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## From The Pastor's Desk

### ***“When I Grow up, I am Going to Be...?”***

When we are young the question of who we are going to when we grow up is a natural and important question. I am not convinced that it is a question that ever gets completely answered because we are always “works in progress.” The answer is different at different times in our lives. Could it be that this ongoing question is a normal part of our journey with and toward the Lord Jesus? In the movie “Up” that we are showing, Saturday, September 16 at 2pm prior to our Lift Sunday on September 17 the two main characters wrestle with this identity question. Carl, an older gentleman is searching for his last chance to live into a dream he has had for his life. Russell, a young and overeager boy wants to live into his presumed identity as a “Wilderness Explorer.” They are very different, but they share the question of “who they are going to be.” This question is behind their shared quest as they embark on the adventure of a lifetime.

On this Lift-off Sunday (September 17) we are going to begin a shared adventure together asking this question of identity. As we look to Scripture to find our story, we are going to take a deep dive into the life of the prophet Jeremiah. We know a lot about him as a person because Jeremiah is very open about who he is and the joys and challenges that were involved in his life. Over six weeks we will examine how the Lord shaped him and how He shapes each of us. For those who want to go even deeper we will have some copies of Eugene Peterson’s book Run With The Horses which was the impetus for this series. For any of our small groups who want to explore this you can either use the study guide provided in the bulletin or we can order you the study guide Excellence by Eugene Peterson (just call the office and let us know – 509.786.1594).

Thank you for serving coffee hour this month!  
September 10: OPEN  
September 17: LiftOff Sunday & Potluck  
September 24: OPEN  
October 1: OPEN



Blessings,

Pastor Paul Fredericks

# Covenant Presbyterian Church



September 3  
Pastor Paul Fredericks

September 10  
Pastor Jacki McNair

September 17  
Pastor Paul Fredericks

September 24  
Pastor Paul Fredericks

## Home-bound Communion

The first Sunday of every month is an opportunity for our church family to celebrate the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ through partaking in the Lord's Supper. We want everyone who has placed their faith in Jesus Christ to have the opportunity to participate, but we are aware that some in our family are not able to get out due to bad weather or physical problems. However, our Deacons will be available to bring Communion to those who want to receive it on that Sunday. Please call the church office (786-1594) and let us know if you aren't going to be able to be in church and would like to have Communion in your home.



## Giving options:

- bring to worship on Sunday's
- mail your check (we have a secure, locked mailbox)
- drop your check off at the office
- set up bill pay through your bank
- go to our website and look for the giving tab



## Annual Apple Pie Making-October 14

We are making apple pies on Saturday, October 14. We will need many volunteers; young, non-experienced and experienced hands-all are welcome! We will be serving lunch for all of our volunteers. Bring your apron and favorite peeling knife. Sign up in the narthex if you can come down for a few hours or all day.

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Apple pie order sheet will be out soon! \$12/pie and 6 per family please. We are making a max of 250 but it will take everyone's help to get them done. Thanks!



# RENOVATE



January -August 2023

Actual Income: \$219,571.00\*  
Actual Expenses: -\$203,072.16\*\*  
Excess \$ 16,498.84

\*denotes that 5 pledges are paid in full for 2023

\*\*expenses are estimated; incorrect billing from medical benefits insurance is still getting straightened out.

RENOVATE 3 YEAR GIVING TOTAL (2018-2020):  
\$432,041.40 (96% of pledges were fulfilled)

RENOVATE EXTENSION (1/2021-6/2023):  
Total Received: \$139,872.00

LOAN BALANCE 9/5/23: \$61,244

## RENOVATE

We are excited to share that our renovate loan balance is **\$61,244!** Thank you for your generosity and continued giving to get to this point. A few months ago we sent out a letter that we would like to make it our goal to get this paid off by next June. Several ways to make our goal: 1) for those who give towards the campaign, keep on keeping on 2) for those who may not have been able to give but your situation has changed; write renovate in the memo line of your check 3) for those of you who are new to our church family and are not sure what the renovate campaign is please reach out to the office 4) for those who have funds invested in MDCP you could consider pulling out your investment and give that directly to pay down the loan 5) the church has funds invested in MDCP and recently we pulled out \$18,000 to put towards the balance of the loan (reflected above) leaving enough funds to keep our low interest rate. If you have any questions please call the office and again **THANK YOU!**

## Join us for Lift Off Weekend!

Saturday, September 16  
2p showing of the Disney movie “Up”  
Free popcorn & bottled water.

Sunday, September 17  
9a hot air balloon tethered rides for kids  
(weather permitting)

10a worship followed by a potluck & games  
(please bring a side dish or dessert to share)

Parking lot will be closed off for the hot air balloon.  
Parking can be found on the street, Wilson Family  
Eycare, and the courthouse overflow parking.

**INVITATIONS:**  
please invite your friends, neighbors,  
co-workers, and family!  
Invites are in the narthex.



## **PROMISELAND**

for children 4 years old -5<sup>th</sup> grade

**Our fall season begins  
September 24th!**

Please join the PL Team as we begin a journey through the Book of Judges.



**YOUTH GROUP Kick-Off!**  
**Middle School & High School**  
**Wednesday, September 13**  
**5:30-7:30p**  
**Dinner, Bible Study,  
Fellowship & Friends**

## **Isaac (Thailand) Recovery Update**

Please continue to pray for Isaac's recovery from spinal surgery. He was able to come home on August 18 and is transitioning well. He is getting around pretty well and can put his back brace on himself. He is trying to keep up with school work from home but hopes to go to school soon.

Isaac shared a special video with us. He says, "hello, I'm out of the hospital now. I am already walk too. Thank you so much for the finances for my surgery and thank you for praying for me."



Social media platforms to keep connected:  
Instagram: prossercovenantpres  
Twitter: @PCovenantPres  
Church website: [www.prosserpres.org](http://www.prosserpres.org)  
Find us on Facebook too!

## **Facebook Live Stream**

We have church family and friends or even yourself that may watch on Facebook consistently or from time to time. Due to Facebook restrictions some Sundays we are unable to stream the songs. For those services the Facebook live stream will begin between 10:10 and 10:15am. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

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Covenant Presbyterian Church,

Thank you so much for letting us have Philip A. Whitney memorial service at your church. Susie, Jeanice & media crew did a fantastic job with the media. Kathy, Susie and Alicia (funeral team) also did a fantastic job with the post memorial meal. Our family is truly blessed to have such a wonderful church family. Pastor Paul & Pastor Jacki, thank you for your caring words and prayers. We greatly appreciate all you have done for us. Our Dad would have loved the memorial service and the meal. Thank you so much! Arva Whitney, Linda Kirk, Andy Whitney and Angela Andrews and our families.

Dear Covenant Presbyterian Church,

Thank you for all the food you provided for my mom's service. Our entire family appreciates your support. It was such a comfort to have the support from my church family during this difficult time.

Sincerely, Jodi & Kora Sabin

Church Work Party-Saturday, September 9 @ 8am

Do you have a few hours to give? We have a variety of mostly light duty jobs around the church to get ready for 'Lift Off' Sunday and our upcoming fall ministries.

Please join us this Saturday! We will have water, coffee, and muffins ready for you and all the supplies necessary to make it a smooth morning. Thank you!

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you!

thank  
you!

HELP  
WANTED

Some of our students are heading to college for the first time or back to college this fall. If you'd like to send them a note of encouragement or just say "Hi" here are the addresses we currently have.

Isabella Martinez

SB# 1473

300 W Hawthorne Road  
Spokane, WA 99251

Kendra Candanoza

1020 Railroad Ave, Apt 101  
Bellingham, WA 98225

Mystery Morris

3300 W Camelback Road  
Phoenix, AZ 85017-3030

Issac Bestebreur

1006 S Main Street, Apt 301C  
Moscow, ID 83843

Grace Bestebreur

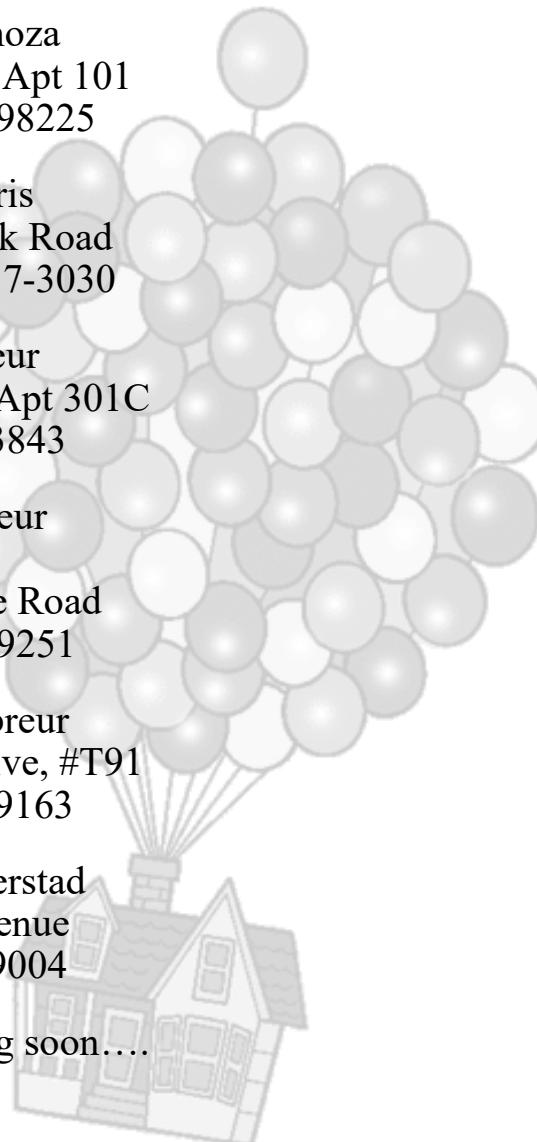
SB #1122  
300 W Hawthorne Road  
Spokane, WA 99251

Rebekah Bestebreur

710 SE Chinook Drive, #T91  
Pullman, WA 99163

Elizabeth Humberstad  
306 College Avenue  
Cheney, WA 99004

Luke Wolters-coming soon....



September Birthdays:

9/01 Ethel Bestebeur  
9/02 Eric Harwood  
9/02 Lydia York  
9/03 Donna Steen  
9/03 Glenn Bestebeur  
9/07 Will Schmick  
9/08 Carla Wyatt  
9/09 William Tudor  
9/10 Alan Walker  
9/11 Carie LaMarsh  
9/11 Arva Whitney  
9/13 Courtney Fredericks  
9/22 Joe Schnellbach  
9/22 Paul Fredericks  
9/26 Karen Don  
9/28 Shane Williams  
9/28 Mary Sue Patterson  
9/30 Jacob Wolters



October Birthdays:  
10/01 Stewart Padelford  
10/02 Janel Biegler  
10/03 Lorena Roehl  
10/04 Guy Auld



SEPT ANNIVERSARIES

9/01 Alex & Brandi Renollet  
9/10 Jim & Amy Milne  
9/23 Scott & Lorena Roehl



# SEPTEMBER 2023

**Sun**      **Mon**      **Tue**      **Wed**      **Thu**      **Fri**      **Sat**

<b>3</b> 10a <b>WORSHIP</b> <b>Nursery Available</b> Children's Church Pastor's small group	<b>4</b> States Day Outreach	<b>5</b> 10a Sun Terrace Bible Study	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 11a Wellness Class	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Church Work Party @ 8a
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<b>10</b> 10a <b>WORSHIP</b> <b>Nursery Available</b> Children's Church Pastor's small group	<b>11</b> 11a Wellness Class 530p Team Mtg 6p Session Mtg	<b>12</b> 10a Sun Terrace Bible Study	<b>13</b> 530-730p Youth Group	<b>14</b> 11a Wellness Class	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Movie Matinee "UP" @ 2p
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<b>17</b> <b>LIFTOFF</b> SUNDAY 10a <b>WORSHIP</b> <b>Nursery Available</b> Children's Church Pastor's small group	<b>18</b> 11a Wellness Class	<b>19</b> 10a Sun Terrace Bible Study	<b>20</b> 530-730p Youth Group	<b>21</b> 11a Wellness Class	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
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<b>24</b> 10a <b>WORSHIP</b> <b>Nursery Available</b> Promiseland Pastor's small group	<b>25</b> 11a Wellness Class	<b>26</b> 10a Sun Terrace Bible Study	<b>27</b> 530-730p Youth Group	<b>28</b> 11a Wellness Class	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
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