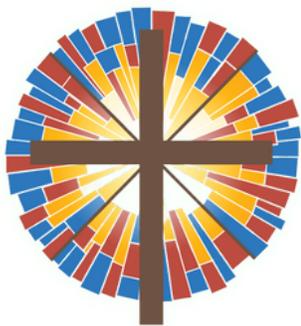


# MARCH Newsletter 2026



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# Church News

FEB WORSHIP ATTENDANCE TOTAL **118** AVERAGE  
 FEB ON-LINE WORSHIP VIEWS **41** AVERAGE

- **Change your Clocks! Set them one hour ahead the night of March 8 or risk being late to church!**
- **Office Closed: March 9 - Email or call to get in touch with the office.**
- **No Divine Drama Wednesdays during Lent - Join us Monday at 10:30 AM**
- **Lent Soup Supper & Midweek Worship Wednesdays Supper at 6:00  
Worship at 7:00  
Redeemer Lutheran 2920 Cassia St**

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

**MAR 4 & 18 9:30 AM**

**CHRISTIAN LIFE STUDY**

**MAR 9 & 23 1:00 PM**

**DAYS FOR GIRLS**

**MAR 10 & 24 10:00 AM**

**CRAFT AND FELLOWSHIP**

**MAR 10 & 24 1:00 PM**

**GATHER BIBLE STUDY**

**MAR 23 2:30 PM**

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN

**WELCA BOARD MEETING**

**MAR 14, 9:30 AM**

**TAX PREP HELP**

**MON & TUES 10-2**

**WED 5-8**

**WALK INS WELCOME**

**OR MAKE AN APPOINTMENT IN PERSON**

**YOGA**

TUESDAYS, 11:00 AM

**MEN'S BREAKFAST**

THURSDAYS, 8:00 AM

BLACK BEAR DINER

**QUILTING**

THURSDAYS, 9:00 AM

**SCRIPTURE STUDY**

FRIDAYS, 9:30 AM

CONTACT OFFICE FOR ZOOM

**AA "THE LIFE AHEAD"**

EVERYDAY, 6:00 PM

**FOOD ON THE 4TH**

**Food on the 4th, - NOW FOOD FOR FRIENDS**

We continue to collect food each week for our food insecure neighbors and friends. Please consider donating generously during this time.

**Sandwich Sunday**

**Sandwich Sunday, March 8**

We need deli meat and cheese, and soft margarine, as well as backup leaders!

Questions contact Val Bridges 208-440-1029

**Older Wiser Lutherans**

**OWL's- Tuesday, March 17th 11:30 AM**

Ling and Louie's 2288 N Garden St, Garden City (near Riverside Hotel) We'd love for you to join us!

**FREE MEAL**

**Free Meal- Saturday, March 28 12:00-1:30**

To help serve and clean up please come at 11:30am. All are invited to enjoy this meal!

# Greetings from Pastor Mark:

God's beloved people:

Happy March Madness Month, and welcome season of Lent.

We are already into the throes of Lent, and opportunities to enrich your journey are with us:

**Midweek Lenten Vespers services with Soup Suppers continue.** We are joining hands with Immanuel and Redeemer Lutheran churches, and these services will meet at **Redeemer each Wednesday through the season of Lent 6:-7:30 PM.**

Holy Week Services: Continuing this wonderful ecumenical connection with our friends Covenant Presbyterian Church and St Paul Baptist Church.

Per rotation, Covenant Presbyterian will host the Maundy Thursday service at 7 PM, and then Good Friday will be hosted by St Paul's (which I understand, according to their tradition, is a rock-em sock-em hand waving Jesus praising celebration of how GOOD Good Friday really is!).

Join us for both of these opportunities as we join hands with our Christian neighbors to bring a common witness to our faith in Jesus.

As one of the prominent themes in the listening session small groups was how the great and holy people of King of Glory Lutheran Church need to be more proactive with invitation and evangelism, there's a connectional opportunity for evangelism and invitation outreach, sponsored by the Rev. Sharon Hall, Pastor of St. Paul Baptist Church, and details are in a separate article.

The Call Committee met with Pastor Phil Misner (A2B for the Northwest Intermountain Synod) on February 17, for orientation to begin work on the Ministry Site Profile (MSP). The following are friendly reminders, from the PowerPoint presentation of January about what to expect during this initial (MSP) part of Phases III:

a. The historic average to complete this task is 2-4 months. Reasons: schedules to sync, lots of meetings to have, so much information to sort through, drafts to write, review and finalize. The time needed for this task all adds up quickly.

b. They will have on hand all the recorded responses and this presentation. They will have all information and responses related to the listening groups.

# Greetings from Pastor Mark (cont):

- c. Pastor Phil will coach and guide the Call Committee and give appropriate feedback through the MSP process, with any changes or recommendations be made.
- d. The MSP is the first impression of KOG that Candidates for Call will receive. So, it is imperative that the Call Committee be given the time, patience, space, and grace to do the very best interpretation and presentation of KOG's mission and ministry in the most authentic, honest, missional and forward-looking presentation possible in the MSP.
  - i. In the entertainment industry, as in all life. "You have one chance to make the best first impression." So, let's make the MSP count!
- e. Upon review and approval by the Council and Bishops office, the MSP will go onto the ELCA National Database; the Interview Phase begins.
- f. Typically, depending on progress of the interview phase, the Interim Pastor is extended or renewed up to a 2nd year to provide pastoral continuity and stability, and to allow for smooth transitions for both the congregation and Interim Pastor. This "one-and-done" administrative step also understands that transitions for both parties happen anytime during the 2nd year and will not impede or slow the Interview Stage. These transitional processes can take months for both congregations and pastors.
- g. The Interview Phase is all dependent on the given # of candidates at any given time, and who are a potential match for the Mission Goals of KOG. There is no way to predict who will be available when.
  - i. Please be aware that the # of congregations seeking pastors are double of pastors seeking calls. The qualifier is that some of these congregations cannot afford full-time pastors. But still, the current reality is that it's a "buyer's market" out there.
  - ii. Bishop Megan was with us to preach Feb. 15, 2026, with a luncheon after the service and "Time with the Bishop" for questions and conversations about the bigger mobility picture. I invited her because I felt it was timely for Bishop Meggan to be with us soon after the Annual Meeting to "talk shop" about next steps for the Interim Process from the Synod side.
- h. Pastors are in mobility year-round, so please do not fret about missing out on the "strike-while-the-iron-is-hot" times (post-Easter to early fall).

# Greetings from Pastor Mark (cont):

- i. Please be encouraged that metro communities are highly desirable, even destination places for candidates seeking call. Boise is such a destination place, and will be an attractive consideration for pastors seeking call.
- j. The Interview Phase can take at least several months or more, depending on matching candidates available, and successful interviews.
- k. Please take to heart that the Interview Stage, Preparing the MSP and the Interviews, is a highly confidential process. While we are excited, even anxious, about this process, please and kindly refrain from inquiries to the Call Committee about progress. They need the time, grace and the space to do their tasks well. They will endeavor to keep the congregation apprised as appropriate as to progress.
- l. We are a team in this process namely the Interim Pastor, the Council, the congregation, and the Bishop and her staff; not to mention the Good Lord, blessed be God's Holy Name.
- m. We always need to keep in mind that God has a huge stake in this process too and is why we need to be in continued prayer, seeking God's guidance and will through this whole process.

Finally, Your Superpowers in this stage:

- n. Keep on keeping on in faithfulness and excellence with all the ministries God has entrusted KOG.
- o. Build financial strength.
- p. Pray, pray, pray!

Jeremiah 29:11 (The Message): This is God's Word on the subject: "As soon as Babylon's seventy years are up and not a day before, I'll show up and take care of you as I promised and bring you back home. I know what I'm doing. I have it all planned out—plans to take care of you, not abandon you, plans to give you the future you hope for."

Yours in Partnership,

Pastor Mark

# MARCH

## 2026

- *Worship weekly on Sundays at 10AM*
- *Divine Drama Meets Mon at 10:30*
- *AA Life Ahead meets daily at 5:30 PM*
- *AARP Free Tax Prep: Mon, Tues 10-2, Wed 5-8*

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4 Women's Bible Study Lent Worship @ Redeemer	5 Mens Fellowship Quilters Orchid Club	6 Scripture Study	7 Book Club
8 Confirmation Sandwich Sunday	9 Christian Life Study Safe Families Parent Cafe Office Closed	10 Yoga Days for Girls	11 Lent Worship @ Redeemer Librarians	12 Mens Fellowship Quilters	13 Scripture Study	14 Inventory Party WELCA Board Mtg
15	16 Council Mtg	17 Yoga OWLS	18 Lent Worship @ Redeemer Women's Bible Study Orchid Club	19 Mens Fellowship Quilters	20 Scripture Study	21
22 Food on the Fourth	23 Gather Bible Study	24 Days for Girls Yoga	25 Lent Worship @ Redeemer Librarians	26 Mens Fellowship Quilters	27 Scripture Study	28 Free Meal
29 Palm Sunday	30	31 Yoga		APRIL 2 Maundy Thursday	APRIL 3 Good Friday	

# Jan-Mar Worship Volunteer Schedule 2026

**Volunteer Needed** If you can fill one of the "Volunteer Needed" spots please call (208) 377-0220 or email [kglory@koglutheran.org](mailto:kglory@koglutheran.org) to let the Church Office know

## March 2025 Sunday Volunteer Schedule

Date/Time	Greeters	Ushers	Assisting Minister	Lector	Counters	Childrens Message
March 1, 2026	Shirley Dodson	Lisa Kraft	Abigail Spencer	Joel Tompkins	Becky Newberry	Doneta Stephenson
10:00 AM	Mark & Julie Drew	Harold Nesbett			Nicki Tompkins	
March 8, 2026	Dean Falk	Becky Newberry	Lyman Larson	Jim Cambron	Sharlene Harvey	Phyllis Bradburn
10:00 AM	Marilyn Falk	Jack Newberry			Shirley Engerbretson	
March 15, 2026	James Smith	Dan Price	Becky Newberry	Sharon Grove	Nancy Severson	Coletta Hill
10:00 AM	Carolyn Jean Smith	Abigail Spencer			Terri Wiley	
March 22, 2026	Stan Fornander	Jim Stumpf	Shirley Dodson	Mark Drew	Lisa Kraft	Lisa Kraft
10:00 AM	Sue Fornander	Ian Tompkins			Dan Price	
March 29, 2026	Jim Mossholder	Jim Cambron	Todd Kraft	Kurt Borm	Nancy Severson	Andi Lau
10:00 AM	Diane Weber	Shirley Dodson			Terri Wiley	

Please check for the day/s that you are scheduled. If you are unavailable to serve on your assigned day, please trade with someone or find a replacement and call (208) 377-0220 or email [kglory@koglutheran.org](mailto:kglory@koglutheran.org) to let Mary know about the change. Thank you for volunteering for our Sunday Services. We appreciate all that you do and are so grateful for your participation!

# THANK YOU

To assist with our Sunday Worship Service please contact the Church Office.

[View Jan-March  
Schedule Online](#)



# CALL for VOLUNTEERS

Are you seeking a deeper connection with members of King of Glory? Connection and service go hand-in-hand! Making a difference doesn't have to be hard, or take a lot of time - It just means showing up with your unique gifts and talents!

***We need help with***  
***- ushering - counters -***  
***assisting ministers - property work -***  
***AND MORE!***



Scan the QR Code to volunteer, or contact our church office for more information!

# Happy Birthday!

Barb Blasch  
 Cyriaque Bondedjoun  
 Kurt Borm  
 James Cupps  
 Charolette Einfalt  
 Dwayne Gjoraas  
 Donna Groth  
 Ornella Kero  
 Lynne Madjitoloum  
 Bonita Pfankuch  
 Claire Vaage  
 Erik Vaage

# Happy Anniversary

James & Roberta Cupps  
 36 years  
 Sandy & Stephen Lieseke  
 32 years  
 Jeanette & John Wallace -  
 31 years

## Lent Midweek Soup Supper & Worship

Redeemer Lutheran is hosting a midweek worship during Lent. Meet us at 2920 Cassia Street in Boise at 6:00 PM for a Soup Supper, and 7:00 PM for worship. This is a joint effort with Immanuel, Redeemer, and King of Glory.

## March Adult Ed

HOLY BIBLE

Have you ever wondered how we got the book we call the Bible? Both youth and adults are welcome for this class where we get into the history of how we got this book. Join our Leader, Abigail Spencer on this journey in the month of March. Meet in the Bethlehem Room on Sundays after worship

## Official Emails

- [music@koglutheran.org](mailto:music@koglutheran.org) -
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  - Financial Secretary, Carolyn Jean Smith
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  - Church office & Admin Mary Riedl



## Feedback is Welcome!

Here at King of Glory we love and appreciate all constructive and thoughtful feedback. If you have a comment or question, please be sure to let us know how to reach you so that we can respond to you. All anonymous notes are discarded since these give us no knowledge of what feelings and values are behind the note and no idea of who the author is. We value KOG as a Community of faithful people who are followers of Jesus Christ, and are open and honest with each other.

Join us on May 29-31 at the Monastery of the Ascension in Jerome, Idaho for a retreat and training event designed for lay ministers but meaningful for anyone who shepherds the Sunday gathering and ministers through the pulpit and table. Excellent local clergy will be teaching skills in each area plus Bishop Meggan will teach about our polity. Come experience Eucharistic hospitality such that you can feel confident in offering it in your own context.

Contact DEM Liv Larson for more details.

liv.larsonandrews@nwimsynod.org, 509-599-5563

*Save the Date*

**Preach, Pray,  
Preside & Polity**

MAY 29-31



at the  
Monastery of the Ascension  
in Jerome, Idaho

## Inventory Party 3/14

Mark your calendars for an inventory party on March 14, 2026. We have needed to complete an inventory of the church for quite a while and it was decided that we would make a photo inventory. We would like to see quite a few of you volunteer for this as there are many rooms in the church. If you have a smart phone (iPhone preferred but not required), please consider joining us at 11AM - 2PM to take pictures of the room and its contents for us.

Please contact Carolyn Jean Smith to let her know you will participate. There are 34 rooms that need to be photographed so the more the merrier. If there is a room you would prefer to photograph, let Carolyn Jean (208-859-4542) know. We will be having pizza so you don't need to worry about missing lunch. Once you take the photos, Mary Riedl will be there to get the photos from your phone. iPhones can air drop them to her computer. Hope to see lots of you there to get this job accomplished.



## Craft and Fellowship returns

Craft and Fellowship will be meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 1 to 3 in the Fellowship Hall. We will be working on projects for next fall's Bazaar. They will involve simple painting, glueing or sewing. If you have some ideas we can always need fresh and different things. Or you can bring your own project to work on. Or just sit, drink coffee and talk. We are planning some learning sessions. Mary Kay will teach how to make net scrubbies. In the fall we will have a Saturday lefse making class. We can always use craft supplies, net, material or decor you don't need. And empty jam jars.

Questions contact Mary Kay Tinker

## Book Club

Your King of Glory book club meets on the first Saturday of each month at 9:30 AM in the library and you can also join via zoom. Please join us if you are interested in discussing the following books:



Questions: Contact Lisa Kraft (208) 861-5642

	Book	Author	Leader
Mar 7, 2026	The Last Devil to Die	Richard Osman	Lisa Kraft
April 11, 2026 (moved due to Easter on 4/5/26)	The Moonlight School: a novel	Suzanne Woods Fisher	Coletta Hill
May 2, 2026	Pioneer Doctor: the story of a woman's work	Mari Grana	Nicki Tompkins
Jun 6, 2026	On The Hippie Trail: Istanbul to	Rick Steves	Mary Kay Tinker
July	No Book Club	Summer Break	
Aug. 1, 2026	The Husbands: a novel	Holly Gramazio	Nancy Seid
Sept. 12, 2026 (moved due to Labor Day on 9/7/26)	The Book of Charlie: wisdom from the remarkable	David Von Drehle	Elaine Short
Oct. 3, 2026	A Wrinkle in Time	Madeleine L'Engle	Katie Vaage
Nov. 7, 2026	The Frozen River: a novel	Ariel Lawhon	Lisa Kraft
Dec. 5, 2026	James: a novel	Percival Everett	Mary Pirnie



Take a Break!

# Parent Cafe

A fun space for parents to listen, learn, talk and support each other!



- Parent Cafe Info:**
- 2nd Monday of each month
  - 5:15pm—Dinner & Check in
  - 6pm-8pm—Cafe Program
  - 3430 N. Maple Grove Road, Boise
  - Free onsite childcare & dinner! Prizes for participants!
  - Questions? 208.509.2431

Scan to sign up or visit [bit.ly/idahocafe](http://bit.ly/idahocafe)



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## Congratulations to SW Boise Days for Girls!

Idaho became the first justserve state! As part of that, they awarded bridgebuilder awards to those persons and organizations who go above and beyond to promote volunteerism, and our team was selected to receive this award.

Our team utilizes the justserve website to request menstrual products for our pilot program to put period products in girls middle and high school bathrooms across the state of idaho. I occasionally get a box from amazon filled with period products that lands on my porch that was donated by someone who saw our request on the justserve website.

Our team also promotes the justserve website to every school we meet with as a great way to request period products that would be shipped directly to their school. We had our photo taken with bryn booker, the justserve treasure valley representative that got our team started on justserve and nominated our team to receive the bridgebuilder award. And she's my neighbor!

Thank you, bryn, and justserve for your dedication to volunteerism in our state, and for supporting our days for girls sw boise chapter as we advocate for the menstrual health of all idaho girls and women





# ST. PATRICK'S BUNCO EVENT

Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup>

Time: 6:30 – 9:30 pm

Put on the **Green** and come for an evening full of fun, fellowship and refreshments! You may end up one of our lucky prize winners if the dice roll in your favor!

**Tickets go on sale Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup>.... Cost \$2.50 per person**

**Limited space available to maximum 72 players**

**(Game requires 6 players per table)**





**You are invited to join the  
Multi-Faith Action Project  
in worship this spring.  
[JustServe.org/MAP](http://JustServe.org/MAP)**

## **MULTI-FAITH SPRING WORSHIP**

### **Baha'i Faith**

- March 2–20: Month of Fasting
- March 21: Naw-Rúz
- April 21–May 2: Ridván

### **Buddhism**

- May 1: Vesak

### **Christianity**

- Feb 18: Ash Wednesday
- March 29: Palm Sunday
- April 3: Good Friday
- April 5: Easter / Pascha

### **Hinduism**

- Feb 19: Ramakrishna Jayanti
- March 26: Rama Navami

### **Islam**

- Ramadan 1 1447 = February 18
- Eid - Shawwal 1 1447 = March 20

### **Judaism**

- April 1-9: Passover

### **Sikhism**

- April 14: Vaisakhi



## **MULTI-FAITH ACTION PROJECT 2026**

# **HOLY WEEK & EASTER WORSHIP**

### **FRIDAY, MARCH 27 - THE LIVING CHRIST EVENT**

5-8 PM at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints  
3700 South Maple Grove Road Boise, 83709  
Share original art of Christ, email [Amygimmefife7@gmail.com](mailto:Amygimmefife7@gmail.com)  
Food Drive for Shepherd of the Valley Little Free Pantry

### **THURSDAY, APRIL 2 - MAUNDY THURSDAY**



6 PM Dinner, Scan QR to RSVP: [bit.ly/covmeal](https://bit.ly/covmeal)  
7 PM Service at Covenant Presbyterian Church  
4848 N Five Mile Road Boise, 83713

*Dinner RSVP*

### **FRIDAY, APRIL 3 - GOOD FRIDAY**

7 PM Service at St. Paul Baptist Church  
1320 West Bannock St Boise, 83702

### **SUNDAY, APRIL 5 - EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP**

8:30 AM & 10:30 AM Service at Covenant Presbyterian Church  
4848 N Five Mile Road Boise, 83713

10 AM Service at King of Glory Lutheran Church, 3430 N Maple Grove Road Boise, 83704. Virtual: [koglutheran.org](http://koglutheran.org).

10:30 AM Service at Collister United Methodist Church  
4400 Taft St., Boise, ID 83703

11 AM Service at St. Paul Baptist Church  
1320 West Bannock St Boise, 83702

Join an Easter Service with The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints on Sunday, March 29. Local times: [maps.churchofjesuschrist.org](http://maps.churchofjesuschrist.org). Easter Sunday April 5, watch the Worldwide General Conference at [churchofjesuschrist.org](http://churchofjesuschrist.org).



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**Share Your Multi-Faith Worship Opportunities  
to [MultiFaithActionProject@gmail.com](mailto:MultiFaithActionProject@gmail.com) for  
MAP's Facebook page.**

**HOUSING**

King of Glory

To: King of Glory Lutheran Church  
 Attn: Becky Newberry  
 Re: Project Update

Happy New Year to King of Glory Lutheran Church! We hope this funding update will put us in a place where we can move forward with construction in 2026 and keep you, our partners, in the loop of where the proposed project currently stands.

Sadly, we were not selected for the Federal Home Loan Bank 2025 application round. We were competitive and scored well. In fact, we would have been awarded in previous years with our score, but this year the influx of applications produced an ultra competitive round.

Consequently, we are putting together a capital stack containing charitable capital, a loan from LEAP's newly certified Community Development Financial Institutions Fund (CDFI Fund) and a conventional permanent loan that would allow us to build and operate the 8 King of Glory at affordable rents.

Our focus at King of Glory has historically been on 30% - 80% area median income (AMI) households and we believe our plan will allow us to meet this threshold. Please note that we plan to continue to seek funding that allows us to operate at the lower range of the above AMIs concurrently with construction but the final rents have not been determined yet and will be dependent on the ultimate permanent funding stack.

The general timeline as it stands today is expected to proceed as below

- **March 1st-April 15th** (1.5 Months) Operational permanent funding stack finalized, Construction Lender selected and movement towards loan closing begins. The General Contractor will update and finalize all plans and drawings based on City requirements in preparation for permit submittal. Both Construction loan closing and permit submittal will be completed on April 15th
- **April 15th - June 15th** Building Permits City Review (2 Months) - City will review and potentially require updates, have clarifying questions or requests, we are planning for this process to take 2 months which means permits in hand on June 15th.
- **June 15th-December 15th:** Construction to complete all 8 units is estimated to take 6 months, meaning the homes will be occupiable for qualifying residents by the end of 2026

Thank you for your patience and support for this project to bring affordable housing to the City of Boise!

# **New Americans Task Force report February 2026**

By Sally Husted and Gabrielle Applequist

## **THANK YOU**

The New Americans at King of Glory want to thank the congregation for their welcome, their “Bonjour” as they come in the church on Sunday. It’s definitely their church!

They also appreciate your help in different matters, small and big, such as:

Taxes

Mowing and gardening

Car shopping

Medical, dental, and administrative appointments

Contacts to several government agencies

Housing

Banking

Food available every Sunday

Christmas gift cards

Registrations at Luther Height camps, and help with supplies

Job training

Funding the Families in Crisis

And all the individuals at King of Glory who answered to a specific call: Shirley, Kathy, Doneta, Abigail, to name a few.

## **WHAT THEY ACCOMPLISHED**

American citizenship for all for them, except our new arrival, Viviane Solembi.

Schooling for their children (University for The Etokas’ children, and Ornella, Paterne, Fabrice, Junior, Aurélie) The kids in the local public schools are also well-known for their good behavior and desire to learn.

Stable employment. For example, Justin has been working at St Lukes for many years, as well as Samson (Walmart), Joël (Scentsy), and Augustine at a chocolate factory.

Aurélie and Angéline were youth Counselors at Luther Height camp in 2025.

Although they moved in different areas in the Valley, the New American families maintained a strong sense of togetherness. They rejoiced and grieved together.

### WHAT THEY NEED MOST

ENGLISH PRACTICE for the adults among them. It's a must if they want to move forward in their life in this country. Please don't be afraid to speak in English to them at church, but slowly. Ask about their family, their jobs..

As there are government restrictions on food, health care ..., gift cards will always be appreciated, especially Walmart, Shell. And please continue to contribute to the Families in Crisis.

Driving lessons once they have passed their written tests

Car check-up in case there is a problem

Housing touch-up, like painting, small appliances repair ... That could be done by a team in the Summer.

Clothes shopping especially for the growing kids. Again a Walmart gift card would be helpful in this case especially before the school year starts.

Transportation for confirmation classes.

King of Glory has been a true welcoming congregation for these former refugees. If you need any more details, talk to Sally (208-841-5937 [husted73@gmail.com](mailto:husted73@gmail.com)) and/or Gabrielle (208-724-4482 [gabrielleapplequist@hotmail.com](mailto:gabrielleapplequist@hotmail.com)).

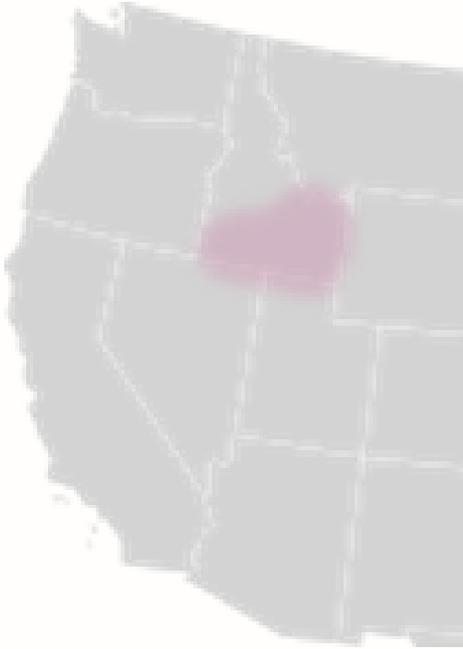
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## Weekly Silent Prayer Vigil 12-12:30

Everyone is invited to attend the interfaith silent prayer vigil held every Wednesday on the Capitol steps during the legislative session. This is the 13th year people have gathered weekly as a public witness, praying that our elected officials take seriously their sacred obligation to enact laws that are just and merciful, especially for the most vulnerable in our communities.



# Indigenous People in ID: Bannock



***Lands traditionally inhabited by the Bannock***

Lewis and Clark, who passed through the country in 1805, may have included the Bannock under the general term Shoshone, or, more likely, these are the Broken Moccasin Indians they mentioned. The first specific encounter was reported by Jim Bridger in 1829, who estimated they had about 1,200 lodges, indicating a population of about 8,000. In 1833, explorer, Benjamin Louis Eulalie de Bonneville found them on the Portneuf River, immediately north of the present-day Fort Hall reservation.

The northern division of the Bannock tribe was encountered by Washington Territory Governor Isaac Stevens in 1853, who found them living on the Salmon River in east Idaho. In all probability, these Salmon River Bannock had recently crossed the mountains from the east, escaping pressure from the Siksika Indians, since they claimed as their territory southwest Montana, including the rich areas where Virginia City, Bozeman, and other towns would later be established. Stevens stated that they had been more than decimated by the ravages of smallpox and battles with the Siksika.

The Fort Hall Reservation was set apart for them in 1869 and 600 Bannock, in addition to a large number of Shoshone, consented to remain on it. However, most of them soon wandered away.

The Bannock Indians are a Shoshonean tribe who long lived in the Great Basin in what is now southeastern Oregon and Southern Idaho. Calling themselves the Panati, they speak the Northern Paiute Language and are closely related to the Northern Paiute people, so much so, that some anthropologists consider the Bannock to be simply one of the northern-most bands of the Northern Paiute.

Early on, the Bannock subsisted primarily on fish and small game. They fished with harpoons, hand nets, and weirs built from woven willows. They also provided for their survival by gathering and using a number of plant foods. Primarily, they lived in teepees and small conical lodges made of sagebrush, grass, and woven willow branches.

Later, they developed a horse culture and associated closely with the Northern Shoshone, and they were a widely roving tribe. Although Shoshonean in language, they were generally described in early reports to more closely resemble the Nez Perce.



***Bannock hunting party fording the Snake River***

By 1878, with the loss of their traditional hunting lands, the dramatic reduction in the number of buffalo, and the failure of the government to provide assistance, the Bannock, led by Chief Buffalo Horn and joined by the Northern Paiute Indians, began to raid white settlements in search of food. This soon led to what is known as the Bannock War when the U.S. Cavalry, under General Oliver Otis Howard, was sent in to crush the Bannock. The cavalry won two battles against the Indians in southern Idaho before killing some 140 Bannock men, women and children at Charles' Ford, Wyoming. Afterward, the remaining Indians gave up and returned to the reservation.

# Indigenous People in ID: Bannock



**Fort Hall Idaho 1849**

By 1885, the Bannock at Fort Hall were said to number 422 and by 1901, 513. However, by this time, they were so intermixed with the Shoshone, that no attempt was made to count them separately. Between the original treaty of 1868 and 1932, the reservation set aside for the Bannock and Shoshone was reduced by more than two-thirds, from 1.8 million acres to 544,000 acres, due to white settlers encroaching upon the land.

Today, many of the Bannock still live on the Fort Hall Indian Reservation in southeastern Idaho, along with the Lemhi and Northern Shoshone Indians. The tribal government offices and most tribal business enterprises are located eight miles north of Pocatello, Idaho, in Fort Hall. The reservation, nestled between the cities of Pocatello, American Falls, and Blackfeet, is divided into five districts: [Fort Hall](#), Lincoln Creek, Ross Fork, Gibson and Bannock Creek. More than 70 percent of the tribes' approximately 5,300 enrolled tribal members still reside on the reservation and 96% of the land still remains in tribal and individual Indian ownership. The reservation employs nearly 1,000 Native and non-Native people in various trades, including nearly 600 in tribal government, as well as more in individual enterprises and more gaming. Its tribal government is focused on building the tribes' economy and ensuring the protection and enhancement of the reservation land base for future generations.

The ruins of the fort are located on the reservation. The community of Fort Hall, along Interstate 15, is the largest population center on the reservation.



**Salmon River in Idaho**



**Bannock in Idaho**

God surprises us with things we don't expect. Jesus came to us as a baby, not as a powerful king. Jesus talks to all people, not just the important leaders. He tells them the opposite of what they expect to hear.

Draw lines connecting the opposites.



Holy Week is the time we remember Jesus being welcomed into Jerusalem like a king, then hung on the cross. What comes next? On Easter Jesus is the Christ, the king again, who has risen from the dead.



Draw what comes next in each line.

### Wilderness wandering

Exodus 17:1-7

The Israelites followed Moses through the wilderness. They were very thirsty for  but they didn't trust God to provide what they needed. Instead they complained to Moses.

Find the end of the story by playing this wilderness wandering game.

Close your eyes, open your hymnbook, and point to a page.

If you are pointing to an odd-numbered hymn move one space.

If you are pointing to an even-numbered hymn move two spaces.

Use any book, the bible, Or roll dice!

