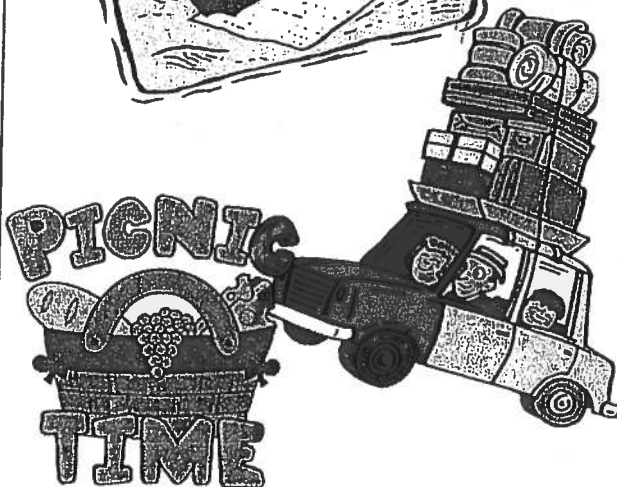
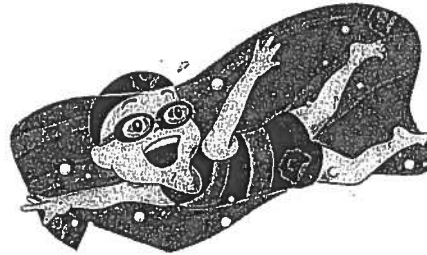


# WHITNEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

August  
2018

Rev. Christina Thompson, Pastor

Worship with us  
every Sunday at 10:00 a.m.  
3315 Overland  
Boise, Idaho 83705



OPPORTUNITIES  
Worship 10:00 a.m.  
Adult Sunday School  
8:30 a.m. (summer  
hiatus)  
Bible Study 9:30 a.m.  
Children's Sunday  
School 10:20 a.m.  
Nursery 9:30 a.m.

Mondays  
River Bank Choir  
(summer hiatus)

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays  
Stephen Ministry  
6:30 p.m.

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays  
Shawlers 6:30 p.m.

Second Tuesday  
Congregational Care  
10:00 a.m.

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday  
United Methodist  
Women 12 noon  
(summer hiatus)  
Wednesdays  
Prayer and Share  
small group 1:30 p.m.  
Chancel Choir –  
(summer hiatus)  
pickup choir Sunday  
a.m.

Thursdays  
WEPRAY team 3:00  
p.m.

6 Ways to Sunday  
Praise Band 5:45  
p.m.

3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays  
Community dinner  
6:00 p.m.

1<sup>st</sup> Saturdays  
United Methodist  
Men 9 a.m.  
(summer hiatus)

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From our pastor.....



On any given day at the church, you might find someone making sandwiches for Saturday lunch, setting up tables for one of our food ministry programs, sorting clothes for Joseph's Closet or volunteering at Whitney Elementary. Whitney United Methodist Church is well known for serving people in our community.

But why do we serve? Why do we make sandwiches for Saturday lunch? Why do we prepare a hot meal for our community on the third Friday? Why do we volunteer at the school?

Many other organizations serve people, but as a church we serve out of the example of Jesus. Jesus saw the needs of people all around him and met those needs whether it was people who were hungry and needed food, people suffering from illness and needing healing, or people who just needed someone to listen to them. Jesus served people out of love and compassion and calls us to follow his examples.

In the gospel of John, Jesus gets up from the table and puts a towel around his waist and washes his disciples' feet like a servant would. Then he says to his disciples "I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set for you an example that you should do as I have done for you." John 13:14-15.

Jesus offers us the example and call to serve one another, to see where others need both their physical needs as well as their spiritual needs met and to reach out and meet those needs through the provisions of God.

It is in the example of Jesus, that, we, at Whitney, serve people in our community.

Our vision statement expresses this belief.

*Our vision is: To be a gathering of Joyful, Excited Followers of Jesus Christ serving our Community Spiritually, Intellectually, and Physically.*

A few years ago, Whitney UMC went through a consultation process where we prayerfully discerned the mission focus that we felt God was calling us to be a part of. Our Mission Focus is: *To Disciple, Serve and Provide Resources to Children and Families.*

As we began to focus our mission to children and families, more opportunities opened up for us to be present at Whitney Elementary. We have volunteered at outreach events, have a couple of members go to the school on a regular schedule to read to children and continue to donate clothing and shoes as needed. We do all of this out of the example of Jesus and out of our desire to be a good neighbor in our community.

As we serve others, we realize that we are serving, feeding, and reading to Jesus. In Matthew 25, Jesus says "For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to visit me. . . Whatever you did for one of the least of these, you did it for me." (Matthew 25:35-36, 40).

I am amazed at all of the ways that this congregation fulfills God's vision and mission for this church. I know that through our hands and feet, many people in our community experience the love and grace of God on a regular basis and we receive blessings in return.

Blessings

Rev. Christina

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN  
*from Lory Nesor*

Each year, United Methodist Women members prepare for faithful living and action by studying mission studies. Each year 3 mission studies are offered – a geographical, topical and spiritual growth study. These studies motivate, inform and enrich our commitment to global ministry. This year there were several Mission U events held in our conference. Johnna Dunten, Linda Budolfson and Lory Nesor attended an event in June at Meridian UMC. Following are their reactions to the event:

Linda Budolfson enrolled in the topical study entitled: *What About Our Money – How we relate to money in the context of our faith.*

She writes: “I went to an interesting study that included discussion, videos and working together in small groups to discuss the economic system that influences the way we all live our lives. A lot of the discussion was the way our economics has a very negative effect on those who can least afford extra costs. We discussed how we work so hard to have things we only think we need and the desires that drive us to be rich don't necessarily make us happy. The time it takes to gain riches may be time better spent with family or doing things that bring us joy. A discussion about the widening economic gaps and trying to ensure that people make a livable wage was thought provoking and discouraging. I am happy to have been involved in the study which was led by Rochelle Killett.

Lory Nesor took the spiritual growth study entitled, *Seeking Health and Wholeness.*

This study explores the ways God has called us to live in covenant relationship with all of creation and challenges us to work toward stronger and healthier relationships with creation, our communities, ourselves and God. We had an excellent instructor, Pastor Jenny Willison, who led us through meaningful discussions and activities. In addition to the study, I really enjoyed the worship services which coordinated with the three studies. And of course, the fellowship at UMW events is always very special.

Johnna Dunten writes:

“What an amazing way to expand our knowledge of various parts of the Methodist Church we may not have learned. Any woman is welcome to attend whether you are part of the UMW or not. Next year, come. Mission U is a great two day gathering to have fun, enjoy food together, take part in the open fellowship and attend faith-growing workshops.”

This year I attended one of three Mission study break-out sessions. Sue Chambers, our session leader, guided us through three of the United Methodist Church's Indian Missionary Conferences (Alaska, Red Bird [Appalachian] and Oklahoma). Some of my tablemates were descendants of Indians in these Conferences and added to the knowledge we gained from reading Missionary Conferences of the United Methodist Church in the United States written by J. Ann Craig.

One of the sections in my class was REPENTENCE. 1) Can you see us? *Become Aware* 2) Doing a new thing? *Commit to action* 3) Can you hear us? *Be aware of the voices.* Remember, there is no “I” in team.

*Mission U is the place to be in 2019. Exciting and rewarding.*

*The next meeting of Whitney United Methodist Women will be on Sept. 5 with a potluck at 12 noon. All women are invited and welcome.*



## KATHY AND ARNY SKOV

*by Ramona Walhof*

Kathy Skov's parents, Chick and Evelyn Little, and her grandma, Annie Lyals, were part of the group who started Whitney Community church in the little white house located on the property at Overland Road and Owyhee St. before the church was organized or built. The neighborhood was full of young families. Mothers started a Sunday school. Two Methodist ministers, Dr. Charles Donaldson and Dr. T. C. Acheson, purchased 4 lots for \$2600. Dr. Donaldson continued to raise funds so that a church could be built.

Kathy remembers that she and her brother, David, grew up in the Sunday school where her mother and grandmother taught. Her mother later sang in the main choir and led the children's choir. The church was officially organized in 1944 when a Methodist minister was assigned. Kathy's Dad was head usher for quite some time.

Kathy attended the old Whitney Elementary School where the playground is now located. Arny and Kathy both attended South Junior High but did not know each other until later. Since Borah was under construction, junior high continued through the tenth grade for Kathy. She was in the second graduating class from Borah High and then attended Boise Junior College for a year and a half. She lived in Fort Collins, CO. and Pocatello and had 3 children from her first marriage. Later, she returned to Boise and lived for a time with her parents.

Arny graduated from Boise High and attended several colleges. He finished his formal education in 1967 with a Master of Fine Arts degree. He returned to Boise and taught Graphic Design at BSU for 29 years.

Kathy and Arny met on a blind date. They dated for a little more than a year and decided to combine their families. They were married in 1970 at Whitney Church and raised 4 children together. Arny also became active in the church, and their children were part of the Sunday school. Kathy says "The people in this church have always been caring, loving, wonderful people". They are very close to their 4 children and 7 grandchildren and are proud of all of them.

Their oldest daughter, Mara, is now teaching school in San Francisco. Her son, Larson, is enrolled at Columbia University in New York City.

Son, Mike, is a psychologist in Boise and has three children: Logan who graduated from the College of Idaho, Connor who is a student at BSU and just returned from a semester in Thailand, and Karlyn, now studying at BSU.

Their daughter, Angela, teaches school in Boise and has a daughter Isabella who earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Washington University in St. Louis MO and took a job there with Bowling. Angela's son, Ben, will begin at Northwestern University in Chicago this fall. The Skov's youngest daughter, Lisa, is a teacher in West Ada County and has a son, Jake, who is working in Boise.

After the Skovs were married, Arny urged Kathy to return to college. She took one course at a time in the evenings until she received her degree from BSU in education in 1978. She taught kindergarten for 19 years at Franklin Elementary School.

Both Arny and Kathy retired in the late 1990's and have enjoyed traveling together for the last 20 years. They bought the house they live in when they were married and are still living there. That helped save funds for retirement.

Kathy and Arny find ways to serve the church by doing coffee once a month on Sunday morning, help with community dinners, prepare communion, and work in Joseph's closet. Arny helped design the look of the front of the sanctuary and the outside of the church. Arny has been able to create and fix things and at times assists Malcom with repairs and other work on the building. Arny also compiled a history of the "footprint" of the church which is kept in the church office. Kathy puts the labels on the Cliff bars that are distributed to the kids every Wednesday after school during the school year.

God, family and church have been both important and satisfying to Kathy and Arny. They celebrated their 48<sup>th</sup> anniversary in May. Arny celebrated his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday in May and on June 30 all the children and grandchildren will gather for a family reunion. Their home and church are here and will continue to be here as they have always been, but their retirement is allowing them to explore and appreciate the rest of the world.

## WHITNEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CONNECTION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!

Last school year 18 of our Whitney church people volunteered at Whitney Elementary for various activities throughout the year. THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!! Summer is quickly coming to a close and school will be starting soon. The school will need our help for several of the activities which will be held in August prior to school beginning or as it begins. The activities are listed below. If you can sign up for any or all of them, please see Rev. Christina or Lory Neser.

### **August 9 – Ready, Set, Go**

This will be held at the Boise School District Office from 4-7. There will be busses provided for parents and volunteers from Whitney Elementary. The purpose of the event is to provide a health clinic as well as used clothing.

**Volunteers needed: As many as possible.**

### **August 17 – Sneak Peak**

This event will be held at the school in the evening for the parents and children to see the school and talk to the teachers. School supplies will be handed out.

**Volunteers needed: 3-4**

### **August 30 – Neighborhood Block Party**

This event is held every year and Whitney Church is one of the sponsors. We usually have a table of information, games, candy and donate items for the meal. More information about this will be coming later.

**Volunteers needed: The whole church is invited. It is a fun neighborhood event.**

*If you are able to volunteer on a regular basis as a tutor, mentor or reading buddy, there are many opportunities available. After school starts, there will be a process for signing up to do this.*



**Nourishing Communities Together**

#### **Save the Date:**

Wednesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018

8am-4pm

The Riverside Hotel

2900 W. Chinden Blvd. Boise ID

#### **Keynote Speakers:**

Allison Bovill-Ammon - Children's Health Watch

Andy Naja-Riese - Agricultural Institute of Marin County

Participate in facilitated small group workshop discussions on hunger and food security in Idaho. Learn how hunger and food insecurity impacts all Idahoans. Come be a part of the solution and identify 'next steps' for Idaho.



\*For more info, email [info@idahohungersummit.org](mailto:info@idahohungersummit.org)  
or visit <http://www.idahohunger.org/2018-summit-on-hunger-and-food-security>

## CALLING ALL KIDS !!!!

### *Outdoor Wet and Wild Games*

Saturday Sept. 8th,

4:30-6:30 PM

tacos and limeade for dinner

**Come with your kids and have fun  
and help out.**

**Be ready to get WET!!**



**COOKIES, COFFEE and CONVERSATION WITH THE PASTOR --- August 26**

Are you new to Whitney?

Are you interested in more information about the church?

Do you want to join the church?

Please get your coffee or juice and cookies from the counter and join Rev. Christina near the front of the Sanctuary for conversation and refreshments. Will happen the Fourth Sunday of every month!

**SAD CLOSURE**

After 125 years, Ontario First UMC held its last church service on June 17. Ontario First United Methodist Church has been a great place to raise a family, hold a fish fry, support Scouting programs, a home for drug and alcohol rehabilitation programs, and learn how to dance western swing. According to church history, in the 1890s, Ontario was a town of "dirt streets, many saloons and only one Congregationalist minister." There were often traveling preachers who came through town, but in 1892 approximately 30 "stalwart individuals" got together to form what was the original Methodist Church in Ontario. Worship was held in a rented storage building, a schoolhouse and private homes. Over the years the church has been home to a Seventh Day Adventist congregation, has a long history of creating bibs for the local nursing home and supplying layettes for those living in poverty, and has raised up many Eagle Scouts, Society of Distinguished High School students and more. In 1959, the church boasted 389 members, but now, for various reasons, the number has dwindled to 20 or less and it is obvious that just maintaining the building is no longer feasible. After many conversations, members donated their building to the Origins Church but the church family is determined to stay together with hopes of someday resurrecting their old Ontario FUMC and resuming services there. For the time being, they have transferred their membership to Payette UMC

**THANK YOU to members of Whitney United Methodist Church.**

On behalf of St. Vincent dePaul, I want to thank you for your kind gift.

Your generosity and compassion for others is essential to our mission of helping those in need.

You have made a difference in the lives of many. Please know how deeply St. Vincent dePaul values and appreciates your kindness!

Thank you and God bless.

Becky — Volunteer for SVdP



**AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

- 6 Glenna Finley  
Billie Lirgg
- 8 Anne Gallagher
- 9 Jim Nolan
- 12 Mike Cooper  
Hannah Hopson
- 16 Bob Storm
- 17 Ann McQuade
- 19 Lois Wand
- 20 Jenneth McNeas-Ayodele
- 21 Lexandria Schacter
- 27 Kaylyn Fournier
- 31 Ian Gris

**ANNIVERSARIES**

- Kathy & Lew Hammers
- Bonnie & David Hawk
- Nancy & Jim Kerns
- Linda & Breck Long
- Sharon & Richard Miller
- Jody Baer & Gordy Myre

**WYLIE SCHOOL VICTIMS DONATIONS**

Thanks to the generous donations from our congregation \$275 was sent to the IRC to be used exclusively for the families involved in the tragic stabbing incident at the Wylie Complex. WUMC also gave thirty stuffed toys and animals for all the children living in the complex.

## Whitney Neighborhood Block Party

We're having a party and YOU are invited! Whitney Elementary School will be hosting a neighborhood/back to school party on Thursday evening August 30. It will be an opportunity for parents to meet their children's teachers, followed by an opportunity to meet their neighbors. Whitney Church will have a booth as well as help with the food. We will need help:

BEFORE THE EVENT: Creating fliers and stuffing bags; cookie donations, planning the booth

DAY OF THE EVENT: Set up, Food (grilling and serving), staffing the booth, clean-up

Watch the Sunday worship bulletin and the screen for more detailed information. If you are interested in participating with help, see Rev. Christina or Lory Nesor

### HELPING HANDS

Do you have an hour or two to share your time and talents to fulfill services to Your church?

- A. The prayer cards and giving envelopes need to be replenished weekly. That is also the best time to clean out the pockets of old bulletins flyers and various other items left the previous Sunday. There needs to be a writing utensil (pen with ink or sharpened pencils) in each chair's pocket. Are you interested? Please contact Malcom for details.
- B. Are you willing to be called/texted or emailed to come in and help set up chairs (tables-sometimes) for special events or Sunday worship? Contact the front office because they would know when these events will be happening.
- C. The church property always has those hearty weeds growing and they need to be pulled/dug up. No need to check with anyone - feel free to take care of them when your time allows.
- D. Do you proofread? This is helpful for bulletins, flyers and the Chronicle. Just need to chat with Phyllis for details.
- E. Anytime to make some phone calls to parishioners? Callers are always appreciated to call congregants who we haven't seen for awhile, those who need a listening ear or who might need an answer to a question.

### AUGUST HOSPITALITY

#### August 5

Acolytes — Grace Fridel and Miriam Fridel  
Greeter — Robert Burge  
Coffee hosts — Gena Waller  
Liturgist— Johnna Dunten  
Communion stewards —Clint Wachi, Joyce  
and Jim Obland

#### August 12

Acolytes — Noa Nesor and Kaylyn Fournier  
Greeters — Lory Nesor, Lorrie Baer  
Coffee Hosts —Mikki and Tyke Carr, Gaye Cabe  
Liturgist — Jana Hedges

#### August 19

Acolytes — Miriam Fridel and Noa Nesor  
Greeters —Kathy Hammers, DeDe Matthews,  
Coffee Hosts —Arny & Kathy Skov, Gordy & Jody Myre  
Liturgist — Nick Alexander

#### August 26

Acolytes —Grace Fridel and Kaylynn Fournier  
Greeters —  
Coffee Hosts —  
Liturgist —Judith Alexander



**WORSHIP WITH US**  
Every Sunday  
10:00 a.m.

# AUGUST

**AUGUST 2018**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
(dates and times subject to change)						
5 10:00 a.m. Worship 9:30 a.m. Nursery 9:30 a.m. Adult Bible study 10:20 a.m. Children's SS	6 10:30 a.m. Finance 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry	7 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts	8 1:30 p.m. Prayer & Share small group 6:00 p.m. Summer potluck	9 3:00 p.m. WEPRAY Praise Band 4:00 p.m. "Ready, Set, Go" at Whitney School	10 Sawtooth family camp *****	11 ***** 10:30 a.m. Saturday Lunch
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