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Serving the congregation and friends of
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A “GENTLE” REMINDER

Dear Northwest members and friends,

As we prepare to celebrate our nation’s Fourth of July Independence Day, my thoughts turn to the word we, as in “we the people.” The first three words of the U.S. Constitution, “We the People” affirm that the government of the United States exists to serve its citizens. The United States is made up of many states coming together to form one country. “E Pluribus Unum,” Latin for “out of many, one”, is our motto.

Our founding fathers, in their wisdom, inserted the idea of separation of church and state in the founding documents, yet this separation is ignored by many that would see a theocratic form of government, with Christianity as the main religion. Christian nationalism seeks to merge Christian and American identities, distorting both the Christian faith and America’s constitutional democracy. We are called, as followers of Christ, to be in community as the Body of Christ, not for individual gain or privilege, but for the well-being of the entire Body of Christ. Christianity is the gathering of people “from every nation and tribe and people and language,” who worship Jesus (Rev. 7:9).

Let us give thanks for our freedom and the many blessings we enjoy in this country. Let us also remember that we follow Jesus, who calls us to co-create with God a world where justice, mercy, compassion, and love guide our steps.

Happy Independence Day!

Pastor Miriam

Happy Birthday!

08 Jennifer Jacobson

20 Ann Williams

13 April Willis

22 Nora Ayres

14 Ron Galpin

23 Lindsay Elliott

50in25 UPDATE

\$1,600



25%

50%

75%

Dec. 2025

Our 50in'25 campaign has started!

We want to raise \$50,000 to build back our church finances by the end of 2025.

In your monthly newsletters we will be using the runner graphic above so you will be able to see how the campaign progresses.

Although there's still a long way to go, if you can help keep our runner moving forward we'll meet our goal.

VISIONING TEAM UPDATE

Your Visioning team (Mike Dodson, Joanna Flatten, Shirley Wolf, Ron Galpin, Jennifer Jacobson, Dalene Zabel, and Pastor Miriam) has been diligently working.

We have met twice, in May to set out the goals of the team, and June when we walked the church property and examined the buildings. In addition, we have been interviewing members of the congregation to learn what you would like the church to do and what you believe are the great strengths of our church. This has been a positive and enlightening process.

Two things that have come up for discussion have been our name and our address. The name dates from the early days of Richland and the Hanford Project when churches adopted the United Protestant format. At this point, we are the only church that still has the UP in its name.

A consensus at the last board meeting was reached to transition to calling ourselves Northwest Church, a part of the Christian Church Disciples of Christ denomination. It certainly is easier to say, and it is a better definition of our church.

The second topic was our church address on Sacramento Blvd and our parking lot entrance on Wright Ave. After discussing options with the board, it was decided to keep the mailing address as Sacramento Blvd, and include a sentence saying that the parking entrance is located at 1315 Wright Ave.

These two changes are a direct result of interaction with the Visioning team and our congregation and the first of good things to come. Stay tuned for more, this is going to be great!

- Michael Dodson

JEFFERSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

The front page of this newsletter is a photo of the last donation that the congregation of Northwest Church sent over to Jefferson Elementary School last year!

We partner with the CISBF (Communities in Schools of Benton Franklin) to meet the needs of students in our local community.

Keep an eye out for more donation opportunities soon!



WAFFLE CHURCH?



The Worship Committee is planning an interactive service on Sunday, July 31st that will include breakfast.

If this sounds interesting to you, please contact Kay Humphrys or the Church Office to get involved in planning and volunteering!

UPCOMING SERVICE LIST

Date	Jul 03	Jul 10	Jul 17	Jul 24	Jul 31
Elder	Onnie	Joanna	Mike	Brad	Jennifer
Worship	Dalene	Brenton	Joe	Onnie	Stephanie
Song	Jennifer	Anna	Sue J	Kay	Sue J
Counters	Jim K Dalene	John Pat	Nancy Ron	Sue J Donna W	Nancy Ron
Sound	Mike	John	Aaron	Aaron	Aaron
Deacons	Donna W Joe Kay Candace	Jim J Dalene Valdez Sue J	Jim K Anna Ralph Bea	John Ron Debbie Nancy	Donna W Joe P Kay H Candace

WITNESS OF THE SAINTS

Sunday,	JUNE 5
In Finance:	
Loose Offering	\$23.00
NA Rent (Free Spirit)	\$62.50
NA Rent (Rush Hour)	\$62.50
TOPS Rent	\$62.50
Wk of Compassion	\$10.69
50in25	\$1,000.00
General Fund	\$1,671.00
Total	\$2,892.19

Sunday,	JUNE 12
In Finance:	
Loose Offering	\$1,115.00
NA Rent (MNST)	\$62.50
Vendor Refund	\$53.22
Pentecost	\$10.00
Total	\$1,240.72

Sunday,	JUNE 19
In Finance:	
Loose Offering	\$5.00
50in25	\$100.00
Flourish Rent	\$200.00
General Fund	\$1,175.00
Total	\$1,480.00

ATTENDANCE	
Sunday, MAY 01:	68
Worship	30
Facebook Live	38
Sunday, MAY 08:	69
Worship	26
Facebook Live	43
Thursday, MAY 15:	103
Worship	32
Facebook Live	71
Sunday, MAY 22:	28
Worship	28
Facebook Live	
Sunday, MAY 29:	73
Worship	22
Facebook Live	51

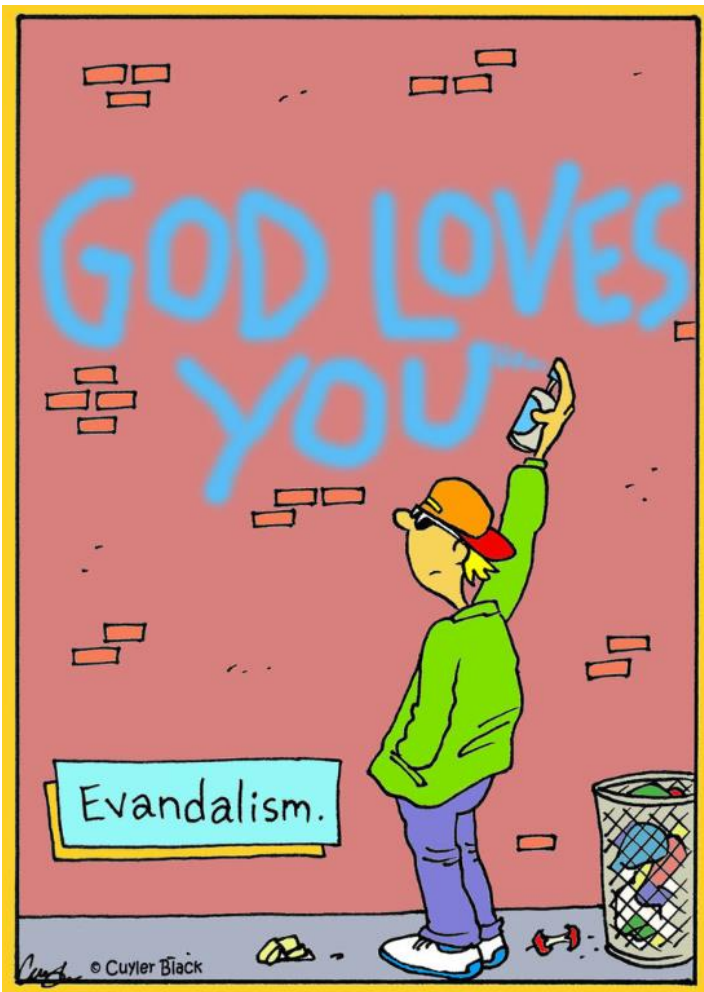
Sunday,	JUNE 26
In Finance:	
Loose Offering	\$15.00
50in25	\$175.00
General Fund	\$1,855.00
Total	\$2,045.00

Thank you to all our friends and members who continue to support NWUP. God Bless You

July 2022

 = Fellowship Hall Reserved
 = Parlor Reserved

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					01	02
					Pastor Day Off Parlor Reserved	
03	04	05	06	07	08	09
Worship 10 AM	Office Closed				Pastor Day Off Parlor Reserved	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Worship 10 AM			Stewardship 3:30 PM	Breakfast Bunch 8 AM	Pastor Day Off Parlor Reserved	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Worship 10 AM Elder's Meeting		Board Meeting 5 PM			Pastor Day Off Parlor Reserved	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Worship 10 AM	Food 4 Friends 1 PM			Breakfast Bunch 8 AM	Pastor Day Off Parlor Reserved	
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