

Announcements

- The **Teen Group** needs male chaperones for a trip over the Labor Day weekend. See Kelly for details.
- **Picture Directory** information sheets are available in the lobby or on our web page. Please fill them out and return them or mail them to Kay Elliot. And family pictures are being taken after service by Gary Hunt. Please get your family picture taken in the next few weeks.
- **Mountain States Fall Food Drive** –Please have donations at the building by Saturday, September 9, 2023. Lists are on the table in the foyer.

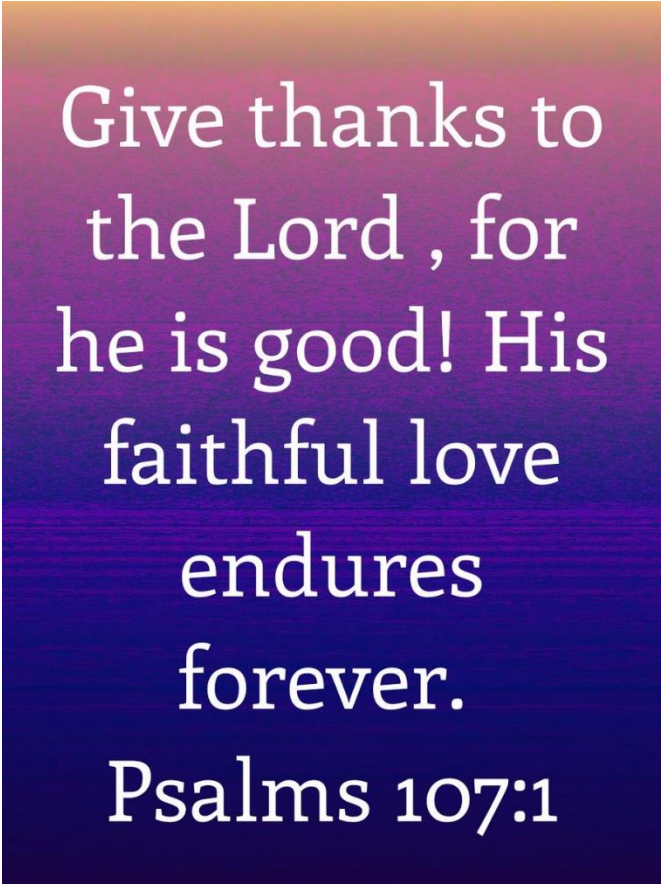
Calendar

Sunday .....	10:00 am .....	Bible Study .....	At the building and live stream
Sunday .....	11:00 am.....	Worship .....	At the building and live stream
Sunday .....	4:00 pm .....	Walking the 12 Steps with Jesus ....	At Pam & Rob’s
Wednesday .....	10:30 am.....	Senior Breakfast.....	At Perkins Restaurant
Wednesday .....	6:30 pm .....	Bible Study .....	At the Queenan’s
Thursday .....	6:30 pm .....	Hymnburgers .....	At the Queenan’s
Saturday .....	6:00 pm .....	Teen Group .....	At the building
Aug 26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Ladies Day</b> at the Salmon Church of Christ. Guest speaker is Becky Blackmon. Information is on the web page - <a href="https://ifcocminister.wixsite.com/mysite">https://ifcocminister.wixsite.com/mysite</a>		
Aug 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Last Hymnburgers</b> for the year.		
Sep 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Singing Sunday</b> – 6:00 pm at the Pocatello Church of Christ, 3224 Hawthorne Rd, Pocatello, ID (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday)		
Sep 16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>NO Senior Breakfast</b> due to the Youth Rally (3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday each month.)		
Sep 15-17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Idaho Falls Youth Rally.</b> The link to the registration page is on our website.		
Sep 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Annual Horse Ride</b> – We try to hear elk bugling and sometimes we do! The cost is usually \$60/person. Numbers are limited, so please let Bob know if you’re riding this year.		
Oct 12 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Linder Road 21<sup>st</sup> Spiritual Growth Lectureship.</b> Flyers in the foyer, Link on website.		
Oct 28 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Annual Chili Cookoff!</b> Start practicing, the competition is fierce! We need cooks and we need tasters, so save the date, plan on coming, and bring some friends!		
Dec 8-10th	<b>Winter Rendezvous</b> in Cody Wyoming. The link to the registration page is on our website.		
Thursday PM	<b>“It’s True!”</b>	.....Andy Burns	
Friday PM	<b>“Jesus Lives”</b>	.....Craig Ford	
Saturday AM	<b>“Do You Hear It?”</b>	.....Chris Crooks	
Saturday AM	<b>“Who Are We?”</b>	.....Matt Burleson	
Saturday PM	<b>“Now What?”</b>	.....Scott Laird	
Sunday AM	<b>“They Are Surprised”</b>	.....Isaac McNally	
Sunday AM	<b>“Victory!”</b>	.....Ed Bass	

The Church of Christ in Idaho Falls

Welcome!

We’re a bible-based congregation of Christians meeting in Idaho Falls to praise and worship the one God and to support and encourage each other. All are welcome! Please join us in our worship services and classes.



Meditation for the Day

Make it a daily practice to review your char- acter. Take your character in relation to your daily life, to your dear ones, your friends, your acquaintances, and your work. Each day try to see where God wants you to change. Plan how best each fault can be eradicated, or each mistake be corrected. Never be satisfied with a comparison with those around you. Strive toward a better life as your ultimate goal. God is your helper through weakness to power, through danger to security, through fear and worry to peace and serenity.

Daily Prayer

I pray that I may make real progress toward a better life. I pray that I may never be satisfied with my present state.

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HONESTY1 PETER 3:10-17

Lying can become a way of life. We may even have lied to ourselves, pretending we don't have a problem with lying. We may have learned to cover up our problems by becoming excellent liars. But when we choose to face reality, we will see the unhappiness caused by our lies lo and how they have hurt us and our loved ones. Only when we stop lying can God begin to bring blessing and change into our lives. Think about these verses:

"Does anyone want to live a life that is long and prosperous? Then keep your tongue from speaking evil and your lips from telling lies!" (Psalm 34:12-13).

"Don't lie to each other, for you have stripped off your old sinful nature and all its wicked deeds. Put on your new nature and be renewed as you learn to know your Creator and become like him" (Colossians 3:9-10).

"If you want to enjoy life and see many happy days, keep your tongue from speaking evil and your lips from telling lies" (1 Peter 3:10).

There are great benefits to honesty. What other virtue is accompanied by such promises? Telling the truth is vital to spiritual growth. Since lying may be second nature to us, it may be difficult to change. Part of any successful recovery involves guarding our lips and our thoughts from lies that will hurt us and others. Since lying may have been a lifelong way of coping, we must accept that learning to tell the truth may involve hard work.

insights ABOUT THE PERSON OF GOD

As the apostle greeted his friends in 1 Peter 1:1-2, he reminded them of how they were related to the triune God: They were chosen by God the Father, cleansed by the blood of Jesus Christ, and made holy by the Holy Spirit, who was at work in their hearts. On the basis of God's work in our lives, we can be confident that he will bless us richly and grant us increasing freedom from anxiety and fear. Becoming free from anxiety is a process that continues as we trust him (1:8).

In 1 Peter 1:3-6 the apostle praised our Father God for the free gift of his loving grace. All who receive God's gift become his children and belong together in his family and have a "priceless inheritance." All who trust in him share the hope of eternal life with God. This hope gives us the strength to persevere in recovery with joy, despite the difficult and painful circumstances we face.

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God's Way Can Be Painful

Part of the reason we may be afraid of recovery is that we know the changes God asks us to make will be painful. There was pain in our old way of life, but we usually found ways to escape it. When we enter the recovery process, we also decide to face our pain head-on. Turning our lives over to God, taking moral inventory, making amends, and allowing God to remove our defects are all painful steps. But because they are part of God's plan, they will also lead to joy and wholeness.

Nothing Is Hopeless with God

As we struggle in recovery, we may begin to feel helpless. We might be tempted to throw up our hands and say, "What's the use?" But feeling helpless is different from being helpless. We are never really helpless, for with God, help is close at hand. We are not without hope, for God is the source of all hope. When we struggle with despair, this letter reminds us to turn our lives over to God and totally depend on his power. God will never leave us to face our trials alone.

The Importance of Relationships

Accepting Jesus Christ as our Savior makes us part of God's family. We enter into a community that has Jesus Christ as its founder and leader. Everyone in this community is related; no one stands alone. All healing and recovery take place in the context of relationships with others. Peter teaches us how to manage those relationships: with loyalty, care, and humility, praying that we will become what God wants us to be. a

Prayers

- For Jean’s friend Tammi Utter, diagnosed with cancer.
- For Jonathan’s parents, living in a hotel after a house fire, and for Jonathan’s father for healing and good results of testing.
- For Bill Sirdosky, on kidney dialysis.
- For Nathan, working to raise monies for his missionary year that starts this September.
- For Briley, coping with Marfans syndrome.
- For Bobbie Knight. Bobbie Knight, IDOC # 113912, PWCC - 2 C, 1451 Fore Rd, Pocatello 83204.
- For Gary, Rob, Kyle & Andy as they lead our congregation.
- For Ryan Burns, Jordan Allbritten, and Thomas Mullinaux, serving in the armed forces.
- For our widows: Myrna, Ella, Miriam, Louise, Sallye, & Carolyn.

Contributions

Note: Many choose to contribute monthly, semi-annually, or annually						
	7/02	7/09	PayPal	7/16	7/23	7/30
General	\$2,682	\$1,1179	\$502	\$1,455	\$1,611	\$1,088
Missions	\$95	\$775	\$910	\$215	\$170	\$95