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Blog of the Week

Rosanna Blackston, Intern

For the past several years we've been fortunate to welcome students from the Whitworth Fellowship program during the summer through Whitworth's Office of Church Engagement.

Due to a change in the program, that was not an option this year. Instead we welcomed Rosanna Blackston as a summer intern. She finished her internship on July 31st. She agreed to share a few thoughts with us as she moves on. [Read More](#)



This Week



Worship Moving Forward ... For Now

We have opened the sanctuary doors for in-person worship on Sundays at 9 am! As a reminder, we are following all previously established protocols including the wearing of masks. You can also enjoy watching the service remotely by visiting our [YouTube](#)

[channel](#).

BACK-TO-SCHOOL CLOTHING GIVEAWAY



2020

Meet Blake Miller Technical Coordinator

Blake grew up in Coeur d'Alene where he has enjoyed all the

Clothing Giveaway - August 22

Next Week

Thank you to all those who have volunteered to help with the clothing give away! We can still use help, so please contact Barb Proper for details. Workers are asked to wear their **church t-shirt** the day of the event so our guests know we're 1st Pres'ers and that we are there to serve!

Set-up & Final Sorting Schedule

August 19: Morning & Afternoon

August 20: Morning & Afternoon

August 21: Finalize set-up and signage

The Day of the Event 8/22

7:30 - 8:30 am Set-up

8:30 - 11 am Doors Open

11 am- 12 noon Clean-up



Spiritual Power Lunch

Fellowship and a re-set in the middle of the week!

You can join at any time - you can pick-up and enjoy this time together with us as we study the word but keep in mind this special time ends on August 19th.

Bring lunch to eat while we watch and discuss a short video - Going deeper with God and each other. **All are welcome at any time!**

Questions? Contact Wendy Wilson

Dates: Wednesdays, now through Aug 19

Time: 12 noon - 12:45

Where: Krueger Hall

adventuring our lakes, rivers, and mountains have to offer. He has been involved with music since the 7th grade,



playing trombone in concert and jazz band, taking up guitar and bass in high school. After high school, he enrolled in music and music technology classes at NIC. After NIC he was accepted into the Audio Engineering program at Spokane Falls Community College where he studied all aspects of professional recording studios, live sound, post production, film scoring, and mixing and mastering using Pro tools industry standard music software. He has played on the worship team at Candlelight Christian Fellowship for Sunday service and youth group. His dream is to use his skills in music technology to serve and honor God.

Welcome Blake!



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Sunday's Service

Watch again or for the 1st time!

This past Sunday we were reminded that Sabbath works - it's a focus on refreshment. In these trying times, is God asking us to do something new? Is he trying to encourage us to take a new path. *A bend in the road is only the end if you refuse to make the turn.*



As always, many thanks to the team that made broadcasting the service possible! [Watch this service or any of our past services on our YouTube Channel](#)

Church News

We Want to Hear From You

SEND US A MESSAGE

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Name *

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A Google Maps snippet showing the Coeur d'Alene area in Idaho. Landmarks include the Museum of North Idaho, Coeur d'Alene Public Library, and St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church. A red location pin is placed on the map.

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There are so many ways to contact the church ... for any reason. You could send a letter in the mail. You can call the office at 208.667.8446. You can [email the office](#) or any staff member from the [Staff Page](#) on our website. OR you can go to our contact page and use the form about half way down the [Connect With Us](#) page on our new website. Anything you send will be kept in the strictest confidence.

If you're having any trouble with the website, please [email Janet](#).

[Our 1st Pres Website](#)

Niños con Valor News



Dana Laursen, Board Chair of Niños con Valor, recently sent an update regarding the health and welfare of the children and staff at the orphanage. We've posted the letter on the website so you can read the details. [Read More](#)

Job Posting Custodian / Groundskeeper

We are still in search of our new Custodian/Groundskeeper. This is a full-time, hourly position which reports directly to the Church Administrator and is accountable to the Building and Grounds Team and to the Session of the church.

If you know of someone interested in this position, check out the full details on Indeed: [Custodian/Groundskeeper](#).

Visiting the Church Office
Our New Normal



Please call the office to schedule any appointments so we can make sure whomever you need to visit is available. 208.667.8446

Youth Update



*Let the rivers clap
their hands,
let the mountains
sing together for joy*

*-Psalm 98:8
NIV*



This Wednesday, August 12th

Cancelled this Week.

Youth Group is cancelled this week as Family Camp is taking place August 11-13th. See you next week!

Schedule

Sundays

Sunday services are once again in the sanctuary and online. Contact Pastor Craig to see if there will be any meetings at the church.

Wednesdays, 6:30-8pm

All youth are welcome to meet on Wednesdays for outdoor activities throughout the month of July.

Children's Ministry

Hi Families,

We are getting ready to head out to Lutherhaven, I look forward to

seeing many of you there! I just wanted to reach out and let you know, we are here for you! We will be sending out a survey next week to ask how we can best support you as we go into the new school year. Please be prayerfully considering how the church can support your family, as well as the community as we enter a new season of challenges and change. When it feels like everything around us is uncertain, there is one thing we can cling to, God is good and He's got this!



We are open for Sunday morning worship at 9 am going forward. We have childcare available for the littles, as well as summer Sunday school for elementary-aged children. We are following the Kootenai County Mask mandate, so please keep that in mind as you decide to come worship with your church family.

Please know that I am praying for you and your families as you are likely making some tough decisions about school, sports, and many other things in the next few weeks. Please feel free to reach out with specific prayer requests and any feedback you have.

Have a blessed week!

I Am His Masterpiece Day Camp

I am His Masterpiece Art Camp was a huge success! We had 13 kids participate in the week long day camp. We partnered with local art studio Hands to Art to learn how to do some advanced projects like batik, mosaics, and several kiln-fired clay projects. We had a wonderful group of teachers who taught us about our identity in Christ all week long.



We also went on two excursions, one to the historic town of Wallace where we hike up to the Pulaski Tunnel and explored the Crystal Gold Mine. We also went on a hike in the Post Falls Community Forest and had a beach day at Q'emiln Park. It was so wonderful to connect with the littles members of our wonderful congregation.

I want to give a huge thank you to the many many volunteers that came to support the program. Without all of you, this amazing week would not have been possible.

If we don't see you up at Lutherhaven, have an excellent week!

Carley

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Groups & Gatherings

Ministry Groups can meet at the church!

Please contact the church office to reserve a room for your Ministry group. Please remember that maintaining social

Staying In Touch

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

distance and wearing masks is highly recommended. Emily and Chris, your amazing receptionists, will work with the Church Administrator to ensure spaces are available and cleaned properly.

contact. Be sure to keep in touch with each other as a way to show Love 1st. We'll keep you up-to-date in the eNews, on the church calendar, or you can call the office. Thank you for staying positive, and please test negative!

