



Session Update

On April 16th after sharing a meal together the Session prayed for church members in their various shepherding groups. After reviewing the March financials, they began the annual budget process by reviewing potential revenue targets for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. After discussing this, the Personnel Committee presented compensation proposals for the church staff. The Session will consider the staffing proposals during the budget process over the next two months. The Session additionally considered facility opportunities, discussed children's discipleship, and reviewed the sabbatical coverage plan for Pastor Nate. The meeting concluded in prayer for Pastor Nate and for CCB this summer.

The Session meets on the third Tuesday of each month; the next meeting will be May 21. Please be in prayer for our leaders as they discuss church business and make decisions for our church family.

Meet the Diaconate | J-P Oneschak



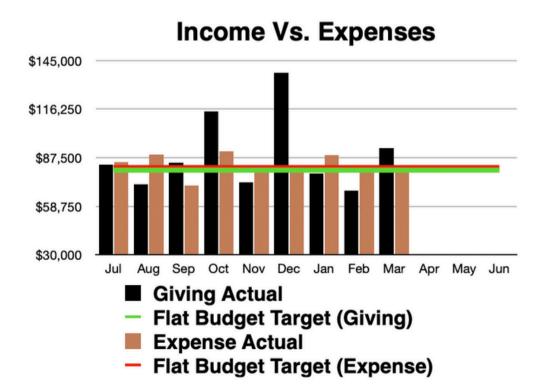
J-P and his wife, Andrea, have worshipped with their three sons at Christ Church since 2015 and live in Ferndale. He holds BAs in Christian Studies (Briercrest College) and History (Arizona State) as well as a MA in Interdisciplinary Studies (Arizona State). Some favorite things he enjoys are reading, photographs, the outdoors, music, and doing things as a family. As a deacon, J-P enjoys bringing people together to eat, connect, and play, whether it's welcoming new people and connecting them with other members of the church or organizing events for large gatherings. His hope is to see the faith of each person that attends Christ Church deepened and relationships with each other forged and strengthened.

Meet the CCB Staff | Cari Duffy



Cari has been working at Christ Church Bellingham since 2022. She grew up in Snohomish County and moved to Bellingham for college. Cari met her husband, Ryan, at a badminton tournament. They have two teenage daughters, Clare and Molly. Previously Cari worked in both retail and resort management, was a certified teacher in Whatcom County public school districts, ran a one-room schoolhouse private school, and has been homeschooling her daughters since preschool. The entire Duffy family enjoy serving the Body of Christ by tending the church inside and outside. For Cari, working with the office staff team is a cherished blessing.

Stewardship



CHURCH EXPENSES - BUDGETED

MONTH	AVG ADULT S	ACTUAL TOTAL CHURCH EXPENSES	ACTUAL WEEKLY EXPENSE S PER	MONTHLY EXPENSE TARGET	BUDGET EXPENSES PER ADULT PER WEEK
Jul	213	\$84,807.62	\$91.88	\$81,644.92	\$95.16
Aug	231	\$89,402.36	\$89.31	\$81,644.92	\$95.16
Sep	250	\$70,968.17	\$65.51	\$81,644.92	\$95.16
Oct	244	\$91,181.07	\$86.25	\$81,644.92	\$95.16
Nov	250	\$80,347.81	\$74.17	\$81,644.92	\$95.16
Dec	239	\$81,663.43	\$78.85	\$81,644.92	\$95.16
Jan	238	\$88,901.44	\$86.20	\$81,644.92	\$95.16
Feb	238	\$81,321.53	\$78.85	\$81,644.92	\$95.16
Mar	268	\$80,793.85	\$69.57	\$81,644.92	\$95.16
Apr				\$81.644.92	\$95.16

March 2024

DONORS *% of member households who gave

# of Giving Households	96
% of Members Who Gave*	63%
% of Adults Who Gave	61%
Avg Wkly Giving Per Adult	\$80.08
# of New Givers	1

MARCH GIVING

Monthly Giving Target	\$80,067.00
Actual	\$93,004.05
Difference	\$12,937.05
% Achieved	116%

YEAR-TO-DATE GIVING**

Monthly Giving Target	\$720,703.00
Actual	\$805,905.14
Difference	\$85,202.14
% Achieved	112%



Pastoral Sabbatical

Pastor Nate is going on sabbatical from May through August! Please keep the Walkers in your prayers this summer, and kindly give the family space for an uninterrupted time of refreshment and reconnection. Their summer plans include traveling (we're thankful for God's provision of the Lilly Endowment), so pray especially for safety.

New Members & Baptisms

This month, we welcomed **Willie Adams** into membership and baptized his & Megan's daughter **Alessi Adams**. We also welcomed **Lucas**, **Hannah**, and **Alastair Berry** as new members.

Date Night | Friday, May 3

March date night is Friday, May 3, from 5:30-8pm at the church building. Email Tabithah Schwandt (tabithah.schwandt@gmail.com) with any questions about joining our childcare coop.

Women's Gathering | Saturday, May 4

Spiritual Formation Focus: God's Word

Does your Bible reading taper off during the summer months? Come and be spurred on to keep God's Word as your daily bread all summer long. We'll talk about practical ways to do this and hear a testimony from Rosemma Weston as well.

Church Camping Trip | June 27-30

Our fourth annual church camping trip will be June 27-30 at Bryce Creek Campground. Save the date if you'd like to participate in this fun tradition with out church family.



Recent Sermons



You can re-listen (or catch up if you missed a Sunday) to each sermon on Apple Podcasts or our Spotify channel.

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Renew Northwest

Renew NW is a digital publication where Pastor Nate and other writers from around the Pacific NW address topics in Scripture, church life, and cultural issues that we might only address briefly in our exegetical studies on Sunday mornings. In fact, many of this year's articles have been sparked by your questions.

Have a question you want answered? Email admin@renewnorthwest.com with topics or questions you would like our Renew authors to tackle.

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Community Happenings

Don't miss out on gatherings and offerings in our community. Join the "Community Sharing" and "Adventures & Gatherings" groups on Church Center to share or hear about requests, events, and service opportunities.

Get to know us

- Getting around on Sunday morning (service times, childcare, what to expect, etc)
- What we believe
- Our leadership

Last month's newsletter

March

We'd love to get to know you!

Connect with us <u>here</u>, or learn more about our ministries:

- <u>Discipleship Groups</u>
- Home Groups
- CCB Youth | CCB Kids

Watch a short overview of CCB's five core values here.



