

March 2018

Spring Into Camp Craft Fair

March 24th from 9am-2pm. It will be hosted at the church.

All proceeds from table rentals will go to scholarships for kids who can't afford to go to camp.

There will be cinnamon rolls, soup for lunch, and childcare if any moms want to shop alone.

If you want to have a booth? (\$25 for an 8 foot table)

Please contact : CJ, Alicia or Terri Hayden for more information.

Camp Story Registration!!

Early bird deadline is March 25th. Have your registration form and 1/2 of your camping fees to CJ on or before the 25th.

Forms can be found at the info. center or online at campstory.org. Questions contact CJ.

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Holy Week services and Easter



March 25

8 & 10 am



March 29

7 pm



March 30

Ecumenical service
Trinity Lutheran
Church at noon.



April 1

Sunrise Service
8 am service
10 am service

Greetings Everyone.

A modern-day worship song contains these wonderful lyrics:

O God, You are my God, and I will ever praise You (repeat).
I will seek You in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways;
And step by step You'll lead me, and I will follow You all of my days.

This brief chorus outlines much of the Christian walk. It begins with acknowledging that God is God and I am not! Just like the beginning of the Lord's prayer it emphasizes that one of our goals in life is to praise him. Then, after focusing our souls on God, it outlines our responsibilities. I will seek You...I will learn to walk... not all at once, but step by step...and I will follow...through the whole of life.

What a beautiful and simple image.

As a congregation we are following a similar process. Weekly we refocus and recommit ourselves to the sovereignty of God during our time of worship. Then, as we leave the sanctuary we continue through the week to seek, to learn, to follow step by step the God who loves us and leads us.

Part of our seeking as a congregation is to discern God's will about the future. Your Mission Study Team is initiating that process under the leadership of Rev. Steve Shive, General Presbyterian, and with my support as best as I am able. They are doing a great job as they interview key organizations in the community to hear their observations about Sheridan's strengths as well as the needs they see.

A next step in this "step by step" process we are pursuing as we seek God's direction will begin on **MARCH 18**. Rev. Shive will be preaching on that Sunday. Following the worship service we will have an All-Church Potluck followed by a time to help FPC look inward at our strengths. Here are some things we need to consider for this important time:

- † **It is a potluck!** I loved our Congregational Meeting potluck!! If possible, please replicate!!! Yum.
- † It will last up to **3 hours**. Yeow!! We want it to be done right.
- † The process we will be using is called **Appreciative Inquiry**. It is very helpful and very good. It works best when the different age groups of the congregation are represented and participating.
- † For **families**, it is at the end of Winter break for schools. If possible, please organize your schedules so you can be back in town and participate.
- † If, for whatever reason, you cannot participate, there will be **make up sessions**. Please, please, please plan on attending a session. Every voice needs to be heard so we can gain a true picture of First Presbyterian.

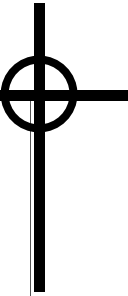
Remember, this is part of the Mission Study process. The goal of the Mission Study is to:

- † Help determine the mission God has designed for FPC as we move into his future work in us and through us in Sheridan, Wyoming;
- † Focus this mission on behalf of the FPC congregation. The results will be presented to the whole congregation for its discussion and approval;
- † Provide the foundation to be used in the seeking of the next pastor who will help lead FPC in fulfilling that mission.

Dear Lord: We continue to be in prayer as we follow You step by step. We know this is your church and that You are not done with us yet. We are excited to discern the direction You have instore for us. We ask that You give us ears to hear You and the courage to follow the direction you give. We lift up the Mission Study Team and ask that You give them wisdom and insight. Fill them with your Holy Spirit for the work they do. We pray this in the name of Jesus our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Moving with you step by step,





A big shout out to those of our church that have helped move snow this winter! Jim Lyon, Jim Blaha, Jeff Mueller, Linnet McGoodwin, Mariam Nance, and Craig Clem. Let's hope that from now on all we have is rain! (without freezing temperatures!!) You are fabulous!

Summer camping opportunities at Camp Story!! This summer there are several new and exciting camping opportunities for youth 5th-12th grade. The new camps are: God and Creation (2 different times); Westward Migration Camp, Wilderness camp (one for youth and then another for families!), Cultural Camp, and Sports Conditioning Camp. There is something for everyone!! Along with returning favorites: You and Me Camp, Day Camp, Starter Camp, and Jr. LIT and Sr. LIT (leaders in training). If you know a young person that would like to go to camp, the church will pay for half the cost. If you would like to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity, please have your registration and your half of the payment (made out to the church) to me by **March 25th**. This is different date the what is listed on the camp's website. This is because to take advantage of the early bird discount the payments need to be to Camp by April 1st. If you have any questions about who is eligible for the discount, your cost, or any other questions, please let me know and I will be happy to help!

Triennium 2019 is just 16 short months away! Can you believe it? It seems just like just last year that we went! I would like to invite all students who are currently in grades 7th-11th grades to a March 25th at 4:30 (youth group time!) Triennium informational meeting. If you went in 2016, please still come to the meeting. I would love for you to share your experience with the 2019 group. If you are too old to go this time, but would like to take part in the festivities Triennium is looking for youth workers! If you are interested in this opportunity please let me know and I will get you the information.

April 27-28, the youth will have the opportunity to participate in the **30 hours of famine**. We will have several different activities scheduled during the 30 hours. I will be looking for chaperones to help with this event. Please check your calendars and let me know. The availability of chaperones will determine if the event will take place. I am asking for chaperones to commit to at least 2 hours at a time. I will have a sign up sheet in the information center. Once I have the commitment of the chaperones, I will have the youth sign up available.

Just a reminder, **Sunday mornings at 9 am** we have Sunday School for grades K-8 in the library. Youth in high school are welcomed at the Bible study hosted in the parlor. It has been an exciting time for all exploring and reading through the book of Acts.

Junior High Youth Group continues to meet every Sunday from 4:30-5:30. If you have a youth in grades 5th-8th grade they are welcome to join us. Just in case the message doesn't make it all the way home, they are welcome to bring friends!

Senior High Youth Group has been on hiatus due to the youth schedules and sickness. We had been meeting Tuesday mornings at Starbucks. Funny how food and coffee will get high schoolers up in the mornings. We start up again at 7 am on March 6th. If transportation is an issue, please let me know.

Logos will be winding down this month. It is always bitter sweet when we come to the end of the semester. I will miss seeing all the faces every week. Our last Logos will be March 21st with the annual goldfish races. The races are always an exciting time! Please make note there will be **NO Logos on Wednesday, March 14th**. I have had an amazing crew of volunteers that have helped me every week! Tina Anderson, Mike Stoll, Judi Palm, Sandy Browne, Mike Browne, Teresa Williams, Kim Kozel, Tracey Burke, Paul and Terri Hayden, Jim and Peggy Blaha, Lorrie Ledgerwood, Jim Lyon, Mitzi Knapp, and Loren Ruttiger, Jean Morgan and Hannah Shannon. Without these fabulous people, we would not have had such a wonderful program! When you see them please give them a big thank you! These people are wonderful role models for not just the youth but for everyone and I appreciate the commitment that they made to the youth and the Logos' program. Thank you!!!

Greetings, fellows · in· the· same· ship!!!

The Fellowship committee hopes you have wintered well, as we are now looking forward to SPRING!!!!

Below is another description of fellowship for your thoughtful consideration.

“Fellowship is not just how we meet together around the Lord’s Table or in Worship or Prayer. Real fellowship is when you know the person standing next to you – you know *who* they are, you know *their identity*, and you live with them according to *who they are in Jesus*, because they are living with you according to how they see *you in Jesus* and that is the unity we are looking for.”

Here are upcoming events you can become involved in...March

Presbyterians in Gourmet Gatherings (PIGGS) will kick off this month. The Fellowship committee has gathered the forms of interested parties and will create several groups. For those who filled out paperwork, please watch your email the first week of March. As we get the groups put together you will be emailed and the leader of each group will be responsible for setting up your first gathering time and place. From then on, you can discuss with your group for each next setting. PIGGS will run from March until July, with a potluck picnic in August for all the groups to get together. These groups are wonderful ways to get to know people you see, but may not know! We will be able to get to know who they are, know their identity and who they are in Jesus.

Upcoming events.....**Folk dance** to be taught by Pam Moore. She has been teaching people these dances for over 25 years!! This will be fun; come even if you think you have two left feet, because she can make them work together!! An exact date will be forthcoming!!

From Ash Wednesday forward, we are preparing our hearts for **Easter!!!**

If you have a spark (even a tiny one) of interest in seeing what our devoted group involves, you are welcome to join us the second Tuesday of the month at 4:30 p.m. If you are unable to attend and have questions, please contact Kim Kozel, Fellowship Committee Chairman or Jeri Joy, Elder.



Mission and Outreach would like your help. To offset the cost of the JUST coffee served for Coffee Fellowship on Sunday Mornings we are inviting individuals or families to sponsor a bag each week for \$10.

There will be a black board in the Fellowship Hall that will announce who, is sponsoring the coffee for fellowship that Sunday. If you would like to be a sponsor, there will be a sign up sheet in the Narthex. Along with the sign up sheet will be an envelope for you to put your \$10 in.

As a reminder JUST coffee is available for you to purchase each Sunday in the Narthex or in the Fellowship Hall. Let’s keep drinking JUST coffee to support this great Mission in Mexico!

Any questions can be directed to Peggy at 763-2404.

Thank You all for your support!!



For their service to the church during the month of February the Worship Committee would like to thank these faithful servants...

Worship Leaders: CJ Clem, Dave Engels, Tracey Burke, Gloria Dierking, Darcie Lyon, Louise Semino

Communion Servers: Darcie Lyon, Phillis Wilhelm, Jan Leupold, Kim Love, Tod Windsor, Ken Osborne

Altar Guild: Carol Maloy, Diane Peterson, Jane Gallagher, Jerilea Phillips

Audio/Visual Systems Operators: Elwyn Maloy, Rick Semino, Chris Smith, Jim Blaha, Loren Ruttinger, CJ Clem

Sugarland Worship Leaders: Jan Leupold, Loren Ruttinger

Head Ushers: Beth Bailey, David Motsick

Greeters: Clark & Karen Izzard, Linda Frey, Jacob St Pierre, Darlene & Jim Douglas, Jim & Dianna Perry

Girls School Worship: No worship this month

Communion Preparation: Communion Guild

Coffee Fellowship: PW Circles/ Fellowship/Session

Meal Deliveries– Youth, Marion & Annette Reed, Carla White, Ron Patterson, Jan Leupold, Kim Kozel

Coffee Sponsors– Blaha, Maloy, Engels, Ludemann/Davis

Session Members and Committees

Budget & Finance

Beth Bailey, Carol Davis

Clerk of Session

Carla White

Communication & Tech

Ted Knapp, Tod Windsor

Christian Education

Janis DeVore, Judy Garber

Fellowship

Kim Kozel, Jeri Joy, Kathy Lundberg

Membership & Evangelism

Tina Anderson, Jean Morgan

Mission & Outreach

Peggy Blaha, Doug Beagle

Personnel

Teresa Williams, Jim Lyon

Properties

Doug Moore, Dave Motsick, Gareth Dixon

Worship

Loren Ruttinger, Linnet McGoodwin

Keep them in your prayers

Jack Elliott, Margie & Art Elkins, Jim Litle, Dede Shrum, Karen Townsend, Pat Gallagher, Wilma Browne, Darlene McNair, Charlie, Dorothea Doerr, Pat Fosher, Katherine & Billie Shifrar, Esther McKenzie

Pastor Paul Hayden's email address:

fpc.paul@actaccess.net

Let's keep current!!

If you have changed your:

Phone

Mailing address

Email

Let us know!! :)

fpc@actaccess.net/ 672-1717



SNOWDAY Crew. This motley bunch showed up after the last dump of snow to keep the doors open for Lunch Together. FPC served 95 meals the week of Feb 5 – 9, 2018. Thanks to everyone who cooked, served, and cleaned this week. Thank you guys for keeping Men's Day going on Tuesday.

A special THANK YOU to Jim Lyon who brought Bella, Madison, Latavia, Emily and Kaitlyn from the Girls School to the Lunch Together Kitchen for deep cleaning. The girls definitely made the kitchen sparkle.

We serve again April 9 – 12, 2018, so mark your calendars! We love it when it when new folks join in.

Blessings,

Tina Anderson 751-4810

Jan Leupold

Mary Ludemann

Doug Moore



A challenge!! For every \$20 donated to Camp Story by individual Presbyterian women, the state of Wyoming PW will match that donation. You can give your donation to Kathy Beagle. Make you check to PW and in the memo put Camp Story. The deadline is Spring Gathering 2018!

Work is being done on the new website:

sheridanfpc.church



We are also fine tuning the directory in order to look at printing a new one soon! Get your updates to us!!

March happenings for PW!!

**March 7th
Brunch at 10 am.**

The program will be Doug Moore and he will be talking about the Food Group. We will be filling bags for the kids.

PW will have an 8 ft. table at the Camp Story Craft Fair on Mar. 24. If any congregation member or friend has one or more craft items to donate to the table, we would appreciate it. ALL proceeds from the PW table will go to the "Scholarships for Camp" fund.

Contact Sherry Laughton or Sharon Browne



All Women Invited!

Join us for the 2018 Presbyterian Women Spring Gathering

Union Presbyterian Church,

Powell, Wyoming

April 13 at 8:30am to

April 14 at noon

"PW Building Bridges of Understanding,"

Romans 1:12

For all women! Bring a friend! Time to relax, feel refreshed!

Be inspired with presentations from Kathy Lundberg on the Global Exchange to Indonesia and Anita Schamber regarding her mission work with World Vision International

Where is Your PW on the Life Cycle? What are signs of the Spirit Moving Us? What might Spark us to Engage New People? General Presbyter Steve Shive will guide this discussion.

Celebrate the 30th birthday of Presbyterian Women!

Guided tour of the Heart Mountain Interpretive Center.

Get informed about disaster planning by Presbyterian Disaster Assistance trainers, Gail Heimback and Kathy Lundberg

Friday night worship and communion led by Union Pres. pastor Rev. Jeff Baxter

Eat delicious food!

Meet new friends!

Special room rates are available at the Powell Super 8. First come, first served. **Registration fee of just \$50 (includes meals) and the form is due by Wednesday, April 4.** (see registration form)

More info: contact Melinda Brazzale, 307-256-0506, mlbrazzale@gmail.com



Information and sign-up center!

This is the place to sign up for volunteer opportunities, event RSVP's, find informational material and much more!

This area is directly behind the Compassion board & across from the name tag board, in the Narthex. (front entrance of the church)

If you have never been a worship leader or volunteered to help with setting up Communion, there are people to help! Just call the church office 672-1717 and we will connect you with the right person.

Flowers for Sunday: if you would like to provide flowers or use the bouquets already made up in memory of a loved one, in honor of someone, or an anniversary, it is up to you! You can choose a Sunday at the Info. Center on the Flower sign up.

Time is
Too slow for those who wait,
Too swift for those who fear,
Too long for those who grieve,
Too short for those who rejoice;
But for those who love,
Time is not.

Henry van Dyke

We measure time in many ways and it means different things to us. One way we measure time is season change. For those of us lucky enough to live where there are 4 seasons, the changing of the season is an exciting time.

Spring is upon us, the thought of new life, of Easter, of winters hold on us being broken, stirs our blood. It is a time of renewal and remembering what Jesus has done for us.

But if we happen to find ourselves in a time of waiting, of fear, or of grieving it might not feel like renewal. We want to feel those good things but we just don't. Something has happened in our lives to keep these signs of hope away. The sun seems to be shining on others, but not on us.

These hard feelings are part of the human condition, but we do not have to be alone while we wait for the light to shine on us again. While we wait to rejoice and love again, and we will, remember there are church friends who would like to wait with us.

Praying for you to live mostly where time is not,
Lorrie

If you would like to speak to a Stephen Minister please call Lorrie Ledgerwood 752-3923 or Pastor Paul 672-1717

Miscellany

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- 2- Tod Windsor
- 3- Steve Kennedy
- 4- Jacob Grimes, Becky Motsick, Larry Mueller
- 7- Brett Burtis
- 9- Shawn Luedtke
- 12- Louann Hamstreet, Denise Mueller
Richard Warren
- 15- Richard Rexroat
- 16- Tim Lenz
- 19- Alivia Denzin, Ron Patterson
- 22- Dusty Ledgerwood, Ashlee Quarterman
- 23- Joyce Meling
- 24- Bethany Hunter
- 25- Galen Tipton, Colton Williams
- 26- Kathy Lundberg
- 28- Jack Roberts
- 29- Chuck Deaver, Effie Rexroat
- 30- Cole Steidley, Mary Jo Stresky
- 31- Zachary Luedtke, Esther McKenzie

Happy Anniversary!

- 6- Sandy & Marilyn Michelena, Doug & Ruth Osborn
- 14- Mike & Teresa Williams
- 19- Robert & Jeanette Ruttinger
- 28- Clark & Karen Izzard
- 29- Jon & Rene Botten
- 30- Thorman & Jo Sholey

Our sympathies go out to Nancy Elliott
Her sister Billie May Means
Passed away Feb. 27.

Your church finances

Year to Date

Income: \$ 47,602.24
Expenses: \$ 29,820.65
Total: \$ 17,781.59

New website!

Sheridanfpc.church

Is up and running, fine tuning is being done.

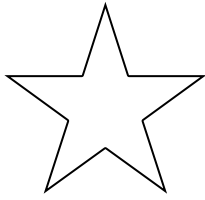
Thank you Ted Knapp, Tod Windsor and
Pastor Paul for getting it put together

The office will be open during these hours.

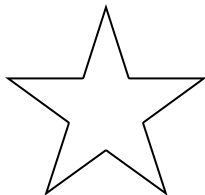
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Air Force

- Jason Browne** (Son of Sandy Browne)
- Ryan Laughton** (Grandson of Joe Laughton)
- Howard (Ace) Shrum** (Grandson of Dorothy Shrum)
- Brennan Negrete** (Grandson of Elwyn & Carol Maloy)
- Damon Sevier** (Son of Patty Usher)
- Jeff & Michelle Durand** (Cousins of Phyllis Wilhelm)
- Kai Grimmell** (Nephew of Gloria Stresky)
- Alicia Ferries** (Daughter in law of Jane Buell)
- Bryce Williams** (son of Mike and Teresa Williams)
- Brennan & Sydney Negrete** (Grandson & Granddaughter-in-law of Elwyn & Carol Maloy)
- Megan Price** (Granddaughter of Karen Fosher)

National Guard

- Shawn Meline** (Son of Ted & Carolyn Meline)
- Allen Price** (son-in-law of Karen Fosher)
- Carsie Mitchell** (Grandson of Jim & Dianne Perry)

Navy & Navy Reserves

- William Ferries** (Son of Jane Buell)

Army & Army Reserves

- Kyle Jennings**-(Grandson of Bernice Jennings)

Marines

- Zachary Fitzpatrick**-(Son of Howie & Sandy Fitzpatrick)

If you would like to have your loved-one in the military listed on this page, or if you would like to have their address printed in the newsletter, or their picture on our picture board, please give the information to Sue in the office.

March 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
April 1 Easter Sunday TBA-Sunrise Service Breakfast 8 am– Worship 10 am– Worship				1 6:30 am– Breakfast study 9:30 am– Women’s study 11 am– Properties 5:30 pm– soup and Lenten Study 7 pm– choir practice	2	3
4 9 am– SS– K-8 9 am– Adult SS 10 am– Worship Communion, LOGOS Sunday 11:30– Bible study 4 pm– Girl’s School Worship 4:30– Jr. High youth	5 7 pm– Bells	6	7 10 am–PW Brunch 3:30– LOGOS	8 6:30 am– Breakfast study 9:30 am– Women’s study 5:30 pm– soup and Lenten Study 7 pm– choir practice	9	10
11 8 am– Worship 9 am– SS– K-8 9 am– Adult SS 10 am– Worship 11:30– Bible study 4 pm– Girl’s School Worship 	12 7 pm– Bells	13 Committee meetings 10-Properties Noon– CE 4:30– Mission & Fellowship 5:30– Budget & Personnel	14 11 am– Membership NO LOGOS! Spring Break	15 6:30 am– Breakfast study 9:30 am– Women’s study 5:30 pm– soup and Lenten Study 7 pm– choir practice	16 Committee reports due am	17
18 Steve Shive– guest Pastor 8 am– Worship 9 am– SS– K-8 9 am– Adult SS 10 am– Worship All Church meeting & potluck 1:30– Sugarland	19 7 pm– Bells	20 7 pm– Session	21 9:30-noon– Circles 3:30– LOGOS Last one!!	22 6:30 am– Breakfast study 9:30 am– Women’s study 5:30 pm– soup and Lenten Study 7 pm– choir	23 7-8 pm–Craft fair set up	24 9 am-2 pm Spring into Camp Craft Fair. Set up– 7-9 am
25 Palm Sunday 8 am– Worship 9 am– SS– K-8 9 am– Adult SS 10 am– Worship 11:30– Bible study 4:30– Jr. High youth	26 6 pm– Stephen Ministry 7 pm– Bells 	27	28 7 pm– choir	29 Maundy Thursday 6:30 am– Breakfast study 9:30 am– Women’s study 7 pm– Maundy Thursday Service	30 Good Friday Noon– Ecumenical service at Trinity Lutheran	31

First Presbyterian Church

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Return Service Requested

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If you would like to give an Easter Lily in memory of a loved one this year, please fill out the bottom portion of this sheet and either drop it in the offering plate, or give it to Sue in the office. Your form needs to be turned in by March 26 Your lily must be at the church no later than Mar. 30, before 11 am.

I/We _____

Your Name

will give an Easter Lily in memory of:
