## MARCH 2020 NEWSLETTER



# MANITO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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# What's happening at Manito UMC!!!











# Auction Time....June 6th!!

Back to the GOS'

We will be selling tickets May 5<sup>th</sup> after Church for the auction. Tickets are \$30. There will be the dinner, Dessert Dash, Silent Auctions, and Loud Auction.

We will again have a "Wine Wall" at the auction. People donate a bottle of wine that is valued at \$20, and others are able to purchase a bottle in a "blind" drawing...it is a surprise what you get, and may be something you have not tried before. This is a

great chance for people to donate to the auction but do not know what to give.

Also this year, those persons who have donated a bottle of wine will have their name entered into a drawing for a chance at a special prize. Contact Ellen Adams (209-3150) if you have questions.

## Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Witness, & Service

## Our **Prayers**:

Please remember our friends, family, and neighbors who have asked for

special prayers this week:

Prayers for

Evelyn Torkelson's brother, Larry Bartee; prayers for Dolores Sauer; prayers

for *Tim Rundquist*; healing and recovery for *Shelly Kuney, Wes Ackerman and Joyce Reynolds*.

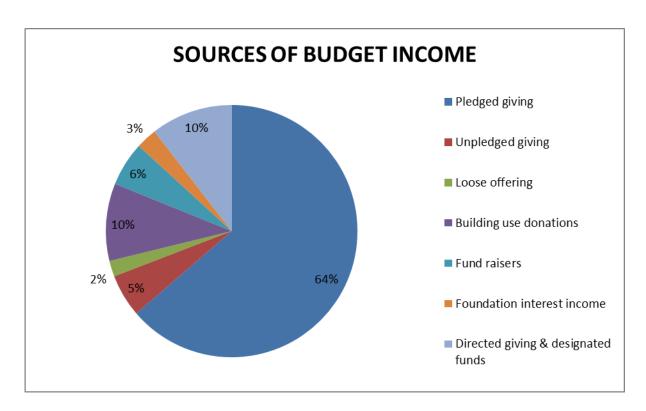


#### FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

2020 Annual Operating Budget: \$246,685

January 2020		February 2020	Year To Date thru February 29, 2020
Income	\$30,777	\$ 24,395	\$ 55,173
Expenses	\$ 8,924	<u>\$ 18,726</u>	<u>\$ 27,651</u>
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 21,853	\$ 5,669	\$27,522

In last month's newsletter we provided a graphical representation of the breakdown of the expenses of the 2020 operating budget. Here is a breakdown of the sources of income for the budget.



Manito recently received a letter from UMCOR in appreciation for our support of Global Ministries programs in 2019, including donations of \$600 each to missionaries Miguel Mairena and Nan McCurdy. Inland District Superintendent Rev. Gregg Sealey has recognized Manito for our fulfilling our covenant to give missionally through paying our 2019 apportionments to the Conference at 100%.

Family Promise of Spokane thanked Manito for our support of its programs in 2019, including cash donations amounting to \$884. Family Promise is committed "to equipping families and communities to end the cycle of homelessness in our city." In 2019 Family Promise helped 839 people, including 430 children, toward that goal.

The Finance Committee next meets in the Memorial Lounge at 7:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month. All members and friends of Manito are invited to attend.

Greg Plummer Chair, Finance Committee

## Hello Church Family,

Did you give up or take on something for Lent this year? People often use Lent as a way to adopt healthy habits for their lives. They'll give up chocolate, or take on exercising each day.

Sometimes a person will give up caffeine or social media, or take on read a book a week. And all of the things that people give up or take on are a great idea, and cultivate healthy practices for their lives.

But sometimes, I think we forget that Lent isn't just a diet, or a way to motivate ourselves to better living. Lent is a time for us to grow in our

faith, to
either give
up or take
on things
that make
room for the
work of God
in our lives
so as to



increase our spiritual health.

How can you create space for God to be at work in your life during the season of Lent? What might God be calling you to give up or take on?

Peace,
Pastor Tiffany

#### Hello Manito Church Family,

If you've been watching the news, you are likely aware that efforts to contain the coronavirus entered a new level of concern.

Officials from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) advised that places of public worship should prepare for the possibility of the new coronavirus spreading within local communities. At this time, we encourage anyone coming to Manito UMC to take the following preventative measures outlined by the National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases:

Stay home if you're sick.

Cover your cough.

Wash your hands frequently.

Do not shake hands – give an elbow bump instead.

Consistently clean frequently touched surfaces and objects at home, school, work, and large gatherings. Helpful videos about how you can prepare for the virus are available here (https://youtu.be/ANvNCk6546M) and here (https://youtu.be/7-IW0s2yJA0).

Peace, Pastor Tiff

Pastor Tiffany





# Mission Sunday March 15

The Volunteer Mission team will share about the trip to Mexico during worship service, then will provide some of the typical food served on the Tree of Life farm where we worked. A free will offering will be taken to help support the building of the next home for an impoverished family in that area.



We would love to have some help with decorating and food preparation on March 14. Please talk to Pat Nash, Polly Carlson or Liz West if you're available.



#### Sunday, March 1:

- SMALL GROUPS, 9:00am, Memorial Lounge
- Sunday Worship Service, 10:30 am
- Kids Sunday School & Nursery, 10:30 am
- Fellowship Hour, 11:30 am

#### Tuesday, March 3:

- Financial Committee Meeting, 7:00pm, Rm 108
- Men's Fellowship Group, 6:45 am, Rm 108

#### Wednesday, March 4:

• **SMALL GROUPS,** 10:00am, Rockwood and 7:00pm, Memorial Lounge

#### Thursday, March 5:

• Choir Practice, 7:00pm, Rm 106

## Friday, March 6:

• Lydia Square, 1:00pm, Rm 119

#### Sunday, March 8: Daylight Savings Time!

- SMALL GROUPS, 9:00am, Memorial Lounge
- Pepper Hospitality Meeting, 11:45am
- Sunday Worship Service, 10:30 am
- Kids Sunday School & Nursery, 10:30 am
- Fellowship Hour, 11:30 am

#### Tuesday, March 10:

Men's Fellowship Group, 6:45am, Rm 108

#### Wednesday, March 11:

• **SMALL GROUPS,** 10:00am, Rockwood and 7:00pm, Memorial Lounge

#### Thursday, March 12:

• Choir Practice, 7:00pm, Rm 106

## Sunday, March 15:

- Mission Sunday Worship Service, 10:30 am
- Luncheon, Mission Sunday
- Fellowship Hour, 11:30 am
- Kids Sunday School & Nursery, 10:30 am

#### Tuesday, March 17: St. Patrick's Day

- Manito Clergy Cluster, 1:00pm, Rm 108
- Men's Fellowship Group, 6:45am, Rm 108

#### Wednesday, March 18:

• **SMALL GROUPS,** 10:00am, Rockwood and 7:00pm, Memorial Lounge

#### Thursday, March 19: First Day of Spring!

• Choir Practice, 7:00pm, Rm 106

#### Friday, March 20:

• Lydia Square, 1:00pm, Rm 119

#### Saturday, March 21:

• THIRD Rehearsal, "Song of the Shadows"

#### Sunday, March 22:

- Sunday Worship Service, 10:30 am
- Kids Sunday School & Nursery, 10:30 am
- Fellowship Hour, 11:30 am

#### Tuesday, March 24:

• Men's Fellowship Group, 6:45 am, Rm 108

#### Wednesday, March 25:

• **SMALL GROUPS,** 10:00am, Rockwood and 7:00pm, Memorial Lounge

#### Thursday, March 26:

• Choir Practice, 7:00pm, Rm 106

#### Friday, March 27:

Lydia Square, 1:00pm, Rm 119

#### Sunday, March 29:

- Sunday Worship Service, 10:30 am
- Kids Sunday School & Nursery, 10:30 am
- Fellowship Hour, 11:30 am

#### Tuesday, March 31:

- Men's Fellowship Group, 6:45 am, Rm 108
- *SALT Meeting*, 7:00pm, Rm 108

Chloe Bafus—3/2

James Kieswetter—3/8

David Potter—3/9

Jim Heidenreich—3/10

Brian Newberry—3/10

John Sharp—3/12

Chris Rundquist—3/15

George Abrams—3/20

Jerry Nash—3/20

Mary Ann McCurdy—3/23

# March Birthdays!



Jeff Branson—3/24

Judy Boone—3/27

Joan Pettibone—3/27

Lindsay Robison—3/27

Megan Whitman—3/27

Dave Reynolds—3/28

Paul Caryl—3/29

David Leaver—3/31

Tim Rundquist—3/31