

May 2018

This invitation is to **all** women of the church.

The United Methodist Women would like to invite the women of First Presbyterian Church to a “Spring Brunch” on Saturday, May 5th at 11 am.

Please join us for fellowship, food and fun. (Gluten free options will be available.)

Please use the parking lot entrance which is handicap accessible.



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HOLY SPIRIT

All Church Study (ACS) will begin on the week of April 8. Sign up sheets for each study group is in the Narthex. Copies of the 1st study will be available on Sunday April 1. You have the choice of a hard copy or get it sent to your email address as a PDF file. Please let Sue know which you prefer. This worked out great last time and saved a bunch of paper and toner and wear and tear on the copier!!

Work Week at Camp Story

May 19 – 24, 2018

Work Week will begin at 8:30 with breakfast on Saturday, May 19th in the lodge.

There is a lot to do at Camp Story. It falls into two categories: Spring Cleaning and Capital Improvement projects. Plan to come for a day or two or a week. We have three RV sites with 30 Amp outlets but no water or sewer hookups or you can stay in one of the cabins. McClure and Gillette have heat now and a bathroom. We will schedule the meals together starting with the 8:30 breakfast on May 19th. Food help and donations for continental breakfasts, lunches and the evening meals would be appreciated. A menu has been planned. (campstory.org or Facebook) The numbers at each meal will be determined as we approach the work week. The numbers will vary daily. A signup sheet will be in the information center starting May 6 for work projects and food donations. (Also on-line)

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Howdy Everyone:

The month of May is a huge one on our calendar here at First Presbyterian. The First Sunday of the month is one communion service. This is always a wonderful time to gather together around the Lord's table and remember the One in whom we are one.

The Second Sunday is Mother's Day. I have often thought that a good mom is similar to the work of Holy Spirit in our lives. In that regard listen to this wonderful "Tribute to Mother" by John Greenleaf Whittier.

*A picture memory brings to me; I look across the years and see
Myself beside my mother's knee.
I feel her gentle hand restrain, my selfish moods, and know again
A child's blind sense of wrong and pain.
But wiser now, a man gray grown, my childhood's needs are better known.
My mother's chastening love I own.*

In like fashion, it sometimes takes us until we are men and women 'gray grown' before we realize and appreciate the work Holy Spirit has done in our lives.

Another story I like in this relation to Holy Spirit and mom goes like this:

A concerned husband went to a doctor to talk about his wife. He said, "Doctor, I think my wife is deaf because she never hears me the first time and always asks me to repeat things." "Well," the doctor said, "go home and tonight stand about 15 feet from her and say something to her. If she doesn't reply move about 5 feet closer and say it again. Keep doing this so that we'll get an idea about the severity of her deafness."

Sure enough, the husband goes home and does exactly as instructed. He starts off about 15 feet from his wife in the kitchen as she is chopping some vegetable and says, "Honey, what's for dinner?" He hears no response. He moves about 5 feet closer and asks again. No reply. He moves 5 feet closer. Still no reply. He gets fed up and moves right behind her, about an inch away, and asks again, "Honey, what's for dinner?"

"For the fourth time," she replied, "vegetable stew."

How often do we blame God for not answering our prayers, not hearing us, not giving us the direction we need? We complain that God has not been faithful to us. Yet, in the midst of our complaining, Holy Spirit is responding and guiding and directing. The problem is with our hearing not Holy Spirit's speaking.

The Third Sunday of May is Pentecost Sunday. In many ways this is the Birth-Day of the church. The disciples were doing their best to follow Jesus. Jesus knew they would need something more if they were to succeed. Holy Spirit was the answer. Holy Spirit was that inner power from God that enabled the disciples to change the world. To celebrate this day I invite everyone to **wear red**, symbolic of the fire that came upon those earliest Christians...and us.

The Third Sunday is also a day when we are going to honor our graduating Seniors. This year we only have a few, but I believe they will be mighty. As the church family who has seen them grow up and assisted their parents in that process, we want to celebrate and commission them as they enter a new phase of their life.

The Last Sunday of the month is Memorial Day weekend. Just as the first Sunday of September launches the school year and the church's program year, so Memorial Day weekend brings to conclusion the school year and launches those wonderful days of summer.

One final thought and request as we enter this very full month. Your Mission Study Team has been working hard on your behalf. They are now coming down the home stretch. Please keep Miriam and her team in your prayers as they attempt to put their findings into word that are reflective of who we are and where God is leading.

Serving the Lord with you,





With the weather the way it has been lately, I'm not quite sure what season I am getting ready for. With the Spring time activities winding down, the end of school count starting, and the thoughts of summertime vacations, camping adventures, Camp Story weeks, and star gazing it must be Spring.

Camp Story is starting to come out of its Winter slumber. The annual work week is scheduled for May 19-24. There is so much to do to prepare for a camping season. Camp Story is looking for volunteers to help open the camp. Please come help. RSVP's can be done online through campstory.org

Did you also know that it isn't too late to register for camp? There is a plethora for camps this summer! There are six camps for youth 5th-12th grade, one for kindergarten - 5th grade (Day Camp) and one for Kindergarten -2nd grade. There is even one for adults this year! The Mind, Body, and Soul Retreat is scheduled for June 29-July 1st. That one sounds amazing!! If you have any questions or would like more information about camps this summer, or rentals, please contact Alicia at alicia.campstory@gmail.com or check out campstroy.org This is a wonderful opportunity for youth of all ages and denominations.

Youth Group is just trucking a long. This month the youth will be collecting items for the Foster Parent Exchange Program. The Foster Parent Exchange Program is a nonprofit, one woman show that collects items for children that have been placed in the foster care system. Many times when a child(ren) are placed in foster care, it is a short notice and many times they cannot take things with them. This program helps the child and the foster parent get needed items in the interim. This month the youth group will be collecting items for hygiene kits. The items that go into the kits are: feminine products, deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, chap stick, toothpaste, toothpaste, lotion, and comb/brush. There will be totes in the information center area for collection. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask a youth group member or me. If you like more information about the Foster Parent Exchange and the services they offer please go to fosterhearts.com

Sunday, May 20 at the 10 o'clock service, we will be celebrating the high school seniors of First Presbyterian Church Sheridan. This year's seniors are Brandon Fitzpatrick, Chance Quarterman, and Grace VonKrosigk. There will be a special recognition with a cake reception after the service.

We will be teaming with Trinity Lutheran, First United Methodist, St. Peter's Episcopal, and First Christian churches in Rolling River Rampage Vacation Bible School June 4-8 from 9-12. FPC will be in charge of music and snack time. We are currently looking for volunteers (6th graders and up) in the areas of: registration, recreation, crafts, decorating, taking photos, AV, science teacher, Rolling Rover Guide, Friday's picnic, and nursery assistant. If you are interested in volunteering in one of these areas, please let me or Claudia Hall (751-7148) know.

Have you ever had an idea for children's sermon? Have you ever wanted to give children's sermon a try? Here's your chance. In the information center is a sign up sheet for children's sermon. If you want to try it, but don't know where to start come talk to me I have tons of ideas and resources. This is a fun way to share your faith.

Upcoming events in the life of the youth

Mobile VBS is in Encampment this year. Youth going into 6th grade through graduating senior are invited June 24-28 to help with the Presbytery of Wyoming's mobile Vacation Bible School. The youth will be assisting with the Bible time, singing, craft time during VBS, and then in the afternoons we will be doing community projects. We will also have a little fun along the way. Please let me know by May 15, so that arrangements can be made .



Sue Rappleye, Phyllis & Jim Wilhelm and Mary Ludemann were ready to serve at Lunch Together in April. Over 120 meals were prepared and served by 30 FPC volunteers during this week.

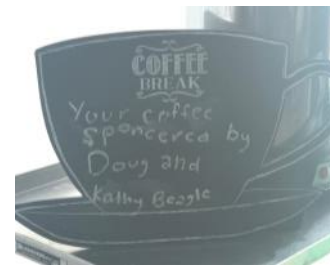
Please join us this summer when we serve again June 4 – 7 and again July 30 - August 2.

A huge thank you to all of you who help out with this important mission.

- Tina Anderson 751-4810
- Jan Leupold
- Mary Ludemann
- Doug Moore
- Mitz Knapp
- Janis Devore

A new shipment of JUST Coffee is in! There are some new varieties for you to try: Margo, Robusta and Barb's Brew which is a 50% Decaf and 50% Regular. The Mission Committee would appreciate feed back from you on the coffee varieties you like and if you prefer ground over beans. Thank you so much for ALL your support in buying JUST Coffee. This Mission is a blessing to our Brothers and Sisters in Christ in Mexico and South America!

Any questions: contact Peggy Blaha or Doug Beagle



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 signup sheet will be an envelope for you to put your \$10 in.

The Mission and Outreach Committee is trying to identify the need for people, young or old, who need a ride to church services on Sunday. Please contact the church and give them your name if you are interested.



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

Worship Leaders: Terri Hayden, Marion Reed, Joyce Groneberg, Darcie Lyon, Gloria Dierking

Communion Servers: Dave Motsick, Terri Hayden, Jackie McMahan, Jon Botten, Ted Knapp, Lorrie Ledgerwood.

Flower 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, Paul Hayden

Head Ushers: Ted Knapp, Jim Lyon

Greeters: Girls School Worship: no services this month

Communion Preparation: Communion Guild

Coffee Fellowship: PW Circles/ Fellowship/Session

Meal Deliveries– Terri Hayden, Georgia & Larry Mueller, Jan Leupold, Tina Anderson, Marion & Annette Reed.

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:

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



Prayer Breakfast, Thursday, May 3rd at 6:30 am in the Fellowship Hall (coordinated by Peggy)



Folk dancing lessons by Pam Moore, Friday, May 18th at the church from 6:30 – 8 pm (coordinated by Jeri)



Dessert at 6 pm and film on John the Apostle at 6:30 pm, Sunday, May 20th at the church to conclude the Holy Spirit small group study.



Kendrick Golf event Wednesday, May 30th at 5:30 pm (coordinated by Gary and Dennis)



Don & Joyce Groneberg, Gary Joy & Jody Roberts

Hwy clean-up crew for April 14th!

Thank you to all who joined in!



Ten women from Sheridan First Presbyterian attended the Spring Gathering of the Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery in Powell April 12-14. **At that meeting Kathy Lundberg was sworn in as the Moderator of PWP.** Rhea Cooksley-Dixon was sworn in as a member of the Nominating Committee. A birthday cake was enjoyed to celebrate the 30th anniversary of Presbyterian Women as a result of the coming together of United Presbyterian Women and Women of the Church. Predecessor organizations of today's PW share a 200 year history.



Get ready! The 2019 Spring Gathering will be held in Sheridan May 2-4. All women of the church are encouraged to plan to attend. Many ideas and hands will be needed to organize and host this event. The Powell women set the bar high with wonderful meals and hospitality.

Linda Johnson has taken the lead in recruiting a team of four from FPC Sheridan to attend the Church Wide Gathering Aug 2-5, 2018, in Louisville, Kentucky. These women will join the other 12 women of PWP and report back to us their experiences. The theme is "Arise, shine, your light has come!"

The 2018 PWP sponsored women's retreat will be held at Camp Story August 10-12. All women of the church of all ages are encouraged to attend. It would be wonderful to encourage young adult daughters and granddaughters to attend with you. Be looking for information and registration deadlines. Come and enjoy the improvements to the Chapel and Lodge. You will be amazed at the work that has been done. Remember the good news that there are two cabins with inside toilets and sinks. It's not too early to put it on your calendars.

Presbyterian Women of the Synod will be holding their 2020 meeting at the Holiday Inn in Sheridan. This is a big deal as this event has never been held in Sheridan. It is anticipated that at least 100 women from around the Synod of the Rocky Mountains will be in attendance. Be looking for updates.

Reminder:

Wednesday, May 2, is the PW Luncheon. All women of the church are invited to attend. We will be treated to delicious lunch that will be served to our tables. Thank you Kathy Lundberg and crew. PW members are encouraged to invite a friend from the community or from the church. PLEASE call your reservation to your Circle Moderator or to Sherry Laughton 360-936-7531.

The women of the church have exciting things going on. All women are encouraged to enjoy fellowship as we study and do God's work for mission, justice and peace in the world.

Our Purpose:

Forgiven and freed by God in Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit we commit ourselves:

- To nurture our faith through prayer and Bible study.
- To support the mission of the church worldwide.
- To work for justice and peace.
- To build an inclusive, caring community of women that strengthens the Presbyterian Church (USA) and witnesses to the Promise of God's kingdom.



When I'm 64 Program at the Hub on Smith- 211 Smith Street

Tuesday May 1 at 5:30- Dinner served at 5:30 program at 6:00

"Leaving with Love"

Speakers include:

Dr. Paul Hayden- First Presbyterian Church

Pastor Phil Wold , Trinity Lutheran Church

Owner of Kane Funeral Home, Kevin Sessions

Will discuss the importance of leaving your story with your loved ones- Planning for your funeral down to the details. Open to all.

Part of AARP's When I'm 64 Programs



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.

Work week, continued



The various projects to be completed are listed below.

Details of the projects can be found on the website www.campstory.org or www.sheridanfpc.org

A. Spring Cleaning – vacuum, wash walls, windows and floors, replace smoke detector batteries, replace burned out light bulbs and organize storage

a. Clean chapel, lodge and kitchen, Ryland cabin, gameroom, Gillette, Sheridan and McClure after construction is completed, Buswell and Ferren cabins, and bathhouse.

b. Outhouse: finish white paneling

c. rake pine needles, cut brush, and mow paths and road sides

B. Capital Improvement Projects

a. Complete upgrades of Sheridan cabin and chapel.

b. Powerwash outside Buswell and Ferren and seal

c. Complete deck on lodge and seal deck on Ryland

d. Remove remaining barbwire on perimeter and replace with three strand barbless wire fence

e. Install fire pit for dry weather with paver circle for safety

f. Remove obstacles off obstacle course

If you can help in any way during work week or any other time please contact Dick Birkholz at dick.birkholz@gmail.com (307-752-0518 call or text) or Elwyn Maloy at ecmaloy@fiberpipe.net (307-751-2914 call or text). Also there is a sign up sheet in the narthex information area.

Miscellany

MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 2- Kerek Ford, Linnet McGoodwin
- 3- Elizabeth Windsor
- 5- Jeri Joy, Gloria Stresky
- 7- Carrie Douglas, Mary Otteson
- 8- Lorrie Ledgerwood, Karol Meineke,
Grace VonKrosigk
- 10- Blaine Phillips
- 11- Jeff Mueller
- 12- Jason Browne, Carole Hansen
- 13- Tracey Burke
- 15- Stephanie Baxter
- 14- Terri Hayden
- 16- Beth Bailey, Jady DeTavernier, River Osborne
- 17- Nancy Jenny
- 20- Darlene McNair, Reese Osborne
- 21- Sandy Fitzpatrick
- 22- Joyce Groneberg, Jim Perry, Diane Peterson
- 23- Jeremy Grimes
- 24- Janis DeVore
- 25- Margaret Litle, Marion Sept, Amanda Tilden
- 28- Bill Porter
- 30- Larry Gold
- 21- Sarah Beagle, Fielding Phillips

Happy Anniversary!

- 6- Tod & Jan Windsor
- 11- Chad & Amber Quarterman
- 18- Doug & Kathy Beagle
- 19- Dave & Becky Motsick
- 29- Tim & Beth Lenz

The website is coming along nicely! Check it out! The first sermon is now online!!!

sheridanfpc.church

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

Your church finances

Year to Date

Income: \$ 91,181.74
Expenses: \$ 83,743.50
Total: \$ 7,438.24

The office will be open during these hours.

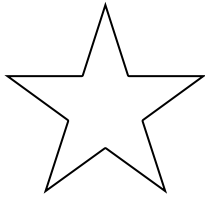
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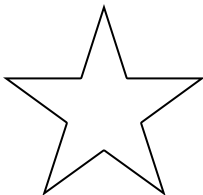
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Air Force

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)

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.

May 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 5:30 pm-When I'm 64 at the HUB	2 10 am-PW Luncheon	3 6:30 am- Natl. Day Prayer breakfast 6:30 am- Breakfast study 9:30 am- AC women's study 5:30 pm-AC study 11 am- Properties 7 pm- choir	4	5 11 am- Ladies brunch at Methodist church
6 9 am- SS- K-8 9 am- AC Study 10 am- Worship, Communion 11:30- Bible study 4:30- Jr. High youth	7 7 pm- /AC study Joy's home 7 pm- Bells	8 Committee meetings 10:30-Com/Tech 3 pm- CE 4:30- Fellowship 5 pm- Mission 5:30- Budget & Personnel 6 pm- Worship 6 pm- AC study Powder River Pizza	9 11 am- Membership	10 6:30 am- Breakfast study (AC study) 9:30 am- AC study 5:30 pm-AC study 7 pm- choir	11 Committee reports due am	12
13 Music Apprec. 8 am- Worship 9 am- SS- K-8 9 am- AC study 10 am- Worship 11:30- Bible study 4 pm- Girl's School 	14 7 pm- /AC study Joy's home 7 pm- Bells	15 6 pm- AC study Powder River Pizza 7 pm- Session	16 9:30-noon- Circles	17 6:30 am- Breakfast study (AC study) 9:30 am- AC study 5:30 pm-AC study 7 pm- choir	18 6:30- 8 pm Folk dance	19
20 Sr. Rec. Sunday 8 am- Worship 9 am- SS- K-8 9 am- SS- All ages 10 am- Worship 11:30- Bible study 1:30- Sugarland 4 pm- Girl's school 4:30- Jr. High Youth	21 7 pm- Bells	22	23	24 6:30 am- Breakfast study 7 pm- choir	25 	26
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Return Service Requested

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Vacation Bible School

June 4th –8th

9 am– 12 pm

See CJ's article for more information. Pg. 2