Connect

Sunday Children’s & Youth Ministry

Nursery
Birth to 3 during both 9 & 11 am worship services

Sunday School
4 yrs.-5th grade during both worship services
6th grade–12th during 9 am worship service only

Kidz4Praise Choir
All kids age 3-12 (pre-school - 6th grade)
Sundays 10:30am in S. Building
Contact: Alisha Dawson, ald2dawson@yahoo.com

Mid-Week Children’s & Youth Ministry

Open Gym
Wednesdays, 4-4:45pm, Gym
6-12th grade
Contact: Will Shupp
255.9026 shuppwilliam@yahoo.com

Middle School Gathering
Wednesdays, 4:45-6:30pm, South Building
Contact: Will Shupp
255.9026 shuppwilliam@yahoo.com

High School Gathering
Wednesdays, 6-7:45pm, South Building
Contact: Mark Hammer
263.4818 ext 208 m.hammer@1stchristian.com

For the Men

Tuesday Morning Bible Study
6:30 am, South Building
Contact: Gary Parsons, 290.3594

Thursday Night Ministries
5:45pm, South Building
Contact: Dan Shupp, 290.7821

For the Women

After God’s Heart
Women’s Community Bible Study
9am-11am Wednesdays,
North Building Worship Center
www.AGHSandpoint.com

Thursday Night Ministries
5:45 pm. Thursdays, South Building
Contact: Sherry Peasha, 255.8141

Staying Connected

Text Messages
To always be in the know you can receive text message notifications about church information and events by texting FCCSANDPOINT to 41411.
For youth notifications text FCCMS for middle school and FCCHS for high school to 41411

Online
Our website with sermons and much more is www.1stchristian.com
Email us at fcc@1stchristian.com
Facebook www.facebook.com/1stchristian
Twitter https://twitter.com/sandpointfcc
Basics of Christian Faith Class

Have you ever struggled with knowing for sure that Jesus rose from the dead or even whether or not the Bible is reliable? If so, you are not alone! There are many people even Christ followers that have questions which have not been answered. We are excited to host a five week class on Sunday mornings called “Basics of Christian Faith,” starting April 12 during second service. This class will cover the following topics:

- Is there a God?
- Is Jesus God?
- Did Jesus rise from the Dead?
- Is the Bible reliable?
- Growing in my Relationship with Christ

If you have any questions please contact Pastor Scott at s.lerwick@1stchristian.com or at the office 208-263-4818.

We love offering little nuggets of advice, support, or sympathy. They come in handy when we want people to feel better. But what if the guidance you’re giving or receiving just isn’t true? What if God Never Said That?

This six-week series tackles common myths about God, like “God wants you to be happy” or “God never gives you more than you can handle,” and how those myths keep us from having a deeper relationship with Him. Join us as we begin this series Sunday, April 12th.

- God Wants You Happy
- God Won’t Give You More Than You Can Handle
- It Doesn’t Matter What You Do
- It Doesn’t Matter What You Believe
- If I Take My Kids to Church They’ll Become Strong Christians
- God Helps Those Who Helps Themselves

Good Friday—April 3rd 6:30 pm

This one hour family friendly service to give you and your family the opportunity to prepare your hearts and minds for Easter. Nursery care is available for children birth to age 3.

Easter Sunday—April 5th 9am and 11am

Sunday School is available for 4yr old—5th grade during both services. Nursery care will be provided for children birth to age 3.
Grow

Small Groups
It is an exciting time here at First Christian with our Small Group Ministry. Over the past six weeks we have started five new small groups and have another two or three that are preparing to start. With these new groups starting we are also seeing an influx of people attending groups with - nearly 50 new people involved. We really do believe that everyone needs to be in a small group for this is where you find community, friendships, and where you can be supported by others. Are you in a small group? If you answered “no” and want to be a part of one, call or e-mail Pastor Scott (s.lerwick@1stchristian.com) or at the office 208-263-4818 and let him know you want in!

If you haven’t taken the bold step of being immersed in Christian baptism and have been wanting to do so, now is the time. The baptistery will be available Easter Sunday, April 5th during both services for you to make your profession of faith in Jesus Christ to your church family. If you are interested or want to learn more about being baptized write “Baptism” on the Connection Card on Sunday. Or call the church office and talk with Tommy Cropper at 263-4818 ext 206 and he can help you prepare for that great day!

Are you a parent of a student in or entering high school for the 2015-2016 year? Would you like a class that would help your child grow their relationship with Jesus Christ? Then we’ve got a class for your student! Launch Pad explores how to develop a close, intimate relationship with God as you learn how to read your Bible, talk to God through prayer, enjoy Christian friendships and reach out to your non-Christian friends. Launch Pad is a class offered during “A” days off site at First Baptist Church’s Greenhouse. Launch Pad wants to create an environment where students can process their doubts, ask questions they have, and find Christian friendships that will encourage faith and support them through the challenging high school years. If you have any questions try the website @ www.launchexperience.org.

Launch Pad is an elective class that starts as the first class on “A” days. In order for your student to attend, please have your teen list Launch Pad as their first elective when registering for next year’s classes. Sandpoint High School requires parental/guardian permission and signatures to attend an off campus class. Forms are available at SHS and church office.

Daddy Daughter Dance
Saturday April 18, 2015
6:30-8:00 pm, Admission is Free
In the gymnasium at First Christian Church
For more information and to RSVP please find us on Facebook Page:
Daddy Daughter Dance Sandpoint Idaho

Dads and their daughters are invited to attend our first communitywide Daddy-Daughter Dance. First Christian Church will be hosting this free dance on Saturday, April 18 at 6:30pm in the First Christian Church Gym.
We are created for so much more... There is a truth that shouts, “If you knew who you are and whose you are, you would desire to live differently.” It’s time to break ties from the lies and find freedom in the truth... Through Grace we are heirs to the throne- No Strings Attached.

Silver Ring Thing is a powerful youth event that defies the norms of culture and inspires students to a pure life centered in Jesus Christ. It’s a commitment to persevere; a call to be set apart.
Sandpoint Forward Edge Spring

Rummage Sale

Items & Volunteers Needed!

Friday May 15th- Monday May 18th  FCC Gym

May 15th  8:00 am to 5:00 pm  Set Up and Pricing
May 16th  8:00 am to 3:00 pm  Sale Day
May 17th  10:00 am to 1:00 pm  Sale Day
May 18th  9:00 am to 1:00 pm  Clean Up

Sandpoint Forward Edge Group is looking for Good Quality Donated items for their Annual Rummage Sale

Donations of items for the sale will be gratefully received at the church on Friday May 15th  10:00 am until 2:00 pm. We will also pick up large items that you cannot get to the church.

Please Contact Dale Jeffres @ 255-6656

Proceeds from this annual sale goes to support local and overseas mission projects.
Please Pray for and visit our Shut-ins

The following is a list of our First Christian Church shut-ins and where they are.

Gordon Forsythe  Life Care
Margie Garner  Life Care
Vernon McCully  Valley Vista
John LaMon  Valley Vista
Mike Smith  Valley Vista
Tira Sparlow  Valley Vista
Loretta May  Valley Vista
Alma Fournier  Hearthstone Village
Bert Coulston  Huckleberry House
Hilda Schmidt  Luther Park

Visits and cards would be welcome. Please address cards to the care center, NOT to the church.

Prayer Room and Team

A reminder that our Prayer Room is open before, during, and after the church service. If you would like to talk with someone about a concern or a personal issue, drop by the prayer room upstairs. You can pray individually or with a member of our Prayer Ministry Team. All prayer requests are kept confidential. And if you would like to serve and be part of the Prayer Ministry Team and Prayer Chain, please contact Jerry Boquist at jerryboquist@msn.com.

Early Childhood Ministry Needs Volunteers

Our Nursery and Early Childhood Ministries are looking for volunteers. Come play with us! If you can commit to a month or two, please contact Sherri Lies at 290-6919 or Jake Oliver at 263-4818 to serve in the Nursery, Preschool or Elementary classes.

Convoy of Hope Sandpoint- A Day of Hope for our Community

Hope starts here in our city, our community, our neighborhood. The Convoy of Hope event is just the beginning of a long-lasting movement that has the power to transform people’s lives, inspire compassion and service, and bring people and organizations together like never before. This is a collaborative effort to bring hope to a city through free groceries, health screenings, job services, family portraits, haircuts, prayer, activities for children and more.

Friends, I am excited to let you know Convoy of Hope will take place October 3rd, 2015 at the Bonner County Fairgrounds. Convoy of Hope is partnering with local churches, community services, health services, job services and area businesses to provide a “Day Free of Poverty and Choices” to the residents of Bonner and Boundary Counties. We will serve guests of honor—in our community—by providing them with free groceries, health and dental screenings, haircuts, family portraits, meals and much more at our community event.

If you would like more information on how you can participate you can call Dale Jeffries at 208-255-6656 or e-mail Vicki Jeffries at jeffresvicki@gmail.com

To find out more; visit www.convoyofhope.org/sandpoint or visit our Facebook page-Sandpoint Convoy of Hope

Vicki Jeffres
Convoy of Hope Sandpoint Coordinator

Military Personnel

Please take time to pray for our military personnel. Cards and letters of encouragement are always welcome! Take time to thank our troops for their service to our country. A first class postage stamp (48 cents) is all that is required for all cards and letters.

Japan:
BMS Goodin, James  Son of Jim and Joanne Goodin
USS Blue Ridge
Deck Dept./2nd Div
FPO AP 96628-3300

Iraq:
SSG Orrin Thompson  Son of Pam & Russ Schenck

Stateside:
Christopher Blanchard  Son of Enas Blanchard
1310 CV Tow Way
Norfolk, VA 23511

LT. Adam Forrest  Son of Jim & Sonja Forrest
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