



First Presbyterian  
Church of Sheridan

# The Good News

October 2021

## NOTICE!

As part of communion this Sunday, October 3, we would like to invite you to bring one item to worship that can be placed in the **Little Free Pantry**. May we remember that God nourishes us so we can nourish others!

## Little Free Pantry

Thank you to the congregation for your continued support of our little food pantry. The pantry is well used and is such a blessing to so many. Currently, the pantry is filled every Tuesday, Thursday, and Sunday due to the high usage.

Here's a list of most needed foods:

Milk - no refrigeration needed

Canned Meat , Tuna (or packs), Chicken, Beef

Pre-packaged meals

Granola/cereal bars

Cereal - hot & cold

Pasta

Canned pasta sauce

Soups, Ramen, cans, or cups

Canned fruit or fruit cups

Applesauce

Juices

Canned vegetables

Instant potatoes

Crackers

Pre-packaged snacks

As always, leave items on the cart by the church office as that will make it easier for Becky Motsick to rotate stock.

God  
makes everything  
beautiful  
in its time. -Ecclesiastes 3:11  
Happy Fall!

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Dear Ones,

Each October we celebrate Reformation Sunday on the last Sunday of the month. This commemorates October 31, 1517, the day when the German monk Martin Luther nailed the Ninety-five Theses to the door of the church in Wittenberg. Luther did not intend for his actions to spur a completely new church separate from the Catholic church. His document was to point out reform he thought the church was in dire need of in order to be more faithful in its life and calling. However, the advent of the printing press aided the distribution of Luther's challenges and within two weeks the Ninety-Five Theses were widely distributed through Germany and throughout Europe within just a few months. Wide change was underway whether Luther intended it or not.

Over 500 years later, we Presbyterians owe our roots to this event. It is an event that shapes us. Just as Luther strove to reform the church, we name ourselves as part of the Reformed tradition. But we do not see ourselves as having got it right with one reformation. Rather, the phrase "*ecclesia reformata semper reformanda*" defines us as it means "the church reformed and always being reformed." We are a work in progress. And it is God who leads us. It is God who does this constant reforming. It is God who is always shaping and reshaping the church.

In adult Sunday school this month, we will take the five Sundays to look at church history through the lens of people who influenced the Christian faith from the earliest centuries to the present including the Reformers like Martin Luther and John Calvin (even more important for us Presbyterians). I am excited about this class and hope that, if you are not part of the adult Sunday school, that you might join us for the month of October at 9 AM in the Westminster Hall. As another Martin Luther noted (MLK, that is), "We are not makers of history. We are made by history." Each October, we recall that the events of that month in 1517 made us who we are in a lot of ways even if we might not realize it. And we also give thanks that God continues to make us who we are through Jesus Christ who was and is and is yet to be.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Karl



Have you noticed the current Christian Education board? It is a hub of information for all the CE offerings at church. The calendar will have all the Bible studies and Sunday school, youth group, and retreats listed. Below the calendar, there are four clipboards. Each clipboard holds fun things! The two closest to the parlor have youth bulletins. The one closest to the parlor is for the munchkins that can't read yet. The one next to that is for the readers. Each of these bulletins is based on the lectionary, and they have engaging activities for you (and adults too!). The clipboard following the children's bulletin has sermon notes. It is a great way to begin taking sermon notes or a fancier note form. Finally, the last clipboard has prayer cards. One side has a design you can color, and the other side is where you write your prayer. I love these cards! You can hang them next to your bathroom mirror and lift a blessing while you brush your teeth. Or I slip mine in a cabinet in my kitchen and look at it while cooking supper or doing dishes.



While you are praying for your neighbor, sometimes you want to say a specific prayer for them, or do you have a prayer request that you want to share but don't want to announce. Under the bulletin is the prayer exchange or the prayer clothesline. On this line, you would take a card, write your prayer and hang it up. Then someone would take it and pray for you. Then place the card in an area where it could be seen as a reminder to pray the request. Then you could bring the card back, put it back on the line and get another one.

It feels great to hear the laughter of the LOGOS youth echoing through the church. LOGOS meets on Wednesday afternoon, starting at 3:30 pm for kindergarten through fifth-grade youth and 6 pm for sixth through twelfth grade. All children are welcomed. The LOGOS children will be participating in the Wednesday night Food with Families. If you have registered your child for LOGOS, they will automatically be included in the RSVP for dinner. Middle and high school students who attend will have a plate saved for them if they arrive after 6:15.

Youth Group will be starting on Sunday, October 10, and will meet every Sunday from 4-5 pm. The youth group is time for the sixth through twelfth grade to strengthen their faith by exploring scripture, questioning, reflection, mission work, and fellowship.

If you missed the Triennium informational meeting, no worries, it isn't too late! If you know someone in eighth through twelfth grade interested, please let me know, and we can get together. I think the youth were most interested in finding out that we will be staying in a hotel than the theme :)

High school students, mark your calendars for November 19-21! It is the annual Presbytery of Wyoming high school retreat. We will gather at Shepherd of the Hills with youth from across the state. It is a fun way to meet fellow Presbyterian youth. Watch your email and Weekly Update for more information when it becomes available.

In the busy time, take a pause, look around and enjoy the colors of fall.



## Happy Fall from Presbyterian Women!



September 6, Presbyterian Women enjoyed a lunch together to kick off the fall season. With COVID on the rise again, we decided to bring our own lunches and just have a fun and games “meeting”. There is a Presbyterian Women’s bulletin board in the Fellowship hall with a few pictures from that event.

After our lunch, we had a brief meeting to discuss PW women helping the Fellowship committee with treats for coffee time in between services and Sunday School. Starting in October our Circles will each take a Sunday. Circle 1 will host the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday, Circle 2 the 2<sup>nd</sup> and Circle 3 the 3<sup>rd</sup>. Following our “monthly meeting”, several women from the PW Coordinating Team Put together a gift basket to be given away at the annual Fall business meeting that was held in Encampment, Wyoming. Here are a few fun pictures of our adventure there.



We are so grateful to be able to get together again, sharing God’s love and fellowship with one another. The ladies in Encampment were beautiful hostesses and we had a great time together “Uniting in Ministry, being the Hands and Feet of Jesus”. These times we spend together are a priceless treasure. Presbyterian Women have several events every year! A Spring Retreat, Fall business meeting and monthly get togethers. Pray about joining us!!!

### **Names of God:**

*This month we’ll focus on the name **El Elyon** (el el-yone’)- The Most High God.*

*Use in the Bible: In the Old Testament **El Elyon** occurs 28 times. It occurs 19 times in the Psalms. It is first used in Genesis 14:18. **El** is another name that is translated as “God” and can be used in conjunction with other words to designate various aspects of God’s character. **Elyon** literally means “Most High” and is used both adjectivally and substantively throughout the Old Testament. It expresses the extreme sovereignty and majesty of God and His highest preeminence. When the two words are combined... **El Elyon**...it can be translated as “the most exalted God.” (Psalm 57:2) Further references of the name **El Elyon** in the Old Testament: Gen 14:18; Gen 14:19; Gen 14:20, Gen 14:22; Psalms 57:2; Psalm 78:35. Psalm 18:13; and one of my very favorites Psalm 91:1. Also Luke 1:32, 35, 76 and Luke 6:35. Some other references in the New Testament include: Mark 5:7; Luke 8:28; Acts 7:48; 16:17 and Hebrews 7:1!*

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Our Presbyterian Women once a month luncheon get-together will be held in the fellowship hall on October 6<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 pm noon. Through the end of the year, because of COVID, we will continue to bring our own lunches. The program for October will be announced in this week's Sunday bulletin and next Monday's weekly update.

Circles have begun their study on the book "What My Grandmothers Taught Me." Perhaps we have all been interested at one time or another about our ancestors. This book traces our history to way before Jesus was born. Our sense of identity stems from the very blood line of Jesus Christ. Our first lesson title was "Family Trees". Lesson Two will capture the story of a woman named Tamar. Tamar's actions will be a strong lesson for the patriarch, Judah, and will contribute to the continuation of the family line that leads to David and, ultimately, to Jesus. Tamar's life was anything but easy. She was married to Judah's first born son, Er. After he died, as was the custom back then, she was betrothed to Er's brother Onan. Sadly he died too. The rest of her story is one of hardship, perseverance and ultimately blessing.

God's Word is full of information we can relate to even in these times. We encourage you to delve in and read about not only the women who lived long ago, because as you study, you may find a picture of your ancestry with your name on it!!!! We invite you to join us during one of the times that might fit your schedule. There are 3 Circle groups and each meets at a different time at the church. Circle 1 meets at 9:30-11 in the sanctuary. Circle 2 meets at 10-11:30 in the Fellowship hall. Circle 3 meets in the Fellowship hall also, from 11:30-1:00. Each Circle is filled with beautiful women, who love the Lord and want to build relationships with each other while getting to know Him better!

If you have any questions pertaining to Presbyterian Women, feel free to contact Jeri Joy, Co-Moderator at 307-752-4553 or email [redheadgolferpw@gmail.com](mailto:redheadgolferpw@gmail.com) or Rhea Cooksey-Dixon at 307-683-2362 or email [garrhedix@gmail.com](mailto:garrhedix@gmail.com). We are looking forward to an eventful year together as Presbyterian Women, keeping in mind all of the protocols of COVID-19.



**Pictures from  
PW Annual Fall Meeting at  
Encampment, WY**

## FPC'S PIPE ORGAN INCLUDED IN RESEARCH PROJECT

Stephanie Barth met with Church Musician Miriam Nance in September to photograph and learn about First Presbyterian's pipe organ. Stephanie is an avid researcher and musician who is working on a research project to document all of the pipe organs in Wyoming and modern histories of those churches. She has traveled all over the state and enjoys getting to meet many new faces and photograph beautiful spaces.

Stephanie Ann Barth, MM, CAGO studied at Duquesne University (magna cum laude) with Dr. Ann Labounsky and at the University of Oklahoma. She currently lives with her Air Force spouse and their two cats in Cheyenne, WY. Stephanie served as the Organist & Choirmaster at St. Matthew's Cathedral in Laramie, WY. Her biography on University of Oklahoma Professor of Organ, Mildred Andrews Boggess, is expected to be published by Wayne Leupold Editions this year. She also substitutes at St. Mary's Catholic Cathedral in Cheyenne, works as a paralegal, and maintains a private music studio.

Stephanie would like to encourage anyone who has memories or documents/photos to share of the modern history of the church, installation, fundraising for the organ, etc. to email her at:

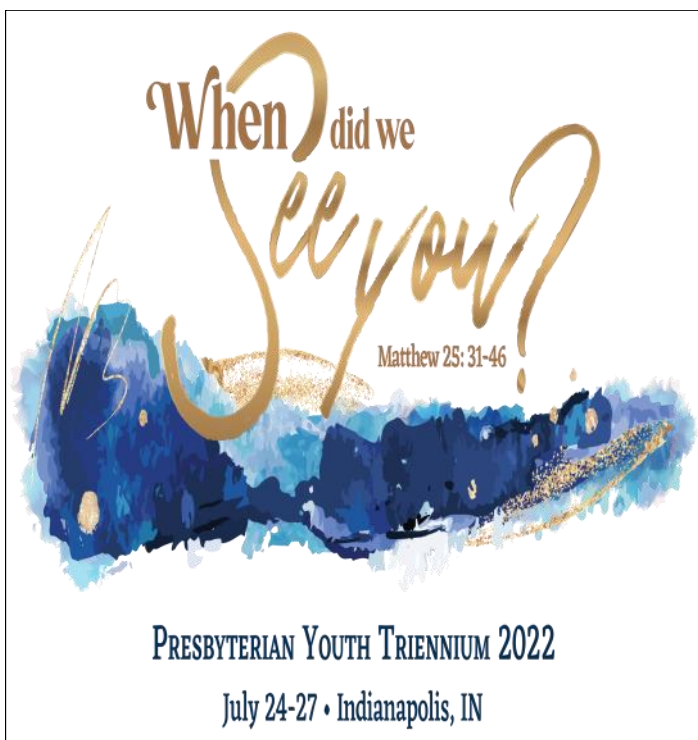
[barthvader2015@gmail.com](mailto:barthvader2015@gmail.com)



**Stephanie Barth**



More pictures from PW's Fun & Games September Luncheon can be seen in the Weekly Update!



## FLY ROD RAFFLE

### Triennium Fundraiser

The youth are selling raffle tickets at \$25/ticket or \$100 for 5 tickets to raise money to attend Presbyterian Youth Triennium (see above).

The fly rod is a 7'6" split cane bamboo fly rod handcrafted by Dennis Schreffler and Roger Barrett. The rod comes with a carrying case and a vehicle hitch.

The drawing for the fly rod will be held November 17th at Food with Family.

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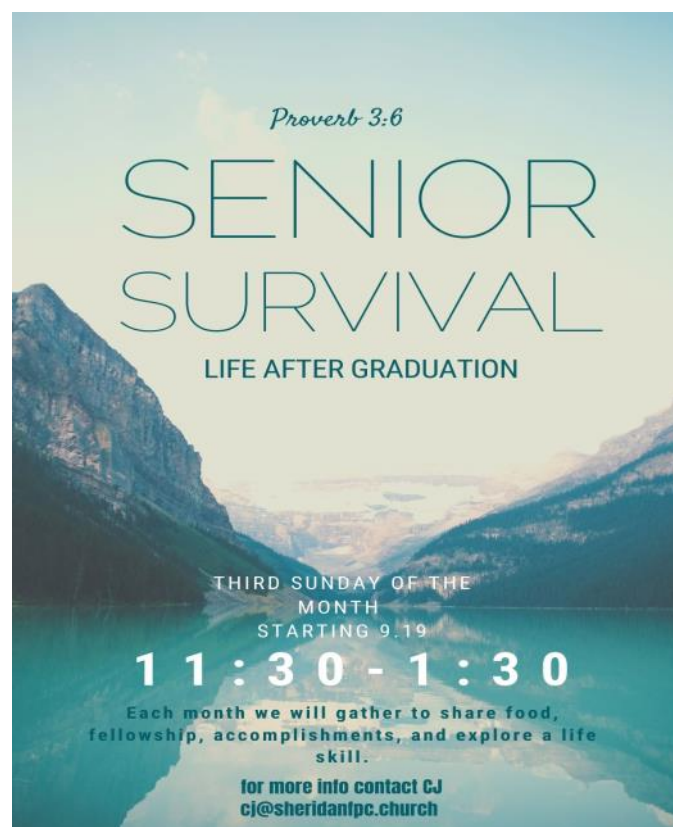
## Youth Schedule

**Sunday School** on Sunday mornings at 9:00 am

**LOGOS** on Wednesday at 3:30 pm for K-5th and 6:00 pm for 6th - 12th grade.

**Senior Survival** Sunday, October 17 from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm, includes lunch.

**Youth Group Gatherings** begin meeting Sunday, October 10th from 4 - 5:00 pm and will continue meeting at that time each and every Sunday!



## The church office is open during these hours.

8 am - noon - Monday – Friday

Please call 672-1717 to leave a message.

office@sheridanfpc.church

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<https://Sheridanfpc.church>



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

**Musicians:** Miriam Nance, Ryan Landis, Arianna Thurow, Doug Moore

**Worship Leaders:** Victoria Milne, Teresa Williams, Rachel Milne, Tyler Milne

**Communion Servers:** John Jackson, Craig Clem, Beth Thurow

**Ushers:** Jerilea Phillips, Craig Clem, Becky Motsick, Mitzi Knapp, Shelley Cundiff

**Audio/Visual Systems Operators:** Ted Knapp, CJ Clem, Ryan Landis, Rachel Mathews, Eli Clem

**Coffee Sponsors:** Karl & Kendra Heimbuck, Mary Ludemann & Scott Davis, Mission Committee

**Meal Deliveries and Lunch Together:** Denise Mueller, Mary Ludemann, Jan Leupold, Doug Moore, Beth Bailey, Jan Devore, Karen Fosher, Jerilea Phillips, Jody Roberts, Sandy Birkholz, Tina Anderson



**Keep them in  
your prayers**

## **Session Members and Committees**

### **Budget & Finance**

Scott Davis, Tod Windsor

### **Clerk of Session**

Susan Smith

### **Christian Education**

Shelley Cundiff, Kurt Smith, Amy Turpin

### **Fellowship**

Jason Szewc, Kim Wells

### **Membership & Evangelism**

Nancy Cook, Mitzi Knapp

### **Mission & Outreach**

Jerilea Phillips, Loren Ruttinger, Craig Clem

### **Personnel**

Teresa Williams, Beth Lenz

### **Properties**

Doug Moore, Howie Fitzpatrick

### **Worship**

Kim Kozel, John Jackson, Beth Thurow

### **Tech**

Chris Smith, Gloria Dierking

**Ongoing Prayers:** Jack Elliott, Margie Elkins, Karen Townsend, Darlene McNair, Kathleen Shafer, Mary Holstedt, Dorothea Doerr, Roy Davis, Jerry and Myrna Saunders, Sig Palm, Leonard Hurst, Robert & Jeanette Ruttinger, Jae & Jennifer Satterlee.

**Prayers for Peace & Healing:** Howie Fitzpatrick, Elwyn Maloy, Scott Hollingsworth, Julie Bugher, Sharon Porter and Cindy Mitchell.

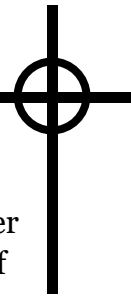
## **Can You Help?**

We're still in need of individuals with trucks to haul wood for David Hackert. David uses the wood end pieces from the Buffalo sawmill to heat his home.

Would you be willing to get wood from the sawmill to David's house which is approximately 1/2 mile?

Please call Dick Warren at 673-2695 if you can help or to get further details.





## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 - Julie Kennedy
- 2 - Jim Litle
- 5 - Keith Luegge
- 9 - John Trohkimoinen
- 10 - Ethan Milne
- 13 - Emmi Johnson, Brandie Shifrar,  
Carter Steidley, Tyler Wells
- 14 - Taylor Cameron, Sharon Porter
- 17 - Cory Hamstreet, Tyler Milne
- 18 - Helen Campbell
- 19 - Cara Semino
- 22 - Logan Groshart
- 23 - Jack McMahan
- 24 - Emily Beagle, Isaac Gray
- 25 - Nicholas Groshart
- 26 - Sandy Birkholz
- 28 - Linda Luegge, Greg Thurow
- 31 - Cheryl Kelsey



## Happy Anniversary! October

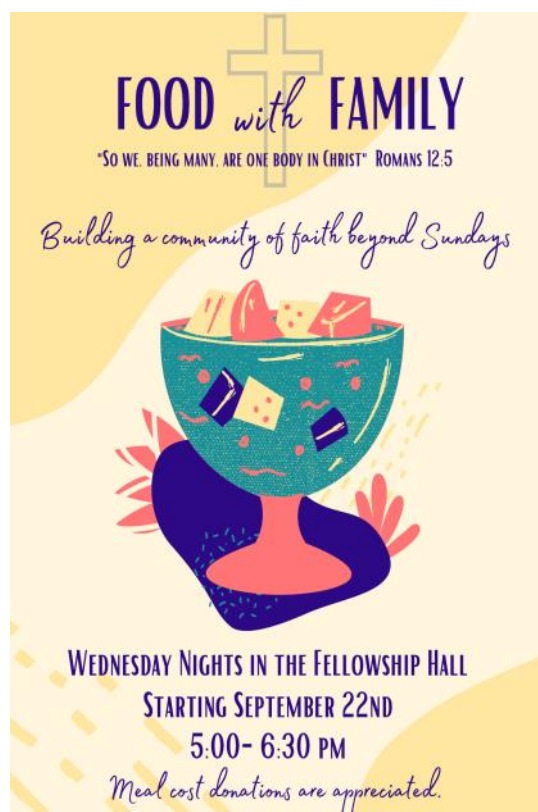
- 5 - John & Jeanette Trohkimoinen
- 7 - Cory & Janet Hamstreet
- 11 - Jeff & Denise Mueller
- 13 - Roy & Carol Davis
- 14 - Kurt & Heidi Smith
- 15 - Bryan & Shawn Luedtke
- 17 - Kevin & Beth Bailey
- 18 - Gary & Jeri Joy
- 19 - Luke & Nancy Sherman, Keith & Patty Brandt

## NEW MEMBERS CLASS!

Curious about joining the church as a member or simply about the structures and history of the Presbyterian church?

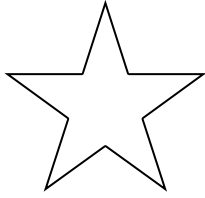
Gather with us on October 24 after worship from 12-2 (lunch included) in Westminster Hall for the New Members Class!

Please RSVP to Pastor Karl by emailing [karl@sheridanfpc.church](mailto:karl@sheridanfpc.church) or calling the church office.

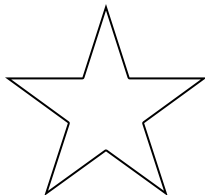


## 2021 Per Capita: \$44.95 per member

*Per capita contributions are required of churches by our higher councils (Presbytery, Synod, and General Assembly) and connect us to the wider work of the church by supporting Presbyterian efforts at regional, national, and international levels. Please consider making this contribution in addition to your annual giving as a sign of your commitment to ministry both within our congregation and beyond.*



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## **Space Force**

**Ryan Laughton** (Son of Gary & Sherry Laughton)

## **Air Force**

**Jason Browne** (Son of Sandy and Rick Browne)

**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)

**Captain Rory Montgomery** (Great Nephew of Harvey & Linda Johnson)

**Brandon Fitzpatrick** (Son of Howie & Sandy Fitzpatrick, Grandson of Jim & Margaret Litle)

## **National Guard**

**Allen Price** (Son-in-law of Karen Fosher)

**Carsie Mitchell** (Grandson of Jim & Dianne Perry)

**George Johannesen** (Grandson of Sig and Judi Palm)

**Bendix Johannesen** (Grandson of Sig and Judi Palm)

## **Navy & Navy Reserves**

**William Ferries** (Son of Jane Buell)

## **Army & Army Reserves**

**Ethan & Johnna Hall** (Grandson & granddaughter-in-law of Elwyn & Carol Maloy)

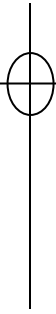
**Jacob Botten** (Son of Jon and Rene Botten, Grandson of Joan Botten)

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 the office.

# OCTOBER 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 9 am - 12 pm Church Clean Up Day
<b>3</b> 8 am Worship Service w/Communion 9 am Sunday School 10 am Fellowship 10:30 am Worship Service w/ Communion 11:30 am Choir	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 12 pm PW Luncheon LOGOS *  5 pm Food with Family  6 pm Bible Study	<b>7</b> 7 am Bible Study  10 am Bible Study	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 9 am - 4 pm Elder Retreat at Camp Story
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