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November 15, 2022

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Blog of the Week

Matt Broadway

Stewardship

This is the time of year where we tend to start reflecting on what has happened, where we are headed, and what we've learned along the way. The past few years have been packed with amazing ... [Read More](#)



This Week

Suport
the End of Homelessness
St. Vincent de Paul North Idaho

November 17th | 11 am to 1 pm
Silver Lake Mall

This Thursday, Nov. 17th, St. Vincent de Paul North Idaho is holding a benefit at the **Silver Lake Mall in Coeur d'Alene** where you'll have the opportunity to taste a wide array of winter delights! Does tasting 35 different soups sound enticing?

Chefs will be offering 2 oz samples of soup. Tasters will vote for their favorite, with prizes given for People's Choice,

Loved and Remembered



Long-time member, Margaret Campbell, joined our Father in heaven on Nov 7, 2022, after fighting a courageous fight with cancer and chose to "Laugh and Live" rather than "Cry and Die."

Margaret and Don Campbell were both very active members of 1st Pres. Margaret was a Deacon, and Don served as an Elder and Clerk of Session. She was diagnosed with cancer in 2013 which led them to

Judge's Choice, and Best Decorated Table.

Tickets: \$15 (includes a single wooden nickel token for voting purposes)

Additional Voting Tokens: 1/\$1 or 6/\$5

Purchase Pre-sales Tickets: [Here](#)

All proceeds benefit the St Vinnie's winter programming.

Presbyterian Woman Quilt Auction



Did you see this gorgeous quilt on Sunday? This quilt made by Joyce Liechti is a stunner and will be raffled-off at the

end of November.

Raffle tickets sell for \$2 each (or 6 for \$10) and are available for purchase through November 27th. You may (and are encouraged to) purchase as many tickets as your budget will allow! Think about purchasing tickets for friends or for someone who might not be able to get to church.

All proceeds benefit scholarships supported by the Presbyterian Women.

The drawing will be held on Sunday, November 27th.

Annual Turkey Fund Drive

Our Turkey Drive is underway! Local families who could use a little extra love for the holidays and who otherwise would not be able to afford to prepare a Thanksgiving or Christmas meal to share with family are the beneficiaries of these generous gifts.



move to Anacortes, Washington to be near their sons and the medical treatment she required. She leaves behind her husband Don and sons Rod and Alex.

Margaret's memorial service will be live-streamed this Sunday, Nov 20 at 1 pm. If you would like to watch the service with others, please join us in Krueger Hall at 1 pm. If you prefer to watch from home, please use this link: [Margaret's Service](#)

Congregational Meeting Sunday, November 20th

We will be voting for our new slate of Elders, Deacons and Nominating committee. Please plan on staying for a very brief meeting after the 9 am service on Nov. 20 or come a little early if you attend the 10:30 service.



Christmas Families Dinner December 9th



The Deacons have re-imagined Christmas Families! We have invited 11 families, including 34 kids, from Coeur d'Alene elementary and middle schools to join us on December 9th for an all-church Festive Family Dinner.

This is a wonderful opportunity for our church families to spread some cheer and 1st Pres love, share a meal, and join in some fun activities with our guest families. We have planned a simple meal of chili, mac-n-cheese, salad, rolls, and dessert.

Activities: Christmas crafts, cookie decorating, a musical "prize walk," photo opportunity, award for People's Choice for

The certificates are offered to individuals through our local schools, by affiliated Mission Partners, by the Deacons Christmas Families, and also through our new 1st Pres Neighborhood Ministry.

Donate on our church website, during Sunday offering, or in Krueger Hall (look for the Turkey boxes) throughout November and part of December. Your generosity is appreciated.

best chili and a special gift for each child attending.

Sign-ups to attend and bring a dish will be in Krueger Hall on Nov 27 and Dec 4. Where is God calling 1st Pres to excel? It just might be in welcoming these families and blessing them during this very special time of year.

Creating a Happy Christmas for Orchard Ridge Senior Living Guests



Each year, Orchard Ridge Senior Living collects items to be

included in Christmas gift baskets for its special residents. Remember someone you *don't* know at Christmas! [Full Gift Idea List & details here.](#)

Family Promise in the News!

1st Pres knows Family Promise because we regularly host families at the church. Read this CDA Press story about a family who was blessed by Family Promise. [Kindness in Motion](#)

Sunday's Service

Watch again or for the 1st time!



Living Grace | Excel in Everything. Am I willing to give my best to God? For many of us, we hesitate to commit ourselves fully to Him. Yet, the joy of Christ invites us to excel in everything, giving ourselves to His service. [Watch this service for the first time or once again!](#)

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](#)

Church News

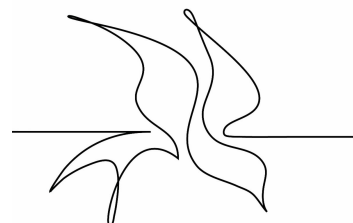
Prayer Shawls & Lap Blankets Available!



Our wonderful knitters meet every week to keep our supply of prayer shawls ready to gift to someone who could use a boost.

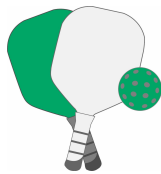
You can find their handiwork in the

Small Groups



We are in the process of re-imagining our small-group opportunities. If you are

Fireside Room. Please be sure to fill-in the sign-out sheet when you choose your gift.



1st Pres Pickleball

Please join us for one of the following classes:

Pickleball for Beginners

Tuesdays - 1:00 - 2:15

No equipment necessary
(wear good sneakers).

Pickleball for Intermediate Players

Tuesdays 2:30- 4:00

Fridays 10-11:30

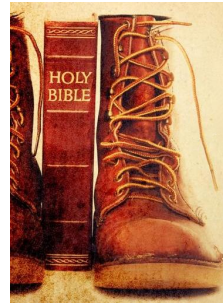
For more information, contact:

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(208-704-2415)

interested, please stay tuned. In the meantime, you can find information on our website. If you can't find what you're looking for, please call the office.

- [Men's Fellowship](#)
- [Sunday Bible Study](#)
- [Women's Circles](#)



Mission Trip Planning Underway

The Missions
Committee is looking
to send a mission team

out in the Spring or Summer of 2024.
Exactly where and when are yet to be
determined. If you might be interested in
being a team leader, please contact
Richard Morrow through the church office.

November Weekly Events

Sundays

7:15 am Bell Choir Rehearsal

7:55 am Bible Study

9 am **Classic Service** in Sanctuary & Online

10:30 am **Contemplative Service** in Sanctuary

Masks are recommended if you are vulnerable.

DOXA 11 am in Gym

Thursdays

Ecumenical Lunch Kitchen

ARMS Meeting

Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Fridays

Knitting for Warmth

Children & Family Ministry

Thank You, Volunteers

There are a few Sunday School dates that need to be filled-in for the end of this month. We must have the specified amount of volunteers not only to keep the age groups separated, but as a legal best practice. We are also looking to add some volunteers to our team. I am happy to meet to show you what we go over. Your

first Sunday will be as an assisting teacher (not the main teacher), so you have someone else to watch and learn from!

Dates needed:

12/4-Helpers for both rooms

12/11- Helpers for both rooms

12/24 5pm- All positions open

12/24 7pm- All positions open

12/25- All positions open



Ring the Bell

Sign-up on the sheet outside of the downstairs kids rooms to ring the bell! The weekly kids newsletter will detail what dates are available.

Special Events:

12/18 Unpageant

Email Kyler for more information if you would like to volunteer:

1stpreschildren@gmail.com. You can also check the volunteer sign-up sheet to sign-up for Sunday School and to help with kids' events:

Sunday School and Event Volunteer
Signup

Background Check Form

Youth Ministry



Sign-up for the Youth Family Newsletter

Get connected with our family newsletter!
Email Kierstie to receive the newsletters.

Sunday Morning Youth Group

Join us in the Youth Room!

Join us Sunday mornings in the Youth Room for connection and discipleship during the 9 am service. Contact Kierstie for details.

Searching for Volunteers

Our team has many fun events planned for our youth, and we would love your help and participation! 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

Check Out Our Schedule

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

students, etc. Please email Kierstie if you would like to get involved!