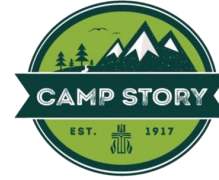




First Presbyterian
Church of Sheridan

The Good News

July 2025



Camp Story Fundraiser

Thank you all for your generosity with the Camp Story Fundraiser!
The Session challenged you to raise \$20,000 for Camp Story through the months of June and July in addition to our normal giving and you have done it!

We know there are some of you who have been praying about gifts and we want to encourage you to still make those as you are able. Every gift helps Camp Story become more sustainable in its mission of “Making Christ Known in the Great Outdoors”.

Please note
“Camp Story” on the memo of your check to contribute.
Thanks again!

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Bubbles & Dillys

It’s that time of year!
Come and join the CE committee as they host Bubbles & Dillys, this first Sunday in July (July 6th) from 2 pm—4 pm at Whitney Commons Fountains.

We’re hoping for a warm day so all can cool off in the fountains and enjoy a cool refreshing dilly bar!

All are invited for a great afternoon of fun and fellowship!



Dear Ones,

In our early Thursday (7 am) study, we recently began looking at the Five Scrolls of the Hebrew Bible. The first of these we are reading is Song of Songs. In preparing for encountering this particular book of the Bible, I came across a story I want to share with you.

In the 1970s, family members could send messages to Navy personnel on submarines, but the messages could only be eight words long. However, a reference to a Bible verse, like “Jn 3:16,” counted as just one word. Many of the wives and girlfriends of sailors would fill their messages with references to the Bible and to Song of Songs, in particular. They would note something like SoS 1:2 and when their beloved, deep underwater, would turn the pages of their Bible to the correct place, they would read, “Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth.” What a beautiful sentiment of the longing for love!

Now, imagine resting on the ocean floor and reading a note that referenced Sos 8:7 which says, “many waters cannot quench love, neither can floods drown it.” In this context, this verse is not just a verse but a prayer hurled into the ocean that expresses a yearning for the beloved to return and a trust in the strength of the love that is shared. It is an intercession and an expression of gratitude that crosses miles and miles in between those who love each other.

Perhaps we should read all of Scripture with the same idea in mind as the loved ones throwing verses into the sea. They knew that the Song of Songs could cross a great distance without losing a sense of love and yearning. They knew that Scripture could narrow the gap between them and their loved one. I wonder if that isn’t the case for all of Scripture, that it is a path which crosses the distance between ourselves and God and between each other.

Philippians 1:3,

Pastor Karl



PW July Updates

It is good to revisit Presbyterian Women's purpose frequently so as not to forget the purpose of our women's ministry within the Presbyterian Church USA and just as importantly within our congregation. Women in the church are encouraged and invited to join us in prayer, study, fellowship, and witness in the kingdom of God.

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.

PW is in recess in June, July and August, however we continue to work at our goal of supporting missions. To that end we must generate funds.

*Our annual **Bakeless Bake Sale** will soon be coming your way in the form of a postcard requesting the support you might generously give to an actual bake sale. This is a 'no mess in the kitchen and no calories on the scale' way of funding PW missions.

*PW is planning a **Christmas in July** sale on July 26, 9:00-1:00 in the Fellowship Hall. We are asking for donations from the congregation, family, friends, and neighbors. Help us spread the word. Many of us have an abundance of Christmas decorations, sweaters, jewelry, and other swag that perhaps are needing to be cleared out.

Donations will be accepted on July 19, from 9:00-1:00 ONLY. We need volunteers to help on July 19, 25, and 26. Please consider helping in whatever way you are able. You can sign up in the narthex.

Mark your calendars: PW Circles will join together for **Lunch at The Brinton** on August 14 at 11:30. We will meet at the church at 10:45 to car-pool. Reservations will be needed so contact Sherry Laughton 360-936-7531 by August 6.

Reminder: the Annual Camp Story Women's Retreat is August 15-17: The theme is "**Sisters in Christ are Sisters for Life**". More information coming soon. Mark your calendar. Hope to see you there with a friend. All women are welcome.

The Food Group is packing bags every Tuesday during the summer. Call Nancy Elliott or Kathy Beagle for further information.

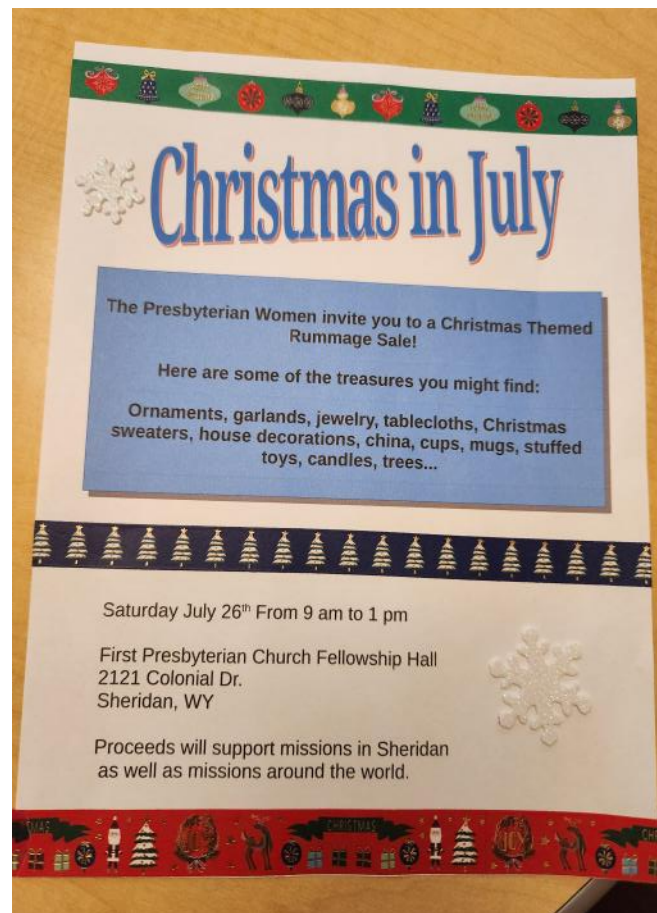
PW monthly activities will resume on September 3 at noon with a luncheon in the Fellowship Hall. Think about inviting a new friend in the congregation to attend with you.

Arriving soon: The 2025-2026 Horizon Bible Study, "Finding Resilience, Joy, and Our Identity in Jesus Christ", will be available soon for Circles 2,3, and 4.

Counting our Blessings,

PW Co-moderators

Nancy Cook and Sherry Laughton



FPC in Action!



Lunch Together

Thank you to everyone who helped in June by preparing food, volunteering and praying for the ministry. We served 200 meals that week!



The “hands” part of Hands, Heart & Soul Camp!



There was a chill in the air and threat of raindrops so Sunday’s Camp Story worship on June 22nd was moved inside to the chapel.

Good News at FPC !

Oliver Jr!



Mia Boostrom was one of the cast members in the production of Oliver Jr. at the WYO theater.



Please share any “news” from you or your family members. We love to hear about all the exciting things happening out there. Email office@sheridanfpc.church. Pictures can be sent via a jpeg file.



Alivia Denzin, daughter of Jay and Maggie Bergstrom and Ted and Candice Denzin was crowned Miss Wyoming's Teen Saturday night. She will now travel to Orlando, Florida to compete in the Miss America's Teen in September!



More Camp Story
 Rev. Dave Pettit and Aiden were doing a skit for campers at Roots and Wings camp!



When the Congregational church had technical difficulties with their organ for their “Last Friday Free Concert”, they contacted FPC to see if the concert could be held here.

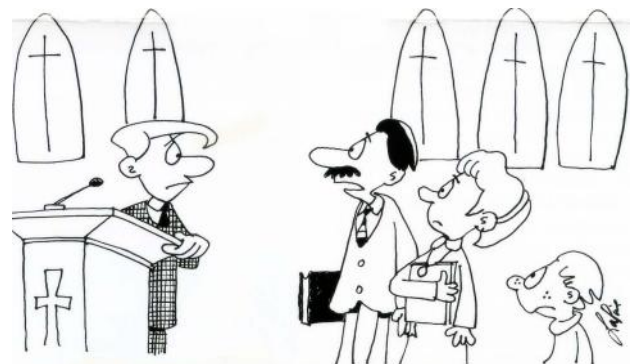
John Dixon, a premier organist/composer was the featured musician for this month’s program. John hails from England and now resides in Virginia. He is doing a 50–60-70 tour...performing in all 50 states by his 70th birthday. Wyoming was his 43rd state!

Pictured with John are Mary Apple and John’s wife, Karen. The concert was delightful!

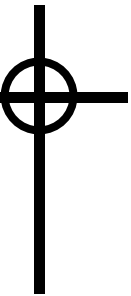
Thanks go out to Mary & Larry Apple and Brian Bainter for executing a few details at the church to make this all happen!

Vacation Bible School
 Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School which will be held on Tuesday, August 5th through Friday, August 8th.

Tech Committee Needs Help!
 Both Ted and Craig are going to be gone on Sunday, July 27th. We will need a couple of people to manage the slides and the live stream for worship that day.
 If you can help us out, there are a couple of Sundays prior to the 27th in which you could observe and/or practice.
 Contact Craig with questions or with a commitment to help at clem10@hotmail.com.



“While we were on vacation, our pew was auctioned off on E-bay!”



Making Christ known in the great outdoors!



**Good fun; good fellowship; good food; good study!
All found at Camp Story!**

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

Musicians: Miriam Nance, Ryan Landis, Mary Apple

Worship Leaders: Ryan Landis, Jeri Joy, Tina Anderson, Shelley Cundiff

Time for Young Disciples: Nancy Elliott, Rob Milne, Sharon Porter

Ushers: Jean Morgen, Nancy Cook, Gloria Dierking, Nancy Elliott, Lynn Hahn, Marilyn Michelena, Tina Anderson

Communion Prep: Denise Mueller

Communion Servers: Myrna Saunders, Larry Apple, Jerilea Phillips, Ken Osborne

Audio/Visual Systems Operators: Ted Knapp, Craig Clem

Coffee Sponsors: Mission Committee, Karl & Kendra Heimbeck, Janet Burtis



TRIENNIUM

Keep our youth in your prayers this month as they prepare and travel to Louisville, Kentucky for PCUSA's Youth Triennium. Triennium will bring together thousands of high school age youth for four days of worship, recreation, Bible study, outreach, and faith formation all around the theme of "As if We Were Dreaming". Our Sheridan youth that will be attending include Eli Clem, Mickey Willson, Zach Thurow, Livie Martin Davis, Prakash Landis, Anna Rugh, and Ethan, Tyler, Rachel & Aiden Milne. Chaperones are CJ & Craig Clem.

The group will depart on Saturday, July 26th and return on Friday, August 1st.



Keep them in your prayers



Ongoing Prayers: Karen Townsend, Kathleen & Thayer Shafer, Arlene Herrboldt, and Robert & Jeannette Ruttinger.

Prayers for Peace & Healing: Howie Fitzpatrick, Jae Satterlee, Bob Miller, Mary Hutton, Rebecca White (Carla White's daughter-in-law), Jim Wilhelm, Margie Elkins, Barb Finch, Elizabeth Wilner (Pat Harden's sister), Marisa Zuniga, Tod & Marjorie Windsor, Julie Norris, David Hackert and Kevin Bailey.

Prayers for Mission Partners: First Presbyterian Church (Greybull) and the Hub.

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

JULY BIRTHDAYS

July 4—Nancy Elliott, Griffin Boostrom
 July 6—Rhea Cooksey-Dixon
 July 7—Jon Botten
 July 8—Phyllis Reasoner, Troy Siddle
 July 11—Jeannette Ruttinger
 July 12—Jan Windsor
 July 15—Tomomi Browne
 July 17—Terry Wagner
 July 18—Bobbie Spahn
 July 19—Jackie McMahan, Beth Lenz
 July 21—Loren Ruttinger, Jennifer Satterlee
 July 22—Edie Siddle, Chris Browne,
 Chantelle Boostrom, Ottis Clem
 July 24—Lynn Hahn, Gary Meling
 July 25—Anna Rugh
 July 26—Sarah Haile
 July 27—Elizabeth Browne
 July 31—Karen Burtis

Session Members

Properties—Larry Apple, Rex Arney
 Worship—Tracey Burke, John Jackson
 Stewardship—Karen Burtis, Gary Laughton
 Technology—Craig Clem
 Personnel—Nancy Cook, Gloria Dierking
 Fellowship—Becky Motsick, Steve Kitto
 Mission—Rachel Mathews-Landis
 Christian Education—Tori Milne
 Congregational Care—Jean Morgen, Bobbie Spahn
 Clerk of Session—Gary Joy



Happy Anniversary! July

July 4—Harvey & Linda Johnson
 July 5—Jay & Maggie Bergstrom
 July 7—Doug & Pam Moore
 July 12—Brett & Becky Burtis
 July 15—Rex & Nickie Arney
 July 16—Dave & Catherine Engels

2025 Financial Summary Through May

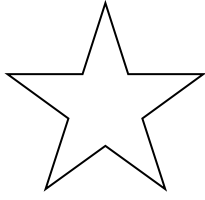
	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Revenue	162,500.05	154,919.65
Expenses	171,705.40	151,931.48
Profit/(Loss)	(9,205.35)	2,988.17

Large donations received at the beginning of the year are divided evenly and recorded in the remaining months so that revenue is not skewed at the beginning of the year.

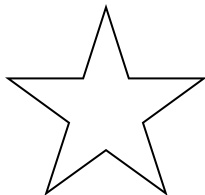
Per Capita

	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Revenue	1,458.35	3,375.00	1916.65
Expense	5,640.00	5,640.00	-
Profit/(Loss)	(4,181.65)	(2,265.00)	1,916.65





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Space Force

Ryan Laughton (Son of Gary & Sherry Laughton)

Air Force

Sydney Negrete (Granddaughter-in-law of Carol Maloy)

Megan Price (Granddaughter of Karen Fosher)

Rory Montgomery (Great Nephew of Harvey & Linda Johnson)

Bridger Ammann (Grandson of Joyce and Gary Meling)

Maria Heller (Granddaughter of Carol Maloy)

National Guard

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

Carsie Mitchell (Grandson of Jim & Dianne Perry)

Henry Johannesen (Grandson of Judi Palm)

Army & Army Reserves




Ethan Hall (Grandson of Carol Maloy)

Navy

Samual Martin, (Grandson of David & Helen Campbell)

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.

July 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 7 am Bible Study	4 Office Closed 	5
6 10 am Worship w/ Communion 11 am Fellowship Time 11:45 am Tech 2 pm Bubbles & Dillys at Whitney Commons 6 pm AA	7 6 pm Working Women Circle 4 at Kendra Heimbeck's	8 9 am Properties 12 pm Personnel 4 pm Worship 4:45 pm CE 5:15 pm Fellowship 5:45 pm Mission Committee 6:30 pm Budget/ Finance	9 10:30 am Congregational Care Committee 6 pm AA	10 7 am Bible Study	11	12
13 10 am Worship 11 am Fellowship Time 6 pm AA	14 10 am M3 6 pm AA District Mtg	15 6 pm Session	16 6 pm AA	17 7 am Bible Study	18	19 9 am Drop off donations for PW Christmas in July Sale
20 10 am Worship 11 am Fellowship Time 6 pm AA	21	22	23 6 pm AA	24 7 am Bible Study 	25 9am Set up for PW Christmas in July sale	26 9 am PW Christmas in July Sale
27 10 am Worship 11 am Fellowship Time 6 pm AA	28	29	30 6 pm AA	31 7 am Bible Study		
						

FPC Youth at Triennium

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