

"It's Giving Thanks"

Pastor Ryan Pearson 2 Corinthians 9:6-15



NOVEMBER 23, 2025

AL COMMUNITY

NORTHWEST CONNECT FOOD BANK

Northwest Connect is needing donations Our Children's Christmas Musical, of dry and canned goods like rice, beans, pasta, soups, vegetables, chicken & tuna. Food supplies can be dropped off at Northwest Connect (4520 N. Crestline St. Spokane, WA 99207) on Mon. 8-10 am, Tues., 8 am-12 noon, & Thurs., 8-11 am. For other drop off times, or to donate financially you can visit nwconnect.org. For more info, see Barb Wold.

ADVENT DEVOTIONALS

As we prepare our hearts for Christmas, there is a family Advent Devotional available: "Hope for All the Earth." For those who signed up for devotionals, you can pick them up at the Welcome Center. We will also have some extra ones next week available as well.

HANGING OF THE GREENS

On **Sunday, November 30**, during morning worship, we will be having our "Hanging of the Greens Service" where we kick off the Christmas Season Traditions. Immediately following the service, we will gather in the gym for an **All Church Brunch** fellowship. Come join us and bring breakfast food to share!

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

There will be no Wednesday Night Activities on November 26. The Church Offices will also be closed from November 24-29th.

COOKIE & ORNAMENT EXCHANGE

Our Women's Ministry is hosting a Cookie and Ornament Exchange, on Saturday, December 20th from 12 **noon-2:00 pm** in the Fireside Room. Bring your favorite cookies and an ornament to exchange. See Nita for details.

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday: Barrett Bible Study...... 11:00 am Benn Bible Study 11:00 am Dutrow Small Group 6:30 pm **Wednesday:**

Shafer Small Group 6:30 pm

CHILDREN'S

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS MUSICAL

Double Take, "a look at the Christmas story through Matthew and Luke," will be presented on Sunday, December 14. Parents, please make every effort to attend the Wednesday and Sunday practices.

Practices to note: Wed. Dec. 3rd- 1st 6:30-8pm

Full Rehearsal Sat. Dec. 6th

Record Solos & Angels

Sun. Dec. 7 4:30-5:30pm Dress Rehearsal

Wed., Dec. 11 6:15-8:15

Dress Rehearsal

Sat., Dec. 13th 10:00-3:pm Final Dress Rehearsal followed by lunch and a movie.

CAROLING/KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY

On Wednesday, December 17th, our kids will be **Caroling at Touchmark Retirement Center at 5:30 pm.** We will be meeting at the church at 5 pm. (For those who would like to meet at Touchmark, please arrive by 5:20 pm). Immediately following our caroling time, our Kids will have their Bethel Kids Christmas Party & Gift Exchange at the Church, **from 6:30-8 pm**.

NYC '26 WONDER

We have 3 teens, <u>Brandon Brockman</u>, <u>Cora Shafer</u>, and <u>Emmitt Yanes</u>, and Pastor Ryan attending Nazarene Youth Conference (NYC) on June 29-July 11. The cost for is \$2,700. Lift them up in prayer, and watch for opportunities to help with financial support.

TREE OF SHARING

Beginning today, Sun., Nov. 23rd, our annual **Tree-of-Sharing** ministry for needy families begins. You can take a tag from the tree and bless a child by purchasing items on their list. (Make sure to include your tag with your gift so we know which child you are blessing). Tags marked with an "A" are due back by **December 3**rd. All other tags are due by **December 14**th.

Or, you can donate money, marked, "Tree of Sharing" and the funds will be used to purchase gifts for left over tags. See Barb Wold for more details.

WORLD EVANGELISM

Faith Promise Funds Received

(March 1-November 22)

\$7,990.84 (Goal: \$18,000)

ALL COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR

| November 23 | Tree of Sharing Begins |
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| November 30 | Hanging of the Greens Service |
| November 30 | All Church Fellowship Brunch |
| December 13 | Dress Rehearsal/Movie for Children |
| December 14 | "Double Take" Children's Christmas Musical |
| December 17 | Caroling/Kids Christmas Party |
| December 20 | Women's Ornament Gift Exchange |
| December 24 | Christmas Eve Service |

<u>District Prayer Emphasis For this Week:</u> Pray together for **Prosser Harvest** Church of the Nazarene. Lift up Pastor Rob & Marlin McGraw and Pastor Debbi Whitney. Pray for them as they walk through every open door to share Christ. Pray for Midpoint Assessment November 21-23. Lift up our Ministers in Training as they learn more about themselves and their ministry.

Mission Area Emphasis this Week: Pray for the region of MesoAmerica. Pray for the compassionate work among the poor and disaster areas, for those ministering in media to communicate the gospel, for child development programs, for the ministry of caring for widows and orphans, and for Christians to be strengthened in their faith as they "Make Disciples" and are a blessing to their communities.



SERMON NOTES:

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