

ST. PAUL'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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November 26, 2023

Twenty-Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

Gathering		Ann Shively
Welcome		Melinda Ginosar
Prelude	"Chorus of Thanks"	Ann Shively
Acolyte		Izzy Perez
Call to Worship		Chris Holden
Hymn	"Now Thank We All Our God"	p.102
	Congregational Singing	
Pastoral Prayer		Melinda Ginosar
Lord's Prayer		
Kids Time		Melinda Ginosar
Offering	Gathering our Gifts	
Offertory Music	"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"	Chancel Choir
Doxology	"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"	p.94
	Congregational Singing	
Offertory Prayer		
Scripture Reading	Luke 10:25-37	Chris Holden
Sermon	" Sheep vs. Goats: 4th Quarter, 2 Minute Warning "	
	Tommy Lew	
Hymn	"Make Me a Channel"	
	Praise Team and Congregational Singing	
Communion	The Great Thanksgiving	
	Prayer After Communion	
Hymn	"House of the Lord"	
	Praise Team and Congregational Singing	
Benediction		Tommy Lew
Closing Song	"Thanks God"	
	Jerry Shively, Praise Team and Congregation	
Postlude	"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"	
	Jerry and Ann Shively	
	Helping with worship today	
Worship Leader		Melinda Ginosar
Preacher		Tommy Lew
Kids Time		Melinda Ginosar
Musician		Jerry Shively and Ann Shively
Choir Director		Jason Peters
Liturgist		Chris Holden
Lead Usher		Jerry Johnson
Praise Team Leader		Nancy Copp
Sound and Video Tech		Mosy Moran
Acolyte		Izzy Perez

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Sunday Worship Service
11:00 am

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

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CERTIFIED LAY MINISTRY

Lately, there has been talk about Certified Lay Servants for St. Paul's UMC. I reached out to DS Karen Hernandez to find out about the process of becoming certified, she put me in contact with Emilie Kroen, Director of Lay Servant Ministries, Oregon-Idaho Annual Conference (503)-312-4138, kroen@yahoo.com.

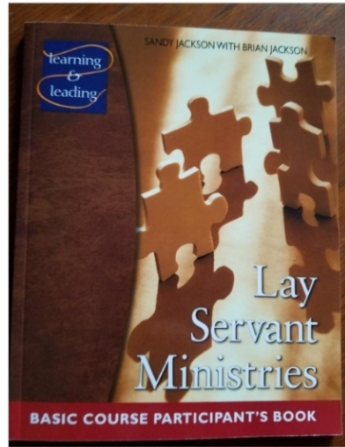
She sent a copy of the Lay Servant Ministries Catalog; a copy has been put on St. Paul's website, www.umcstpauls.com, on the Resources page.

In the first 10 pages, you will find all the information about becoming a Certified Lay Servant, Certified Lay speaker, and Certified Lay Minister (except what is expected by the Sage district committee on ministry). The catalog also includes lots of courses, many of which are available at <http://www.beadisciple.com>.

In addition, as courses become available via Zoom, I will be happy to notify you via email. The first course to take is the Basic Lay Servant Course. She anticipates this being available on Zoom in mid to late January. Each course is 10 hours in length, generally taught in five 2-hour blocks.

Chris Holden

Lay Servant Ministries Basic Course January 23 - February 6, 2024



TIME: Tues & Thurs 6 – 8 pm PST
Jan 23, 25, 30, + Feb 1 & 6 2024

LOCATION: On Line Zoom Course

INSTRUCTOR: Emilie Kroen,
Oregon - Idaho Conf.
Director of Lay Servant Ministries
& Cindy Abbey, CLM

COST: The cost of the book

REGISTER By Jan 16, 2024:

Email: ekroen@yahoo.com, or
Call or text Emilie at 503-312-4138
Provide your Name, Address, Phone #
And your local church setting.

Lay Servant Ministries *

Sandy Zeigler Jackson and Brian Jackson

Participant's Book • DR626 • 978-0-88177-626-3 • \$11.00

Participants' books available at Cokesbury and from Amazon in paperback and for Kindle.

The "Introduction to Lay Ministry: The BASIC Course" is the foundational course for Lay Servant Ministries. This is the gateway course for those who are called to be Certified Lay Servants, Lay Speakers, and Lay Ministers. And can also be part of a person's discipleship plan to acquaint you with their gifts, calling, and responsibilities as followers of Christ.

**Each participant must have a book and be fully engaged in all 5 sessions with audio and video capability active.*

The Lay Ministries classes are being offered in November. The classes are essential for the development of leaders for both Methodist Churches in Idaho Falls. We will need members to step up for the future of our church. The classes are FREE! The only expense is the cost of the book, and your time. If you are interested in becoming a lay leader, you must start with the Lay Servant Basic Course. It is being offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays, January 23,25,30, + February 1 and 6, 2023, from 6 to 8pm PST. After this class, you will be eligible for the Spiritual Gifts, Methodist theology, Methodist Devotional life, and preaching class. These classes have blessed my life, and I am sure they will be a blessing to yours as well.

-Tommy Lew

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DECORATING FOR ADVENT

You are invited to help us decorate for the Advent season. We will be decorating St. Paul's UMC on November 27th at 9:30 am. Come and join the fun!



FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

Men's Coffee Group: Wednesdays at 8:30 am at Perkins. All men are invited.

Women's Coffee Group: Wednesdays at 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall at St. Paul's UMC.

Soup for the Soul: December 14th at 12:00 pm at St. Paul's UMC. Chicken Stew will be served.

GROW

WEEKLY PRAYER GROUP

Come and join St. Paul's weekly prayer group at 12:30 pm on Wednesdays in the parlor. All are welcome.

SAFE SANCTUARY PRESENTATION

Join us on Sunday December 3, 2023 as we go over the Safe Sanctuary Policy for St. Paul's UMC. We will be discussing this during the Sunday Worship service that begins at 10:00 am.

GO

ADVENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Looking for people to lead or help with a one room Sunday School program during the four weeks of Advent that will be held during Sunday worship.

Contact Melinda Ginosar for more information.

HOME BUILD UPDATE



This week the furnace and ducting was installed and the sewer lift pump is plumbed into the drain lines. The bathtub was installed in the lower bathroom, and sink wall of the kitchen is plumbed with hot and cold water, drain lines and electrical work is also done!

**'TIS THE SEASON
TREATS AND TEA**

SWEET TREAT COMPETITION
& RECIPE EXCHANGE
WITH A LOVE OFFERING FOR THE
WOMEN'S MINISTRY

DECEMBER 2 • 2-4PM

COME SHOW OFF YOUR HOLIDAY
TREAT SKILLS & PICK UP SOME
NEW RECIPES TO SHARE WITH YOUR
FAMILY AND FRIENDS!

Christmas Adopt-A-Family 2023

St. Paul's Church is excited to offer Christmas Adopted Family program this year with a Giving Tree located in the Church entry area. Christmas is a time to bring ALL of St. Paul's Family together as the Light of Christ within our community. We are planning to accept up to 20 families this year.

DUE DATE FOR ALL APPLICATIONS

Sunday, November 5th. We will accept applications no later than **November 12th.** (Applications cannot be accepted for families who are receiving other Christmas help.) Please let us know of any families or individuals you recommend.

- We accept families YOU (Our Church Family) recommend. Applications are available in the church office and can be picked up during office hours **Mon-Thurs from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**
- We are also accepting families through St. Vincent de Paul, and two elementary school counselors in our area.

How You Can Help

- You can purchase gifts for the adopted family members, or donate money through St. Paul's UMC to purchase gifts and food. Make a note on your check "for Christmas families".
- ** If you are interested in adopting an entire family, please contact Mary Bash before November 12th.**
- **The Christmas Giving Tree will be available by Sunday, November 12th.** It will be available a little early this year due to the service we will be attending at Trinity on November 19th.
- If you would like to purchase a specific gift, but can't get to the church to choose from the Giving Tree, you can call and I would be happy to help you identify a gift you wish to provide.

RETURN GIFTS TO ST. PAUL'S GIVING TREE BY SUNDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 10, 2023

Shoppers may be needed! If you like to shop, please volunteer now!

Shoppers will be provided with a list of items needed and a gift card with funds for those items. Contact Connie Dobbins to volunteer.

Holiday Food for our Adopted Families! One of the most important gifts we give this Christmas is food! Each adopted family will receive a Gift Card in the amount of \$175 to purchase their holiday foods at WinCo.

Wrapping party: There is a wrapping party scheduled on December 13th, in the Sonshine room at the church from 10:00 a.m. until we finish. If you would like to help, contact Connie Dobbins.

Gifts will be handed out to the adopted families on Saturday, December 16th, from 9 a.m. to noon.

Families are asked to Drive by and pick up their gifts in St. Paul's Parking Lot. If any family is unable to come and pick up their gifts, delivery volunteers may be needed. If you are interested in providing a delivery if needed, please contact Mary.

In this season of preparing to celebrate the birth of Jesus, may the Light of God's love shine brightly into a dark world, bringing Hope to the world.

Mary Bash
Jerry Cass St. Paul's Mission Coordinator

This Week At St. Paul's UMC & Trinity UMC

Sunday, November 26th

8:30am Fellowship Coffee & Donuts at Trinity UMC

10:00am Worship at Trinity UMC

Worship Service at 11:00 am at St. Paul's UMC

Fellowship time following service at St. Paul's UMC

Choir Practice at 12:30pm at St. Paul's UMC

Monday, November 27th

Decorating for Advent at 9:30 am at St. Paul's UMC

Scouts BSA Female Troop 6:00 pm at St. Paul's UMC

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

Tuesday, November 28th

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

Wednesday, November 29th

Men's Coffee at 8:30 or 9 am @ Perkins

Women's Coffee Hour at 9:30 am. Meeting at the parsonage this week.

Upper Room Study at 10:00 am at Trinity UMC

Prayer Group at 12:30 pm in the Parlor at St. Paul's

Gather at the Table @ 6:30pm at Trinity UMC

Cub Scout Pack Meeting at 6:30 pm at Trinity UMC

Praise Band Practice at 7:00 pm at St. Paul's UMC

Scouts BSA at 7:30 pm at Trinity UMC

Thursday, November 30th

Women's Bible Study at 1:00pm at St. Paul's UMC

Women's AA Group Meeting at 6:30 pm at St. Paul's UMC

Friday, December 1st

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

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

Saturday, December 2nd

Ladies Tea Party 2pm-4pm at St. Paul's UMC

Sunday, December 3rd 1st Sunday in Advent

8:30am Fellowship Coffee & Donuts at Trinity UMC

9:00am Worship at Trinity UMC

Worship Service at 11:00 am at St. Paul's UMC

Safe Sanctuary Presentation

Fellowship time following service at St. Paul's UMC

Choir Practice at 12:30pm at St. Paul's UMC

Call to me and I will answer you...

Jeremiah 33:3a

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