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OF COEUR D'ALENE

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### Blog of the Week

Gina Dingman



#### Seeking Discernment & Wisdom

Wow, what an amazing training! The Redemptive Compassion Training from Love INC (In the Name of Christ) was quite a revelation for me. Before I retired, I worked 25+ years in the field of early care and education. Our program primarily served families from the ALICE (Asset, limited income ... [Read More](#)

## This Week

### Happy News

Baby Renninger has arrived!

Hooray, she's here! Baby Addison joined the Renninger family on June 25th. Mom, baby, dad, and dogs are all doing well.

### Hosting July 31 - August 7



Please mark your calendars! 1st Pres is hosting our Family Promise guests at Calvary Lutheran in Post Falls. The week begins on July 31st.

### Youth Group Tubbs Hill Hike

**Saturday, July 9th at 9:00am**

Join Emily and Caleb Thompson for a morning hike at Tubbs Hill. You'll also enjoy snacks and good company.

Please RSVP online at "Downtown Youth Group" and click on the Band App.

We'll need all of the usual volunteers - just not here at 1st Pres. The sign-up board is in Krueger Hall. Please reach out to Judy Flieger or Teri Burch if you have questions.

If you'll be interacting with any of the guests, please be sure to complete the new [Family Promise Training](#).

# The Summer Choir is Starting This Sunday & All Are Welcome!

July 10 - July 31



This fun opportunity is open to everyone (adults and high school age) starting this Sunday, July 10th thru July 31st. We rehearse for only 30 minutes starting at 8:15 am, and then sing at the 9:00 am service. Come as you are.

## The Details:

- Come as you are (no robes)
- Music selections will be easy
- This half-hour rehearsal will take place in the "choir room" (behind the Sanctuary stage)
- Come for one Sunday or all four Sundays
- For NEW and NOT NEW singers

For more information, call Kent Kimball 509-993-6691. This will be FUN!

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## Sunday's Service

Watch again or for the 1st time!



**Straight From the Heart.** Pastor Neal is on vacation this week so we had the honor of welcoming Chris Fillios as our guest speaker. The topic he chose was obedience ... who's the boss? [Watch this service for the first time or once again!](#)

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Many thanks to our team of volunteers who make broadcasting the service possible!

[Watch this service or any of our past services on our YouTube Channel](#)

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## Church News

### Union Gospel Mission

June Mission Report



Union Gospel Mission or UGM is a healing community for men and women in

Spokane and just for women in Coeur d'Alene. Each is accepted for whom they are, but are people who want to change from a life of brokenness due to addiction, homelessness, and bad choices. Their backstory must be honestly told to recover. The crisis center for women is located in Spokane.

longer you can be within a healing community, the better it will be. The women can stay in this environment up to two years. Classes will be provided for GED, cooking, auto shop, thrift shopping, and financial coursework. After two years, they can be placed in apartments built on the premises. While living here, the women can work in the real world and yet be close by for counseling, if needed. A chaplain is available to hear and assist if problems arise. A great need for UGM now is to purchase more land next door to

The women of Coeur d'Alene making this choice may have their children join them in a beautiful and clean dormitory-housing situation. In this safe housing, they receive delicious meals, clothing, dental, medical, and psychological care. Legal assistance is offered in Spokane. Religious attendance is not required, but they are taught daily of the love of Jesus. Each volunteer must also live a Christ-centered example.

With change comes healing and a sense of belonging. Dr. John Wolfe said that the

build more apartments. Housing availability is difficult due to expense and, unfortunately, could lead to returning to their old communities of drugs and bad living.

The annual report for all of UGM shows that 88% of their revenue goes into the programs without government help. They have given 192,144 meals, 101,292 nights of shelter, 2411 medical visits, 215 adults and 70 children in recovery programs, and 629 found jobs.

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### Redemptive Compassion Training at Love INC

Did you miss the training in June here at 1st Pres? You have options still join in on this amazing learning opportunity.

**Dates:** Friday July 8th (last of this session)

**Time:** 11 to 12 noon

**Where:** 421 E. Lakeside Ave., CdA

For more details and to RSVP please contact Cole Oaks at [coaks@loveinckc.org](mailto:coaks@loveinckc.org)

### Prayer Shawls Available

Prayer shawls and lap robes are available for uplifting folks due to



the hard work of our Prayer Shawl Ministry! You can find the clearly marked bins in the Fireside Room to select a shawl or lap robe.

Please use the clipboard to record the recipient's name allowing the Ladies to pray specifically for that person.

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### How You Can Help Ukraine GIVE. ACT. PRAY.

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is organizing assistance for Ukraine. Please click on this link to find out more and how you can help.

[Helping Ukraine](#)

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## July Schedule

### Sundays

7:55 am Bible Study

9 am **Classic Service** in Sanctuary & Online  
10:30 am **Contemplative Service** in Sanctuary

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Masks are recommended if you are vulnerable.  
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DOXA 11 am in Gym

### Thursdays

Ecumenical Lunch Kitchen  
ARMS

### Fridays

Knitting for Warmth

# Children & Family Ministry

## Summer Sunday School Needs Volunteers

We have some important summer events coming up! Come build relationships with the kids and keep them safe while they have a blast!

### Events are:

**8/21** Beach Day after Sunday service- 2 people to help put up pop-up tent.



**Summer Sunday School:** We have a completely blank calendar of volunteers, oh no! During the summer, only one Sunday School helper is needed each week. You do not have to teach, Kyler will, unless you would like to. A lot of people are out of town, so please volunteer one of the weeks you are here. Bring a background check form to the office if you have not done one for the church in the past two years.

Email Kyler for more information if you would like to volunteer [1stpreschildren@gmail.com](mailto:1stpreschildren@gmail.com). You can also check the volunteer signup sheet to sign up for Sunday School and to help with kids' events:

Sunday School and Event Volunteer  
Signup

Background Check Form

## Save the Date

1st Pres at Camp Lutherhaven  
July 17th- July 22nd

Beach Day  
Aug 21st





## Youth Ministry

### Fruits of the Spirit

Sunday Mornings



Our Fruits of the Spirit series is in full bloom and it has been so fun digging into a new spiritual fruit each week. If you know a middle or high schooler, invite them to join us Sunday mornings in the youth room! Students are dismissed after the praise music during the 9am service.

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### Sign-up for the Youth Family Newsletter

Get connected with our family newsletter! Email [Kierstie](#) receive the newsletters.

### Searching for Summer Volunteers

Our team has a big summer of fun events planned for our youth! We are still seeking additional volunteers to help ensure that each event runs smoothly. There are many ways to get involved, from chaperoning big events, serving meals, hiking with students, etc. Please email Kierstie if you would like to get involved!

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### Check Out Our Summer Schedule

Join our group on the Band App to see our summer schedule, upcoming events, and more! Don't forget to turn on notifications. Click [here](#) to join!