

#### Community Congregational Church

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# McCall Community Congregational Church Now Independent

A special congregational meeting was held on Sunday, October 17, following the worship service. The purpose of the meeting and only order of business was to conduct a vote on affiliation with the United Church of Christ denomination.

Letters of notification were sent to all members of the congregation prior to the meeting and absentee ballots were accepted from those unable to attend the meeting. The question on the ballot was "Should the McCall Community Congregational Church end its affiliation with the United Church of Christ?"

The vote in-person and by absentee of resident, associate and non-resident members of the congregation was: Yes-35; No-28. Thus, the congregation is now independent of any denomination affiliation.

Following are questions that have been addressed as to what changes this will bring for the church, along with answers from the Board of Trustees:

Q. Would the character and spirit of McCall Community Congregational Church change?

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#### Independent...

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- A. The consensus among the Board of Trustees and those who attended the Pastor's informational meetings is that McCall Community Congregational Church would remain the church with a heart in the heart of the community. Denominational affiliation should not impact this focus and mission, and will not, if we remain faithful to our calling and purpose.
  - Q. What change would be made to our church's constitution and by-laws?
  - A. Changes can only be made with a vote of the congregation.
  - Q. What change would be made to our church's articles of faith and profile?
  - A. Changes can only be made by a vote of the congregation.
  - Q. How would our church's relationship with Pilgrim Cove Camp change?
- A. The UCC Conference Minister is on record (August '20) stating available avenues to maintain access and relationship with the camp. Potentially, user fees and charges would be changed.
  - Q. How would the search for a permanent pastor change?
- A. The congregation has voted (August '20) for an independent search process and procedure.
  - Q. What change would be made to our order of worship?
- A. The pastor will continue to work with staff and lay leadership to establish worship service structure.
  - Q. How would our church's financial operations, income and expenses be impacted?
- A. The annual UCC dues (per member) would no longer be expended. Conference and association dues and expenses would be eliminated.

As we move ahead to grow our community church, you are encouraged to contact Pastor Jeff Taylor and any of the church officers and trustees with any questions or concerns.

## Hanging of the Greens Planned

The Hanging of the Greens is being scheduled for Thursday, December 2, at 5 p.m. This is the time when the church is decorated for the holidays. The deacons will organize the decorating.

A fellowship time with soup and bread will be held following the decorating.

Everyone is encouraged to attend this time of fun, food and fellowship.

# November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday V	<b>Nednesday</b>	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 6:30 p.m. Community Orchestra	3	4 8 a.m.  Men's Bible Study @ Our Savior Lutheran Church	5	6
7 10:45 a.m. In-Person & Facebook Worship Communion	8 1 p.m. Bible Study with Pastor Jeff	9 12:30 p.m. Quilts of Valor Group 6:30 p.m. Community Orchestra	10	8 a.m. Men's Bible Study @ Lutheran Church  VETERANS DAY	12	13
14 10:45 a.m. In-Person & Facebook Worship 6 p.m. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday Sounds @ Six	15 10:30 a.m. Trustees 1 p.m. Bible Study with Pastor Jeff	9:30 a.m. Quilting Group 6:30 p.m. Community Orchestra	9:30 a.m. Quilting Group 10 a.m. Deacons	18 8 a.m. Men's Bible Study @ Our Savior Lutheran Church	19	20
21 10:45 a.m. In-Person & Facebook Live Worship	22 1 p.m. Bible Study with Pastor Jeff	6:30 p.m. Community Orchestra	24	HAPPY THANKSGIVING DAY	26	27
28 10:45 a.m. In Person & Facebook Live Worship	29	30 6:30 p.m. Community Orchestra				

## **December**

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			1	2 8 a.m. Men's Bible Study @ Lutheran Church 5 p.m. Hanging of The Greens	3	4
5 10:45 a.m. In-Person & Facebook Worship Communion 4 p.m. Christmas Concert	6	7	8 3 p.m. Ladies' Christmas Tea @ Shore Lodge	9 8 a.m. Men's Bible Study @ Our Savior Lutheran Church	10	11
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#### Scott/Garrison Duo To Perform

The Second Sunday Sounds @ Six concert for November will feature the Scott/Garrison Duo. Members are Shannon Scott, Associate Professor of Clarinet at Washington State University,

and Leonard Garrison, University Distinguished Professor of Flute at the University of Idaho, with pianist Roger McVey, Associate Professor of Piano at the University of Idaho.



The concert will be held at McCall Community Congregational Church on Sunday, November 12, beginning at 6 p.m. There is no charge for the performance, but donations are welcomed.

#### **Christmas Concert Scheduled**

The annual McCall Music Society Christmas Concert will be held on Sunday,

December 5, beginning at 4 p.m.



The concert will feature music by the McCall Chamber Orchestra, directed by Richard Bauer, and McCall Youth Orchestra.

There is no charge for the performance, but donations are welcomed.

Dear Women of the Congregational Church.

The members of the deacon board have planned a December 8<sup>th</sup> ladies' Christmas tea at the Shore Lodge in their beautiful, private, lakeside Mill Room.

What a wonderful way to ring in the Christmas season at the beautiful Shore Lodge!

This event will be very special and you are invited and encouraged to extend an invitation to your friends and family.

To help those in need who frequent the Food Bank have a bit merrier



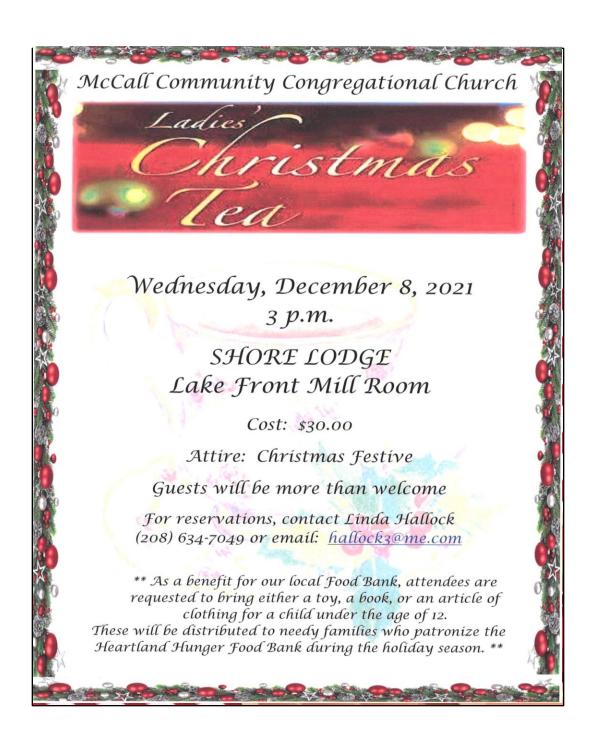
Christmas, we are requesting all attendees bring an unwrapped gift for a child age 12 or under. Please review the informational flyer for details.

I will be taking reservations as of our November 7<sup>th</sup> church service. We are hopeful all ladies of the church will be able to attend.

Sincerely, Linda Hallock, Chair Deacon Board

Christmas waves a magic wand over this world, and behold, everything is softer and more beautiful.

-Norman Vincent Peale



### Birthday Greetings...

November 1	Jim Tracy
November 2	Joy Weller Miller
November 6	Victoria Sell
November 16	Jayne Robinson
November 21	Hank Boomer
November 23	Marilyn Krahn
November 27	Pam Nash
November 29	Nancy Reberger



#### Happy Anniversary...

November 11 Paul & Shirley Overton November 22 Lee & Lu Crawford





Daylight Savings Time ends Sunday, November 7. Set your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday.

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December 2	Allen Quimby
December 4	Marie Owen
December 7	Vicki Wash
December 11	Teresa Mapp
December 12	Bobbi Hoover
December 13	Lori DeSchryver
December 14	Anne DeBord
December 17	Bob Brueck
	Joah Caswell
	Jared Harris
	Karen Nelson
December 19	Ava Dendler
	Lynne Schnupp
December 20	Gayle Wilde
December 22	Patty Hovdey
	Amy Miller
December 24	Jordan Reynolds
December 26	Lois Gangwer
December 27	Lou Blas
	Jodie Moore
December 28	Kari Blocker
December 30	Lee Crawford
	Cheryl Eccles



#### Happy Anniversary...

December 1	Dave & Lois Gangwer
December 4	John & Amanda Payne
December 29	Will & Stephanie Day
December 30	Gerry & Capella Ikola



