



First Presbyterian
Church of Sheridan

The Good News

August 2022

Looking Ahead

The **7 am Thursday morning Bible Study** will begin meeting on Thursday, August 25th. The study is on the book of John and reading the book "Reading John for Dear Life" by Jaime Clark-Soles. The books are available for pickup in the office.

Session has approved the purchase of both **new hymnals and Bibles** for the sanctuary. The new hymnal, "Glory to God" has the songs of the older hymnal plus the paperback song-book organized in relation to how worship is delivered.

You may make a donation of a hymnal or Bible in "Honor of" or in "Memory of" a loved one. Cost of each is \$25. There will be forms in the church office to complete with the information of the person/people you wish to commemorate with your donation.

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Vacation Bible School

Come join the fun of Adventure Island Vacation Bible Camp starting Tuesday, August 2 - Thursday, August 4th from 9:30 am to 12 pm .

VBS is for grades pre-K through 6th grade and will be gathering at United Methodist church for a morning of tropical adventure through the Bible.

Preregistration is helpful but you may also register on the first morning of VBS.



Blessing of the Bags

Sunday, August 21 at the 10:30 am worship service.

Bring your backpack, purse, diaper bag, laptop case or whatever type of bag you use to receive a special blessing as we prepare to kick off a new school year.

Dear Ones,

I do not know where the summer went but it is no longer a waxing moon; it is clearly waning. However, that presents excitement for the upcoming program year. I want to outline some of what our various committees have been planning for you to be engaged in more ways than solely Sunday worship in the coming year.

After conversation with many of our families and lots of discernment by the Christian Education and Fellowship Committees, our Wednesday night dinners and programming will be shifting to Thursday evenings. Dinner will be held from 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM. Following that fellowship together, those who desire can shift to programming opportunities for all ages. The adults will continue a lectionary based Bible study looking at the Scripture from the previous Sunday and offering reflections on the sermon before taking a quick peek at the week ahead. Our children and youth programming will be an hour that offers opportunities for study, play, and the development of worship skills (such as bells and singing). This is an exciting new night for our church and it will be terrific for all ages to share in a meal with one another and then study simultaneously. Thursday evening programming will begin on September 15.

We will also continue with our 9:00 AM Sunday school hour. Our elementary aged class will expand to include Pre-K ages and split between our two connected classrooms as needed. Junior High Sunday school will be offered in the youth room and our high school aged youth will be encouraged to lend their voices to the adult discussion we will begin calling "Sunday Forum." The "Sunday Forum" will most often be topical discussions with each topic spanning three to four weeks (as currently formatted). This fall's topics will include:

- *Simon Peter*
- *Help, Thanks, Wow: A Discussion on Prayer*
- *Matthew's Nativity (An Advent Study)*

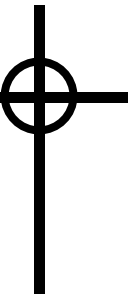
Sunday Forum will begin at 9 AM on September 11. A comprehensive course catalog will be available that morning listing all of the discussions through the fall semester and their dates.

These are just some of the exciting opportunities for us to grow together in discipleship over the next few months. The Thursday morning Bible study will also begin at 7 AM on August 25 and look at the Gospel of John.

I want to encourage you to pray about where the Spirit might be leading you to engage and grow in more ways than just Sunday worship. Jesus tells us in the Gospel of Luke, "Humankind does not live by bread alone." To immerse ourselves in study together and to discuss and to discover the Spirit at work are not only hallmarks of the Judeo-Christian tradition but are vital for our own growth as followers of Christ and compassionate and loving human beings. As we immerse ourselves in God's Word and explore what the Word holds for the world, we gain insights into who we have been created to be as God's beloved ones.

Blessings,

Pastor Karl



This week my photo memories are popping up with pictures of Triennium six and three years ago, and my calendar reminder told me I should be there again. But, I am sitting at my desk writing this and preparing for the Zephyr Point adventure with the youth. It is something new for everyone, and the excitement is there but different than preparing for Triennium.

Each time we prepare for Triennium, we have a comfort level of knowing we are going to Purdue University with the hope of getting in an air-conditioned dorm. Worship times will start with energizers transitioning into music and worship centered around the daily theme. We'll spend time in large mixed groups to discuss the experience that they are having. Throw some time with our Wyoming delegation filled with laughter, friendships, and memory-making moments. Leaving Sheridan, you know you will have fun. As a chaperone, I will see the awe of youth experiencing things for the first time, from flying to worshipping with over 3,000 youth to a taste of college life. There is also the excitement of the unknown because each time is a unique experience. The wonder of who the roommate will be, fear of getting lost, the energy of worship, and the fast pace of Triennium.

I feel like Zephyr Point will be the exact opposite of Triennium. Looking at the temperatures, they will be drastically different. Where Triennium is a high-energy fast pace, ZP will be a stop and soak in the moment. Triennium is flashy and loud, and ZP will be quiet and scenic. Worship won't be a production, but by the lake shore and peaceful. We will have an opportunity to put the daily scripture into practice with faith labs.

I believe that even though these experiences will be drastically different, they each have a place in faith development. To fully develop a faith, you need to have various experiences. At different times in our life, we will experience phases that are fast, chaotic, flashy, and wild. Then there will be times when it is quiet, peaceful, and laid back. No matter what phase you find yourself in, God will be there. These experiences and opportunities for the youth will equip them with skills that will last a lifetime.

The experience is a piece in the bigger picture we are building in the faith lives of the youth. Each piece, retreats, camps, Sunday school, confirmation, church, LOGOS, and conversations, strengthen the faith puzzle. Faith blossoms and grows all through their life when they all click together.

In the coming months, there will be several opportunities for families of all shapes, sizes, and ages to come together to experience time together. Saturday, August 13, is the annual pool party. We will gather at Kendrick Pool from 10 am -12 pm to celebrate summer. I don't want to say the end of summer because it doesn't seem like it should be August. I know it will be a fun time for all! Grab your towel, pool toys, and see you on Saturday, August 13.

Sunday, August 21, at the 10:30 service, we will be doing the Blessings of the Bag. The Blessing is an opportunity for anyone who uses a bag to bring them to worship and share the blessings for the coming year.

Next month we will have tons of information for the coming Christian Education year! Please watch for communications with more details about offerings, opportunities to serve, and exciting new changes.



Good News at FPC



JOB CHANGE

Amy Turpin has recently taken the position of Director of Performance Improvement at Sheridan Memorial Hospital.

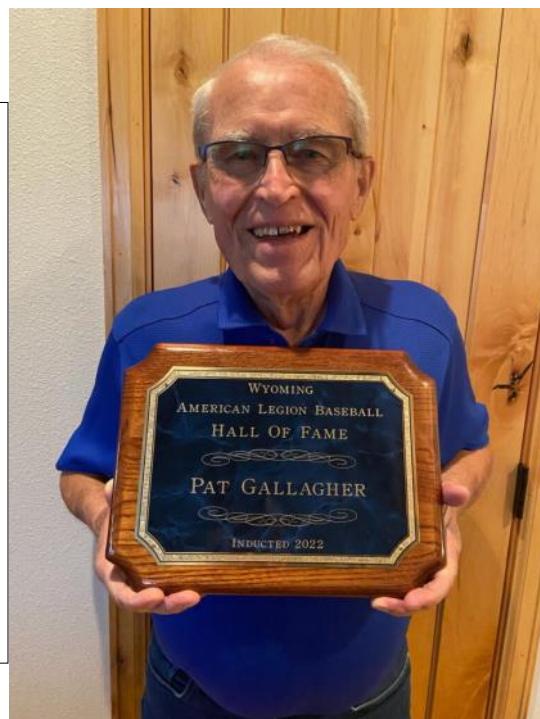


Bentley Malone and his pig were honored as the Reserve Breed Champion and Reserve Champion in Pee-Wee Showmanship at the Carbon County Jackpot in July. He also won Reserve Champion Showmanship in the Bighorn Basin Bash in June.

Pat Gallagher was recently inducted into the 2022 Wyoming American Legion Baseball Hall of Fame.

A vast majority of Pat's life has been dedicated to baseball. He played on teams from American Legion, high school, Army and college teams. He then went on to coach and also became an umpire. He was named "Umpire of the Year" in 1990.

Pat has been a member of the Sheridan American Legion Baseball Board for 30 plus years working on fundraisers, improvement projects, scheduling of umpires for local legion games and even driving bus.



FPC in Action!



What a fun day in the sun! Around 50 people enjoyed their time at Whitney Commons Fountains for Bubbles, Sprinkles & Dilly Bars on July 24th. You didn't have to get wet to enjoy the fellowship of those that attended.

**BUBBLES
SPRINKLES &
DILLY BARS**





Happy August 2022 from Presbyterian Women to you!

Enjoy your time to have fun with family and friends in the sun, water, shade and air conditioning!
(Prayers for those who suffer in the heat.)

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 of the church are Presbyterian Women. You are welcome to visit PW meetings, gatherings and Circles to see what it is like – you are always invited! Pray about it and see what the Lord reveals to you. If you can only attend sporadically – that is not a problem.

We are in recess for the summer and will begin meeting again at noon on September 7th. We will be having an **Old Fashioned Hymn Sing**. If you have an old hymn favorite tell Louise Semino as she has graciously said she would play the piano. If you need help finding a title – just ask Louise or me, Rhea Cooksey-Dixon, and we will try to look it up. Let's give her plenty of time to practice! So, contact her soon with your favorite hymn! We are really looking forward to this! The CT Committee is in charge of the luncheon. Devotions are by Circle 3.



The Circles (small groups) gather on the 3rd Wednesday of the month.

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

The PW Horizons Bible Study for 2022-23 is *Celebrating Sabbath* by Carol Bechtel. Jeri Joy reported from the Triennial Synod Meeting that Carolyn McBurney, the Wyoming PWP Moderator, asked the author, Carol Bechtel, to be our guest speaker at Camp Story next June for our PWP Women's Retreat!!! We are SO excited to have this to look forward to as we work through the study starting this fall!

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE FALL PWP GATHERING

This will be in Cody on September 16-17, 2022. Let's plan to car pool and show our support for the mission of women in Wyoming.

Please start to pray about our coming year. What is the Lord putting on your hearts? Pray about bringing someone to a luncheon or Circle meeting. Friendship and hospitality are great ways to share the joy that we have in Jesus. (see Nehemiah 8:10) God is always at work! What can you do to be His hands and feet?

Start praying about our ABC Sale. Start cleaning out your Attics, Basements and Closets. If we hold onto things we are not using we may be keeping something that would be a blessing to someone else. Everything is owned by God. It is just on loan to us. Only when we trust God for His bountiful provision can we hold what God has given us with open hands. (see Malachi 3:10) Lord forgive me for not being a good steward in the past and I pray You show me how to do better in the future.

Love and blessings from your sisters in Christ,
Helen and Rhea



Worship Services August 28th

Worship at Camp Story will be held on Sunday, August 28th at 11 am.

That morning there will also be prayer services at 8am and 10:30 am at FPC for those not able to make the trip to Camp Story. These two services will focus on prayer and song.

Christian Education for all ages will begin on September 15th with a move to Thursday evening gatherings which will include dinner from 5:30 - 6:30 pm. Programming will be held from 6:30 to 7:30. The adults will be studying the previous Sunday's lectionary passages and taking a quick look at the ones for the upcoming Sunday. The youth will have a combination of study, play, and worship skills.

Financial Summary for 2022 thru the end of June

Giving:

Actual Giving	\$174,867
Budgeted Giving	\$188,429
Difference	-\$13,562

Expenses:

Actual Expenses	\$169,686
Budgeted Expenses	\$188,618
Difference	-\$18,932

Net:

Actual Giving	\$174,867
Actual Expenses	\$169,686
Difference	\$5,181



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

Musicians: Miriam Nance, Ryan Landis, Pastor Karl

Worship Leaders: Craig Clem, John Jackson, Tina Anderson, Dave Youngren Rachel Mathews-Landis, Mitzi Knapp

Ushers: Tod Windsor, Gloria Dierking, Beth Thurow, Loren Ruttinger, Amy Turpin, Kim Kozel, Dave Youngren

Communion Prep: Su Rappleye, Denise Mueller

Audio/Visual Systems Operators: Ted Knapp, CJ Clem, Eli Clem, Gloria Dierking, Izzi Clem, Ryan Landis, Prakash Landis

Coffee Sponsors: Mike Stoll & Tina Anderson, Gary & Sherry Laughton, Pastor Karl & Kendra Heimbuck, Mission Committee



LUNCH TOGETHER

FPC will be serving Lunch Together August 1st - 4th and we are still needing help on Wednesday and Thursday, the 3rd and 4th.

Volunteers to serve or provide dishes are appreciated and may contact Denise Mueller at 828-712-9500 if you are able to help.

Thank you to every one of you that help make this a successful week!

The church office is open during these hours.

8 am - noon - Monday – Friday
Please call 672-1717 to leave a message.
office@sheridanfpc.church

**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, Cathy Coggins-Allen, and Eva Dierking.

Prayers for Healing: Howie Fitzpatrick, Julie Bugher, Sandy Browne, Jack Elliott, Jim Wilhelm, Roy Davis, and Jae Satterlee.

Prayers for our Mission Partners: Rev. Mark Adams & Miriam Maldonado Escobar (Mission Co-workers on US/Mexico border) and The Hub.

Prayers for Teachers & Students: As a new school year begins for both students and teacher.

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



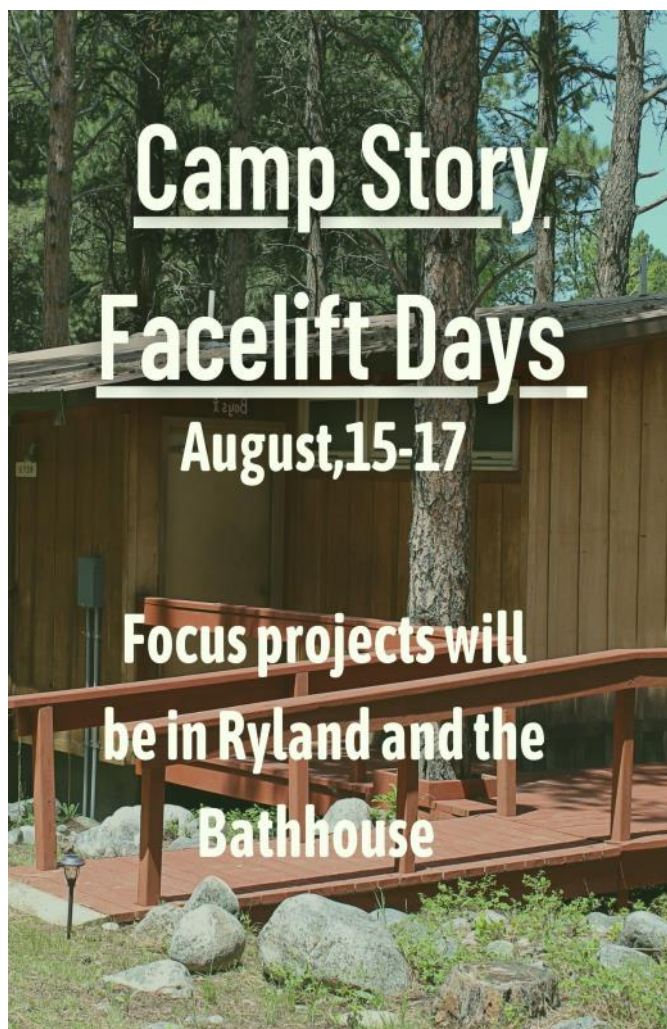
AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

August 1 - Rene Botten
August 2 - Collette Glock, Kendra Heimback
August 3 - Pat Gallagher, Jeff Wells
August 9 - Marjorie Windsor
August 11 - John Jackson, Gus Nield
August 12 - Alexandria Baxter
August 13 - Maggie Bergstrom, Parker Rieger,
Cameron Steidley
August 16 - Sam Herring
August 20 - Michael Browne, Gloria Dierking
August 22 - Becky Burtis
August 23 - Karl Heimback, Kim Kozel,
Dave Youngren
August 25 - Lucy Brock
August 27 - Baylor Bergstrom, Beth Thurow
August 28 - Kyle Burtis
August 29 - Alex Burtis, Joslyn Williamson,
Aiden Milne
August 30 - Mary Ludemann

Camp Story Facelift Days!

Grab your tool belt, hammer, saw, and join other Camp Story lovers for Facelift Days August 15-17.

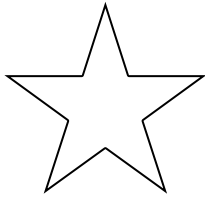
The focus buildings are: the bathroom and deck on the Ryland cabin; and the bathhouse toilets, showers, flooring, o my! Stay tuned! If you have questions please contact Alicia (director@campstory.org) or CJ (cj@sheridanfpc.church).



Happy Anniversary!

August 1 - Aaron & Lexie Gray,
Roger & Sharon Porter,
Jae & Jennifer Satterlee
August 3 - Larry & Mary Apple,
Bill & Linda Pruitt
August 9 - Karl & Kendra Heimback
August 12 - Gordon & Gloria Novakovich
August 15 - Joe & Mia Shifrar
August 18 - Chris & Christine Browne
August 21 - Ken & Erin Osborne,
Jim & Darleen Douglas
August 24 - Gary & Joyce Meling,
Greg & Beth Thurow
August 25 - Ron & Bobbie Spahn
August 27 - Brad & Jeni Steidley
August 29 - Terry & Janice Wagner,
Kim & Mary Kay Love
August 30 - David & Helen Campbell





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)

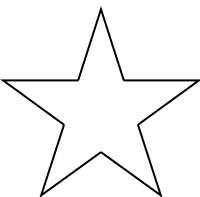
Army & Army Reserves

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)

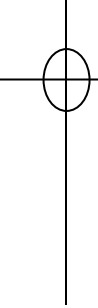
Henry Johannesen (Grandson of Sig and Judi Palm)



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.

August 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <div>←</div> <div>Lunch Together</div> <div>→</div> <div>←</div> <div>VBS at the Methodist Church</div> <div>→</div> <div>←</div> <div>CJ and Youth at Zephyr Point</div> <div>→</div>	2	3	4	5	6
7 8 am Worship w/ Communion 9 am Fellowship Time 10:30 Worship w/ Communion	8	9 11 am Properties 12 pm Personnel 4 pm Worship 5:30 pm Budget 5:45 pm Mission 6 pm Tech	10 10 am Congregational Care Comm.	11	12	13 10 am - 12 pm Pool Party at Kendrick Park 
14 8 am Worship 9 am Fellowship 10:30 Worship	15 <div>←</div> <div>Camp Story Facelift Days</div> <div>→</div>	16 7 pm Session	17	18	19	20
21 8 am Worship 9 am Fellowship 9 am Summer Book Study with Karl 10:30 am Worship Blessing of the Bags!	22	23	24 	25 7 am Bible Study Begins (Book of John)	26	27
28 8 am/10:30 am Prayer service at FPC 11 am Worship at Camp Story	29	30	31			



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