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Blog of the Week

Kierstie Renninger

Seasons of Change

6-7 *Don't fret or worry.*

Instead of worrying, pray. Let

petitions and praises shape

your worries into prayers,

letting God know your

concerns. Before you know it, a sense of God's

wholeness, everything coming together for good, will

come and settle you down. It's wonderful what

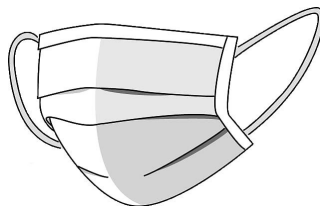
happens when Christ displaces worry at ... [Read More](#)



This Week

Please Note - Masks Are Once Again Highly Recommended

Due to the increase of the COVID variant cases, Session highly



recommends that masks be worn. This is also in consideration of our vulnerable population and for the safety of our children who are ineligible to be vaccinated.

VENTURE REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

[Register Today!](#)

Find details further down in this edition.

Sunday Morning Bible Study

Begins Again September 12th

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

**Back to School Celebration,
Open House, & Fundraiser**
Sunday, Sept 12 After the 9 am Service



Back to school is right around the corner and we are excited to share Carley's beautiful upstairs classrooms and our new upstairs conference rooms with the congregation. We will also be praying for our students and sending them with a blessing for the upcoming school year! Youth will also host a free-will donation, grab-and-go breakfast as a fundraiser for camp scholarships.

We invite you to join us for this wonderful time of fellowship!

Students & Families, if you would like to volunteer to serve at the grab-and-go, please contact [Kierstie](#).

Feeding the Five Thousand

Back to School Food Drive



Back to school can be a very expensive time for families and there are times when the food budget runs low. The Community Outreach team is sponsoring a drive for the food bank during the month of September. Starting on Sept 5 through Sept 26th there will be bins in the church to drop off your donations.

Suggested items that the food bank can use are: canned meats like tuna, chicken, and ham. Simple boxed meals that you add hamburger to, mac 'n cheese, rice, rice a roni, top ramen, canned vegetables and canned fruit.

Naturally Inspiring the Future

NIC Children's Center Open House
Friday, September 17



1st Pres is cordially invited to the NIC Children's Center for a celebration on Sept 17th from 3:30 - 5 pm (formal

remarks at 4). The generous support of the community has helped create an outdoor environment that allows children to learn and explore in a natural setting. Light refreshments served.

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Open to anyone interested in finding out more about 1stPres, our mission, history, and vision for the future - and how you can become a part of it! This is a great way to become more engaged with the life of the church, and is a must if you're seeking membership. Led by our Interim Pastor Neal Nybo.

This class is part of the Venture series and will be held over six evenings starting **Sept 15th and concluding Dec 1st**. Please call the office if you'd like to attend.

Venture
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Just one more week until Venture begins on September 15th!
What a great mid-week activity for the entire family!
Along with the Children and Youth activities there are 3

choices of adult classes: New Membership series, The Good & Beautiful Community book discussion, and Love Like That, a RightNow Media series.

Check them out and [sign up online](#) or through the office! You can find more details on our website : [Venture](#)

Sunday's Service

Watch again or for the 1st time!



There's God's Plan and then there's Plan B. What if God's Plan is Plan B? Pastor Neal delivered his first message this past Sunday - you won't want to miss it ... or [watch it again!](#)

John the Baptist was a bit odd ... but he was passionate about Jesus. His job was to prepare the way. In the way that only Carley can tell it, she tells how John baptized Jesus even though He was sinless. [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

Thank You 9 am Worship Leaders!

For the past eight weeks various members have graciously acted as our worship leaders at our 9 am service and we could not be more grateful for their service. Please thank them!

Yvette Wyatt | Dan Brown
Teri Burch | Kierstie Renninger
Steve Morman | Jeannie Logozzo
Matt Broadway | Karen Huber



Meals On Wheels Needs Drivers

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

[Tech Coordinator/Sound Specialist](#)

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 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.



Golfing for Family Promise

Family Promise is hosting a Charity Best Ball Scramble on **September 17th** at the Links golf course in Post Falls. [Click here for all the details!](#)

Orchard Ridge Moving Services Offered!

In an effort to raise funds for charitable care at Orchard Ridge Senior Living, volunteers will provide the service of organizing, managing, and facilitating your estate sale for the cost of a suggested donation.

Please contact [Orchard Ridge](#) for details.

September Schedule

Sundays

7:55 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

Thursdays

Ecumenical Lunch Kitchen
ARMS

Fridays

Knitting for Warmth

Children & Family Ministry

Hi Families!

Adventure Kids' Club is back for our fall session

Kids Adventure Club will be 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. The focus of our fall/winter session will be about what we can learn about Jesus and ourselves through a look at the Parables in the New Testament. Any children kindergarten through 5th grade would be invited to attend. The timeframe will be from 6:30-8:00 pm



beginning on Wednesday, September 15th. All Adventure Kids' Club dates: September 15th, October 6th, October 20th, November 3rd, November 17th, and December 1st. We will operate within the same color zones and safety standards as CDA School District, utilizing their guidelines.

[Register here](#)

Fall Schedule

September

- Open House: September 12th after 9 am service. Bouncy house, breakfast fundraiser and the dedication of the upper classrooms.
- Venture/Adventure Kids' Club Kick Off! September 15th, 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. First and third Wednesdays from September 15th through December 1st.
- Family Day at Green Bluff: September 24th, 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.
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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

Contemplative Service Leads

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.

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 10-11:30 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.

