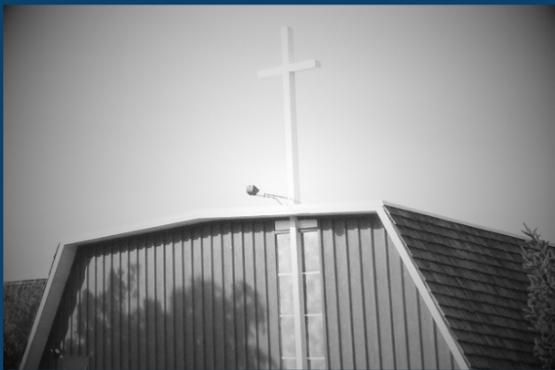


# TRINITY UMC & ST. PAUL'S UMC NEWSLETTER

July 17, 2025



## Sunday Morning

July 20, 2025

Rev. Elizabeth McVicker

Scripture: Psalm 85

Sermon: "The Hymns of Our Faith:  
It is Well with My Soul"

Services are streamed on Facebook Live  
Trinity Sunday Worship at 9:00 AM and  
11:00 AM at St. Paul's UMC



IDAHO FALLS UNITED METHODISTS  
TRINITY & ST. PAUL'S  
TOGETHER

## Elizabeth's Epiphanies

Dear Friends,

The focus of the sermon this Sunday is "It is Well With My Soul". This hymn was written during a time of tragedy for the composer, Horatio Spafford. Yet, he chose to accept his loss and continue to trust in God. The song has comforted and inspired countless believers. I hope it will speak to your heart. See you in worship! If you can't attend in person, you can always catch the service on Facebook at your convenience.

*-Rev. Elizabeth*

"TO MAKE DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST FOR THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE WORLD"

**TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH-SUNDAY WORSHIP 9:00 AM**

237 N. WATER AVE. IDAHO FALLS, ID 83402 | 208-522-7921

**ST. PAUL'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH- SUNDAY WORSHIP 11:00 AM**

1730 ST. CLAIR ROAD IDAHO FALLS, ID 83404 | 208-522-9076

# TRUE NORTH SUMMER BIBLE CAMP



## REGISTER NOW!!!!

Join us for an unforgettable adventure at True North Summer Bible Camp, where kids will be guided on the ultimate Alaskan journey, exploring majestic mountains, racing rivers, and glistening glaciers. Along the way, they will discover the unwavering truth that Jesus is a faithful friend we can always trust, no matter the challenge. When we wonder, feel alone, or need help, Jesus is the one we can always count on. This summer, your child will experience the beauty of God's love while having fun in the great outdoors!

**Dates: July 21-24**  
**Time: 9:00 AM - Noon**  
**Ages: 4 years old - 5<sup>th</sup> grade**

## THIS WEEK

### SUNDAY

- 9:00am Worship at Trinity UMC
- 11:00am Worship at St. Paul's UMC
- Young Adults Bible Study 3pm at Trinity UMC

### MONDAY

- **Summer Bible Camp Begins! St. Pauls UMC 9 AM**
- Scouts BSA Female Troop at 6pm at St. Paul's UMC

### TUESDAY

- **Summer Bible Camp St. Pauls UMC 9 AM**
- Pickleball at 4:30 pm at St. Paul's UMC
- Third Tradition AA Meeting 7:00 pm at St. Paul's
- N.A at 7:00 pm at Trinity UMC

### WEDNESDAY

- **Summer Bible Camp St. Pauls UMC 9 AM**
- Men's Coffee at 8:30 or 9am at Perkins
- Women's Outreach & Fellowship 9:30 am at St. Paul's
- Upper Room Study at 10:00 am at Trinity UMC
- Cub Scout Pack Meeting at 6:30 pm at Trinity UMC
- Scouts BSA at 7:30 pm at Trinity UMC

### THURSDAY

- **Summer Bible Camp St. Pauls UMC 9 AM**
- Pickleball at 4:30pm at St. Paul's UMC
- Women's AA Group Meeting at 6:30 pm at St. Paul's

### FRIDAY

- N.A. at 7:00pm at Trinity UMC
- Candlelight N.A. at 7:00 pm at Trinity UMC



## UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

**Mission U 2025: "Building a Bridge of Friendship with Our Indigenous Neighbors"**

Join us July 25-26 in the Parlor at The Trinity Church. If you've registered, please remember to bring a notebook and pencil for taking notes, as well as a sack lunch for Saturday.

**Save the Date: Ice Cream Social - August 14**  
Mark your calendars and invite a friend!  
Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy a sweet time of fellowship.



**UPCOMING LAY SERVANT  
MINISTRIES COURSE OFFERINGS ON  
ZOOM  
(SEPT. – DEC. 2025)**

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**INTRODUCTION TO LAY MINISTRY  
THE BASIC COURSE**

September 9 – October 14, Tuesdays, 6:30 – 8:30 PM PT (PNW)

**ADVANCED COURSES FOR THE COMMON  
GOOD, DISCOVERING AND USING YOUR  
SPIRITUAL GIFTS**

- September 29 – October 13, Mondays & Thursdays, 6 – 8 PM PT (OR-ID)

**LAY PASTORAL CARE GIVING**

- October 16 – 30, Thursdays & Tuesdays  
6 – 8 PM PT (PNW)

**CALLED TO PREACH**

- October 22 – November 19, Wednesdays,  
6 – 8 PM PT (PNW)

**LEADING WORSHIP**

- Nov 1 – 22, Saturdays, 9:00 – 11:30 am PT  
(PNW)

**JUSTICE IN EVERYDAY LIFE**

**(UM Social Principles)**

Nov 4 – 13. Tuesdays & Thursdays,  
6:30 – 9:00 PM PT (OR-ID)

**LEADING PUBLIC PRAYER**

Nov 17 – December 15, Mondays, 6 – 8 PM PT  
(OR-ID)

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**This information is also available from  
Mountain Sky, Alaska, Pacific Northwest,  
and Oregon-Idaho Conferences and on  
Facebook at:**

**<https://www.facebook.com/UMCLaity>**

**If you want to register for a course, please  
follow the instructions on that course's  
flyer found at the church information area  
or contact the church office.**

**WHERE THERE IS HELP  
THERE IS HOPE**

- **Narcotics Anonymous** Tuesday's and Friday's 7pm at Trinity United Methodist Church.
- **Candlelight Narcotics Anonymous** 7pm at Trinity United Methodist Church
- **Women's AA** Thursdays 6:30pm at St. Paul's United Methodist Church
- **Third Tradition AA Group** Tuesdays at 7 pm at St. Paul's UMC



## MISSION U 2025 BUILDING A BRIDGE OF KINSHIP WITH OUR INDIGENOUS NEIGHBORS

July 25-26 at Hillview United Methodist Church,  
Boise, Idaho

July 25-26 Virtual via ZOOM

July 11-12 Schedule - In person

### Friday Schedule:

8:30 AM Registration

9:00 to 9:45 AM. Opening worship, land acknowledgement, and community building

10:00 - 11:50 First Session: Doctrine of Discovery with Rochelle Killett

12:00 to 12:45 PM Lunch

1:15 PM. Field trip to Idaho History Museum or Discussion group from the study book

GIVING OUR HEARTS AWAY by Thom White Wolf Fassett

4:00 Debriefing from the field trip and discussion group

4:40 Ice Breakers and Social Time

5:30 Dinner

6:30 Evening Program - Native Creation Stories  
Ice Cream Social

### Saturday Schedule:

8:30 Continental Breakfast

9:00-9:45 New Day, book discussion, social action presentation, where our offering goes to help indigenous people

9:45-11:45 Second Session: Impact of government law and policies on the lives of Indigenous People with Chris Mitchell.

11:45 Legacy Update with Lory Nesper

12:00 Lunch

12:45-2:45 Third Session: Truth Telling and Restorative Justice with Allen Buck

3:00 Closing Worship with communion.

ZOOM Mission u July 25-26 - Virtual

Friday Schedule:

3:00-3:30 Welcome, Land Acknowledgement, Devotional

3:30-5:30 First Session: Doctrine of Discovery with Rochelle Killett

### Saturday Schedule:

9:00-9:15 Welcome, New Day Devotional

9:15-11:00 Second Session: Impact of government law and policies and events on lives of Indigenous People with Chris Mitchell.

12:00-2:00 Third Session: Truth Telling and Restorative Justice with Allen Buck  
Closing Worship with communion

Register at the link or QR code below to Oregon Idaho Conference Mission u  
<https://www.umi.org/umwmissionu>



INTERESTED IN PLAYING PICKLEBALL AND PUTTING SOME FUN IN YOUR LIFE?

Ralph Halsted will be offering free lessons at St. Paul's UMC gym Tuesday's and Thursday's at 4:30 pm. Open play will follow. Paddles and balls will be available. Please wear good court shoes. Cross-trainer shoes lead to turned ankles!

For questions, talk to Ralph or call the church office.

THERE IS A REASON WHY PICKLEBALL IS THE FASTEST GROWING SPORT...AND THAT IT'S FUN!

## You're Invited!

**2025 Sage District Annual Celebration**  
**"Won't You Be My Neighbor?"**  
**Saturday, September 27, 2025**  
**Boise First United Methodist Church**  
**717 N 11th Street, Boise, ID 83702**

Join United Women in Faith from across the Sage District for a day of fellowship, inspiration, and community at our 2025 Annual Celebration! This year's hybrid event is centered around the warm and welcoming theme, "Won't You Be My Neighbor?" – a call to connection, kindness, and collective mission.

### Event Details

#### In-Person Attendance:

Begins at 9:00 AM MDT, concludes by 3:30 PM

Location: Boise FUMC

Registration: \$10

Optional pre-ordered box lunch: \$20 (includes sandwich, chips, and cookie – drinks provided)

You're welcome to bring your own lunch if you prefer.

#### Virtual Attendance (via Zoom):

Begins at 9:20 AM MDT, concludes by 3:30 PM

Registration: \$10

Zoom link will be sent to the email provided on your form.

 Registration Deadline: September 15, 2025

No refunds after September 22, 2025.

#### Box Lunch Options:

Turkey

Vegetarian

Gluten-Free (available upon request)

Need housing for the event? Indicate your interest on the registration form, and we'll try to match you with local hospitality.

Scholarships available for first-time attendees – please contact Bettye Seavey for more details.

#### Memorial Service

All local units are encouraged to send names for the Memorial Service to Bonnie McOmber at [bjdlmcomber@live.com](mailto:bjdlmcomber@live.com).

### How to Register

Pick up a registration form at your church office.

Fill it out completely, including meal and attendance preferences. Mail the form with a check made out to United Women in Faith to:

Bettye Seavey

368 South Pennant Place

Meridian, ID 83642

[bluebettye45@gmail.com](mailto:bluebettye45@gmail.com)

Let's come together in faith, mission, and neighborly love. Whether you're joining us in Boise or tuning in from afar, we can't wait to celebrate with you!



## Mark Your Calendars – Sunday Service in Island Park!

ISLAND PARK SUNDAY is coming soon.

The St. Paul's choir will provide music for the 10:00 a.m. service at the Little Church in the Pines on July 27th.

The church is also asked to provide cookies for the fellowship time after the service. During the service we will provide greeters, ushers and readers. Please look at the signup sheet in the hall by the fellowship hall and sign up to help where you can. We welcome others to come and participate in the service and join us for lunch at Ponds Lodge afterwards.

### Men's Coffee Group:

Wednesdays at 8:30 am at Perkins. All men are invited.

### Women's Outreach and Fellowship Group:

Wednesdays at 9:30 am at St. Paul's

### United Women of Faith

The UMW meets at Trinity UMC at 1:00pm the second Thursday of each month. UWF will not be meeting until August 14<sup>th</sup>. Enjoy your summer.

### United Methodist Women's Luncheon

**Tuesday August 12 at 1pm. All women are invited to a luncheon. The location Smittys. Please talk to Sharon Evans for more information.**

### Sunday School at Trinity

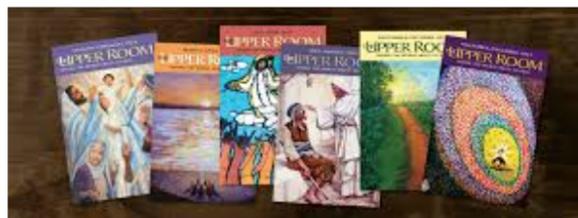
Sunday School for children is offered each Sunday at Trinity during the 9am worship service. The children experience worship in the sanctuary and then go to Sunday School after the Kid's Message.

**"... all Christians are called to minister wherever Christ would have them serve and witness in deeds and words that heal and free."**

- ¶ 128 of the 2020/24 United Methodist Book of Discipline

## Young Adult **BIBLE STUDY**

**Sundays at 3pm  
at Trinity United Methodist Church**



### UPPER ROOM STUDY

**Wednesday mornings at 10:00 am  
at Trinity UMC.  
All are welcome.**



## FREE Tailgate Party

Join us for a free\* tailgate prior to the Idaho Falls Chukars vs. Ogden Raptors game!

**July 18<sup>th</sup> - 3:30-6:30pm @ Highland Park**

**Bounce Houses   Live Pony Carousel   Sno Cones  
Jousting   Obstacle Course   Cotton Candy  
and MORE!**

First 1,000 attendees get a **FREE** JustServe wristband!  
JustServe t-shirts will be thrown during the game!

**Community Food Basket** donation barrels will be at the gate.  
Please bring **BOXED** cereal to help our food insecure neighbors.  
Donate 3 or more boxes and get a raffle ticket.

\*party is free to attend, but a ticket must be purchased to receive admission to the game



### **MONDAY ONLINE BIBLE STUDY GROUP**

Everyone is invited to Participate.  
The group is going to begin another adventure in the old Testament!  
We are studying through Lamentations.

**We meet via zoom at 11am  
Monday mornings.**



**CONTACT JEANIE HUGHES OR USE THE QR CODE TO CONNECT.**



# Countdown to Christmas 137 days to the Celebration of Jesus' Birth

**SUNDAY,  
AUGUST 10**

## **Fundraiser Lunch for Christmas Adopt-A-Families**

Each year SPUMC adopts approximately 25 families in need from our surrounding community and ensures each member of the family receives appropriate Christmas gifts which are shopped for, purchased, and wrapped by the members of our congregation. In addition we provide the means for the family to have a special holiday meal. In the past this was done by shopping for massive quantities of food which was divided up into individual food boxes for each family and distributed on the pickup day. More recently we have changed to giving each family a \$175 gift card (Winco Foods- Friends & Family card-no alcohol or tobacco). We believe the gift card provides the families with more choice, maintains their dignity, and gives an opportunity for a family shopping experience.

**The grocery gift cards are what drives our fundraising goal- 25 families @\$175 each = \$4375**

Current plans include a menu of grilled chicken, pork tenderloin, baked beans, coleslaw, fresh baked rolls, and pie. There are also plans for a Silent Auction so if you have something special you'd like to donate, please let us know.

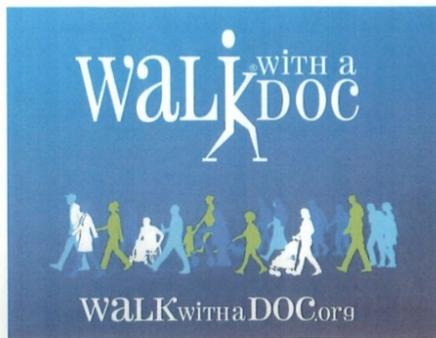
**If you have any items you would like to donate for the Countdown to Christmas silent auction, please contact Jerry Cass, Connie Dobbins, or Paula Blair.**

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**If you would like help with the fundraiser or to take a more active role in the Christmas Adopt-A-Families please contact Jerry Cass, Connie Dobbins, or Paula Blair.**



## COMMUNITY EVENTS



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**SATURDAYS  
AT 09:00AM**

- ▶ JUNE 7, 2025
- ▶ JULY 12, 2025
- ▶ AUGUST 9, 2025
- ▶ SEPTEMBER 13, 2025
- ▶ OCTOBER 11, 2025
- ▶ NOVEMBER 8, 2025
- ▶ DECEMBER 13, 2025

More info →



**Location:**  
Community Park  
455 E 25th St, Idaho Falls

**208-701-2777**

**Website:**  
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Portneuf Medical Center  
**Southeast Idaho  
Senior  
Games**

**July 9-19  
2025**

REGISTRATION:  
Online: [seidahoseniorgames.org](http://seidahoseniorgames.org)  
or in-person

208-233-2034  
214 E. Center St. Suite 30  
Pocatello, ID 83201

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## REFLECTION: WE ARE THE CHURCH TOGETHER

We choose to be United Methodist. No matter where we live, our core beliefs about how we live out our faith unite us. Our local congregations have an impact around the world when we join with other ministries.

We lift our voices in praise and celebration when we sing, "I am the church, you are the church, we are the church together! All who follow Jesus, all around the world, yes, we're the church together." (We Are the Church, United Methodist Hymnal #558)

### A new Vision

Recently, a new denominational Vision was unveiled: "The United Methodist Church forms disciples of Jesus Christ who, empowered by the Holy Spirit, love boldly, serve joyfully, and lead courageously in local communities and worldwide connections."

I love this description of our shared ministry. Our mission statement remains, based on The Great Commission Jesus gives us in Matthew 28:19, to "go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

As United Methodists, we make disciples of Christ for the transformation of the world.

Our new Vision describes the disciples in our church, and how they live out their faith locally and globally. We are actively present and working in communities around the world. The United Methodist connection has about 10 million members, in more than 100 countries, on four continents: Africa, Asia, Europe and North America.

Written by Rev. Tiffany McDonald an Ordained Elder in The United Methodist Church serving in the Minnesota Annual Conference.



## TUESDAY NIGHT CONCERT ARE BEGINNING!

The Idaho Falls Methodist are making these Tuesday night concerts a group event. We will be in the third row back on the west side (riverside) by the big bush. There is a rumor of cookies and bottled water on hand. Come and join us for some wonderful music.

Tuesday evenings, 7 p.m.

Free to the public!

Greenbelt Stage (near Memorial between D and E Streets)

## SCHEDULE

- **July 22nd** - IF Blues Project - Blues
- **July 29th** - County Line - Country & Southern Rock
- **August 5th** - Opskamatrists - Ska
- **August 12th** - McMurphy Brothers & Co. - Americana
- **August 19th** - The Not Brothers - Cowboy Corn
- **August 26th** - Mike Banks Jazz Quartet - Jazz

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**“There is surely a future hope for you, and your hope will not be cut off.”**

**Proverbs 23:18**

## 2025 CHURCH COUNCIL & STAFF

Trinity UMC

**Pastor:** Rev. Elizabeth McVicker

**Chair of Admin Council:** Gene Summers

**Lay Leader:** Tommy Lew

**SPRC:**

**Trustee:** Don Rohde

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Jim Mason

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