gym

Make sure you don't miss out on the Discovery Process Day this **Saturday, October 23rd**. This highly interactive

Venture
1stPresDowntown

THIS WEEK!
Wednesday, October 20 | 6:30 - 8 pm



Harvest Carnival
Pumpkin Carving | Costume Parade

Discovery Process is designed to help our church define its next season. The day is full of opportunities for personal reflection and group participation. It gets people's attention off their own agendas and on to looking at the whole church.

The day is designed to give everyone a chance to be heard.

You can help your church define the next steps as we explore what we want our future to be and the type of pastor we want to call. Pastor Neal will be facilitating this event in partnership with the Strategic Planning Team.

It is not too late to let us know you are coming, and of course you can show up the day of the event. See you Saturday!

October 31 following 9 am Service

We will begin with a costume parade for **all ages** during the 9 am service. Then starting at 10 am it's time for a pumpkin carving contest games, prizes, and time with your church family! Please bring your own pumpkin for the carving time. Light refreshments will be provided. Be sure to join the fun!!



Sunday Nov 14th

8:30 - 11:00 | Krueger Hall

Join us as we welcome our local Mission Partners, as well as several Fair Trade organizations and learn about the miracles Christ is doing in their Mission field. Proceeds from any items purchased will help further Mission efforts.

If you are interested in volunteering to help with the organization or set up of the event, please reach out to Matt Broadway at 208-699-6229 with any questions.



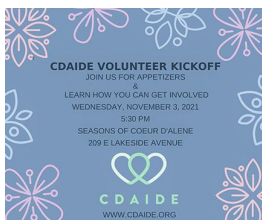
Hosting our Guest Families

October 31 - November 6

The next time we host is fast approaching: **Oct. 31 - Nov. 6**. We need volunteers for just about everything. The new sign-up board is in Krueger Hall.

Calling CDAIDE Volunteers!

November 3 | 5:30 pm



Learn how to get involved with this wonderful organization that benefits our local restaurant and hospitality workers. CDAIDE is hosting a volunteer event on Wednesday, November 3rd starting at 5:30 pm at **Seasons Restaurant, 509 E Lakeside Ave.** Appetizers will be served.

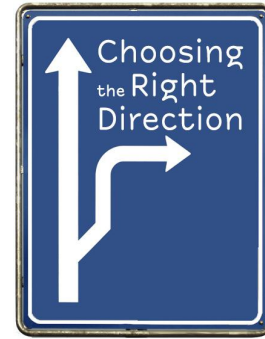
More Information: [CDAIDE.org](https://www.cdaide.org)

Sunday's Service

Watch again or for the 1st time!

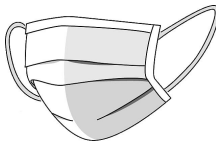
Stop at the crossroads and look around ... and you will find rest for you souls. *Jeremiah 6:16*. Our new message series, Choosing the Right Direction explores looking to the Godly way. Stop and look around! [Watch for the first time or watch it again!](#)

Carley concluded her current series with a story from John where Jesus teaches us about temptation. Be strong. Stand firm! [Listen to her entire message.](#)



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](#)

Church News



Please Note

Masks are highly recommended in any group setting.

Ninos con Valor

Missions Team Update



Like 1st Pres, our mission partner, Ninos con Valor has a prayer community that faithfully holds up the children and staff in Bolivia. We received the sad news that one of their newest residents with very challenging medical issues lost her battle and **is now free from suffering and in the presence of her loving Savior.**

Please pray for the staff and children who are in mourning.

Prayer Shawls Available



Our knitters and crocheters have been working their magic and 10 shawls and one lap robe are currently available.

They can be found in the **Fireside Room**. Please be sure to complete the Prayer Shawl Ministry sheet so we can track who's been gifted and that prayers for them continue.

Nominating Committee

September Report

Your Nominating Committee has been hard at working searching for Class of 2024 candidates, both Elders and Deacons. Additionally, the search is on for the Pastor Nominating Committee members. [Please read this important report.](#)

Family Promise is Hiring!
Shelter Manager - 20 hrs/week

The shelter manager maintains an in-home

Sunday Morning Bible Study 7:55 am in the Lakeside Conference Room

Chris and Eric Fehr are once again leading Sunday morning Bible study on Sundays at 7:55 am in the Lakeside Room off of Krueger Hall. Join in person or online using this [Zoom link](#).

structure and maintaining day-to-day tasks of the shelter. This role requires the ability to be flexible, responsive, and work effectively with a wide variety of team members. This position reports to the Executive Director. [Full job description HERE](#) or [visit the Family Promise website](#) for more details.

October Schedule

Sundays

7:55 am Bible Study - Lakeside Conference Room
9 am **Classic Service** in Sanctuary & Online.
10:30 am **Contemplative Service** in Sanctuary.

We encourage social distancing with
masks highly recommended.

DOXA 11 am

Wednesdays

Venture - [see schedule](#)

Thursdays

Ecumenical Lunch Kitchen
ARMS

Fridays

Knitting for Warmth

Children & Family Ministry

Hi Families!

Adventure Kids' Club is on for this Wednesday, October 20th from 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM.

Drop off and pick up will be at the gym entrance. We still have room for more students to attend, just shoot me an email so I can have enough materials prepared!



Save the Date

Harvest Carnival, Pumpkin Carving, and Costume Parade! **October 31st** during and immediately following the church service.

I hope you have a blessed week!

Adventure Kids' Club Details

The club is being held on the first and third Wednesday of the month in conjunction with the middle and high school youth group. Join in on this social opportunity with faith

formation, games, and a craft. Our fall/winter session focuses on learning about Jesus and ourselves through a look at New Testament parables. Any child, kindergarten through 5th grade, is invited to attend. [Register here](#)

TIME: 6:30-8:00 pm

DATE: Wednesdays: October 20 | November 3, 17 | December 1

Masks are strongly recommended, but not required by our Session at this time.

Fall Schedule

October

- Venture/Adventure Kids' Club. First and third Wednesdays through December 1st, 6:30 pm to 8 pm.
- Harvest Festival: October 31st after church. Carnival games in the gym after the service BYOP for carving.

November

- Family Game Night and Gingerbread House Contest: November 17th, Wednesday 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

I am praying for you and your families!

Carley

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Youth Ministry



Sign-up for the Youth Family Newsletter

Does your family have middle or high school students? Would your middle or high schooler like to get connected with fun fellowship this summer? Get connected with our family newsletter! Email [Kierstie](#) and let her know you'd like to receive the newsletters.

Groups & Gatherings

Contemplative Worship Service A Remedy to the Noise

Are you seeking a quiet place where your soul can find some room to breathe? The 10:30 Contemplative Service may be what you need. This service format is one

Contemplative Service Leads

[Donna Brundage](#): Greeting
[Susan Lauer](#): Setup & Sanctuary Design

where you can peacefully spend time worshipping in a thoughtful and relaxed style.

Matt Broadway: Music
Yvette Wyatt: Scripture & Prayer



Knitting For Warmth

Please join us for fellowship and a 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.

Staying In Touch

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

