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*"Our mission is to  
proclaim the Word  
of God, leading  
people to a saving  
faith and a growing  
relationship with  
Jesus Christ."*



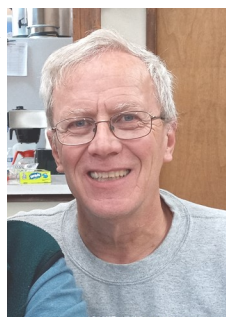
As a Pastor, it creates an odd feeling when someone says, 'Your Church.' Jesus told Peter, *"On this rock I will build My Church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it."* Every pastor knows it is not his church, but His Church. We are not to build our own kingdoms, but God's.

On the other hand, saying 'your church' is a simple and practical way for someone to designate a particular church in contrast to another. As in 'At my church, we do this. What do you do at your church?' So while I'm not completely comfortable with people saying, 'your church,' I understand it.

What still seems strange, or even wrong, is when someone who attends Trinity speaks to me and says 'your church.' As Christians, we should have ownership, or at least 'belongership,' in the church we attend. Why does someone who attends here say 'your church' instead of 'my church,' or 'our church?' Is something missing from the relationship?

The Apostle Paul uses a fairly consistent formula when addressing his letters. 'To the church in Corinth,' 'To the churches in Galatia,' to the church in Ephesus.' It's not immediately clear in English, but the word translated 'church' actually means 'congregation.' It is not the pastors being addressed, but the people. The letter to the Philippians goes so far as to say, *"To all the saints in Christ Jesus at Philippi, together with the overseers and deacons."* 'This is for the people of the church. Oh, by the way, you can include the leaders, too.'

## My Church



In the New Testament, the church is identified by it's people, not it's pastor. If the church belongs to anyone other than Jesus Christ, it is the people who make up that church.

This understanding has significant ramifications. If it is your church, then you have responsibilities for it. If it is someone else's church, you do not; it is someone else's problem. You can come and go as you please, you're just a visitor.

People actually 'belonging' to a church is good for the church, but is also good for the people. Christ calls us to commitment. The most important commitment is to Him; but commitment to the Church is significant. I knew a married man who bounced from church to church with the woman he was living with, along with her children. No church they attended knew them well enough to know they weren't a happy family. Consistent commitment would have prevented this, and may have given him the correction he needed.

This problem is most common in the megachurches, where a person is easily lost in a crowd; but it is also showing up in small churches like ours.

Are you attending, but don't feel like it's 'your church?' Three things are required to fix that problem. The first is time. You have to be here enough to know the fit is right. The second is commitment. Say the words, 'This is my church.' The third is involvement. Do things to participate and contribute.

Be able to say, 'This is my church.'

# Photo of the Month



And the winners are...! Annie's group gained most points in the Spokavenger Hunt by a wide margin. One of the events was to get a group picture at Dicks Drive-In.

Elders Report

Thursday, 7 Apr 2022

Attendees: Steve McLachlan, John Doyle, Dan Shumway, Dion Ricketts

Agenda Items:

Previous minutes reviewed and approved with corrections

Pastor's Report

- New bus is at Robert Boleneus' house for service and inspection
- The interactive mission board is moving forward with plans to mount the screen in the sanctuary
- Bruce Morock was interviewed by a YouTube channel and worth watching
- Easter Sunday planning
- Men's Breakfast will become the Elder's Breakfast with the next one on April 23rd.
- Steve will setup his laptop to stream the service in the Adult Sunday School room in case of overcrowding during the Easter service.

Youth Pastor's Report

- Youth Leadership
  - Full swing with great numbers
  - The Mission trip was a great success
- AWANA Trek/Journey, nothing new to report
- Youth Group
  - Numbers are good with 12-14 kids
  - March's Big Event was a Game Night with 14 youth in attendance
  - April Big Event will be a the Spokavenger Hunt
- College and Career: Two individuals interested in meetings on the 14th and the 28th
- Finn Shumway is going to be an SMI this year

Old Business

- Heating/AC equipment has been ordered for the Fellowship Hall with the hope that work can begin even before it shows up.

New Business

- Discussion on using the original cymbals with the electronic drum set

Intercessory Prayer

Next Meeting:

Thursday, May 05, 2022 @ 6:30 PM

Church Funds

3/31/22

Benevolence Fund	2,716.61
Bus Fund	4,100.00
Missionaries Reserve	3,400.00
Missions Fund	750.20
Mission Trip	1,882.92
General Fund	73,716.87
Total	\$86,566.60.
Building Fund	\$114,068.62
	\$200,635.22



Spring Work Day

There is a lot of work to be done, and we hope for a lot of people to do it! Mark your calendar for May 14, and make it a priority!

Outside there is yard work, branch removal around the trailer, junk removal around the garages, and litter removal on the fence line, not to mention weeding where needed.

There is always cleaning and organizing needed inside; especially things that aren't always done with normal cleaning duties; such as dusting and window-washing.

Look for the sign up, and when you see the sign up, sign up!

Elders Breakfast

Once again, the Elders Breakfast is not for the elders, but by the elders! Men and boys are invited and welcome.

We share a good meal, good message, and good time. Hope you can join our group.

Saturday, May 14, at 8:00 am.

Cocolalla Events

Spring Scrapbook Retreat

- May 6 & 7, for ladies 13 and up
- \$65.

Men's Retreat

- May 13-14, for men 13 and up
- \$65.

Camp Work Days

- June 3-4
- Help the camp and earn \$15 coupons for our campers



by John Doyle

# Youth Stuff

Spring is here, April is gone and what a month it was. For the Youth Group this month was jammed packed!!! The Youth Leadership team went to Bend, OR for the first missions' trip in almost 6 years. Thank you TBF for sending us. Special thanks to Mrs. Kathleen Shumway, Mrs. Lexine Eaton, and Mrs. Jennifer Doyle for being the 'Mission Moms'. The Youth G.A.N.G. descended on the Spokane city streets for the best scavenger hunt of the Millenia (So far). Special Thanks to Pastor Steve, Mrs. Annie Ricketts, Mr. Micha Choate, Mr. Tyson Lacy, and Mrs. Jennifer Doyle for driving the kiddos around. OK, get ready cause May is just around the bend!

The Youth G.A.N.G is on the move.

Every Sunday @ 3:30 to 5pm, Ages 12-19 games, food, and a weekly Bible lesson. May 22nd will be the last meeting for the summer.

The Big Event

This month 'Laser Tag' 22nd May, 3-8pm. We will have room for only 36, first come first served. Must have a special ticket, see Pastor John

Youth Leadership Training (YLT)

A more intensive study of God's word with an emphasis on Discipleship. Every Friday @ 5 to 7pm.

Upcoming Events @ Cocolalla Lake Bible Camp (CLBC)

- Summer camp season is fast approaching.
- To register or more information please go to: clbcamp.org
- Special Shuttle bus will be available for all camps. Contact Pastor John for more info.

CAC (College and Career) Group

CAC is a place to hang out! After a stressful day of working or studying come relax with the CAC. Ages 19 to ??? 6 to 8 pm. Bring a dish to share and/or a game to play.

- This month, CAC will be May 12th and the 26th.

Volunteer

The Youth ministries can use your time, talent, and prayers. If you are interested in volunteering or serving the Youth G.A.N.G we can sure use help, please contact: Youth Pastor John Doyle @ (509) 435-6393, E-Mail: tbfpdoyle@gmail.com



## Cocolalla Lake Bible Camp

Teen Camp	July 11-16, \$225
11 & 12 Camp	July 18-22, \$195
9 & 10 Camp	July 25-29, \$195
7 & 8 Camp	Aug 1-4, \$170



If you shop around, you'll find out these prices are really low; but you can save a lot more. You can save \$15 by pre-registering at least 10 days before your camp starts. You can save another \$15 with a discount coupon available at Church. If cost will still keep you out of camp, talk to Pastor John or Pastor Steve for a scholarship.

Another perk to Cocolalla? Many of the teens your kids know from Awana will be working as staff at camp. You can ask for your child to be placed in a cabin with his/her friends, and they will be sleeping at camp with their best friends!

Big Change—Camps start on Mondays this year. Pastor John has offered to drive kids to camp if needed.

For mor information, go to [www.clbcamp.org](http://www.clbcamp.org).

## Celebrate Christmas at Vacation Bible School

Mark your calendars for June 20-24. It's time for Christmas in June!

Bible lessons this week will feature the Christmas Story; taught in ways that will capture the attention and interest of students who already know what happens. Crafts and Snack will be Christmas-themed, but games will be all Summer!

The biggest thing about this VBS is that it focuses on Samaritan Purse's Operation Christmas Child Shoebox program. Kids will be packing shoeboxes during VBS, to be sent out for this Christmas. Mission money raised during VBS will go to cover shipping costs, and anything above that will support Samaritan's Purse's other ministries.

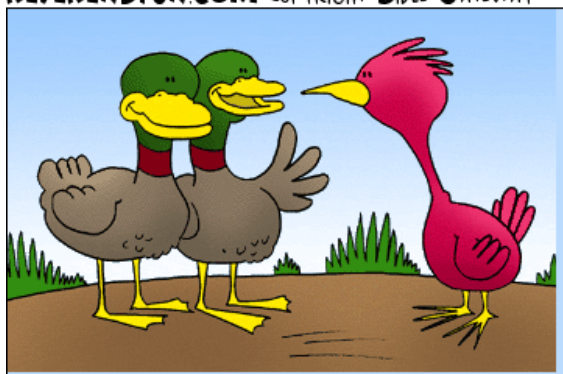
Adults—are you looking for ways to help? We need lots of toys, school and hygiene items, and clothing donations to go in the boxes. We are also still looking for volunteers

If you want to help, contact Katelyn Bell.



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(See Genesis 2:18-25) 05-27-2003

SO ADAM NAMES ME "DUCK", NAMES MY BUDDY HERE "DUCK", THEN NAMES THIS OTHER DUDE "GOOSE" AND RUNS AWAY

Prefer to get your Newsletter by email? We can do that! Contact the church office at [tbfdavenport@hotmail.com](mailto:tbfdavenport@hotmail.com)



I tried to tell the kids that the first week of May was 'Dress Like A Walrus Night,' but they're too sharp for me. The only night of Awana in May is the Closing Program!

Mom and Dad, you are welcome to join us and celebrate your child's achievements with us for this special night. Once the awards are all handed out, cake and punch will be served.

This evening takes less time than a normal Awana night. If you drop your child off, plan to pick them up at 7:00, instead of the usual 7:30.

What's next?

Vacation Bible School! See the article above for more Information.

Cocolalla Lake Bible Camp! For ages 7 to teenagers; see the other article above.

September! Come back refreshed and ready to go in the fall.

**Missionary of the Month:**



**Vicente & Maria Reyna**  
Serving in Mexico



# May 2022

Women's Ministry Leader: Janice Emery  
Group Members: Joan Wintersteen  
Lori Rieth  
Allyson Morrison



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Coffee Fellowship Youth Group 3:30—5 pm	2 Evening of Prayer 7 pm	3	4 Awana 6 pm Closing Ceremony	5 Elders Meeting 6:30 pm	6 Youth Leadership 5 pm  Spring Scrapbook Retreat @ CLBC May 6 & 7	7
8  Happy Mother's Day	9	10 Mission Committee Meeting 5:30 pm	11	12 CaC 6 pm	13 Youth Leadership 5 pm  Men's Retreat @ CLBC May 13 & 14	14  Church Work Day Starting at 8 am
15 Youth Group 3:30—5 pm	16 Evening of Prayer 7 pm	17	18	19	20 Youth Leadership 5 pm	21 Men's Breakfast 8 am  Preparedness Class Noon—2 pm
22 Youth Group to do Laser Tag 3:30—8 pm	23	24	25	26 CaC 6 pm	27 Youth Leadership 5 pm	28
29 Communion/ Benevolence Offering	30	31				