



First Presbyterian  
Church of Sheridan

# The Good News

**June 2022**



## Sunday, June 5th Pentecost

*Wear red to worship that day!*

Potluck following the 10:30 am worship.  
Bring a dish to share.

### **1 pm Next Journey Quartet concert!**

No admission for the concert, however there will be a  
free will love offering.

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The **summer schedule** for worship services remains the same with services at 8 am and 10:30 am.

Fellowship Time during the summer will be from 9 am to 10 am.

There is no Fellowship Time after the 10:30 am worship service.

### **Sunday, June 12** Compassion Sunday

**Sunday, June 19** - 9:00 am (in between services) will be the first meeting for those completing the summer read with Pastor Karl, *Testimony: Talking Ourselves into Being Christian.*

### **Sunday, June 26**

Family Game Night

Let's laugh & play with friends.

Games start in the fellowship hall at 4 pm and food will be served starting at 5 pm.

Bring a side dish to share!



### **Saturday, June 4, 9 am - 4 pm** **Habitat Build Day**

Join us at either shift, 9 am - 12 pm and 1 pm - 4 pm or work the entire day! We need 10 volunteers for each shift. We will all eat lunch together in between shifts.

If you do not wish to build but want to be involved, you can sign up to make sack lunches.

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Dear Ones,

As Christians, we believe in the Triune God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – three-in-one and one-in-three. As God is beyond us, the nature of God is similarly impossible to comprehend entirely by human reason alone. We are apt to confess ancient heresies whenever we try to explain the Trinity or use a metaphor for such. We can only understand the Trinity by faith which is, in and of itself, a statement made by faith. Perhaps the best we can believe and confess is that where one person of the Trinity is, there are all three, and there is God.

In the biblical witness, however, we understand the characteristics of God as we understand the particular workings of each person of the Trinity. Given that Pentecost is this coming Sunday (don't forget to wear red!), we have an opportunity before us to explore, ponder, and find ourselves in awe at the workings of the Holy Spirit through the history of humanity, the life of the church, and our own experiences and lives.

At Pentecost, we remember the story in Acts when the Holy Spirit descended upon the early church and gave them the gift to communicate with one another in different languages. As the book of Acts continues, the church continues in this same power of the Holy Spirit going forward to spread the gospel in other ways: their radical life together and care for each other, faithful witness in the face of persecution, miraculous healings, and faithful discernment with one another concerning who and what would be allowed in the church. In all aspects, through the power of the Holy Spirit, the early church is able to keep a focus on Jesus Christ.

In our lives, we share the Lord's Supper each month. In the Reformation of the 1500s, one theological difference between people was the understanding of how we are united with Jesus Christ in the sharing of the bread and the cup. In our tradition, John Calvin noted that the Holy Spirit does this. We are not united with Jesus because the bread and the cup are his physical body and blood; we are united with our Redeemer because the Holy Spirit lifts us into the presence of Christ at the heavenly banquet with believers in all times and places.

The early church and the Eucharist give us an initial insight into the Holy Spirit; the Holy Spirit keeps us in the power of Jesus Christ and binds us to our Redeemer as if some sort of cosmic and holy glue (that one isn't exactly a theological term). The Holy Spirit puts Christ's teachings before us and gives us the courage and endurance to pick up our cross and follow. When Jesus says, in the book of John, that the Holy Spirit will come and names the Spirit "the Advocate," this is what he means. The Spirit advocates for faithful witness in our lives.

This is a glimpse at what the Spirit does. The Spirit also brings peace. At Jesus' baptism, the Spirit descends upon him. In the Old Testament, the Spirit hovers over the chaos of the waters at creation. The Spirit is also seen as the breath of God which God then places into humankind to bring life - another binding with the divine. And don't forget the dry bones.

Through June, we are going to focus on the Holy Spirit in worship. The Worship Committee has been shaping our space to help us explore, and the work they have done is fantastic! I am excited about diving into the work of the Spirit even as the Spirit is at work!

Yours, 



Why does it seem that time hits the fast forward button as you get older? It seems like yesterday I was tucking my babies in and reading bedtime stories. We just celebrated minion number two's graduation and preparing for her to move 700 miles away to start college. There have been many happy tears shed, and so far, only a few out of panic from her claiming that she isn't ready. Oh, but you are little one. You are strong in your faith and love of God. You know you are wrapped by prayers and the love of your family and friends. I am confident that your faith will remain strong as you venture out into the world.

Watching Izabel grow, I see the mannerisms and traits of her parents. The good ones she got from me. The bad ones are from Craig. Most of the time, we didn't say, "Izabel this is what you do...." she just observed. Her love for reading she got from me. I can always be found with at least two books that I am actively reading. I remember joking with her fifth-grade teachers that if she ever came to school with a bruise on her head, it was because she wouldn't put her book down long enough to walk from room to room. They responded that it goes the same for school because she was the same way there. Her sense of humor, mine. Her love for true crime, Craig. Her love of God and church, both of us.

In her lifetime, Izabel has witnessed how Craig and I lived out our faith. When we moved to a new town, we always looked for a church. As a result, we became active in the life of the church. We started the kids in Sunday school, youth activities and volunteered. Many of our first friendships in a new town sprang up from the church. When a crisis hits, she sees how the church surrounds and supports each other. I firmly believe that these observations and experiences led to her asking me how to find a church. I have to admit that did make this mama's heart swell.

I came across a book called Households of Faith, published by Barna Group. One of the main points was that meaningful and positive faith interactions lay a foundation for lasting faith into adulthood. Families, whatever they may look like, that show spiritual practices are prevalent in all that they do. The interactions lead to heart-to-heart talks, games, reading, singing, or all aspects of life. This energy is contagious when the family shows hospitality to others. Spiritual practices can be as simple as saying Grace at mealtime to talking about God's sightings-where you saw God during your day, bedtime prayers, and reading the Bible. These simple conversations or observations evolve and grow as they become more normalized in the house.

Barna Group talked about how households are not necessarily a typical family unit in today's society. There are multigenerational households, nuclear families, single-parent families, empty nesters, roommates, or a variety of combinations. Each household holds the same influences on the individual spiritual expression.

When we gather as the family of God, whether it is in fellowship, worship, education, or in passing, we are offering an experience. What type is up to us. Either way, it could last a lifetime.



# Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser

Any donation accepted. All proceeds matched by: **Presbyterian Church Mission Committee** & donated to the **Ukrainian Red Cross**

Come enjoy American pancakes, sausage, fruit, eggs, and a typical Ukrainian breakfast of cheese crepes prepared by Alla Sewvello.

Alla Sewvello is an American citizen born in Ukraine and lives in Sheridan with extended family in Donetsk and Sumy, Ukraine. Alla is happy to answer any questions.



Garden flags  
are available for  
**\$20**

**Saturday June 11, 2022 | 8-11 AM**

First Presbyterian Church  
2121 Colonial Drive

Questions: Tori Milne @ 307-752-1999  
or First Presbyterian Church @ 307-672-1717



**Henry shared his musical ability at FPC Talent Show in May!**

## **2022 Per Capita: \$45.00 per member**

If you have not paid your per capita this year and are able to do so, we would encourage you to make this additional gift for the new year.

*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.*





# FPC SUMMER OFFERINGS

June 26  
Game Night & BBQ  
@FPC  
4-6 pm

July 24  
Bubbles, Sprinklers, &  
Dillys  
Whitney Fountain  
2-4 pm

August 13  
Pool Party  
Kendrick Pool  
10 am - 12 pm



**Gloria shared a humorous reading at the Talent Show in May!**

## **Bridges Out of Poverty Training**

Tuesday, June 7 from 8:30 am - 3:30 pm  
at Sheridan College Whitney Center for the  
Arts, Upstairs Flex Space

Cost: \$20 includes lunch and the book

Register: [sheridancvc.org/bridges](https://sheridancvc.org/bridges)

The training provides a powerful model for economic and social change, sustainability, and stability for those looking to counter poverty and its impact at all levels in a community.

Hosted by Center for a Vital Community.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH'S  
**FAMILY  
GAME  
NIGHT**

Let's  
Laugh &  
Play with  
Friends

SUNDAY  
**JUNE 26**

FELLOWSHIP HALL  
GAMES START AT 4 PM FOOD WILL BE  
SERVED STARTING AT 5 PM  
BRING A SIDE DISH TO SHARE

CARD, BOARD GAMES, TRIVIA, ALL KINDS OF  
GAMES!

Contact CJ (cjd@sheridnfpcc.church or 672-1717)  
with any questions



## 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, and
- \*To build an inclusive, caring community of women that strengthens the Presbyterian Church (USA) and witnesses to the Promise of God's kingdom

All women in the church are invited to join us in the fellowship, work and mission of PW. We are in recess for the summer and will begin meeting again with the September 7, 2022, noon luncheon in the Fellowship Hall. There are three Circle groups that will resume gathering September 21, 2022 (every third Wednesday).

Circle 1 gathers at 10:00 am in the Parlor

Circle 2 gathers at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall

Circle 3 gathers at 11:30 am at a place to be announced

Each Circle will decide what their study will be. The PW Horizons Bible Study for 2022-23 is *Celebrating Sabbath* by Carol Bechtel.

## PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN IN THE PRESBYTERY'S ANNUAL RETREAT AT **CAMP STORY**

It is time to register for the upcoming retreat. Please join in the fellowship and fun. Contact: Rhea Cooksey-Dixon if you have questions regarding scholarship assistance.

(See registration form page 7 of the newsletter.)

## PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN IN THE SYNOD OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS **TRIENNIAL GATHERING**

July 15-17, 2022, Heber City, Utah. Register by June 15, 2022. Contact Jeri Joy if interested in attending. This is a wonderful opportunity to connect with women from Wyoming, Montana, Utah, Colorado and parts of Nebraska and Idaho.

## SAVE THE DATE FOR THE **FALL PWP GATHERING**

(Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery) to be held in Cody on September 16-17, 2022. Let's plan to car pool and show our support for the mission of women in Wyoming.

**Thank you** to all in the congregation who so generously support the mission of PW locally. The final Pie Sunday proceeds were \$681. The Mother's Day Afternoon Tea was a huge success. We thank all who purchased tickets, brought guests, prepared food, set tables, arranged flowers and served tables. Thank you to our program presenter, Treva Mayo and pianist Louise Semino. Much appreciation goes to the gentlemen who so graciously served as butlers. They are Jim Litle, Kerek Ford, Jon Botten, Rex Arney, Gary Laughton, Steve Kitto and Rob Milne. After expenses we earned \$1037. These two events helped cover the loss of not having a Spring ABC Rummage Sale. Proceeds allow us to meet our commitment to support local missions. Again, many thanks.

We plan to move forward in October with the **Fall ABC Rummage Sale**, so start cleaning your Attics, Basements and Closets and join us as we fellowship and work to offer outreach to our community.

After the disruption of the past couple of years, our theme for 2022 has been **We'll See What the Lord Allows and More Will be Revealed**. He has showed us that members of this congregation are true and steady in **Faith** and show **Love** for one another through support and care given so generously. We wait for what is to come... **Thanks be to God**.



*Sneak away for a relaxing weekend in the cool pines!*



2022  
Presbyterian Women  
Spring Retreat  
Registration

June 17-19, 2022  
Camp Story

*A Study of the friendship of Ruth and Naomi*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Church \_\_\_\_\_

Your Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Food allergies/sensitivities/Special diet: \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration fees (June 3 Deadline for Registrations): \$130.00 per person**  
(Includes Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast/lunch/dinner, Sunday breakfast/sack lunch), lodging for two nights, and the study book.

**Amount enclosed** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to PW of Wyoming. Mail completed registration to:

Rhea Cooksey-Dixon  
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Story, WY 82842  
[grdixon@trcable.tv](mailto:grdixon@trcable.tv)

Any questions, contact Carolyn McBurney 480-329-8998 or [carolynmcburney@gmail.com](mailto:carolynmcburney@gmail.com).

## Financial Summary for 2022 thru the end of April

### Giving:

|                 |           |
|-----------------|-----------|
| Actual Giving   | \$117,173 |
| Budgeted Giving | \$125,620 |
| Difference      | -\$8,447  |

### Expenses:

|                   |           |
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| Actual Expenses   | \$112,426 |
| Budgeted Expenses | \$125,111 |
| Difference        | -\$12,685 |

### Net:

|                 |                |
|-----------------|----------------|
| Actual Giving   | \$117,173      |
| Actual Expenses | \$112,426      |
| Difference      | <b>\$4,747</b> |

These numbers reflect that a few large annual contributions received in January are divided by 12 and then added to each months actual giving.

***These Days, Daily Devotionals  
are in and can be picked up in the  
church office or in the  
Information Center.***



**Hazel and Graeme helped Pastor Karl MC the Talent Show on Friday, May 13th!**

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

**Musicians:** Miriam Nance, Ryan Landis, FPC Choir Members, Aiden Milne, Arianna Thurow

**Worship Leaders:** Beth Thurow, Craig Clem, Gloria Dierking, the Milne family, and the Ryan Landis family

**Ushers:** Mitzi Knapp, Tina Anderson, Kim Wells, Mike Stoll

**Communion Prep:** Su Rappleye-Jackson, Denise Mueller, Tina Anderson

**Audio/Visual Systems Operators:** Ted Knapp, CJ Clem, Craig Clem,

**Coffee Sponsors:** Harper Jo Heimbeck, Mike Stoll & Tina Anderson, Rachel & Ryan Landis

**Meal Deliveries and Lunch Together:** Janet Burris, Cheryl Madden, Tori & Rob Milne, CJ Clem, Nickie Arney, Marjorie and Tod Windsor, Marigene Vogt, Jackie McMahon, and Kim Wells provided food. Mitzi Knapp, Melissa & Parker Rieger, Joyce Groneberg, Teresa Williams, Doug Moore, Gary Laughton, Dick Warren, Scott Davis, Tina Anderson, Helen Campbell, Mary Ludemann, Janis DeVore, Beth Bailey, Jan Leupold, and Denise Mueller all volunteered.



**Keep them in  
your prayers**



**Ongoing Prayers:** Margie Elkins, Karen Townsend, Darlene McNair, Kathleen Shafer, Jerry & Myrna Saunders, Sig Palm, Leonard Hurst, Robert & Jeannette Ruttinger, Jae & Jennifer Satterlee, Cathy Coggins-Allen, Eva Dierking, and Jim Litle.

**Prayers for Healing:** Howie Fitzpatrick, Julie Bugher, Sandy Browne, Jack Elliot, Ron Patterson, Marion Reed, Jim Wilhelm, and Roy Davis.

**Prayers for our Mission Partners:** Pam who serves in the Middle East and Habitat for Humanity of the Eastern Bighorns.

If you have prayer concerns that you would like shared, please call the church office at 672-1717.



Jason serves up his fish  
chowder at the VOA Empty Bowl  
Fundraiser April 28, 2022.



## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

June 1 - Lexie Gray

June 2 - Gloria Novakovich, Jim Wilhelm

June 6 - Dick Birkholz, Jeffrey Brettin,  
Cheri Dollison, Isaac Grimes

June 7 - Katie Turpin

June 11 - Jessica Kane, Bill Pruitt

June 14 - Kenneth Osborne, Lauren Roberts

June 16 - Becky Bard

June 17 - Eric Kawulok

June 18 - Claire Gerber, Darleen Douglas

June 19 - Jeni Steidley

June 21 - Dennis Heizer

June 22 - Robert Ruttinger

June 23 - Cynthia Smith

June 24 - Alicia Ford, Pauline Stadick

June 26 - Eva Groshart

June 28 - Mitzi Knapp

June 30 - Tracy Landeis



## Happy Anniversary! June

June 1 - Ted & Mitzi Knapp

June 5 - Steve & Julie Kennedy

June 12 - Todd & Jerilea Phillips,  
Craig & CJ Clem

June 19 - Todd & Tomomi Browne,  
Loren & Bridgett Ruttinger

June 22 - Jim & Phyllis Wilhelm,  
Jim & Dianna Perry

June 23 - Scott Davis & Mary Ludemann

June 25 - Howie & Sandy Fitzpatrick,  
Tod & Marjorie Windsor,

Jim & Margaret Litle

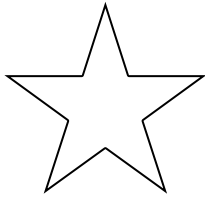
June 26 - William & Laurie Graves



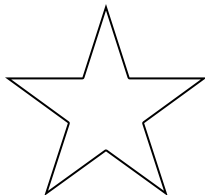
## Mother's Day Afternoon Tea for PW Missions held in May!

Hats were the attire  
and men served the  
tea.. Treva Mayo, certi-  
fied butler was the tea  
party director, speaker  
and consultant.





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## **Space Force**

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

## **Air Force**

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

**Bryce Williams** (Son of Mike and Teresa Williams)

**Brennan & Sydney Negrete** (Grandson & Granddaughter-in-law of 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 Carol Maloy)


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

**Jacek Aksamit** (Grandson of Mary & Larry Apple)

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

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.

# June 2022

| Sun   | Mon | Tue   | Wed  | Thu | Fri   | Sat   |
|---|-----|---|--|-----|---|---|
|   |     |   | 1<br><div>Lunch Together</div>                               | 2   | 3   | 4<br>9 am - 4 pm<br>Habitat for<br>Humanity<br>Build Day                                    |
| 5<br>8 am Worship w/<br>Communion<br>9 am Fellowship Time<br>10:30 Worship w/<br>Communion<br>11:30 Potluck<br>1 pm Next Journey<br>Quartet Concert | 6   | 7   | 8<br>10 am<br>Congregational<br>Care Comm.<br>12 pm CE Comm. | 9   | 10  | 11<br>8 am - 11 am<br>Pancake<br>Breakfast<br>Fundraiser for<br>Ukrainian relief<br>efforts |
| 12<br>8 am Worship<br>9 am Fellowship<br>10:30 Worship<br><br>Compassion<br>Sunday  | 13  | 14<br>11 am Properties<br>Committee<br>6 pm Tech<br>Committee | 15   | 16  | 17<br>PW Spring<br>Retreat<br><div>←</div>  | 18  |
| 19<br>8 am Worship<br>9 am Fellowship<br>9 am Summer Book<br>Study with Karl<br>10:30 am Worship<br>PW Spring Retreat<br>→<br>Father's Day          | 20  | 21  | 22   | 23  | 24<br><div>DEADLINE:<br/>Newsletter Articles</div> | 25  |
| 26<br>8 am Worship<br>9 am Fellowship<br>10:30 am Worship<br><br>4 pm Family Game<br>Night & Potluck  | 27  | 28  | 29<br>Juanita<br>Out of Office<br>↔                          | 30  |   |   |



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