



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH MESSENGER

(Disciples of Christ)

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Our Mission: "Honor God, strive to be more like Jesus, love and welcome all, bring others to discipleship, and put faith into action locally and globally."

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CHURCH STAFF:

LaRose Clark, Administrative Assistant
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Cathy Larrabee, Organist
Charlie Compton, Guitarist
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Bambi Compton, Custodial Service

CHURCH OFFICERS:

Lee Ann Hancock, Moderator
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Bob Packwood, Administration
Dani Layes, Nurture
Linda Beck, HOE
Dixie Carringer, Diaconate
Anita Turner, Elders
Sally Teichmer, DWM
Linda Mael, DWM

TRUSTEES

Ann Koenig, Ronnie Mock, Bob Packwood



THE LAST SUPPER

14 When the hour came, he took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. ¹⁵He said to them, 'I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; ¹⁶for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.' ¹⁷Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said, 'Take this and divide it among yourselves; ¹⁸for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.' ¹⁹Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, 'This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' ²⁰And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, 'This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. **Luke 22:14-20**

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

"HEY EVERYONE"

Aluminum Cans wanted.

We are still recycling **aluminum cans**. If you have any to donate please place them in the utility trailer in the parsonage driveway.

!!THANK YOU!!

Kent and Anita Turner for all your hard work on the front steps of our church, they look great.

Thank You again.

News from the Pews

Thank You From

Community Action Partnership

Dear Church Representative:

A donation was made in your name to our durable medical equipment loan closet and I wanted to write and thank you for the generosity

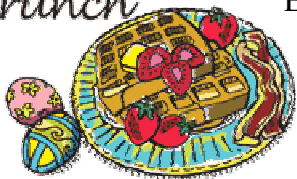
of your patrons. We receive requests for this type of durable medical equipment all of the time. It's because of kindness like yours that we are able to help so many others.

Again thank you for your generosity and if I can ever be of service to you, please don't hesitate to call me (108) 798-4194.

Sincerely,
Sabrina Shropshire
Community Resource Supervisor
Area Agency on Aging

UPCOMING EVENTS

Easter Brunch



Everyone is invited to our potluck Easter brunch at 9:30 a.m. on Easter Sunday. Please bring breakfast/brunch dishes to share such as egg and sausage casseroles, cinnamon rolls, sweet breads, fruit, etc.

Disciples Women's Ministry

The April meeting of the DWM will be Tuesday, April 6, at 12:00 noon. The program will feature dietician Kara Jo Herndon from the HIP Program.

Family Promise Progressive Dinner

There will be a progressive dinner to benefit Family Promise on Friday, April 16, beginning at 6:00 p.m. The dinner will feature:

Salads and bread at Clarkston First Christian Church

Lemon garlic chicken, roasted red potatoes, and spring vegetables at Clarkston First Presbyterian Church

Desserts at Clarkston First Church of God
Tickets are \$20 per person. They may be purchased by contacting Linda Mael at 758-7003. A progressive dinner will also take place

that evening in Lewiston. Please contact Linda Mael for more information regarding the Lewiston dinner.

Christian Women's Conference

Sponsored by Precious Daughters

"God's Plan A: People"

Featuring inspirational speaker Janie Field

May 1, 2010 – 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

The Pataha Flour Mill

\$25 early registration

\$35 after April 24

(includes lunch)

For more information contact Precious

Daughters sah32@cablone.net

or (509) 758-6970

Adult Grief Support Group

Tri-State Hospital Hospice will be offering a free six-week Adult Grief Support Group for people experiencing grief from the loss of a loved one. This group starts on April 26 and will be held Mondays from 4:00 – 5:30 p.m., through June 7. There is no meeting on May 31. This is a confidential group where you can find support and receive education regarding the process of grief. If you would like more information, or to register please call Kathy Slinker at Tri-State hospice at 758-2568. Registration is open until April 22.

Splinters from the Board

MINISTRY REPORTS:

DWM—March 2, 2010

- Meeting day potluck included David Bash and Karen Kessler from the Circles program.
- Baby shower was held for Christy Davis-Ford with about thirty ladies present.

- Ladies savings will assist Dixie Carringer and Linda Mael with money to attend the Quadrennial in June.
- Upcoming: Baby shower on March 20 for Marie Del Los Santos and baby girl Boudica Marie.
- Ladies Bible study changed to Thursday afternoon at 2:00 p.m.

Linda Mael
Co-Chair, DWM

NURTURE:

- The youth have acquired a cotton candy machine and earned \$29.00 dollars at the Dinner and Auction. Fritz hopes to make the youth group self sufficient and to take the youth to Christian, faith building events in the future.
- A change to the order of worship will be implemented. The special music and children's sermon will be switched.
- Our music coordinator will only accept her salary during Lent and Advent. During the rest of the year the money she would have been paid will go into our Piano fund.

HOSPITALITY/OUTREACH/MISSION/ EVANGELISM-(H.O.M.E.):

- Dinner and Auction was a huge success. Our outreach ministries budget amounts were fully funded and \$500.00 was apportioned to both the piano and shower fund.

ADMINISTRATION:

- Elevator maintenance contract was entered into at a cost of \$51.00/month.
- Front steps were repaired and painted by Kent and Anita Turner.
- Red Doors were repaired.
- Front doors were repaired by Clarkston glass.
- Lewiston Sprinkler turned on the sprinkler system and had to repair a leak in the backyard of the parsonage.

Words from the Pasture

As Easter approaches I continue to review the events of Holy Week, from Palm Sunday to the resurrection of our Savior on Easter morning I wonder about commitment and obligation. The whole narrative of the last week of Jesus' life is given to us through the enduring testimony of those who witnessed it and those who heard the testimony of others. The first thing anyone hearing the testimony of a witness has to decide is whether or not they believe it. Then they have to interpret it so they can make sense of it and then they have to decide how to apply it.

The testimony about Jesus' life, death and resurrection is written down in the New Testament. Jesus entered Jerusalem in all humility, knowing he was going to die. Knowing his eventual fate caused him great pain and trepidation and yet he walked the way until the inevitable end on the cross. To me this speaks of the ultimate commitment. He didn't submit to glorify himself but rather to bridge for us the gulf that exists between the creator and the created. He died for us! Did we ask him to? No, we didn't. Most of us will never ask someone to die for us. We don't want to accept the responsibility for that. However, whether we ask it of others or not people have and will continue to die for us. People have sacrificed so we can enjoy the freedoms and life that we now enjoy. I didn't ask the founding fathers and mothers to rebel against Great Britain and I didn't ask my father or any of his contemporaries to serve during WW II. I didn't ask the police officers and firefighters who responded in NYC on 9/11 to die for others. I have never wanted anyone else to die to keep me safe or to save me. But they have and will continue to and whether I agree with their methods or not I have benefitted from the sacrifices of others. Most importantly I have benefitted in immeasurable ways from the sacrifice that Jesus made.

We all have benefitted from his commitment to God and the way. Given Jesus' commitment do we have any obligation to our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer and if so how do our lives reflect it?

D.C.

REGIONAL CHURCH NEWS

"Called by God's grace to do together that which by God's design cannot be done apart, and led by the movement of the Spirit of God."

**REGIONAL ASSEMBLY IS COMING,
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"POURED OUT IN MISSION"

May 21-23, 2010

North Hill Christian Church, Spokane,
WA

Let's all plan to attend regional assembly at North Hill C.C. in Spokane. Low cost accommodations are available at Camp Zephyr. It would be wonderful if we had a large contingent of our folks there. There will be programming for our children and child care will be provided. Please seriously consider attending the Assembly. It is shaping up to be a spirit filled life giving event. My family and I are going will you?

++GUEST SPEAKERS++

Eliacín Rosario-Cruz

Named among the top 10 Next-Gen leaders to watch by Sojourners Magazine. Eliacín is part of the Mustard Seed House in Seattle and speaks on emergent church, intentional community & much more.

John Bristow

Pastor, teacher and story-teller, John engages audiences in intensive study of the core values within Jesus' ministry: the basis of the church's programs and lifestyle at Country Homes Christian Church in Spokane.

Sandy Messick

Regional Minister of the NWRCC, Sandy's emphasis is on building connections with congregations, embracing the diversity of the

Region and members, and the commitment to pouring ourselves out in mission.

Bob Shebeck

Executive for Mission Interpretation and Constituency Relationships, Bob is an ordained minister of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). He has been working for Global Ministries since Nov 2002.

Pre-Assembly Mission Event

1:00 - 5:00 pm on Friday before opening worship at Zephyr Camp and Conference Grounds.

Children's Program & Mission

Planned programming for pre-registered children ages Kindergarten to fifth grade is scheduled. The times are Saturday from 9:30 - 12:00 and 1:30 - 4:45. A mission project, putting together packets for homeless people in the Spokane area is scheduled to involve this age group in our "Poured out in Mission" theme.

Donations of Toothbrushes • Tooth Paste • Gum • Granola Bars • Instant Oatmeal Packets • Throat Lozenges • Band Aids • Packets of Hot Chocolate • Individual Drink Mix Packets are needed.

Summer Church Camps

Mark your calendars for summer camp at Zephyr campgrounds:

Kids Camp (entering grades 2 and 3) July 13 – 16

Junior Camp (entering grades 4, 5, and 6) July 13 – 17

Chi Rho Camp (entering grades 7, 8, and 9) July 19 – 24

CYF Camp (entering grades 10, 11, 12 and new grads) July 19 – 24



Camp Zephyr

The Grass is Turning Green,
Spring Must Be In the Air

This is long overdue! And I have to say, how fast time is going. 2010 is here already, March is here already, that means I have only 9 months again until Christmas! I guess I should be more

worried about three months until camp season! The year is starting off really well. Last year the economy hurt the finances for the camp season, but this year we have a full season ahead. There have been a lot of changes here at Zephyr and improvements that you wouldn't believe. My four-year anniversary is in June, along with my 20-year high school reunion. Who feels old now! HA. As always if you have anything you want to ask or comment on please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely, Nico McClellan, Manager
 zephyrlodge@live.com or 509.255.6122

Clarkston First Christian Church contributed **\$1,797.67** to Zephyr Conference Center in 2009.

Thank you for your support of Zephyr!

GENERAL CHURCH NEWS

"We are Disciples of Christ, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world. As part of the one body of Christ, we welcome all to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us."

Thank You for Giving

Disciples Mission Fund: Funding Ministries of Wholeness in a Fragmented World

In 2009, Disciples congregations contributed a total of \$14,955,659 through Disciples Mission Fund (DMF).

Disciples Mission Fund is the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) common fund, supporting ministries of wholeness from our doorsteps to the ends of the earth!

The annual report of the DMF shows that our congregation gave a total of \$8,160.88 in 2009. Following are examples of the ministry our contributions supported in 2009:

\$5,350.00 to the Northwest Regional Christian Church

\$523.75 to 14 Disciples-related colleges and universities and seven seminaries and divinity houses

\$473.14 to the Division of Overseas Ministries/Global Ministries

\$382.18 to the Disciples Home Missions

\$499.30 to the Office of the General Minister and President

\$132.82 to Ethnic Ministries

\$92.75 to the Pension Fund

\$89.73 to the Disciples Benevolent Services

\$22.55 to ecumenical ministries

\$86.50 to the International Disciple

Women's Fellowship

\$193.74 to the Treasury Services, the Office of Promotion, and the Office of Stewardship Ministries

\$10.11 to related organizations of the church

\$67.07 to the Council of General Ministries

This report in its entirety is in the church office if you are interested in details regarding each of these various ministries.

SCHEDULES, FACT AND FIGURES

March Attendance and Offerings

	Attendance	Offering
February 28	78	\$1,590.15
March 7	94	\$4,726.20
March 17	104	\$2,001.48
March 21	95	\$ 943.27

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:30 am – Christian Education for children and adults.

11:00 am – Worship

FELLOWSHIP

There is always a time of Fellowship in the Basement immediately following worship.

* An Elevator is available*

Scripture Passages for the Sundays in April

Read, pray and ask questions of the pastor.

April 4: Acts 10:34-43

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

John 20:1-18

- April 11: Acts 5:27-32
 Psalm 118:14-29
 Revelation 1:4-8
 John 20:19-31
- April 18: Acts 9:1-6
 Psalm 30
 Revelation 5:11-14
 John 21:1-19
- April 25: Acts 9:36-43
 Psalm 23
 Revelation 7:9-17
 John 10:22-30



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Michelle Smith
- 3 Cameren Fisher
Marie Shinneman
- 4 Crystal White
Albert Maas
- 9 Dorothy Eatmon
- 10 Iva Peer
- 12 Barbara Brown
- 16 Bob Marshall
- 19 Becca Koenig
- 22 Denise Kuntz
- 23 Charles Koenig
- 25 Michael Goold
- 28 Curt Wilson
- 30 Janice Dumbauld
Bambi Compton

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 23 Ed and Dani Layes
- 25 Dan and Iva Peer

BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 David Carringer
- 10 Winnie Packwood
Crystal White
- 12 Shane Blankenship
Jessica Byrum
Wanda Brenner
Chas Compton
Michelle Smith
- 14 Dani Layes
- 17 Vie Davis
- 21 Lee Ann Hancock
- 23 Cameron Layes
- 27 Keegan Layes
Garrison Layes
- 30 Bob Packwood

Our Partners in Service for Jesus

This month your offerings helped support the following ministries:

- Asotin County Food Bank
- Church Finance Council
- Interlink
- Lexington Theological Seminary
- National Benevolent Association
- Northwest Christian College
- Pension Fund of the Christian Church
- Snake River Community Clinic
- VALCAN (Valley Christian Aid Net)
- Zephyr Conference Center

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