



This Week's eNews

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Blog of the Week

Bonnie Piovesan

One of my favorite carols as a child was the 12 days of Christmas. It was such a silly nonsense song that you could sing really loud. As kids we would come to the 5 golden rings part and somehow, we seemed to sing that part even more obnoxiously each time. In high school I heard a funny radio host talking about how crazy it ...



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This Week

Advent at 1st Pres



December 24 | Morning - one contemplative service at 9 am. Nursery & combined Sunday School classes for a Christmas craft.

New Staff Member
Susan Olson

Please join us in
welcoming the newest

Christmas Eve Schedule

December 24 | 5 pm & 7 pm

Please join us for our beautiful traditional candlelight service at both 5 pm and 7 pm. Childcare will be provided for children 0-5. We'll provide an activity bag for older kids in service.



Mom's & Grandmother's group forming



staff member to the 1st Pres family, Susie Olson.

Susie moved from Minnesota to Sandpoint after she retired 5 years ago. She decided to move down here to the bigger city of Coeur d'Alene last year and has been looking for a part-time job where she can be part of a community and give back to the world. Susie has worked in the construction industry in the Twin Cities and brings a lot of office experience to our team here at 1st Pres.

New Prayer Group

Rebecca Smith is starting a Moms in Prayer group for mothers and grandmothers to get together to pray for their children and local schools.



The group will be meeting from 1:30-2:30 pm on Mondays at a downtown location.

If you are interested, please contact Rebecca at smithrg2@gmail.com.



Sunday's Service

The celebrated Unpageant! What could be more delightful? Our children did it again! Enjoy this sweet retelling of the Christmas story. [Watch Now](#)

General News

Christmas Party & Chili Cookoff | Prize Winning Chili Recipe!

The Deacons Christmas Party & Chili Cookoff was just two weeks ago. Where is this month gone?

Rachel Hazard, our 2023 Chili Champion, took home the grand prize with her White Chili recipe. We now have that recipe to share.

[White Bean Chicken Chili](#)



Getting Connected Small Groups

Learn about how to grow and connect at 1st Pres. Visit the [Grow page](#) on our website for a full list or use the links below.



Small Group Links



Providing Comfort Prayer Shawls and Lap Blankets

Do you know someone who could use a reminder that there are those who are praying for them? You'll find a lovely selection in the Fireside Room. Be sure to complete the sign-out sheet so we know where our prayers should be directed.

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Weekly @ 1stPres

Sundays

7:15 am Bell Choir Rehearsal

9 am Classic Service in Sanctuary & Online

10:30 am Contemplative Service in Sanctuary

10:30 am Bible Study

DOXA Service 11 am in gym

Thursdays

Ecumenical Kitchen Lunch

ARMS Meeting

Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Fridays

Knitting for Warmth

Family Ministries

Please join our team of volunteers who serve in Family Ministry! All volunteers are background-checked and receive additional training. If you have not volunteered before and would like to learn more about next steps, please [email Kierstie](#). If you have already received your background check and training, please use the link below to serve with our Sunday ministry offerings.

Seeking Volunteers for:

- Nursery Assistants
- Pre-K-1st & 2nd-5th Grade Sunday School to Assist Teachers with Prepared Lessons
- Middle-School Youth Group Assistants

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