

Glendive & Wibaux United Methodist Church Newsletter

April 2023



We are an Easter People!

Easter is quickly drawing upon us; and we, as a faith community, look to celebrate God's saving activity in the gift of the Resurrection. How deeply we long and yearn for our God who loves us unconditionally. Jesus is risen, just as He foretold! This new and everlasting covenant has been established by the blood of His cross and remains with us forevermore!

What a blessing, what a gift! May we continue to be drawn deeply into the mysteries of our faith and the miracle of Easter this year. During these final days of Lent, be sure to take the opportunity to spend some quality time with Our Lord.

Let us openly walk with Jesus through Holy Week and fully embrace the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus through the ceremonies that are made available to us. The mystery of Passion Sunday with the palms reminds us of the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem, the city where He gave His life for us; Holy Thursday, which recalls the institution of Communion (the source and summit of our faith); Good Friday, which asks us to follow the path of Jesus' suffering and death on the cross and embrace the redemptive value that the cross holds out to us; and Easter, the culmination of these days of grace and strength.

Please join us during Holy Week, Easter and well beyond. How important it is to gather as a faith community to remember and celebrate what God has done for us. All are welcomed and encouraged. Your dedication, support, and love for the Lord encourage us all.

You are an Easter People!

You live in the light and the love of the Lord and inspire us greatly! May we continue to work together in building God's Kingdom and extending Easter joy to all those we meet. May the grace of the Risen Christ be with you and your loved ones. God bless and keep you!



Easter 2023 Schedule

- April 2nd** - Palm Sunday (We will process into the sanctuary together)
- April 3rd** - 5:30 pm Fireside Room, the final class on "Witness at the Cross"
- April 6th** - Maundy Thursday service at Glendive Zion Lutheran 7pm
- April 7th** - Good Friday service at UCC church 12 noon
- Good Friday service at Glendive Zion Lutheran 7pm
- April 8th** - Easter Vigil at Glendive Zion Lutheran 7pm
- April 9th** - Easter Sunrise service at UMC 7 am
UMC Breakfast (hosted by UM Men) 8 am
UMC Glendive Traditional Easter service 11 am
With communion

THANK
YOU



A great big thank you to the Zion Lutheran Church for hosting our Wednesday Lenten Services. The soups and desserts provided by them as well as the Congregational Church and our very own United Women in Faith were exceptional and added a nice touch to this solemn time of the year.



United
Women
in Faith

United Women in Faith will meet Wednesday,
April 12th at 5:30 p.m.
Bring supper if you wish, dessert and coffee/tea will be provided.

Our Church Rummage Sale

April 21st—April 22nd

Please bring your items as soon as possible so they can be sorted and priced!!!

Friday early evening (4-7) and Saturday morning (8-10)

Rummage sale items can be placed in the room in the southeast corner of the basement (the room used for dishwashing during the church dinner). We will need people before, during, and after the sale to help with advertising, set-up and marking, working on sale days, and clean-up after the sale. If you can help with this project or if you have questions, please contact Andrine Haas or Vernone Spencer.

Here are some things to keep in mind:

- PLEASE – NO CLOTHING/SHOES. Accessories like jewelry, purses, and scarves are accepted.
- Only items in good, clean, usable condition.
- After the sale, unsold items will be donated to the Attic or the Zion furniture room OR thrown away.
- If you have large items (like furniture), please wait until just a few days before the sale to bring them to the church. It would be helpful if you would let Andrine or Vernone know that such items will be coming.

Appreciation goes to Leslie Hunter, JoAnn Hunt, Phyllis Engle, Brenda Wolfe, and Millie Robinson for hosting the coffee hour after Sunday Services in March. This is a special time for members to have time to socialize with each other. The treats, punch, and coffee provide an atmosphere of welcoming that is pleasing to all.



Jerry Pesha, 105 years old and a long-time member of the Methodist Church passed away in March. His funeral will be held May 19th at 10:30 am at the Silha Funeral Home in Wibaux (204 S Wibaux Street., Wibaux, MT 59353 1-406-796-2421)

Christ,
the Lord,
is Risen
Today

Charles Wesley
14th Century Air
Revised in Lyra Devotiva

1. Christ, the Lord, is ris'n to - day, Hal - - le - lu - jah!
2. Love's re-deem-ing work is done, Hal - - le - lu - jah!
3. Vain the stone, the watch, the seal, Hal - - le - lu - jah!
4. Lives a - gain our glo-rious King, Hal - - le - lu - jah!

Sons of men and an-gels say, Hal - - le - lu - jah!
Fought the fight, the bat-tle won, Hal - - le - lu - jah!
Christ hath burst the gates of hell, Hal - - le - lu - jah!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Hal - - le - lu - jah!

Raise your joys and tri-umphs high, Hal - - le - lu - jah!
Lo! our sun's e-clipse is o'er, Hal - - le - lu - jah!
Death in vain for-bids His rise, Hal - - le - lu - jah!
Once He died our souls to save, Hal - - le - lu - jah!

Sing, ye heav'n; thou earth, re-ply, Hal - - le - lu - jah!
Lo! he sets in blood no more, Hal - - le - lu - jah!
Christ hath o-pened par-a-dise, Hal - - le - lu - jah!
Where's thy vic-t'ry, boast-ing grave? Hal - - le - lu - jah!

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In the 14th century someone wrote a poem in Latin that when translated into English became “Jesus Christ is Risen Today”.

In 1739 Charles Wesley used that poem as inspiration for what we now know as “Christ the Lord is Risen Today”. People often confuse them because the wording is similar.

Originally the song was titled “Hymn for Easter Day”, had eleven stanzas, and did not include the “Alleluias!” It was included in a hymnal of 139 songs that Charles and his brother John published.

He wrote this song in 1739 where it was first sung at the Foundry Meeting House in London which he had adapted into the first Methodist chapel. He bought the building's lease for 115 pounds and spent around 800 pounds to refurbish it, thereby creating a space that would accommodate 1,500 people.



Later, an unknown editor added the alleluias at the end of each line to fit a different tune that is now sung in thousands of churches around the world on Easter Sunday.



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Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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2 Palm Sunday Noisy Buckets	3 Witness at the Cross 5:30	4	5	6 Maundy Thursday 7pm Zion	7 Good Friday noon UCC and 7pm Zion	8 Easter Vigil 7 pm Zion
9 7am Easter Sunrise & brkfst 11am communion	10	11	12 Women in Faith meet at 5:30 pm	13	14	15
16	17 Ad Board meet 7pm	18	19	20	21 Rummage Sale 4-7 pm	22 Rummage Sale 8-10 am
23 Native American offering	24	25	26	27	28	29
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Happy Birthday

April - 1-Stacey Stanfill

April - 4 Patty Steer

April - 5 Hailey Stanfill

April - 6 Sari Hunter

April - 7 Wei Pai

April - 13 Keith Clingingsmith

April - 17 Emma Doty

April - 23 Diana Notis
Ivan Pai

April - 24 Karmen Neard

April - 25 Jean Mitchell



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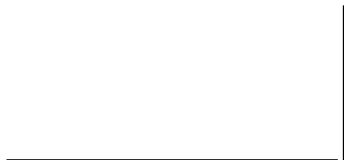
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