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*From the Pastor's Desk*

*March*

Hope is on the way! As we enter into the season of Lent we are moving toward the most important day in all of human history – the day of Resurrection (Easter)! We have been on quite the journey this past year and it seems appropriate, at least to me, that as we move forward, we focus our attention on our true source of hope – the Lord Jesus Christ. We have many hopeful signs around us. I witnessed another huge turnout of people getting the vaccine across the street from me at Housel Middle School. Schools have taken some cautious steps toward re-opening. Businesses and restaurants are opening back up. All very good signs. Of course, as we keep looking ahead, it will also be important to keep in mind some of what the Lord has been showing us in this past year. We tend to put our hope in things that are close at hand. We have seen that many of the things we placed our hope in were much more precarious than we thought – modern medicine, politics, and economic prosperity. These things may not be bad in themselves, but they cannot be a solid foundation for hope. The only foundation for hope is in the Lord Jesus Christ and what He has done for us.

As we approach re-opening on Sunday March 14 at 10AM let's celebrate the unbreakable hope given to us in Jesus Christ! Let's also keep in mind that we as a church family will be coming to this celebration with a variety of feelings and expectations. Some will be excited and some will be cautious. Both these feelings are appropriate. It will be exciting to have worship together. It will be exciting to have Promise Land for the kids. However, as some of your brothers and sisters are more cautious it will be important to remember that we will take the responsibility/opportunity to protect those who are vulnerable to the virus seriously. We will continue to require mask-wearing and social distancing. Our elders will follow up with any who need a loving reminder that this is a significant expression of love for others in our church family. The service will continue to be posted on our website and Facebook page for those who are not ready to get out into social settings yet. There will be opportunities to re-connect and fellowship together, but those will be better if they are done outside for the time being.

I hope you will be there! I am really looking forward to seeing you and all of us together!

Blessings,

Pastor Paul



*We can't wait to see you March 14!*



# COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



## RENOVATE

**Our Lives. Our Building. Our Community.**

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

RENOVATE EXTENSION (1/2021-6/2023):  
Total Renovate Extension Pledge Cards Recv'd: \$104,450  
LOAN BALANCE: \$199,991.57

### REMINDER:

In early December a letter was sent to update you on RENOVATE. Renovate was our 3 year building renovation campaign that started in 2018. We were able to make many beautiful changes and upgrades mostly to our main floor that we have now been enjoying for 2 years.

Many of you have responded and we are so grateful! If you haven't had an opportunity to respond and still would like to do that please mail your card back. If you have misplaced your card please reach out to Bonnie.

We appreciate your sacrificial giving that you have shown over the past three years. Call Bonnie if you have any questions. **Thank you.**

The church applied and was approved for the second draw of the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP). This is a federally funded program through the Small Business Association (SBA). The PPP was established with the intent to keep employees on payroll during COVID and covers a few other expenses. We will receive \$46,619; these funds have to be used according to the SBA and then will be eligible for forgiveness. If you have any questions please contact Bonnie.

# Commitment Reminder

This is a gentle reminder that if you haven't had an opportunity to make your 2021 commitment we would still appreciate yours!

Commitment options:

- \*A letter was mailed with a commitment card enclosed-fill out and mail back to the church.
- \*Commitment cards are available at the church-fill out & put in offering plate (at the back of the sanctuary).
- \*Go to our website ([www.prosserpres.org](http://www.prosserpres.org)), click on GIVE tab & then click on General Fund Drive.
- \*Email Bonnie at [bonniea@prosserpres.org](mailto:bonniea@prosserpres.org) with your giving amount.
- \*Call Bonnie at 509-786-1594 and she will take your commitment over the phone.

During these difficult times we are trying to reach everyone and be flexible as to how you can make your commitment. We really appreciate your generosity! THANK YOU!

## General Fund Giving



<u>January-February 2021</u>	
Actual Budgeted Income:	\$ 33,480.00
Actual Budgeted Expenses:	<u>\$-45,761.92</u>
Shortage	\$-12,281.92

**Giving options:**

- mail your check (we have a secure, locked mailbox)
- drop your check off at the office
- set up bill pay through your bank
- bring to church starting March 14
- go to our website [www.prosserpres.org](http://www.prosserpres.org) & look for the giving tab

Thank you for your commitment to our church family. If you have questions please call Bonnie at 786-1594.

## LET'S CONTINUE TO STAY CONNECTED....

\*Weekly mailings will continue to be mailed-we are providing family worship outline and study guide to you unless you call & let us know that it's not necessary to mail them to you.

\*Weekly sermon materials are available on the website. You can choose to open and view or print.

\*Facebook & Website-sermon's will be available **Sunday afternoon at 3pm.**

\*Email blasts-we are sending out emails to our church family with any changes/updates and prayer requests.

\*Our church family is being covered in prayer by staff and your Elders-we are family!

*\*The staff is available during the week for any concerns/ prayer requests, errands you need help with, or if you just need to talk.*



# PROMISELAND

THE BEST HOUR  
OF EVERY KID'S WEEK!  
For children preschool -5<sup>th</sup> grade

## Good News!

**Promiseland will begin meeting  
In-person on March 14<sup>th</sup>!**

All children preschool - 5<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome to follow the Promiseland Leaders downstairs right after the Children's Moment. Children will be released when the worship service has ended.

The PL Leaders and students will be following our Church's Covid Protocols

**Masks - social distancing - hand sanitizer**

Our Team is committed to being Covid aware for Large Group and Small Group storytelling, teaching, props, games, writing materials, and shared spaces/surfaces.



Cheri Eisen, is a licensed physical therapist that is offering Wellness classes here at the church. She focuses on geriatric wellness, fitness, strength, and general well-being. Classes are Monday & Thursday at 10am & another at 11:15am; \$5 each class. You may attend twice at no charge to see if this is something you would benefit from. Please call Cheri if you are interested as she can only have 5 per class right now. 816-510-5025



**Reminder:**  
Our Daily Bread and Upper Room devotional books are available outside of the Yakima Ave entrance. They are stored in a clear plastic tote-please stop by anytime.

**Our staff is here for you! There will be one staff member  
in the office Mondays through Thursdays.  
Please feel free to call any one of us on our cell phones:**

Pastor Paul 509.303.0765  
Pastor Jacki 509.378.9679  
Bonnie 509.832.0682

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Virtual Coffee Hour will meet one last time this Sunday, March 7 since we are re-opening worship the following week. We hope that this has been a blessing to those who have attended weekly via Zoom.



#### **Eat, Pray, and Study**

For those who want to go deeper personally and spiritually I am gathering a small group via Zoom at 7PM every Sunday to pray together and discuss the passage that was used in the sermon. In order to keep the discussion and interaction meaningful I will be limiting the size of the group to 10 people, but we have a few spots left. If you are interested email (pfredericks@charter.net) or call me (509-303-0765).

Pastor Paul



Do we have your email address? We have a great email program that we use for prayer requests, upcoming church events, volunteer needs, and weekly updates. If you want to be added please call Bonnie.



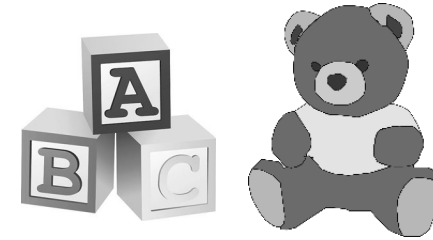
Social media platforms to keep connected:

Instagram: prosscovenantpres

Twitter: @PCovenantPres

Church website: [www.prosserpres.org](http://www.prosserpres.org)

Find us on Facebook too!



## **Nursery update**

At this time, the church nursery will not be available. We hope to offer this ministry to our youngest family members soon!

## **Youth Group**

**Prayer ~Talk ~ Text**

**Email ~ Zoom**

**We are here for you!**

**Times are strange and staying connected can be tough. Please feel free to contact Jacki for – well – for anything and everything! (really!)  
509-378-9679 or [jackim@prosserpres.org](mailto:jackim@prosserpres.org)**

*We understand that this school year looks different and it's certainly not what you were hoping for. Please know, that EACH of you are in our prayers!*

### March Birthdays:

3/01 Karen Bell  
3/02 Justin Cassidy  
3/02 Katie Don  
3/04 Jenny Urbanski  
3/04 Audrey Bonham  
3/06 Pat Humberstad  
3/09 Carole Pfeufer  
3/13 Elsa Anaya  
3/13 Logan Candanoza  
3/15 Dawn Fitzgerald  
3/15 Olga Slate  
3/17 Tammy Cassidy  
3/18 Jason Don  
3/18 Lily Jensen  
3/21 Margie Barmore  
3/22 Alan Jones  
3/24 Merritt Don  
3/27 Clare Padelford  
3/28 Wyatt Don



### April Birthdays:

4/01 Zach Renollet  
4/02 Diana Martin  
4/04 Susan Nelson



### March Anniversaries:

3/06 Carl & Marge Moore  
3/19 Paul & Ellie Fredericks  
3/27 Alan & Anne Walker

# MARCH 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 10 & 11:15a Wellness Class	2 9a Bonnie's Prayer Group Zoom	3	4 10 & 11:15a Wellness Class	5	6
7 10a Worship- Facebook or Web 11a Virtual Coffee Hour 7p Paul's Study	8 10 & 11:15a Wellness Class 6p Session Mtg via Zoom	9 9a Bonnie's Prayer Group Zoom	10	11 10 & 11:15a Wellness Class	12	13
14 10a <b>WORSHIP IN PERSON!</b> Promiseland 7p Paul's Study	15 10 & 11:15a Wellness Class	16 9a Bonnie's Prayer Group Zoom	17	18 10 & 11:15a Wellness Class	19	20
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