

June 2018



Beginning June 3

One service at 9 am.

Through Sept. 2nd.

Communion first Sunday of the month. In August we will have Communion 26th at Camp Story.

After church Bible study– 10:30 am.

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Stephen Ministry note

Reading the book of Acts brought me to church. I had God, I knew Jesus and Holy Spirit pushed me (I mean guided me) here and there. But as I read the book of Acts, the community of believers struck me as something I needed. I sat the Bible down and said to myself, “I want that”. More Holy Spirit stuff, hummm?

I have not been disappointed, I have been supported, loved and guided by this particular group of believers and I have come to know the importance of community. We are not meant to travel this road alone. God has so graciously given us each other, it is an amazing gift.

I did not come to this insight easily. I was born and raised here in the West with that hardy can do spirit and didn’t need anybody (as you know people don’t always act the way you want them to, they can let you down). Turns out I was wrong, I do need others (flawed as we all are), and I’m so grateful I found that out.

So I just wanted to remind you, that you don’t have to go it alone, if you’re struggling you can reach out to your church family and one way to do that is with a Stephen Minister.

In Spirit and Love

Lorrie Ledgerwood 752-3923

Greetings Everyone.

As we approach Memorial Day weekend, the rhythm in the life of the church begins to change. Between September and Mid-May we live in the "Program Year" of church life. We have Sunday School, Adult Education offerings, two worship services, the Chancel and Bell Choirs participate in worship, LOGOS ministry takes place...

Things begin to change around Memorial Day. Please note, activity levels do not necessarily slow down, they simply shift. Many want to be outside more. Many have company drop in. Many participate in Rodeo Week. Many golf or hike or fish. Summer is a great time to be out in God's Creation in ways that Winter does not provide.

Within the life of our congregation we continue our rhythm of change that we call "Interim." We know what has been. We enjoy what presently is (It is hard to believe that Terri and I have been blessed to have been with you for 13 months). We also know that God is working in our midst as we prepare for the Ministry and Mission that is yet to come.

Even though we have our changing rhythms in life, God's love and ongoing work is rock solid. As Jesus ascended into heaven he promised his disciple, "Lo I am with you always, even to the end of the age" (Matthew 28:20). Jesus promised that "no one can snatch us out of the father's hands" (John 10:29). The Apostle Paul proclaimed there is nothing in all creation that can "separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Romans 8:37-39). Our rhythm of life may change but God faithful remains!

In our changing what connects us to the rock-solid God? I would offer one word: Prayer. Prayer is what keeps our changing times in contact with an unchanging God. Prayer is what helps us align our shifting will with God's eternal will. Prayer is what prepares the ground work in our life today for God's activity tomorrow. Is it any wonder that Jesus spent so much time in prayer? Is it any wonder that scripture teaches us to "Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances for this is **the will of God for you** in Christ Jesus" (1 Thess. 5:16-18).

During this first half of summer we are going to enter into a prayer experiment as God people at First Presbyterian Church. Each week during the sermon I am going to introduce a new prayer I hope we will begin to pray as a congregation. Everyone praying the same prayer...Wow. Over the course of seven-weeks we will have created a week-long prayer cycle in which we will praise God and seek God's will in certain areas of life. Here are the seven themes:

- Prayer for our Time of Worship
- Prayer for the Ministry and Mission of First Presbyterian
- Prayer for the Leaders of our Church
- Prayer for our Neighbors
- Prayer for Children
- Prayer for our Nation
- Prayer of Thanksgiving and Preparation

My hope for this spiritual exercise is that by the time we are ready to call a new pastor we will be like those early Christians on the day of Pentecost where it says:

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Acts 2:1

I know that Luke was most likely referring to their physical setting...the Upper Room. But, on a deeper level, during the 10 days prior to Pentecost, they had prayed, worked through their issues, and had become ready for God to do whatever God desired to do in them and through them. They were together in their spiritual lives. They were at the same place...one place...ready for God to work.

May our discipline of prayer make US of one heart and mind.

Walking the road with you.





A Big shout out to Tina Anderson, Terri Hayden, Louise Semino, and Darci Lyon for doing children's sermon in the month of May. As the adult giving the sermon to the youth, you are there to see the excitement and interest in their eyes. You miss out on that when you are sitting out in the congregation. If you would like to experience what I am talking about, there is a signup sheet in the information center.

Camp Story is starting this month!! Yah! I am so excited to see and hear about the amazing times that will be going on at Camp Story. We have lots of youth from our congregation that will be attending camp this summer. Please pray for the camp, staff, and all the youth. It will be a time full of memories, God, and growth. If you would like to write the youth at Camp, please let me know. I know that they love getting letters and that the church family is thinking of them.

At the end of the month (June 25-29) all youth going into 6th grade and up will have an opportunity to travel to Encampment, Wyoming to help run vacation Bible school. They will also be doing service projects in the community. If you know a youth that would like to come along, please let me know. The more the merrier.

Did you know that research shows that the parents are the number 1 influence in the lives of children? This does not just apply to "at risk" behavior but also in their spiritual lives. In 2014, the National Study of Youth and Religion published the 4th update of their longitudinal study. The study showed that 82% of the youth whose parents talked about and lived their faith while being active in their congregations continued their faith into their 20's. Compared to teens whose parents did not attach importance or talk about their faith, only 1% continued their faith. That is insane! Sometimes as a parent, it is hard to know how to talk your children about faith. You may be asking where do I start? What do I do? I am not sure if I know how to do that. Help! First thing, relax we got this! We will do it together. Over the next couple of months, I will be gathering information from parents (ya want to go for coffee and chat?) and coming up with a plan. Remember Philippians 4:13, I (we) can do all things through Christ which strengthens me. The important thing to remember, it is never too late to start.

How early in a child's spiritual life can we, at the church, start supporting their developing faith? This is a question that Holy Spirit has been whispering in my ear. Children are little sponges. Just think about how much they learn the first 4 years of their lives. They learn to smile, sit up, crawl, walk, and talk. Do they need to wait until kindergarten to start their faith journey? This is a question that I would like to propose to you. What can we do and where should we start? Is the nursery too early? I am looking for volunteers to help me explore these options. I will be hosting a meeting on Monday, June 18 at 7 pm. Please come to explore these questions.

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Dorothy, Tracey, Karen, Michael, Jim and Holy Spirit (keeping us all in line) dish out a delicious lunch in April for Lunch Together.

Please join us this summer when we serve again June 4 – 7 and July 30 – August 2. If you are new to our church family, this is a great way to meet people. Sign up in the Narthex the two Sundays before.

Blessings from your LT Wranglers:

Tina Anderson 751-4810

Jan Leupold

Mary Ludemann

Doug Moore

Mitzi Knapp

Janis Devore



Camp Story work week 2018 was a HUGE success!!

Thank you to everyone who came and gave their all to camp. Summer camp would not be possible without hardworking, selfless stewards like you!! We had a large crowd on Saturday, 28 people, and then on Tuesday we had 18, the rest of the work week was around 8-10. I want to also send a shout out to Sherry Laughton who cooked the entire work week and also Cheryl Heizer who helped cook on the weekend. The food was delicious and there was plenty of it!!

The Capital Improvement crew completed paneling and insulating Sheridan Cabin, Wolves Den, and they are almost done with the Chapel!! Next week they will start building an extension onto the deck of the lodge.

Summer camp is just around the corner starting on June 10th with our God and Creation Camp! It is going to be a busy, fun filled summer focusing on God and all that he has created!



Mitzi Knapp & Sherry Laughton hard at work during work week!



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

Worship Leaders: Nancy Elliott, Shelley Barrett, Marilyn Michelena, Karen Schreffler, Peggy Blaha, Joyce Groneberg, Scott Hollingsworth.

Communion Servers: Doug & Kathy Beagle, Pat & Jane Gallagher, Doug Moore, Sandy Browne.

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

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

Sugarland Worship Leaders: Jan Leupold, Paul Hayden

Head Ushers: Ted Knapp, Jim Lyon

Greeters: Girls School Worship: No school participants this month.

Communion Preparation: Motsick family

Coffee Fellowship: PW Circles/ Fellowship/Session

Meal Deliveries– Larry & Georgia Mueller, Tina Anderson, Carla White, Ron Patterson, Kim Kozel, Sandy Browne, Denise Mueller

Coffee Sponsors– Tina Anderson, Mike Stoll, Kim Koszel, Nancy Elliott, Kim Kozel

Session Members and Committees

Budget & Finance

Beth Bailey, Carol Davis, Tod Windsor

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, Dorothea Doerr, Esther McKenzie, Kathleen Shafer

Pastor Paul Hayden's email address:

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Let's keep current!!

If you have changed your:

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Mailing address

Email

Let us know!! :)

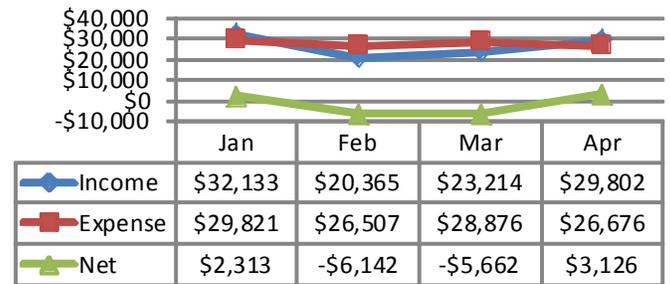
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| Jan | \$32,133 | \$29,821 | \$2,313 | Jan | \$32,133 | \$29,821 | \$2,313 | \$47,602 |
| Feb | \$20,365 | \$26,507 | -\$6,142 | Feb | \$52,498 | \$56,327 | -\$3,829 | \$67,967 |
| Mar | \$23,214 | \$28,876 | -\$5,662 | Mar | \$75,713 | \$85,203 | -\$9,491 | \$91,182 |
| Apr | \$29,802 | \$26,676 | \$3,126 | Month | Income | Expense | Net | |
| May | | | \$0 | Apr | \$105,515 | \$111,879 | -\$6,364 | \$120,984 |
| Jun | | | \$0 | May | -\$15,469 | | | |
| Jul | | | \$0 | Jun | -\$15,469 | | | |
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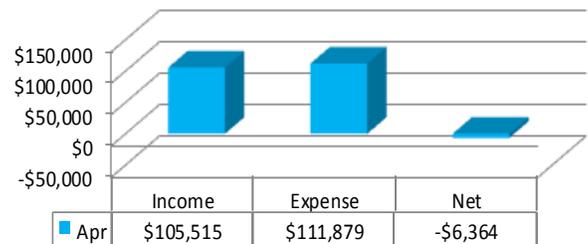
Financial Report

*In December 2016 we were blessed with a surprise gift of gold coins. We sold those coins in January 2018. If it were not for that special gift we would be \$5,00 in the red. Thanks be to God for Penny; (gold coins) from heaven.

2018 FPC Budget Excluding Gold Sale



2018 FPC Budget YTD April Excluding Gold Sale



Your church finances

Year to Date, including gold sale

Income: \$ 120,983.98

Expenses: \$ 110,962.56

Total: \$ 10,021.42

Presbyterian Women adjourned for the summer at their May 16 Circle meetings. Association meetings will resume September 5 with a noon luncheon honoring Men of Muscle with appreciation for the heavy lifting and support they offer at PW sales and other activities.

PW will have a summer get together June 6 at Camp Story for a porch picnic at noon. Hot dogs, buns, condiments and drinks will be provided. Please bring a salad or dessert to share if you are able. There will be plenty if only some of us bring food. We will meet at the church in the west parking lot to car pool at 11:30. Please coordinate with your Circle Moderator for a ride. Drop off at the back door of the Lodge is possible for those who are unable to maneuver the rough paths. Bring a friend to enjoy this fellowship time.

August 2-5 is the Church wide Gathering of Presbyterian Women in Louisville, KY. The theme is “Arise, shine, your light has come”. Linda Johnson, Darci Lyon and Jeri Joy will be representing Sheridan PW. A brunch on June 10th, is planned to help them with their expenses. Be looking for further information. Thank you, Kathy Lundberg for organizing this event.

All women of the church of all ages, mark your calendars August 10-12 for the Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery sponsored Women’s Retreat at Camp Story. This annual event brings women from around Wyoming together to relax, study and worship in God’s great outdoors. Be looking for reservation information coming soon. Sheridan PW is responsible for crafts. If you have ideas or wish to help contact Jeri Joy. You do not need to belong to a Circle to attend this event. Bring a friend.

October 18, 19, 20 are the dates for the Fall ABC Rummage Sale. Start cleaning those corners. Thank you to all in the congregation who supported the Spring ABC Sale. It was definitely a success. Proceeds are used to help support local missions

**You are invited to a
Benefit Fundraiser Brunch**

For our Presbyterian Women
who are attending the
Chur wide Gathering on August 2-5th in
Louisville, KY



June 10th at 10:00am
(After the 9am service)

In the Fellowship Hall
Featuring:

Crème Brule French Toast and Sausage
Cinnamon Rolls

Sliced Oranges, Coffee and Juice

All Donations will be Gratefully Appreciated



Circle 2 ladies, study and lunch at Karen Schreffler’s home.

End of Season Bell Picnic / Family Included

June 4 Monday 5:30 pm

Linnet's Home 2523 Weeping Willow

Brats, Buns, Beverages plus dinnerware provided!!

**Please call 672-9381 (Linnet)
or 672-7262 (Louise)**

or email louiseseмино@yahoo.com
to let us know how many are coming .



End of Season Choir Potluck

Includes Family

June 10 --Sunday

5:00 pm

Blaha's Home

238 Soldier Creek Road



Columbarium at

First Presbyterian Church



If you have ever thought about reserving a space in the church Columbarium, there are several niches still available. The cost is \$425 per person, which

includes a bronze plaque marking the niche with name, date of birth and date of death. It does not include the cost of cremation or the urn to be placed inside the niche. To reserve a niche in the columbarium you must complete an application in the church office and may select the niche location at that time. Payments should be made out to First Presbyterian Church with "Columbarium Niche" in the memo line.

Keep in mind, it is a privilege to be interred in the Columbarium located

on the church grounds and at a reasonable price. Currently, The Sheridan Municipal Cemetery does not have a Columbarium and if it did, the costs would be higher. The office will have

copies of the rules and regulations if anyone is interested in more details. For more information, contact Pastor Paul Hayden or Sue Storey in the church office.



Miscellany

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 2- Gloria Novakovich, Jim Wilhelm
- 6- Dick Birkholz, Art Elkins, Isaac Grimes
- 7- Katie Turpin
- 11- Jessica Kane, Bill Pruitt
- 14- Kenny Osborne
- 16- Becky Bard
- 18- Darlene Douglas
- 19- Jeni Steidley
- 22- Robert Ruttinger
- 23- Ruth Osborn
- 24- Alicia Ford, Pauline Stadick
- 28- Mitzi Knapp
- 30- Tracy Landeis

Happy Anniversary!

- 1- Ted & Mitzi Knapp
- 3- Elwyn & Carol Maloy
- 5- Steve & Julie Kennedy
- 6- Don & Joyce Groneberg
- 12- Craig & CJ Clem, Todd & Jerilea Phillips
- 19- Todd & Tomomi Browne
- 22- Jim & Dianna Perry, Jim & Phyllis Wilhelm
- 23- Scott Davis & Mary Ludemann
- 25- Howie & Sandy Fitzpatrick, Jim & Margaret Litle
 Tod & Marjorie Windsor
- 26- William & Laurie Graves

*The website is up and running! Check it out!
The first sermons are now online!!!*

sheridanfpc.church

*There is still time! Get your updates to us!!
Sign up if you would like a hard copy of the
directory. One per family please.*

June 23—90th Birthday Party for Marion Sept

This open house will take place at the Big
Horn Women's club from 1-5 pm.

No gifts please, just come and help celebrate
Marion!!

Days Sue needs coverage for the office:

July 9 & 10

Aug. 3, 6 & 7

Aug. 31, Sept. 4th

If you can sit in for the morning 8-noon ,
please let Sue know.

The office will be open during these hours.

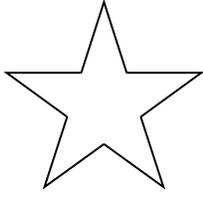
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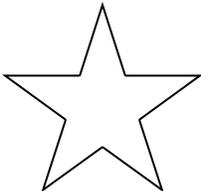
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Air Force

- Jason Browne** (Son of Sandy Browne)
- Ryan Laughton** (Son of Gary & Sherry 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)
- 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.

June 2018

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | |
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| | | | | | 1 | 2 | |
| 3 9 am– Worship, Communion 10:30– Bible study 1 pm– VBS meeting at Methodist church 4:30– Jr. High youth | 4 Bell choir picnic <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 5px auto;">VBS 4-8 @ Methodist Church</div> | 5 | 6 Lunch Together June 4-7 | 7 11 am– Properties | 8 Sue out | 9 | |
| | | | <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;"> ← CJ out 6th -12th → </div> | | | | |
| 10 9 am– Worship 10:30– Bible study 5 pm– Choir picnic  | 11 Sue out | 12 Committee meetings 10:30-Com/Tech 3 pm– CE 4:30– Fellowship 5 pm– Mission 5:30– Budget & Personnel 6 pm– Worship | 13 11 am– Membership | 14 | 15 Committee reports due am | 16 | |
| 17 9 am– Worship 10:30– Bible study 1:30– Sugarland 4:30– Jr. High Youth | 18 | 19 7 pm– Session | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | |
| 24 9 am– Worship 10:30– Bible study 4:30– Jr. High youth | 25 6 pm– Stephen Ministry  | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 LOGOS training in Laramie | |
| | | <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;"> ← VBS Encampment → </div> | | | | | |

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Sheridan, WY 82801

Return Service Requested

Mailing label goes here

 June



Vacation Bible School

June 4th –8th

9 am– 12 pm

Registration forms are at the info. center!!

Volunteers are needed.