



First Presbyterian
Church of Sheridan

The Good News

September 2022

Fall Schedules Begin

Throughout the newsletter you will find details of meeting dates and times as our fall schedule of activities begins - Circles, Bible Study, retreats, Sunday School, PW, The Bridge, and youth activities.

Sunday School - for all ages begins, Sunday, September 11th at 9 am.

Youth Group - will start their once-a-month 4 pm afternoon gathering on Sunday, September 18th.

Confirmation - begins their Monday night meetings on Monday, September 12th from 6 - 8 pm.

PW - has their first luncheon Wednesday, September 7 at 12 pm.

The Bridge - our mid-week gathering for all ages begins Thursday, September 22nd from 5:30 to 7:30 pm.

Gratitude
is the best
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Choir Retreat

FPC choir members will gather for a retreat on Saturday, September 17th from 9:30 am to 1 pm at The Hub on Smith.



Dear Ones,

There is a lot happening at our church in this coming month. First, we are kicking off our program year. In last month's newsletter, I lifted up what programming we have beginning this month. I hope you will join at least one of the following studies:

- Sunday School - Sundays @ 9 AM (beginning Sep 11 w/ a study on Peter)
- Presbyterian Women's Study - 3rd Wednesdays @ 10 AM & 11:30 AM
- Thursday Morning Bible Study - Thursdays @ 7 AM
- Women's Bible Study - Thursdays @ 10 AM
- Lectionary Study & Sermon Conversation - Thursdays @ 6:30 PM

In addition to our program year beginning, we are acting as the host church for the fall meeting of the Presbytery of Wyoming. This gathering will take place September 23-24. "Presbyteries" are a regional collection of Presbyterian churches that come together periodically for discussion and for business. Because our "presbytery" is our entire state and travel is long, we only meet twice each year (the minimum required by the Book of Order). When we meet, however, it is a multi-day event full of study, fellowship, and business (as the last piece).

This year, there will be an educational opportunity on Friday afternoon that you are all welcome to attend. Beginning at 1:45 PM, Rev. Dr. David Gambrell, from the denomination's Office of Theology and Worship, will lead a seminar on worship, music, and liturgy. David is a gifted teacher, musician, and writer. He wrote the lyrics for multiple hymns in the new hymnal, participated in putting together the newest version of our *Book of Common Worship*, and is currently editing a series through Westminster John Knox Press that provides weekly liturgies (*Call to Worship*, *Prayer of Confession*, etc.) for churches to use.

While some of you will be at the church already helping to host our wider body of Presbyterians (I'm looking at you Congregational Care Committee), I want to invite all of you to stop by Friday afternoon for the educational event, to attend Friday evening's worship service of the whole presbytery, and to sit in on the business meeting of Saturday morning to better understand what it means that we are a connectional church. One of the hallmarks of being Presbyterians is that some of what we do and call "church" is done together with a wider body and with more voices than our own. This helps us to see and understand a bigger picture of God and discern more widely the Spirit's movement in the world. Our wide connections are certainly one of the reasons I love being a Presbyterian! It's not just up to me alone! There is support for one another and responsibility to one another.

Just as hosting presbytery helps us remember we are a connectional church, you will also begin seeing on our prayer list different churches in our presbytery. We will pray through the churches in our presbytery on a weekly basis as an ongoing reminder, even after the representatives of each church have left the meeting, that they go back to their own congregations held in prayer by ours.

Blessings,

Pastor Karl



We are finally coming up on my favorite time of year, fall. The cool temperatures, hoodies, soups, routines, did I mention cooler temperatures? Can you tell I am over the 90/100-degree weather?

The turning of the calendar from August to September means life will settle into familiar habits, and the church will return to its "regularly scheduled" program with some welcomed tweaks and additions.

Sunday, September 11, will kick off the new year with Sunday school at 9 am for all age groups. A new Sunday school class will be offered for children ages 3-5. These young disciples will meet in the middle room, Classroom #2. I can hear the giggles and the stories coming out of that room.

Next to that Sunday school room, Classroom # 3, directly across from the Fellowship Hall, will be the classroom for Kindergarten through fourth grade. This group will continue their exploration of the Bible using the Holy Moly curriculum. The youth love this program! We used it last year for LOGOS.

Fifth through eighth graders will meet again this year in the youth room. They will be explored the Bible using the Connect curriculum. It gets the youth diving into the Bible and making connections.

New this year to the Christian Education rotation are Family Gatherings. The second Sunday of every month, from 4-5 pm, will be time for families to share in fellowship with fellow parents. Each month will be different activities. This month's activity is a Dessert Exchange, because who doesn't like dessert? Whip up your family's favorite dessert and join us for an hour of getting to know your fellow parents. You may want to bring a copy of the recipe to share.

Youth Group will start on Sunday, September 18, and will meet every third Sunday of the month from 4-5 pm in the youth room. This is an excellent opportunity for children in grades 6-12 to meet for fellowship, explore their faith, and ask questions.

Have you heard about Bridge? It is the new Thursday offering at the church. Starting Thursday, September 22, through November 17, from 5:30-7:30 will be Bridge. The evening is a bridge from Sunday to Sunday. It is based on the concept of LOGOS and combines Wednesday LOGOS and Food with Families. All ages are welcome. We will start the evening off at 5:30 with family meal time. We invite all participants to come and share a meal. After dinner at 6:30 pm, join us for an hour of Bible time. We will have a study for adults, sixth through twelfth graders, and kindergarten through fifth grade. The evening will wrap up at 7:30 pm.

Parents of children ages birth through second grade, stay tuned! There is something in the works just for you. More details will be coming soon; watch your email!

The last exciting news I have to share is the 6-12th grade Tailgate and Retreat in Laramie on October 1-2. Youth from across the state of Wyoming are invited to Laramie for the University of Wyoming vs. San Jose State football game. The cost of the event is \$30. Money needs to be to me no later than September 22. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Happy Fall Blessings friends (and prayers for cooler weather)! 😊

Good News at FPC



Marjorie Windsor celebrated her very special 90th birthday with family. Her birthday was August 9th. Blessings Marjorie, as you continue to celebrate this milestone!



Maloy family members at the Maloy Cabin.

The two newest cabins at Camp Story have been named after Elwyn Maloy and Dick Birkholz. Both men shaped the camp into much of what is in our present day. We are thankful for their ministry in this place and to all who have met God there.

Nursery Update

The nursery at FPC is getting a facelift! This upcoming week we are starting the project by painting the nursery. If anyone is good with a paintbrush, please consider joining us and being a part of the project. Also, you may donate a favorite children's book of yours to help update the library section of the nursery.

Continue to watch the project progress when you are in the church building.

We'll share pictures as well!

Carla White's grandson, Andrew White is a first year medical student in the UW/ University of Washington WWAMI Class of 2022. WWAMI is a multi-state medical program which gives students rotational clinical years of practice in WY, WA, AK, MT and ID. Andrew is a Big Horn High School graduate and a graduate of the University of Wyoming with Bachelor's degrees in Molecular Biology and Physiology, graduating summa cum laude. He knew since elementary school he wanted to be a doctor. This past year he worked as a psychiatric tech at Iverson Hospital in Laramie.

Andrew was chosen as a TRUST scholar for Douglas, WY which will give him extraordinary opportunity and experience in the practice of rural medicine. One interesting note is there is another Big Horn

student in this year's class and he and Andrew have been good friends since second grade!



Andrew White

FPC in Action!



CJ took a group of youth to Zephyr Point, on beautiful Lake Tahoe the first part of August. Since Triennium was cancelled for 2022, Zephyr Point was another opportunity for youth to gather and grow in their faith and experience God's beauty and creation. Youth met other youth from across WY and Utah; completed service work building Period Packs; trail cleanup; and looking for ways to continue mission work back home.



September is still summer until fall arrives on the 23rd.

With that being said, students are back to school schedules and PW is starting our schedule as well. Our first luncheon of the year is September 7th. We will be meeting at noon in the Fellowship Hall. The program is an Old Fashioned Hymn Sing. The CT committee is preparing the meal. We invite you to a time of fun, food and fellowship!

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.

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. Carol Bechtel has been asked 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! (Our national PW Moderator has expressed interest in coming to our Camp Story Retreat in June.) In our fast paced lives have we forgotten to rest and focus on God? Come and learn more.

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE FALL PWP GATHERING

This will be in Cody on September 16-17, 2022. Let's plan to carpool and show our support for the mission of Presbyterian Women in Wyoming. Once again it is all about meeting new sisters in Christ and having fun, food and fellowship. There will be a round table discussion about PW. The deadline for registrations is September 9th. There are registration forms in the information center. For more information talk to Rhea Cooksey-Dixon at 683-2362 or Helen Campbell at 673-1710.

Please 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?

Pray about the ABC Sale in October and stay tuned for more details. As our theme for the year is 'We'll see what the Lord allows and more will be revealed' – let's pray for God's will to be done.

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



Dessert EXCHANGE

HEY FAMILIES OF FPC!
WHAT BETTER WAY TO KICK OFF THE
YEAR THEN WITH DESSERT! MAKE YOUR
FAVORITE DESSERT AND JOIN FELLOW
FAMILIES ON SUNDAY, SEPT 11 FROM 4-
5PM



**SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 11, 4-5 PM**

Youth Tailgate and Retreat!

Presbytery of WY is inviting youth grades 6 - 12th
to a tailgate/retreat on October 1st & 2nd.

The weekend begins with the University of WY vs.
San Jose State football game. After the game, youth
will gather at United Presbyterian church for a
night of fellowship and fun. Sunday morning the
youth will join United for their worship service.

Deadline to register is Thursday, September 22nd.

Families should check their emails for infor-
mation/registration materials which CJ sent out.

Confirmation

Confirmation for grades 6th and up begins
meeting Monday nights from 6 - 8 pm on
Monday, September 12th!

Contact CJ if you missed the parent/youth
meeting and would still like to join the group.

The Bridge - Midweek gatherings for all ag-
es will begin on September 22nd with a move
to Thursday evening which will include din-
ner 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 July

Giving:

Actual Giving:	\$203,211
Budgeted Giving:	\$219,834
Difference:	- \$16,623

Expenses:

Actual Expenses:	\$196,246
Budgeted Expenses:	\$219,144
Difference:	- \$22,898

Net:

Actual Giving:	\$203,211
Actual Expenses:	\$196,246
Difference:	\$6,965

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

LABOR DAY

The church office will be closed Monday,
September 5 in observance of Labor Day.

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

Musicians: Miriam Nance, Ryan Landis, Pastor Karl, Mary Apple, Leah Bouly

Worship Leaders: Kim Wells, Scott Davis, Gloria Dierking

Ushers: Rachel Mathews-Landis, Amy Turpin, Mary Ludemann, Scott Davis, Kim Wells, Dave Youngren

Communion Prep: Su Rappleye, Denise Mueller

Audio/Visual Systems Operators: Ted Knapp, CJ Clem, Eli Clem, Gloria Dierking, Izzi Clem, Ryan Landis, Rachel Mathews-Landis, Craig Clem, John Jackson

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



LUNCH TOGETHER

The next rotation of FPC serving Lunch Together will be October 3rd - 6th.

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 that makes 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

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All recorded worship services can be viewed on First Presbyterian Church's YouTube Channel.

Special thanks to

Gary and Sherry Laughton

for leading the August 28th prayer service for those unable to attend Camp Story worship.

**Keep them in
your prayers.**



Ongoing Prayers: Margie Elkins, Karen Townsend, Darlene McNair, Kathleen Shafer, Jerry & Myrna Saunders, Sig Palm, Leonard Hurst, Robert Ruttinger, Cathy Coggins-Allen, Eva Dierking, and Annette Reed.

Prayers for Healing: Howie Fitzpatrick, Julie Bugher, Sandy Browne, Jim Wilhelm, Jae Satterlee, Bethany Hunter, Jeannette Ruttinger, Bob Koester, Claire Gerber, Diana Miller, Dick Birkholz, and Cheryl Kelsey.

Prayers for our Mission Partners: First Presbyterian Church of Burns and Frontera de Cristo.

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



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

September 1 - John Thurow,
Jeannette Trohkimoinen
September 4 - Jill Cameron
September 5 - Jack Steinhorst
September 6 - Larry Apple, Rachel Milne
September 8 - Bryan Luedtke
September 9 - Kathy Beagle, Chance Quarterman
September 10 - Brandon Fitzpatrick
September 12 - Daren Bainter, Roger Barrett,
Kelly Engels-Lieb
September 13 - Mike Madden
September 14 - Billie Joe Shifrar
September 15 - Mary Ann Bledsoe
September 16 - Mike Williams, Jenna Wilson,
Jesse Wilson
September 18 - Dianna Perry
September 19 - Barbara Brettin, Carol Davis,
Cannon Groshart,
Amber Quarterman,
September 22 - Tom Nance
September 23 - Marigene Vogt
September 25 - CJ Clem
September 27 - Sharon Browne, Jan Leupold
September 29 - Dave Engels, Carol Maloy,
Trey Porter



Happy Anniversary!

September 1 - David Brock & Claire Gerber
September 4 - Roger & Shelley Barrett
Septembers 5 - John & Kathy Lundberg
Septembers 26 - Gareth & Rhea Dixon

Sunday Worship August 28 at Camp Story.



Camp Story Worship

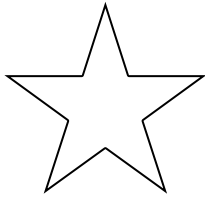
Sunday, August 28th

Ninety people gathered at Camp Story for worship on the 28th. During worship that day, there was a special dedication and naming of the two newest cabins at camp.

Cabins have been named for Elwyn Maloy and Dick Birkholz with gratitude for their ministry at Camp Story.



The Birkholz Cabin



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)

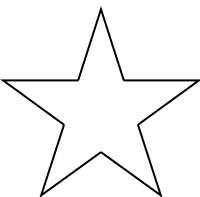
Army & Army Reserves

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.

September 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 7 am Bible Study 4:30 pm CE	2	3
4 8 am Worship w/ Communion 9 am Fellowship Time 10:30 Worship w/ Communion 11:30 am Choir	5 Labor Day Holiday Office Closed ←→	6	7 12 pm PW Luncheon	8 7 am Bible Study 10 am Women's Bible Study	9	10
11 8 am Worship 9 am Sunday School (all ages) 9 am Fellowship 10:30 Worship 4 pm Dessert Exchange	12 6 pm Confirmation	13 11 am Properties 12 pm Personnel 4 pm Worship 5:15 pm Fellowship 5:30 pm Budget 5:45 pm Mission 6:30 pm Tech	14 10 am Congregational Care Comm.	15 7 am Bible Study 10 am Women's Bible Study	16 PW of WY Annual Mtg, Cody ←→	17 9:30 am Choir Retreat ←→
18 8 am Worship 9 am Fellowship 9 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 4 pm Youth Group	19 6 pm Confirmation	20 7 pm Session	21 10 am Circle 1 10 am Circle 2 11:30 am Circle 3	22 7 am Bible Study 10 am Women's Bible Study 5:30 pm Bridge	23  Presbytery Meeting at FPC ←→	24
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