

"Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors"

# News update for August 15, 2024

# **Bell Ringers Needed!**



Greetings bell ringers,
There are many hand bells at
Trinity United
Methodist
Church that need to be rung.
This letter is to determine how many
prospective ringers there are to get the Wesley
Bell Choir

started again.

Two people have shown an interest in being the director, however, it is needed to know if there are enough ringers available to ring if one can be hired. Rehearsal times have not been determined since they depend upon ringers and directors.

Please let me know, if you could/would be interested. My email is <a href="mailto:dtaylorid809@gmail.com">dtaylorid809@gmail.com</a>, or you can call or text me at 208-520-4519. As you know, Hillcrest High School used the bells last school year and now have their own 3 octaves. There are enough students interested in ringing bells that their program is expanding, which is good news.

So, please let me know one way or another if you will be able to help get a bell choir going again.

Remember all of the great music we rang, great concerts we had, wonderful trips to Big Sky Conferences, how many times we got lost and needed help to get on track, how any people truly like to hear the bells and how much you have enjoyed being a ringer!! Your responses will help make the decisions about getting a director. Ringingly yours,

~Marilyn Taylor

# Marilyn Taylor to Receive Silver Star Award

Marilyn Taylor has been selected as one of this year's recipients of the Silver Star Award. The Silver Star Award is given to individuals 55 and older who are doing great things in our community.

This is the 4<sup>th</sup> year the award has been given. Honorees each receive two complimentary tickets to a luncheon in their honor. Marilyn is planning on bringing her daughter Kathy as her guest.

Those who would like to attend to show their support for Marilyn and the other honorees can purchase tickets for \$25 at <a href="https://myidahotix.com/events/silver-stars-awards-2024-7-25-2024">https://myidahotix.com/events/silver-stars-awards-2024-7-25-2024</a>.

The luncheon will be held Tuesday, August 20, 2024 from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm.



#### **Contents**

#### This Week at Trinity

## Thursday (August 15)

 10:30 pm Worship Planning Meeting

### Friday (August 16) Office Closed

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

### Saturday (August 17) Office Closed

#### **Sunday** (August 18)

8:30 am Fellowship Coffee and Donuts 9:00 am Sunday Worship 10:30am Scout Brunch 6:00 pm N.A.

#### Monday (August 19)

• 7:00 pm N.A

#### **Tuesday** (August 20)

- 7:00 pm N.A.
- 7:10 River Concert

#### Wednesday (August 21)

- 10:00 am Upper Room Study
- 7:30 pm Scouts BSA

Come see us on Facebook at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/TUMCIF/">https://www.facebook.com/TUMCIF/</a>

We livestream every service!

# Elizabeth's Epiphanies



Dear friends,

When Jesus told the crowd and his disciples to "eat his flesh", they didn't understand. Was Jesus advocating cannibalism? It sure sounds like it. When he explained himself,

many decided they could not follow him. This Sunday, as we conclude the series "Fed with Bread", we will explore these questions and reflect on what it means to eat Jesus' flesh. I hope to see you on the Facebook recording or in person!

Blessings,

~Rev Elizabeth

## **UWF News:**



United Women in Faith

What a wonderful turnout for our ice cream social!! It was

good to see old and new faces.

We gave our Deaconess Jeanie Hughes an honorary donation to the UWF Legacy Fund. She was surprised.

Thank you to the Executive Board for hosting. This was a great kickoff for all our Fall unit meetings. Come again for the fun and fellowship.

# **Joint Worship Committee**

As part of the insight from the Focus Groups wanting effective ministry with less redundancies, a Joint Worship Committee has been formed. The Worship Team consists of Tommy Lew, Don Rohde, Ryan Atwood, Ann Shively, Nancy Copp, Melinda Ginosar, Angela Shanor, The Heart Events, and Rev. Elizabeth.

We meet every Thursday at 10:30am, alternating each month between Trinity and St. Paul's. The committee is working on a new look for the bulletin that will be the same bulletin for both churches. The announcement slides will also be the same, highlighting the special events and ministries in both churches. The Heart Events is working to ensure quality sound and Facebook presence in both churches. The Joint Worship Committee is working diligently to grow and enhance the worship experience, to reach out, receive, nurture and send out disciples of Christ for the transformation of the world.

## Third Sunday Workshop

The next gathering to discuss the Cooperative Parish model for the Idaho Falls United Methodists: Better Together will be Sunday August 18 at 4pm at Trinity UMC. Last month we had a ministry evaluation of the 2 churches. We also conducted SWOT (Strength, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats) analysis of the individual churches and the Cooperative Parish. Each week there will be an article in the newsletter reviewing the progress of our conversations. Please feel free to contact any of the Discernment Team with questions and thoughts. The members of the Discernment Team are: Rev. Elizabeth, Sherry Newey, Don Rohde, Melinda Ginosar, Jeannie and Richard Hughes, Ray Miles, Tommy Lew and Jill Eckelsdaffer.

# **Ministry Conference**

The Ministry Conference with St. Paul's UMC and Trinity UMC is confirmed for Friday, Oct. 11 at 9 a.m. The meeting will be held at the St. Paul's church.

The Ministry Conference is an informal gathering to which the entire congregation is invited. Church Leaders should plan to attend.

As a preparation, church leaders should review the 'OR-ID Church M.I.L.E
Assessment,' completed last fall. Church leaders can access it when they login to the People Portal on the conference website: https://www.umoi.org/log-in. SPRC members will meet with DS Karen for a short check-in after the ministry conference.

#### **Homeless Services**

In July there were 198 homeless services supplied in the 18 days we were open. This is up from June's count of 163 in 16 days. This represented services to 51 unique people (up from 48). The services provided included 183 showers (up from 142), 44 loads of laundry (up from 33), and 17 requests for supplies (up from 8). The clients ranged in age from 5 to 73 with an average age of 47. Time in the church varied from 1 min. to 291 minutes with an average of 43 minutes. Most were returning clients, with 5 new clients. 74% have cellphones and 74% have valid ID. Most were returning clients, with 4 new clients. 68% have cellphones and 64% have valid ID.



#### **Food Basket Needs**

The current most needed items at Community Food Basket are soup, cereal and canned pasta, and as always if you choose a monetary donation, we can stretch \$1 into \$4.35.

The number of families we are feeding continues to grow, so our needs continue to grow as well. Finally – a reminder that we have office space available for nonprofit organizations at our 351 W 14<sup>th</sup> St location. Please contact <a href="mailto:rccmadmin@feedidahofalls.org">rccmadmin@feedidahofalls.org</a> for more information.

# **Castle Bridge Preschool**



3 OR 4 DAYS PER WEEK
MORNING AND
AFTERNOON SESSIONS
LANGUAGE ARTS
MATHEMATICS

Small class sizes
Monthly field trips
Daily snacks
Outdoor playground

# Now enrolling for 2024-2025

www.castlebridgepreschool.org 325 Elm St., Idaho Falls

Castle Bridge Preschool is now accepting applications for the 2024-2025 school year!

To apply, please contact us for a printed application, or you can find the application below in the "Forms" section.

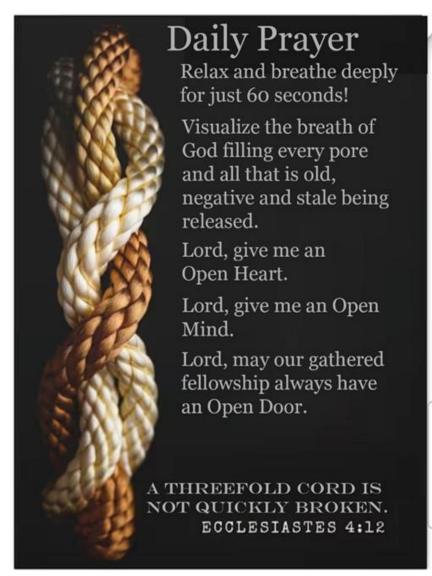
Please mail the application and registration to: Castle Bridge Preschool 325 Elm Street, Idaho Falls, ID 83402

The board is happy to announce that we will now be adding **Monday afternoon** to our scheduling options for next year.

The options will now be:

- · 3 days (Tues-Thurs) or 4 days (Mon-Thurs) a week
- · Morning or afternoon sessions or all day
  - qualifying 501 (c) 3 non profit
  - early drop off is available
  - a sibling discount is available

- Days and times of operation
  - Monday-Thursday 9am-11:30am (4 day/week)
  - Tuesday-Thursday 9am-11:30am (3 day/week)
  - Monday-Thursday 12:30pm-3:00pm (4 day/week)
  - Tuesday-Thursday 12:30pm-3:00pm (3 day/week)
  - Children may choose to attend both AM & PM sessions.
- Ages: 3- and 4-year-olds
- Website is **castlebridgepreschool.org**.



#### **River Concert Series**



#### Schedule

August 20th - **Idaho Muscle** - Audience Request August 27th - **Mike Banks Jazz Quartet** - Jazz

Members of St. Paul's and Trinity will be attending the Summer River Series Concerts as a group. The concerts are presented by the Idaho Falls Arts Council and held every Tuesday evening at 7:00 at the Greenbelt Stage located between D&E Streets on Memorial Drive.

The concerts are free and open to the public, and the Idaho Falls United Methodist meetup is open to members of Trinity, St. Paul's, friends, family or anyone else who'd like to join us. Bring a chair and enjoy some free entertainment as we fellowship together and enjoy Great Music.



Below: On August 20th, Idaho Muscle and will take the stage.

# **Lay Servant Ministries**



Are you looking for a way to grow in your faith? Are you a leader in your congregation?

Do you want to know more about the United Methodist Church? If so, Lay Servant

Ministries courses are for you!

Lay Servant Ministries is one of the significant lay leadership development programs available within the United Methodist connection. Through this system of equipping and empowering, lay servants have the opportunity to grow as disciples of Jesus Christ who then go and make other disciples. Lay Servant ministries can be a significant component of any discipleship system providing training in Hospitality, Offer Christ, Purpose and Engagement.

There are three opportunities to participate in the "Lay Servant Ministries Basic Course" this summer. One on Monday afternoons and two on Tuesday evenings. Courses coming this fall include "Spiritual Gifts - Each One a Minister," "Preaching - From Pew to Pulpit," "Social Principles - Justice in Everyday Life," "Polity - Life Together in the UM Connection," and "Leading in Lay Pastoral Care." You can find the schedule at beadisciple.com. If you are seeking certification or annual recertification as a Lay Servant or Lay Speaker, make sure you keep track of your classes and submit a report at your fall charge conference.

If you want to know more about Lay Servant Ministries or see what classes are offered through Be a Disciple online, check out the catalog at https://beadisciple.com/course-catalog/

To learn more contact Emilie Kroen at <a href="mailto:ekroen@yahoo.com">ekroen@yahoo.com</a>

# Sawtooth "Senior Shindig"



Article taken from gocamping.org. Edited for Space. Getting older sure isn't easy, and sometimes it seems as though things are on a fast track down hill! But do not fear!! We are all in this together, and now is your chance to spend some time with other Seniors in the beautiful Sawtooth Mountains at Sawtooth Camp!

This Senior Shindig is meant to be a laid-back, fun experience for everyone to enjoy making new friends and having wonderful adventures. You will have the opportunity to grow spiritually while making lasting friendships and memories for years to come!

#### Important Details to Know Before You Go:

Check-in for Sawtooth "Senior Shindig" will be any time after noon on Monday. If you are unable to arrive by 5pm, please contact the Sawtooth Camp Director via the email address below. If you will be arriving after dark, please let the camp know so that someone can be available to welcome you and help you get situated in your assigned cabin. The first meal is at 5:30 p.m. on Monday.

Senior Shindig" will officially conclude on Friday right after lunch, but those wanting to "hang around" for the afternoon are welcome to relax and enjoy the site. Singles will be assigned sleeping cabins, with restrooms/showers nearby. Couples will mostly be assigned their own cabin

unless they request to share with another couple/friends. Please note this on your housing form during registration.

Campers need to bring bedding, towels, toiletries, a warm jacket for mornings and evenings (6,000 ft elevation) and any special articles you might need. Please note that there is no cell phone coverage at Sawtooth Camp or internet use for campers. Campers are encouraged to use phones for taking photos while they are at camp. Campers are discouraged from using phones for gaming, watching downloaded videos, any social media platforms, etc. "Disconnect" and enjoy nature!

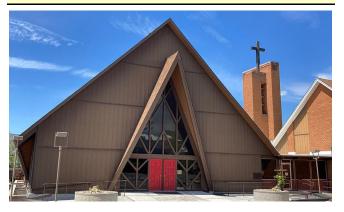
Our website has information about what to bring, directions to camp, camp policies and health forms. If registering by phone or mail, please send a completed Health Form for EVERY CAMPER to the camping office at least 10 days before the camp begins. If you have special dietary needs, please contact the camp director at least two weeks in advance. (Contact information below.) Registration Questions or more information? Contact Holly Dolan, our camp registrar at 503-802-9214 or (registrar@gocamping.org).

Mailing address:
Sawtooth Camp
PO Box 68
Fairfield, ID 83327
Camp Director Email:
sawtoothumcamp@gmail.com

Members of Trinity or St. Paul's planning to attend, or who have questions, should contact Betty Anderson at 208-521-3039 or bettyellenba@gmail.com so we know how many people from Trinity and St. Paul's plan on going.

Sawtooth "Senior	Age 55+	9/9/2024 -	Regular Rate: \$216   Senior Rate: \$199 (A non-refundable \$50 deposit is		
Shindig"	Adult Retreats & Camps 9/13/2		required to hold your spot. This deposit will not be refunded but may be		
			transferred to another session.)		

# Flash Sale at Pocatello 1st UMC



Taken from an original article by Logan Ramsey and published by EastIdahoNews.com. Edited for space.

First United Methodist Church is holding a "Flash Sale" on Saturday from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the church building, 200 North 15th Avenue in Pocatello. The sale will include a silent auction, a raffle, a bake sale and a rummage sale, which will see "thousands" of used home goods on sale for a reasonable price.

"I would say that our selection right now rivals any thrift store in town," said Pastor Mike Conner. "If you love a good yard sale, if you love silent auctions, the stuff that's here is quality stuff."

The building has been in need of serious repairs for years, the most immediate being a new roof. The church started its "Raise the Roof" campaign at the beginning of the summer, with the goal of raising \$360,000 dollars. The campaign is nearly 77% funded, with a total of around \$287,000 raised.

Tender Loving Care, which operates independently of the church, runs its daycare in the building as well.

The silent auction will see around 50 things up for grabs, including a two-day trip in a private cabin in Driggs, gift baskets, original art from local artists a brand-new camp stove and more. Raffle tickets will go for \$10, and it will feature items like a new laptop, gift baskets, and of gift certificates, including \$100 to the Sandpiper.

The church has already made its first payment for the repaired roof, so they are on track to have the roof replaced in September.

Replacing the degraded roof will not be the end of improvements made to the building. Conner also wants to improve the parts of the building used by Tender Loving Care.

"We have so many dreams and ideas about how to make the daycare spaces better, to modernize them, make them accessible, make them beautiful, make them functional for the next 50 years," Conner said.



# **Sunday Morning Fellowship**

We are updating our Sunday morning fellowship schedule.

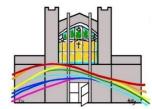
- Every 1st Sunday: Soup Brunch Bring your favorite Soup.
- Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday: Potluck Brunch
  Bring your favorite dish to share
- Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday: Scout Brunch
   This is a fundraiser for Troop 6 and a wonderful meal to share as we visit.
- Every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday: Potluck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

# **Trinity Leadership**

Below are the leadership positions for the next leader year.

#### Chair of Admin Council;

Gene Summers
Joke2boy@aol.com



# Chair of Staff/Parish Relations

Sherry Newey-(385)405-5011 ladylevi12@aol.com

#### Chair of Trustee

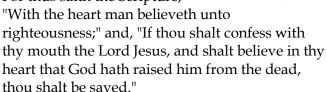
Don Rohde (860)810-3227donrohde@aol.com

#### Chair of Finance

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## John Wesley Quote

"What faith is it then through which we are saved? It may be answered, first, in general, it is a faith in Christ: Christ, and God through Christ, are the proper objects of it. . . it is not barely a speculative, rational thing, a cold, lifeless assent, a train of ideas in the head; but also a disposition of the heart. For thus saith the Scripture,



~Salvation by Faith.

#### **Financial Statements**

Our church's financial status January 1 – July 31st, 2024



Income	\$109,026
Expenses	<u>\$87,589</u>
Current net income	\$21,436

## Birthdays August

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Paula Burr	08/17
Jan Davenport	08/18
Aubrei Myers	08/18
Kevin Fuhrman	08/20
Kay Rice	08/22

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