

# News update for November 9, 2023

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#### Save the Date!

November 19, 2023, Bishop Cedrick will be speaking at Trinity

10:00am worship followed by lunch. St. Paul's, Trinity, and Ashton UMC will attend

# This Week at Trinity

#### Thursday (November 9th)

- 1:00pm UWF Unit Meeting
- 6:00pm 'Twas Christmas Practice

#### Friday (November 10th) Office Closed

- 7:00pm N.A.
- 7:00pm Candlelight N.A.

#### Saturday (November 11th) Office Closed

10:00am NA HNI Training Sessions

#### Sunday (November 12th) **DS Karen preaching**

- 9:30am Donuts and coffee
- 10:00am Sunday Worship
- 11:15am Fellowship *Scout* brunch
- 4:00pm Charge Conference at St. Paul's
- 6:00pm N.A.

#### Monday (October 13th)

• 7:00pm N.A.

#### **Tuesday** (October 14th)

- 6:00pm 'Twas Christmas Rehearsals
- 6:30pm Trustee Meeting
- 7:00pm N.A.

#### Wednesday (November 15th)

- 10:00am Upper Room Study
- 6:00pm 'Twas Christmas Rehearsals
- 6:30pm Gather at the Table
- 6:30pm Cub Scout Pack Meeting
- 7:30pm Scouts BSA

# **Special Speaker**

# BISHOP CEDRICK'S VISIT TO IDAHO FALLS



Joint Worship
St. Paul's &
Trinity
Nov 19 at 10 am
at Trinity

Thanks

Come Join us for worship, lunch, and fellowship with the Idaho Falls Circuit Methodist congregations at Trinity at 237 N. Water Ave.



Let's make sure we give Bishop Cedrick a very warm welcome when he arrives on the 19th! We hope that you'll join us for our Sunday worship and luncheon afterwards.

# Sunday Nov. 12th

DS Karen will be preaching for us this Sunday, on November 12th

# **Looking Ahead**

- November 12 9:00am Worship with Sage District Superintendent Karen Hernandez at Trinity
- November 12 4:00pm Joint Charge Conference Part #2 - Sage District Superintendent Karen Hernandez will talk about M.I.L.E. program at **St Paul's**. Both churches to attend.
- **November 18** 4pm Blackfoot Church meets with the Bishop at Trinity Parlor
- November 19 @ 10:00am Bishops
   Cedric's Visit with St. Paul's, Trinity, and
   Ashton present. Held at Trinity.
   Followed by luncheon in Mary Dawson
   Hall.
- NO 4PM Workshop on November 19
- **November 26** @ 9:00am Worship with Tommy Lew speaking at Trinity.
- **December 3** 9:00am Worship with Pastor Kathy
- **December 10** 9:00am Worship with Pastor Kathy
- **December 17** 9:00 Worship with Deaconess Jeani Hughes from St. Paul's
- **December 24** 9:00 am Worship with Pastor Kathy
- **December 24** 7:00 pm Family Christmas Eve at **St Paul's** with Pastor Kathy
- **December 24 –** 11:00 pm Candlelight Christmas Eve at **Trinity** with Pastor Kathy.
- **December 31 –** 5th Sunday TBA



## **UWF News**



# United Women in Faith

Hey all! The next unit meeting will be November 9th at 1:00. Jill and Pam are the hostesses. We will have a guest speaker from the crisis center to talk about mental health resources in the area. It will be a great program.

See you there!

# **Sunday Morning Fellowship**

There is always food and fellowship after church

- Every 1st Sunday: Soup Potluck Bring your favorite Soup.
- Every 2<sup>th</sup> Sunday: Regular Brunch Bring your favorite dish
- Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday: Scout Brunch
  This is a fundraiser for Troop 6 and a
  wonderful meal to share as we visit.
- Every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday: Regular Brunch
  Bring your favorite dish



# **Birthdays**

	June
McCall, Stepheny	11/09
Edwards, Martin	11/12
Rhys, Dylann	11/15
Erikson, Robert	11/16
Lybeck, Tim	11/17
Rhoades, Bailee	11/17
Schaffer, Olivia	11/18
Gaskill, Mathew	11/19
Jacobson, Clara A.	11/19

# John Wesley Quote

"I impose my opinions upon none...I make no opinion the term of union with any man; I think and let think. What I want is holiness of heart and life.

...

~To The Rev. J. Venn, 1763

# **Financial Statements**

Our church's financial status January 1 – September 30, 2023



 Income
 \$136,154

 Expenses
 \$128,685

 Current net income
 \$ 7,469

# Free Trolley Rides!

Experience the magic of Downtown Idaho Falls during the holiday season, by riding through downtown on a Horse Drawn Trolley!



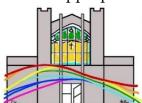
All Trolley rides are free. Wait for the trolley to pick you up across from Civitan Plaza at the corner of Park and B street. The trolley will take you along the festive streets of downtown and then drop you back off at Civitan Plaza!

THANK YOU to our sponsors: The SnakeBite Restaurant, XVIII, Devcon and Boss Group, for providing free Trolley rides for the community this year!

# **Trinity Leadership**

Below are the leadership positions for the next leader year. Please let the appropriate

person know how you are willing to serve: **Chair of Admin Council**; Open Position



Chair of Staff/Parish Relations Bev Kemp-(208)569-6149 bevmkemp@gmail.com

Chair of Trustee
Don Rohde (860)810-3227donrohde@aol.com

Chair of Finance Scott Taylor (208)201-5593]

### **RCCM News**



# **Charge Conference Part Two**

Our annual charge conference was divided into two parts. The first part was purely the business of the church. Things like a Trustees report and a report about our nominations of folks to new positions of leadership were included in this part.

At both churches the Rev. Don Yeager served as our presiding elder. Please thank him for his excellent work with us. (Maybe a free ticket to the Christmas cookie event would be nice?) Numerous reports needed to be filed online, and both churches received a gold star for getting our reports in on time. Yay us!

The second part of the annual charge conference is happening

# this Sunday, Nov. 12, at 4 pm at the St. Paul's church.

Our district superintendent, Rev. Karen Hernandez, will be leading this meeting. Expect to hear about the bishop's vision for the future through his M.I.L.E. plan. This is great timing: some of the leaders of our churches have been working on the vision of our churches. We need to be sure we are syncing up with the bishop's vision, too. Everyone is invited to attend this meeting Rev. Hernandez.

(As an added bonus, Rev. Hernandez will be preaching for us on Nov. 12. I am attending a memorial service for my aunt on that day. Please welcome Rev. Hernandez with open arms.)

# **Habitat House Progress**

Last week the Habitat house got a shingle roof installed. It is also secured with permanent locking doors and the first window. These are important accomplishments to allow the interior work to start as the weather gets colder.





### **Idaho Falls Methodists**

Notes by Don Rohde.

Over the weekend the leadership teams from both St Paul's and Trinity attended training on Communications and Discernment. The teams were divided into two groups:

- 1. Sustainers (previously called Saints)
- 2. Innovators

The Sustainers were charged with developing a vision for the current members of the church. How are we going to take care of the wonderful and dedicated congregations that have been with the churches for decades and are enjoying the fellowship and emotional support that a church can provide?

The Innovators were tasked with developing a vision for the members of the church that are looking for a bold adventure to reach out into the community and become involved in taking care of our neighbors and spreading God's Word.

These two teams are currently working and by the end of the year will have a completed, reviewed, and approved vision statements to present to the District Superintendent and Bishop about the pastoral needs in Idaho Falls. The vision statement needs to show discernment and commitment by the two congregations.

The communication training is important because the teams will have to communicate with the congregation to find out what they want from church, what their level of commitment is to new missions and where they feel God is leading the church. If you get a chance to participate in this process, please do it with a willing heart so your

leadership team can understand your needs and passions.

Going forward our administrative name will likely be "Idaho Falls Cricut" and resources will be assigned jointly to both churches. This is very similar to how it works now with Pastor Kathy and how Pastor Ryan Atwood supports the Chubbuck and American Falls churches with the Upper Snake River Circuit.

#### M.I.L.E

You can watch Bishop Cendrick Bridgeforth videos from the Greater NW Area conferences regarding his direction for our churches. There are 5 of them in total and all follow the theme of M.I.L.E.

M: Ministry That Matters

- **I:** Itineration & Location (being window people not mirror people)
- L: Lay Ministry Enhancement
- **E.** Eliminating Racism

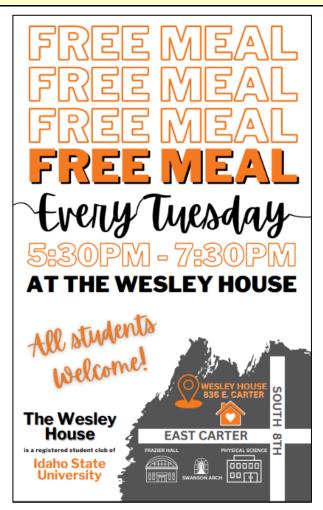
This will give you a clearer understanding of where Pastor Kathy is leading us. You can view these on-line using the link below. I'd encourage you to watch them, especially before Bishop Bridgeforth comes to Idaho Falls on November 19th.

https://vimeo.com/showcase/10470305

# **Homeless Services**

In September there were 162 homeless services supplied in the 16 days we were open. This represented services to 67 unique people. The services provided included 137 showers, 44 loads of laundry, and 20 requests for supplies. The supplies included emergency food, Tarp(4), socks(5), underwear (3), gas(1), mail(2), and WIFI to study for a class(7). The clients ranged in age from 14 to 78 with an average age of 46.7. Time in the church varied from 4 min to 300 minutes with an average of 67 minutes. 19 visitors were new clients for us. 55% have cellphones and 81% have valid ID.

### Free Meals



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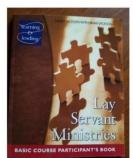
# **Lay Ministries Classes**

Dear Congregation,

The Lay Ministries classes are being offered in November. The classes are essential for the development of leaders for both Methodist Churches in Idaho Falls. IF WE ARE NOT ABLE TO AQUIRE A PASTOR IN JULY 2024, we will need members to step up for the future of our church. The classes are FREE! The only expense is the cost of the book, and your time. If you are interested in becoming a lay leader, you must start with the Lay Servant Basic Course. It is being offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays, January 23,25,30, + February 1 and 6, 2023, from 6 to 8pm PST. After this class, you will be eligible for the Spiritual Gifts, Methodist theology, Methodist Devotional life, and preaching class. These classes have blessed my life, and I am sure they will be a blessing to yours as well.

If you have any questions, please contact me. ~Tommy Lew 208 589 8185

#### Lay Servant Ministries Basic Course January 23 - February 6, 2024



TIME: Tues & Thurs 6 – 8 pm PST Jan 23, 25, 30, + Feb 1 & 6 2024 LOCATION: On Line Zoom Course INSTRUCTOR: Emilie Kroen,

Oregon - Idaho Conf.
Director of Lay Servant Ministries
& Cindy Abbey, CLM

COST: The cost of the book REGISTER By Jan 16, 2024:

Email: ekroen@yahoo.com, or Call or text Emilie at 503-312-4138 Provide your Name, Address, Phone # And your local church setting.

#### Lay Servant Ministries

Sandy Zeigler Jackson and Brian Jackson
Participant's Book • DR626 • 978-0-88177-626-3 • \$11.00
Participants' books available at Cokesbury and from Amazon in paperback and for Kindle.

The "Introduction to Lay Ministry: The BASIC Course" is the foundational course for Lay Servant Ministries. This is the gateway course for those who are called to be Certified Lay Servants, Lay Speakers, and Lay Ministers. And can also be part of a person's discipleship plan to acquaint you with their gifts, calling, and responsibilities as followers of Christ.

\*Each participant must have a book and be fully engaged in all 5 sessions with audio and video capability active.

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