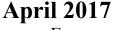


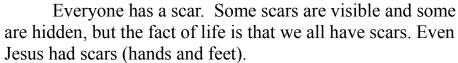
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Jesus chose the nails that left him those scars. He chose to bear the weight of our sins. He wanted us to have a better life and He was willing to be the ultimate sacrifice in order for us to live. To live a life so that we can be a living version of the Love of God! Live a daily life that glorifies God in all we do. Jesus is our light and he called us to follow Him. Follow him like a shadow. Without light there can not be a shadow. So live a life full of sonshine and you will become the perfect silhouette of Him.

In the end, we all will have scars from our past but the most beautiful thing about all our scars is in the definition of a scar itself. A scar means that the hurt is now over, the wound is closed, and whatever you had endured in pain is now over and God has healed you. May your Son shine bright this Easter!

Happy Easter ~Sarah Emerich~ LINK Editor

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At the heart of our Christian faith is the story of a man who dies on a cross and on the third day is raised again to life.

The story begins on the evening before the man's death when he gathers with his followers. First, the man reaffirms his love for them. Then, he tells them that the bread and the cup of the meal they are sharing represent his body and blood which will be broken and shed for them, for the forgiveness of their sin.

The Maundy Thursday Service in the Sanctuary on Thursday, April 13 at 6:30pm celebrates this event.

The story continues with the crucifixion of the man. We struggle with the cross. We prefer the more appealing aspects of following the man - whether it's to a party where he changes water to wine, to a sunlit beach where he preaches from a boat, or to a breezy hillside where he feeds thousands. But to the cross? Who wants to go there? Yet, go we must for it is at the cross that we recognize the price he paid for our sin.

The Good Friday Service in the Sanctuary on Friday, April 14 at 6:30pm helps us come to the cross of Jesus.

Many people believed that the death of the man ended his story. He had apparently failed in his mission and the God he claimed as his Father had seemingly rejected him. They were mistaken! On the third day God raised the man from the dead. God's act restored life to the man, and through the man to all who are dead in their sin. Come celebrate God's new life, and invite a friend who may also want to hear the Good News of God's love for them.

Two Easter Services are offered on Sunday, April 16: 9:00am Contemporary Easter Service in our Sanctuary. 11:00am Traditional Easter Service in our Sanctuary.

#### Join us for Easter Brunch:

Between the Easter services, beginning at 10:00am in Fellowship Hall, the Fellowship and the Membership ministry teams of our church will serve Easter Brunch. Join us and enjoy the Christian fellowship made possible by Christ's resurrection.

Child Care is offered during the Thursday, Friday and Sunday Services.

The Lord is Risen!

Pastor Steve











#### 9:00am Contemporary Service

This worship offers a relaxed way to praise our Lord. Our talented Song Team leads our music. Children's Church is available for kids entering Preschool thru 5th grade (kids excused after young disciples).

Come as you are and worship in a casual atmosphere.

#### 10:15am & Noon ~ All-Church Fellowship

Join us for coffee and cookies to catch-up with each other's lives. This sense of community is vital in the Church atmosphere, as we get to know our neighbors!

Childcare available during 10:15am fellowship hour.

#### 11:00am Traditional Service

This worship is traditional with hymn selections sung by our choir and special music offerings. Join us for refreshments following worship.

## BELIEVE BLIVING THE STORY OF THE BIBLE

#### March Lessons

TO BECOME LIKE JESUS

#### Wednesday Evenings

5:30 – 6:00pm Light Supper 6:00 – 7:00pm Programs for Children and Adults

Believe books are available in Fellowship Hall

April 5th Meal: Tacos	Chapter 25: "I can cope with the hardships of life because of the hope I have in Jesus Christ."		
April 12th	No Believe Study due to Holy Week.		
April 19th Meal: Spaghetti	Chapter 26: "I am slow to anger and endure patiently under the unavoidable pressures of life."		
April 26th Meal: Breakfast	Chapter 27: "I choose to be kind and good in my relationships with others."		
May 3rd Meal: Soup	Chapter 28: "I have established a good name with God and others based on my loyalty to those relationships."		

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#### **Easter Lilies**

Forms are available at the Welcome Center and in the Church Office.

Donate a lily in honor/memory of a loved one.



#### Maundy Thursday Worship - April 13th

6:30-7:30pm; in our Sanctuary.

A Worship Service focusing on Jesus' last night with his disciples before his crucifixion.



#### 24-Hour Prayer Vigil - April 13th,

7:30pm to April 14th, 6:30pm; in our Sanctuary.

Beginning Thursday evening after Maundy Thursday Worship and continuing until the Good Friday Service. Sign up for one hour time slots in Fellowship Hall.

See page 7 for a special invitation.



#### Good Friday Worship Service - April 14th,

6:30-7:30pm; in our Sanctuary.

A Worship Service commemorating the final hours of our Lord's life on earth as he suffered death upon the cross.



#### Easter Sunday - April 16th;

in our Sanctuary

9:00 am - Contemporary Easter Celebration

11:00 am - Traditional Easter Celebration

#### Join us between the Easter Services for Brunch (10:00am)

in Fellowship Hall. The Fellowship and Membership Ministry Teams of our church will serve an Easter Brunch, including breakfast casseroles, sausages, fruit and drinks. \*More on Page 7

Child Care will be provided 6:30-7:30pm during Maundy Thursday and Good Friday Services and as always, during both Sunday Morning Services.



- Men's Bible Study We continue to meet every Wednesday at 6:45am in Fellowship Hall with Pastor Steve, who leads our study and discussion. We are currently reading the Gospel of Matthew. Enjoy coffee and donuts, and experience great fellowship with the men of the church.
- Wednesday in the Word Join us every Wednesday at 12:00noon (in the Chapel) with Pastor Steve for an indepth study and discussion related to the Sunday morning sermon text. All are welcome to join the exploration of biblical teaching and its application for Christian living.
- Women's Association Women's Association will meet on Monday, April 10th at 10am. Join us for Fellowship, Friendship and a Fabulous program designed by our own Pastor Steve: "God will restore His people." April's Hostesses are Kathy McIntosh and Roberta Owens. Devotions will be led by Margaret Dammarell.
- Monday Night Ladies Bible Study The evening Bible Study will meet on April1 10th & 24th at 6:45p in the Conference Room with a brand new series "Prayers of the Old Testament."
- Friday Morning Ladies Bible Study Women's Friday Morning Bible Study meets weekly at 9:45am in the Chapel. (No meeting April 14th) All women are invited to join. We are studying the Book of Proverbs. Study Books are available at the class for \$5.
- Women's Book Club Our April Meeting will be Monday, April 3rd at 10:30a in the Chapel. We will be discussing "What difference do it make?" by Ron Hall & Denver Moore. If you have questions, give Marilyn Kidder a call at 413-6626.

# Senior Ministry



#### **Lunch Bunch**

Join us on

#### Thursday, April 20th.

for a Lunch Bunch at Drover's Run at Jacques

Spur. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 10:45am. Sign up in the Fellowship Hall or by calling the Church office at 743-4444.

#### SAVE THE DATE: Thursday, May 18th

Lunch Bunch at Pataha Flour Mill

### Fit & Fall Proof (Senior Exercise)

meets Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 9:00 am in Fellowship

Hall. Now is a great time to join! We have fun and get our joints moving!



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The 24-Hour Prayer Vigil begins directly after the Maundy Thursday service and continues until the beginning of the Good Friday service of worship. It is a special time of prayer and contemplation, when participants spend one hour in our sanctuary remembering Jesus during his last day spent as a man. It is a time to remember all he did for humanity, all he suffered on our behalf, and all he continues to do for us today.



This time spent with our Lord has always been a renewing experience for me. I choose an early morning hour because it is so very quiet; I feel his presence with me as I read about his last hours, pray, and (if nobody else is in the sanctuary) even sing hymns. Oftentimes I will sit in the comfortable rocking chair put there just for this purpose and pray about the prayer requests that have been left on a small table beside the rocking chair.

There is a Prayer Vigil sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center in Fellowship Hall. Security is provided during the dark hours of the Vigil. You may park in the church parking lot, enter Fellowship Hall through the back (east) door, and go up the rampway to the sanctuary.

I would like to encourage each of you to pick a time during this Vigil and "stand watch" for just one hour. You will be blessed by doing so.

Melanie Gibler Worship Ministry Chair

The Fellowship and Membership & Evangelism committees will be providing Easter Brunch between services on Easter Sunday. We will be serving the traditional brunch items, breakfast casserole, sausage, fruit and drinks. It will be a joy filled breakfast. Come join the Christian fellowship and Easter Celebration Sunday morning!









Wednesday Evenings June 28, July 5, 12, 19, & 26 More details in May LINK!



# Yippy and Wired in April

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April showers bring May flowers!





#### CAMP SPALDING

KIDS BELONG HERE

Mark your 2017 summer calendar now for Camp Spalding!! Over the years, thousands of young lives have been eternally changed during summer camp experiences. Come to Camp Spalding and find out

firsthand what these experiences are made of! Summer camps start in June and run through August for elementary ages, through senior high. Camp Spalding is on beautiful Davis Lake, north of Spokane. Camps for K-Grade 6 are listed below. Camp scholarship applications are available in the church office. Online registration for Summer 2017 has begun at www.campspalding.org. Visit the website now for more information!

No.	Camp	Grade in Fall	Dates
101	"Mom/Dad & Me"	K-2 & Parent	June 16-17
103	Discovery I	2-4	June 21-24
104	Junior I	5-6	June 25-July 1
108	Junior II	5-6	July 23-29
111	Discovery II	2-4	August 13-16
112	Family Camp	N/A	August 16-20
202	Pioneer Discovery	2-4	July 5-8
203	Pioneer Junior	2-4	July 9-15

Vacation Bible School is happening Wednesday nights at Congo-Pres on June 28, July 5, 12, 19 & 26. Join us as we go on a Bible adventure for 5 weeks this Summer! Kids



will discover that they're lovingly crafted by God, learn important Bible truths about how they were created by God and built for a purpose! More details about how you can help will be in the May LINK. Registration begins Sunday, June 4th. VBS is FREE for all kids! \*age 4 (by Sept.1) through entering 5th Grade in Fall 2017.



There's a place for all kids preschool to 5th grade at BELIEVE: An All-Church Wednesday Night Gathering at Congo-Pres! Join us Wednesday nights in April (no Believe April 12) from 6-7pm as we begin to think, act, and BE like Jesus through story telling, games and crafts! Join Kelly Paynter and Tami Thomson each Wednesday night, right after dinner and singing! Nursery care is provided for kids under 4. Dinner starts at 5:30 pm. Families are encouraged to sit together during the meal. Hope to see you there!



Hey, Congo-Pres Kids! You're invited to Children's Church each Sunday morning! Come to the 9:00am Worship Service and right after the Young Disciples time, all kids who are in Preschool (4 years) through Fifth Grade are invited upstairs Pilgrim Hall for Children's Church! Each week has a Bible Lesson and fun activities! \*A note to Parents: Children's Church concludes at 10:15am. At that time, you may come get your child(ren) and take them to the All-Church Fellowship time in Fellowship Hall or allow them to remain upstairs. with our fun child-care providers. Please pick them up by 11:00am. We will not dismiss the children to Fellowship Hall without an adult.

Contact Kelly Paynter, Director of Children's Ministries, with questions, concerns or comments at kellypaynter@cableone.net, 743-4444 or 791-1262.





#### **NEW MEMBER CLASS** SATURDAY, APRIL 29 8:30 - 11:30AM in FELLOWSHIP HALL

Are you actively involved in the life and ministry of Congregational-Presbyterian Church but have not yet made the commitment of membership? Would you like to hear more about our church and our vision for ministry? Would you like to deepen your connection with the people and

ministries of our church? Then, the New Member Class is for you.

Through the New Member Class you will be able to explore what we as a community believe, meet Pastor Steve and other leaders of our church, and have a chance to discuss any questions you may have before deciding whether you would like to become a member of our congregation. Attending a New Member Class does not require that you join, but it will give you the necessary information to make a decision about membership.

The next New Member Class will meet in Fellowship Hall on Saturday, April 29, 8:30 – 11:30am. A light breakfast will be served. Please contact the church office (743-4444) to sign up for the class and to let us know if you need child care.

If you are interested in church membership but unable to attend this class, Pastor Steve will be glad to meet with you personally to discuss membership. Please contact him at the church by phone (743-4444) or you can email him at swilbraham@cableone.net.



### Topper Tea

Wear your prettiest hat And your Mother's pearls, We're having a tea party Just for the girls! Saturday May 6th 1:30-3:30pm

Topper Tea Tickets are \$10 each Tickets will be available starting Sunday, Apr. 9th in Fellowship Hall.

\*Free childcare available for ages Newborn to 1st grade.



#### Table Hostesses

We are in search of 13 ladies to decorate tables for this amazing event!

Sign up in

Fellowship Hall

Any Questions? Contact Tea Chair Jacquie Shore 318-518-6405

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#### mmunity Action Food Bank

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April 16th has been designated as Food
Bank Sunday. This month, the Food
Bank has expressed a need for the
following items:



**Food Pantry** 

Donations Needed

□Bar Soap □Laundry Soap □ Toothbrushes ☐ Shaving Cream **□**Bathroom Tissue

□Dishwasher Tabs

Paper Towels Household Cleaning Supplies

Feminine Products

Shampoo

□Dish Soap

 $\Box$ Toothpaste

Razors

Conditioner

brought to Fellowship Hall and deposited in the grocery cart there.

These items may be

Thank you!!!

#### 2017 Scholarship **Deadlines Approaching:**

#### Diane Ashburn Wilmonen **Scholarship**

**Application Deadline:** Saturday, April 1st

#### **Camp Spalding Scholarships**

**Application Deadline:** Tuesday, May 16th

#### **CPC Fund College Scholarship**

**Application Deadline:** Monday, May 1, 2017



All application forms are available in the Church Office, Fellowship Hall, and online at our website www.congopres.org.

Scholarship Information

# CAMP SPALDING

Registration is open and we want all kids to go to camp! Camp Spalding allows you to make payments online in order to go to camp.

If you have any questions about Summer Camp, Scholarships, or Registration please contact the office at 743-4444.

No.	Camp	Entering Grades	Date
101	"Mom/Dad & Me"	K-2 & Parent	June 16-17
102	Leadership Camp	10-12	June 17-21
103	Discovery I	2-4	June 21-24
104	Junior I	5-6	June 25-July 1
105	Senior High I	9-12	July 2-8
106	Jr. High I	7-8	July 9-15
107	Clearwater Arts Camp	7-12	July 16-22
108	Junior II	5-6	July 23-29
109	Senior High II	9-12	July 30 - August 5
110	Jr. High II	7-8	August 6-12
111	Discovery II	2-4	August 13-16
112	Family Camp	N/A	August 16-20
201	Pioneer Jr. High	7-8	June 25-July 1
202	Pioneer Discovery	2-4	July 5-8
203	Pioneer Junior	5-6	July 9-15
204	Pioneer Sr. High	9-12	July 16-22

#### Fly Tying 101

There is still time to attend the brand new Fly Tying Class! Jim Schroeder is teaching new and popular techniques for this favorite sport. Join us at 7:00pm on

Tuesdays in the Fellowship Hall.



Sign up in Fellowship Hall. For more information, call Jim at 553-1112.

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#### **LINK Deadline & Volunteers**

The deadline to submit articles for MAY LINK is

Monday, April 17th at Noon

Articles may be sent via email to semerich@cableone.net or

brought to the church office. Articles received past the noon time will not be guaranteed submission, so plan accordingly. Volunteers will meet in the Administration Building on *Tuesday, April 25th at 9am* to assemble the LINK for mailing.

### Easter Angel Tree Gifts Due at the Church: April 9th



# 14 days of praise

june 12th-25th, 2017

brackenbury square downtown lewiston



Daily Worship Led by Area Churches 3 Times Each Day 7am | Noon | 6:30pm

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Mark your Calendars: April 2nd

Join us monthly as
we celebrate with
cake during
Fellowship Hour
for a special
Happy Birthday

Celebration for our Friends and Members! Stop by for some cake, coffee and conversation for your special birthday month!

#### **April Birthdays:**

Scott Dolezal, Julia Williams (1st); Laurel Curtiss (2nd); Molly Zimmerer (3rd); Michael Dolezal (7th); Bob Franklin (10th); Rick Crane (12th); Ryanne Travis (13th); Denis Hackwith, Paul Schrette (15th); Ryan Katzenberger (17th); Don Thornton, Kason Van Buren (18th); Judy Delka (20th); Bob Coons, Anna Dolezal, Melanie Gibler, Mark Peterson (21st); Wyatt Wittman (22nd); Krista Solem (23rd); Megan McKown, Melissa Thomson (24th); Ron Jones (25th); Kirsten Kaiser, Lynn Ridinger (26th); Lori Coons, Beth Katzenberger (27th); Janis Dahlgren, Sam Funk, Jim Schroeder (28th)

If we missed your birthday please let Sarah in the office know (743-4444).



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#### **STAFF**

#### **OFFICE HOURS:**

M-Th: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Friday: 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.