

Welcome to Skykomish Community Church

a Word preaching, people loving community



COVID-19 Update

Date	September 16	January 5
% of total population fully vaccinated	62%	68.1%
% of total population with at least one dose	70.1%	76%
% of adults fully vaccinated (18+)	74.2%	79%
% of seniors fully vaccinated (65+)	89.3%	91.7%

ANNOUNCEMENTS

But now, this is what the LORD says—he who created you, Jacob, he who formed you, Israel: “Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze. For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, Your Savior;... Isaiah 43:1-3 (NIV)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Communion: February 6

Next Potluck: TBD

Board Meeting: January 16

Offering: place in box on the north wall in the rear of the sanctuary, use PayPal donate button on website, or mail to:

Skykomish Community Church

PO Box 56

Skykomish, WA 98288



Prayer Spotlight

Allen & Bonnie Klein; Sutherlands River, N.S.
Freedom Bible Church

This part of Nova Scotia used to be a significant coal mining area. Sutherlands River is more of a geographic area than a town. Many people commute to New Glasgow. Michelin (tires) and Sobeys (groceries) are the biggest employers in our area. Tourism is also an important part of our economy.



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PRAYER REQUESTS:

- We have weathered COVID-19 fairly well in our church and community, but we are at a place where we need the Lord's direction for the future. Pray for wisdom.
- Pray for our young people to become grounded and established in their faith.



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PRAYER REQUESTS:

- We are seeking to fill some leadership positions; please pray for faithful and godly leadership for our church.
- Please pray for open doors to share the Gospel with the communities around us.



Village Missions

Keeping Country Churches Alive

Open Field Spotlight

Pend Oreille Bible Church Cusick, WA

Please pray for the people of Pend Oreille Bible Church as they wait for their next full-time Village Missions pastor. Also pray for the 17 other churches in the U.S. and Canada that are waiting for a Village Missions pastor.

Exodus 13:1-16

Redeem Every Firstborn

Exodus 13:1-16 (NIV)

The Lord said to Moses, “Consecrate to me every firstborn male. The first offspring of every womb among the Israelites belongs to me, whether human or animal.”

Then Moses said to the people,
“Commemorate this day, the day you came out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery, because the Lord brought you out of it with a mighty hand. Eat nothing containing yeast. Today, in

Exodus 13:1-16 (NIV)

the month of Aviv, you are leaving. When the Lord brings you into the land of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Hivites and Jebusites—the land he swore to your ancestors to give you, a land flowing with milk and honey—you are to observe this ceremony in this month: For seven days eat bread made without yeast and on the seventh day hold a festival to the Lord. Eat unleavened bread

Exodus 13:1-16 (NIV)

during those seven days; nothing with yeast in it is to be seen among you, nor shall any yeast be seen anywhere within your borders. On that day tell your son, 'I do this because of what the Lord did for me when I came out of Egypt.' This observance will be for you like a sign on your hand and a reminder on your forehead that this law of the Lord is to be on your lips. For the Lord brought you out of Egypt with his

Exodus 13:1-16 (NIV)

mighty hand. You must keep this ordinance at the appointed time year after year.

“After the Lord brings you into the land of the Canaanites and gives it to you, as he promised on oath to you and your ancestors, you are to give over to the Lord the first offspring of every womb. All the firstborn males of your livestock belong to the Lord. Redeem with a lamb every firstborn donkey, but if you do not redeem it,

Exodus 13:1-16 (NIV)

break its neck. Redeem every firstborn among your sons.

“In days to come, when your son asks you, ‘What does this mean?’ say to him, ‘With a mighty hand the Lord brought us out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. When Pharaoh stubbornly refused to let us go, the Lord killed the firstborn of both people and animals in Egypt. This is why I sacrifice to the Lord the

Exodus 13:1-16 (NIV)

first male offspring of every womb and redeem each of my firstborn sons.’ And it will be like a sign on your hand and a symbol on your forehead that the Lord brought us out of Egypt with his mighty hand.”

Exodus 13:8-10 (NIV)

On that day tell your son, 'I do this because of what the Lord did for me when I came out of Egypt.' This observance will be for you **like a sign on your hand and a reminder on your forehead** that this law of the Lord is to be on your lips. For the Lord brought you out of Egypt with his mighty hand. You must keep this ordinance at the appointed time year after year.

Deuteronomy 6:4-9 (NIV)

Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. **Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads.** Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

Exodus 13:1-16 (NIV)

Redeem every firstborn among your sons.

“In days to come, when your son asks you, ‘What does this mean?’ say to him, ‘With a mighty hand the Lord brought us out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. When Pharaoh stubbornly refused to let us go, the Lord killed the firstborn of both people and animals in Egypt. This is why I sacrifice to the Lord the first male offspring of every womb and redeem each of my firstborn sons. And it will be like a sign on your hand and a symbol on your forehead that the Lord brought us out of Egypt with his mighty hand.’”

Psalm 49 (NIV)

For the director of music. Of the Sons of Korah. A psalm.

Hear this, all you peoples;

listen, all who live in this world,
both low and high,

rich and poor alike:

My mouth will speak words of wisdom;

the meditation of my heart will give you
understanding.

Psalm 49 (NIV)

I will turn my ear to a proverb;

with the harp I will expound my riddle:

Why should I fear when evil days come,

when wicked deceivers surround me—

those who trust in their wealth

and boast of their great riches?

No one can redeem the life of another

or give to God a ransom for them—

Psalm 49 (NIV)

the ransom for a life is costly,
no payment is ever enough—
so that they should live on forever
and not see decay.

For all can see that the wise die,
that the foolish and the senseless also
perish,
leaving their wealth to others.

Psalm 49 (NIV)

Their tombs will remain their houses forever,
their dwellings for endless generations,
though they had named lands after
themselves.

People, despite their wealth, do not endure;
they are like the beasts that perish.

This is the fate of those who trust in
themselves,

Psalm 49 (NIV)

and of their followers, who approve their sayings.

They are like sheep and are destined to die; death will be their shepherd

(but the upright will prevail over them in the morning).

Their forms will decay in the grave, far from their princely mansions.

Psalm 49 (NIV)

But God will redeem me from the realm of the dead;

he will surely take me to himself.

Do not be overawed when others grow rich,

when the splendor of their houses increases;

for they will take nothing with them when they die,

their splendor will not descend with them.

Psalm 49 (NIV)

Though while they live they count themselves blessed—

and people praise you when you prosper—
they will join those who have gone before them,
who will never again see the light of life.

People who have wealth but lack understanding
are like the beasts that perish.

Isaiah 43:1-13 (NIV)

But now, this is what the Lord says—

he who created you, Jacob,

he who formed you, Israel:

“Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;

I have summoned you by name; you are mine.

When you pass through the waters,

I will be with you;

Isaiah 43:1-13 (NIV)

and when you pass through the rivers,
they will not sweep over you.

When you walk through the fire,
you will not be burned;

the flames will not set you ablaze.

For I am the Lord your God,

the Holy One of Israel, your Savior;

I give Egypt for your ransom,

Isaiah 43:1-13 (NIV)

Cush and Seba in your stead.

Since you are precious and honored in my sight,

and because I love you,

I will give people in exchange for you,

nations in exchange for your life.

Do not be afraid, for I am with you;

I will bring your children from the east

Isaiah 43:1-13 (NIV)

and gather you from the west.

I will say to the north, 'Give them up!'

and to the south, 'Do not hold them back.'

Bring my sons from afar

and my daughters from the ends of the
earth—

everyone who is called by my name,

whom I created for my glory,

Isaiah 43:1-13 (NIV)

whom I formed and made.”

Lead out those who have eyes but are blind,
who have ears but are deaf.

All the nations gather together
and the peoples assemble.

Which of their gods foretold this

and proclaimed to us the former things?

Let them bring in their witnesses to prove they

Isaiah 43:1-13 (NIV)

were right,

so that others may hear and say, “It is true.”

“You are my witnesses,” declares the Lord,

“and my servant whom I have chosen,

so that you may know and believe me

and understand that I am he.

Before me no god was formed,

nor will there be one after me.

Isaiah 43:1-13 (NIV)

I, even I, am the Lord,

and apart from me there is no savior.

I have revealed and saved and proclaimed—

I, and not some foreign god among you.

You are my witnesses,” declares the Lord, “that I am God.

Yes, and from ancient days I am he.

No one can deliver out of my hand.

When I act, who can reverse it?”

Galatians 3:13-14 (NIV)

Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written: “Cursed is everyone who is hung on a pole.” He redeemed us in order that the blessing given to Abraham might come to the Gentiles through Christ Jesus, so that by faith we might receive the promise of the Spirit.

Galatians 4:4-7 (NIV)

But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship. Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, “Abba, Father.” So you are no longer a slave, but God’s child; and since you are his child, God has made you also an heir.

Titus 2:11-14 (NIV)

For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people. It teaches us to say “No” to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, while we wait for the blessed hope—the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.

1 Peter 1:18-21 (NIV)

For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake. Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.

Ephesians 3:20-21 (NIV)

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

Numbers 6:24-26 (NIV)

The LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make his face shine on
you and be gracious to you; the
LORD turn his face toward you and
give you peace.