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Blog of the Week

Bonnie Piovesan



Common Sparrows

I have always liked birds. I love all the seagulls we have in the fall. I am so excited whenever I see a hummingbird or a quail. Flamingos, birds of paradise, finches, bluebirds, pheasants, and turkeys—the list goes on. The variety of birds around the world is overwhelming. But one bird I never really seem to notice is the sparrow.

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This Week

Family Day at Green Bluff

Saturday, September 25th

10 am - 2 pm



Do you enjoy fresh fall air, picking fruit right off the tree, or maybe even ... pumpkin donuts? We're heading out to

Feeding the Five Thousand

Back to School Food Drive

September 1 - 30, 2021

Give  Can
Feeding Five Thousand
Matthew 14:13-21

As usual, 1st Pres is showing its generosity and love of community with food donations this month! Donation bins can

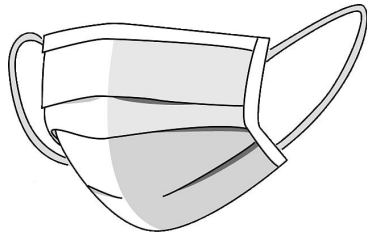
Green Bluff for some family fun this Saturday!

Meet at the church at 10:00 am to join the caravan out to Harvest House for all the festivities! Please pack a picnic lunch and a blanket for our time together.

Contact [Kierstie](#) or [Carley](#) no later than **WEDNESDAY, SEPT 22** (tickets are required) to RSVP or [Register Here](#) if you'd like to attend!

Howard Martinson Memorial Friday, September 24

A memorial service will be held in Sanctuary at 3 pm with a cookie reception following in Krueger Hall.



Please Note

Masks are highly recommended in any group setting.

be found in Krueger Hall and near the office through the end of September. Keep it up 1st Pres!

Suggested items needed: canned meats like tuna, chicken, and ham, simple boxed meals that you add hamburger to, mac 'n cheese, boxed rice meals, ramen, rice, pasta, canned vegetables and canned fruit.



Family Promise at 1st Pres Sept 26th - Oct 3

We still need help with set up this Sunday, September 26th around 3:00 pm. Additionally, we are still in need of overnight hosts. Please contact Bill Burch or Ann Smart if you can help.

We also need substitute overnight hosts as things come up and we need people we can call on to spend the night. Please contact Judy Flieger if you can be a substitute overnight host.

Sunday's Service

Watch again or for the 1st time!



Everyone has a backstory and our backstory creates meaning for our present lives. How does our backstory impact our present life? We don't know other's backstory and because of that we owe others grace and respect. Read Acts 4: 5-13 for part of this past Sunday's backstory. [Watch for the first time or watch it again!](#)

Jesus brought hope to the people in so many ways including healing the paralyzed man brought to Him in faith by his friends. [Listen to her entire message.](#) This month's verse: 1 John 4:10

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



Missions Committee September Report

CDAIDE was born in 2014 as part of 1st Pres' strategic vision for mission outreach in Coeur d'Alene and beyond. It was recognized that hospitality workers are some of the most vulnerable and underserved in our Coeur d'Alene, Hayden, and Post Falls community; and right in our own downtown neighborhood. Two years of development and relationship building began, resulting in CDAIDE becoming its own non-profit.

A founding board of restaurant owners and managers, 1st Pres members, community

leaders and other local churches saw the need to focus on those who barely survive during a boom and bust seasonal cycle that makes the long, slow winter months difficult.

Support may include financial aid for urgent needs, access to healthcare, connections to resources and mentoring with no strings attached. CDAIDE stands ready during trying times to serve those who serve. Should you want to join their efforts, visit www.cdaide.org.

Meet n' Greet Update

Your Membership/Welcome team is planning our next Meet n' Greet with caution. Due to the increase in COVID cases locally we're hoping to host the event in January 2022. We'll keep you up to date as things develop!

Sunday Morning Bible Study 7:55 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](#).

Prayer Shawls Available



Our knitters and crocheters have been working their magic and have completed 11 shawls and lap robes. These are available to gift to those who would benefit from one of these prayerfully

Meals On Wheels Needs Drivers



Meals on Wheels is looking for drivers. Relief or full-time slots are available with a 2 hours max commitment once a week. Please contact [Cindi O'Leary](#) at the Lake City Senior Center if interested.

Tech Coordinator Needed!

We are once again looking for a Technical Coordinator. This position leads the A/V needs of the church on Sunday mornings and for some church events. Do you know anyone who might be interested in this

made shawls. 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.

position? All of the details can be found on our InDeed post.

[Tech Coordinator/Sound Specialist](#)

September 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 back for our fall session!

The club is being held on the first and third Wednesday of the month in conjunction with the middle and high school youth group (kid-free evening anyone?!). The Club is a 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 6, 20 | November 3, 17 | December 1

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

I hope that school has gotten off to a great start. I have been praying for each of your students as we enter the 2021/2022 school year!



Fall Schedule

September

- Venture/Adventure Kids' Club. First and third Wednesdays through December 1st, 6:30 pm to 8 pm.

- Family Day at Green Bluff: September 25th, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Picnic lunch and apple picking?

October

- 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

Carley@1stpresdowntown.org or 208-215-5337

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](mailto:Kierstie@1stpresdowntown.org) 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 where you can peacefully spend time worshipping in a thoughtful and relaxed style.

Contemplative Service Leads

Donna Brundage: Greeting

Susan Lauer: Setup & Sanctuary Design

Matt Broadway: Music

Yvette Wyatt: Scripture & Prayer



Knitting For Warmth

Please join us for fellowship and a little creative time every Friday from 10-

Staying In Touch

Remember that phone contact is a good substitute for in-person contact. Be sure to keep



11:30 in the Fireside Room. Please call Carolyn Peterson or the office if you have any questions.

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.