

WHITWORTH CHURCH NEWS

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Our Values:

- Biblical Authority
- Jesus-Centered
- Theological Diversity
- Connecting
- External Focus

WELCOME TO WHITWORTH

Welcome—We are glad you're here!

We are a church that is not trying to get back to a pre-pandemic life or world. We choose to embrace the changes we've all experienced and move forward into our 100th year feeling younger than ever.

Today we "share" music and worship traditions, we look to the Bible, and we welcome all people who walk in the door move closer to Jesus and connect with others. All are welcome to worship and serve at Whitworth Church. All.

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Note From Daniel

April Fools!

I think April Fool's Day and Easter go together perfectly.

If you are familiar with the Gospel accounts, literally everyone was surprised by the empty tomb. Regardless of Jesus' earlier references, the disciples did not expect Jesus to be alive after his crucifixion. In raising Jesus from the dead, God was up to something that Jesus' followers couldn't see coming. It's like the best April Fools prank ever!

The unexpected nature of Easter is something I think about all the time. When I pray for you, when I pray for my family, when I pray for myself, when a challenge needs to be faced, I try and think: What if Jesus is doing the unexpected? What if Jesus is going to surprise me? What if my concern and anxiety is the indicator I should be preparing for the unexpected?

This idea of God doing the unexpected is difficult for many of us to consider—at least beyond the theoretical. Many of us have already decided about Jesus. Due to our prior circumstances or experiences with him, we have already concluded how he works.

But there is good news! Jesus is not limited to our expectations. Jesus is not limited by our prior experiences. Jesus is not limited by our concerns, anxiety, or lack of faith. Jesus likes to do surprising things!

According to John's Gospel, Peter and John race each other to the tomb. Upon arrival it's like the universe shouts: APRIL FOOLS! He's not there. Mary Magdalene and John watched Jesus die at the foot of the cross; Jesus then shows up in a room and greets them with peace, and shows them his wounds. APRIL FOOLS! He's alive. Jesus does the same thing a bit later for Thomas. APRIL FOOLS! You can touch him and know that it is true.

So Happy Easter! And April Fools! Remember, regardless of what you face, Jesus loves to surprise us.

Pastor Daniel

Whitworth Kids

Kid's Club



Sunday School

During the 10:00 service, PreK-5th grade students are invited to join us downstairs below Quall Hall for their own worship and Bible lesson. We have experienced leaders who plan fun and engaging lessons to lead kids through the Bible as we learn about God's great love & grace for us! Contact Christina to volunteer!

Kid's Club

Wednesday, April 3rd – Spring Break, no Kids Club

Kids Club is a place where kids can have fun, build community, and learn about who God is through lessons that relate to their lives. We meet in Quall Hall upstairs to play large group games for the first half-hour, and then split up (K-2nd grade and 3rd-5th grade) to meet downstairs for age-appropriate lessons and activities.

Family Worship

Sunday, April 7th, 10:00AM – Kids and teens are an important part of our congregation. Upbeat music, honest prayer, and interactive elements will help them to feel known and welcome in worship. Plus communion and some familiar faces leading up front! (That means we're hitting pause on all Sunday School classes. Childcare for walkers-3.)



VBS Registration is open for kids and volunteers. Just go to whitworthchurch.org and click on the VBS tab.



Contact Christina, christina@whitworthchurch.org, for any Whitworth Kids questions!

MS & HS Youth



No Midweek programs during Spring break! We will be taking a small break for the first week of April but will be back to it the following week! Any programs like warped Wednesday will be after we return !

Sunday School Break

- **Sunday, March 31 - Easter Sunday**
There will not be Sunday School on Easter. We are encouraging our students to be with their families during worship!
- **Sunday, April 7 - Family Worship 10:00AM**
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- **Sunday, April 14** We resume Sunday School.

Middle School

Wednesdays 6:30-8:00 PM

- On Wednesday Evenings we rock the place! 6th-8th grade students are welcome to join us for Wednesday Night Youth Group throughout the school year. We meet from 6:30pm-8:00 pm for games, music, Bible study & lots of fun.

High School

Tuesdays 6:30-8:00 PM

- On Tuesday nights throughout the school year, join us for High School Youth Group. We meet from 6:30pm-8:00 PM for games, music, and Bible study.
- Small groups will meet 2nd & 4th weeks!
- **Friday April 19-21 Downtown Plunge**
High school weekend retreat! We will head out at 5pm on Friday the 19th and be back at 10am on Sunday the 21st. The cost is 20 dollars. Contact Greg@whitworthchurch.org for info.

Whitworth Youth

Downtown Plunge

April 19th - 21st

\$20
scholarships available

bring a friend!

Join us for an immersive weekend retreat in our city! Experience Spokane through fun games, service projects, and group content.

4/19	Meet at the church at 5pm. We'll head downtown for a mall challenge. Bring money for food court dinner. Games and evening content at First Presbyterian Church, where we'll spend the night.
4/20	Morning service project followed by lunch out (we're paying!). More games and challenges downtown, small group story-sharing, and a continuation of the evening content.
4/21	We'll head back to the church for pickup by 9:30 am.

RSVP by Wednesday, April 17th

Contact Greg, greg@whitworthchurch.org for any Whitworth Youth questions!

Whitworth Bible Studies

Adult Education



Jump into Scripture

- Tuesdays 9:30 AM - Women's Bible Study
- Wednesdays 11:00 AM - Wednesday in the Word
- Wednesdays 6:30 PM - Little Theology
- Sundays 11:15 AM - Adult Education

Sunday Adult Ed

Sundays 11:15 AM - Tiffany Hall
"Weird Stories of the Bible" is our new Adult Ed class! Join Pastor Jamie after worship in Tiffany Hall for this exciting six-week class. Childcare available with RSVP.

Wednesday in the



11:00am With Pastor Daniel in the Fireside Room

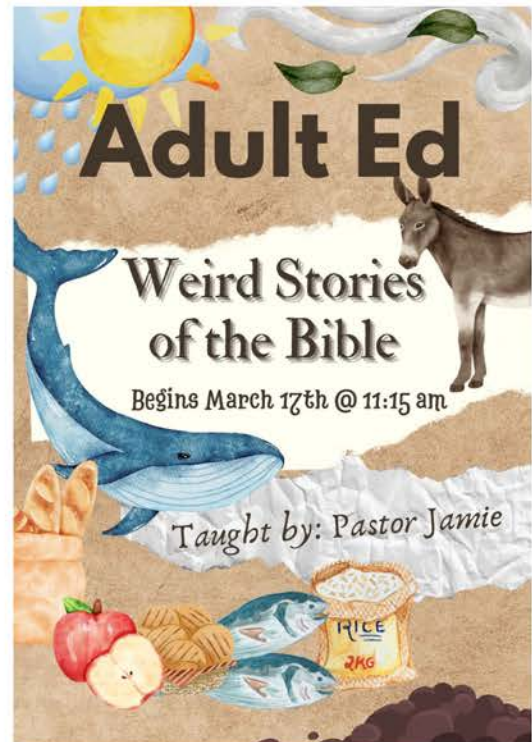
Look over the text for the next Sunday. Talk about themes, what could be discussed in the sermon and more.

Little Theology

Wednesdays at 6:30PM in the Sanctuary

Join the Conversation!

We're talking a "Little Theology" from the previous sermon's scripture. Get Connected through Pastor Jamie



Contact Pastor Jamie Fiorino, jamie@whitworthchurch.org for more info!

FELLOWSHIP FRIENDS

APRIL 18
DETAILS TO BE ANNOUNCED!

YARD CLEAN-UP DAY

**Saturday, April 20
@ 8:00-12:00pm**

Edging the beds, installing plastic edging, and putting bark down. Please bring gloves, shovels, edgers, wheel barrows. Water and goodies provided.

Contact
debby@whitworthchurch.org
for more info.

Young Adults Mini Golf

Sunday, April 21 @ 5:00PM

We are mini golfing over at Wonderland! Meet at the church at 5:00 to walk over together and then food afterwards. Bring some money for food, but the mini golf is on the church. This will be our final event of the school year. We hope to see you there for some fellowship before we head into summer break!

NEW BIKE RACK



The new bike rack is an Eagle Scout project by Nathan Zschoche from Whitworth Troop 208! Take advantage this Spring and Summer!

VOLUNTEERS WANTED



LOOKING FOR HELP WITH THE SLIDES DURING SERVICE
NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY - WE WILL TRAIN
NO PREP WORK - SLIDES ARE PRE-MADE
ONCE A MONTH SCHEDULING

Contact debby@whitworthchurch.org

Chili Cook Off Photos

Winner's of Chili Cook-Off



Mabel Ginnaty & Ania Sells



Mark Contino



Judges



Check out on our website at whitworthchurch.org for more info!

Whitworth Church Annual Campout



Save the Date: June 28–30

The Whitworth Church Annual Campout is making a grand comeback! Pack your tents, gather your friends and family, and embark on a weekend of joy, connection, and celebration.

Mark your calendars for June 28–30 at Kettle Falls Locust Group Campsite. Get ready for a weekend full of laughter, camaraderie, and unforgettable moments!

- **Coffee and Donuts each Morning:** Kickstart your day with the aroma of freshly brewed coffee and the sweetness of delicious donuts.
- **Pot Luck Extravaganza on Saturday Night:** Bring your favorite dishes, and get ready to indulge in a feast of flavors. It's a potluck, so the more, the merrier! Let's share delicious food and create lasting memories under the starlit sky.
- **Outdoor Worship Sunday Morning:** Rise and shine for a unique worship experience amidst nature! Feel the serenity of the surroundings as we come together to celebrate and reflect.

Whether you're a camping enthusiast or a day-tripper, everyone is welcome! Stay for the entire weekend or drop by for a day of fun. Let the Whitworth Church Campout be your escape into nature and community.

Sign Up at the Information Booth on Sunday: Whether you're ready to commit to the whole weekend or just want more details, our friendly team will be there to assist you. Gather all the information you need, ask questions, and secure your spot at the most anticipated campout of the year. See you at the Whitworth Church Annual Campout – where the great outdoors meets even greater company!

– Camping Team

Check out on our website at whitworthchurch.org!

Music at Whitworth

Church Choir



Make a Joyful Noise!

- We sing and ring twice a month! The choir rehearses on the Sunday mornings in which we sing. The same will be for bells. We will meet early on the services in which we participate in worship. Choir will rehearse from 8:45 AM until 9:15 AM. Handbells will rehearse from 9:20 AM until 9:50 AM.



Handbells

Palm Sunday



Contact Dr. Joshua Chism, joshusa@whitworthchurch.org for more information!

Missions & Giving

Blessing Bags



Blessing Bag Donations! – Thank you for all the donated backpacks and necessities for our neighbors in need. Keep on praying for those who will receive these bags!

HELP FEED
OUR NEIGHBORS

Everyone Wants Second **2 items/Second Sunday**

Whitworth University has multiple food pantries for students, staff, and faculty experiencing food insecurity. Help the Deacons stock the shelves with non-perishable food items every 2nd Sunday of the month.

The need this month is: individually wrapped snacks (granola or nutrition bars, trail mix, crackers, etc.)

Giving Report

(Data as of March 29, 2024)

March 2024

GIVING SUMMARY

2024 Fiscal Year YTD



■ MTD Received
■ Remaining Budget for the Month

■ YTD Received
■ YTD Surplus Budget
■ Remaining Budget for Fiscal Year



April Calendar






April 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
SS - Sunday School AE - Adult Ed HS - High School MS - Middle School WITW - Wednesday in the Word Bible Study	1	2 9:30AM Women's Bible	3 11AM WITW Bible Study 6:30PM Little Theology	4 6PM Knook	5	6
Spring Break Week - Kid's Club, MS, & HS Youth Group programs are on break as well.						
7 10:00AM Worship 10:00 Family Service 11:15AM Adult Ed 	8 1PM Alzheimer's Support @ St. Luke's 	9 9:30AM Women's Bible 6:30PM HS Youth	10 11AM WITW Bible Study 6:30PM Kid's Club 6:30PM MS Youth 6:30PM Little Theology	11 6PM Knook	12 4th/5th Grade Sleepover	13
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WHITWORTH CONNECTION



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 or call get more information.
 Church Office: (509) 466-0305
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