

Glendive & Wibaux United Methodist Church Newsletter



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Pastorz Corner

If there is one thing I learned quickly in the last two months, is that Montana is a big state!! There is a lot of driving just to get to a dentist appointment or football game or even to church on Sundays. With all that time on the road, counting baled hay rolls and looking out for big game, it may become monotonous. And monotony when you're driving can be dangerous. I'd like to suggest a remedy.

"If we count the hours we spend alone in our cars, it would probably shock us. Given that reality, why not turn our cars into "rolling sanctuaries?" All it takes is a little imagination and intention; to can get our creative juices flowing while enhancing our prayer life at the same tie. Of course, some ground rules are necessary:

Turn the radio off.
Silence your cellphone.
Sack up the snacks.
Continue to watch the road!

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With a playful spirit, create your own structure for the drive time. Here are some suggestions:

Stop sign – pray for those who are ill or in special need.

Red light – pray for upcoming activities of the day.

Green light – pray that love and peace flow freely through your life to those you encounter today.

Stopped at a railroad crossing – use each passing railcar to list items for which you are thankful, one blessing per

A distressed person – if you spot someone in a passing car or waiting at a bus stop who appears troubled, pray for his or her well-being.

Visual cues – let your surroundings prompt your prayers: a field of flowers brings gratitude for beauty, a pond reminds you of your baptism, a billboard nudges you to pray for a worthy cause.

Oddly enough, that hunk of metal that carts you around can become a holy enclosure, an outer rolling sanctuary that unites you with your inner sanctuary."

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UMC Polity and History

This year, Laity Sunday is acknowledged on October 21, 2018. We celebrate that we are all called, laity as well as clergy, to go and make disciples in a world so desperately in need of hope through our humble service. Jesus modeled the process for us in Mark 10:45, and Thomas Coke and Francis Asbury lived it out in their own lives. Therefore, go!

Today we offer hope through **Hospitality**, **Offering** Christ, sharing a path to **Purpose** and **Engagement**. As John Wesley said to Thomas Coke when he sent him to the American colonies, "Offer them Christ, Thomas." We can do no less.

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Mark Your Calendars

October 7 World Communion Sunday

October 8 Columbus Day, church office closed

October 14 Children's Sabbath

October 15-19 Pastor Carol at Clergy Orders in Estes Park, CO

October 21 Laity Sunday

October 31 Reformation Day, Birthday of Juliette Gordon Low,

Halloween

November 4 All Saints Sunday

November 7 All church roast beef dinner

November 11 Organ and Tissue Donor Sunday

November 12 Veterans Day observed, church office closed

November 18 Bible Sunday and Nat'l Bible Week begins

November 22 Thanksgiving Day, church office closed 22 & 23

November 25 United Methodist Student Day special offering

The Dawson County Food Bank offers those in need, those on the financial margins, more than just food. They also offer hope. By consensus of the congregation, Glendive United Methodist Church will focus its ministry to the food bank in the form of diapers and feminine hygiene products. Purchasing these can be deal breakers in a family's budget. We can help, and we will! The food bank needs diapers of all sizes, newborn to toddler pull-ups. Feminine hygiene products run the gamut, so all things are needed. Folks are encouraged to continue your financial support to the Dawson County Food Bank, as is your desire. But our Food Bank Box will now be filled with diapers and such.

Thank-you to the congregation for willingly working outside the (food) box to meet the needs of our neighbors and friends.

Community News

Look at our Church Sign!



Thank you, Amanda Mittlestadt & Jason Stanfill for mounting our new United Methodist symbol, the Cross and Flame, at the peak of our sign!

Thank you Amanda, for creating the metal cross.



Welcome to Our Church!

Pastor Carol Rhan welcomed our new Eastern Montana, District Superintendent Rev. Deborah Christine. She was happy to have the opportunity to visit our church and meet our Pastor. She enjoyed her tour of the church and viewing our beautiful stained glass windows.



October Church Events

"With These Hands" Wed.- Oct 10 & 24 at 1:30 PM.

Pastor will be at Clergy Order in Estis Park Co. 15-19.

Faith Fellowship Sunday, October 21 in Wibaux.

Laity Sunday, October 21 in Glendive and Wibaux.

Ad Board Meeting, Monday, 22 at 7:00 PM.

Upcoming in November

Roast Beef Dinner, November 7.

Chrismon workshop and potluck November 15

October Coffee Hour Sign up



Oct. 7 Andrine Haas

Oct. 14 Angie Mittlestadt

Oct. 21 open

Oct. 28 open

You may call in or sign-up in the Fireside Room. 377-5678



PARSONAGE PROJECT UPDATE

The July parsonage project has been completed. Our fundraising began in June and by August 13th we had raised \$11.635.37. What an accomplishment! The final bills were paid by the first part of September and the total cost was \$9,432.35. We will continue to do regular maintenance on the parsonage and make improvements as needed. Thanks to the many volunteers that put in hours of work to make this project a reality.



September treats!

Doris, Glenda, Pat J, Lance, Leslie,

Lance & Susan Ceynar,

and Sunday School

The choir is singing with our new musician! Wei Pai









Memorials

Memorials are a way to celebrate a significant occasion, remember a loved one, or honor someone special with gift in their name. The Church uses memorial gifts for special items or projects that outside our annual budget.

Memorial gifts received:

For: From:

Erlene Miller Betty Shearer

Dorothy Graves Anne Freistone

Bill & Glenda LaBree Neil & Tammy Oakland

Steve Mittlestadt Leslie Hunter

William & Marilyn McPherson

William & Valber Bryhn

Irene's Parents

Irene's Grandparents

Mr. & Mrs. Ole Bryhn

Mr. & Mrs. R.W. McLeod &

husband, Rodger D. Gross

Leta Schlicht

Robert and Jackie Schlicht

Irene Gross

Be a *Friend*!

Every time you shop at Reynold's
Warehouse grocery, tell the
check-out clerk you would like
your purchases credited to the
church's

Account #8000

Thank you for the continued support!

Laity Sunday October 21, 2018

Let Pastor Carol or Greg Hunt, Lay Leader, know if you would like to plan this special worship.

Financial Status of the Church

General Fund Financials for August:

Income: \$10,258.54 Expenses: \$12,832.15



Ways to receive the Newsletter:

Picked up during Sunday Worship. By e-mail & get it first!

Sent to you by mail.

View & download it on our

Website: glendiveunitedmethodistchurch.com

Thank you!





Rally Day!



"Westward Ho!" was the theme for our Rally Day this year!

Everyone had a good time during the service and the "Cowboy Lunch"









Children's Corner

We made and served Hotdogs for **Rally Day!**













It's Almost Time for the All-Church Dinner!

You probably remember that our church's annual roast beef dinner is called the *All-Church Dinner* because it needs ALL members of the church to participate! Well ... the dinner is coming soon, so get ready to do your part. This year's dinner will be held on Wednesday, November 7, serving from 5-7 pm. The menu will be our traditional roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, apple rings, assorted salads, pie, and drinks. Dinner prices will remain the same as last year - \$13 for adults and \$6 for children ages 5-12 (children under 5 eat free).

So what can you do to help?

SELL TICKETS and BUY THEM FOR YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY!**

Help clean the dining room, kitchen and serving areas

Decorate the dining room and set tables

Bring a salad or some pies

Help in the kitchen with food preparation

Dish up/serve salads

Cut and plate pies

Work on the serving line

Serve in the dining room

Wash dishes

Clean up



Sign-up sheets will be up soon on the Fireside Room bulletin board for workers in the various areas and to bring pies and salads. Please volunteer to save the organizers from having to make numerous phone calls.

It's very helpful to have people sell tickets during the weeks/days before the dinner. Some church members buy extra tickets as a way to "treat" some friends or as a way to say thank you to someone who's done something nice for you. If you can take some extra tickets to sell to friends, colleagues, or neighbors, just ask at the church office for tickets to sell.

Please let us know SOON how you can help!

Andrine Haas (377-4793) & Leslie Hunter (377-3695), Co-Chairs



History and Polity

The Annual Church Conferences for Glendive and Wibaux United Methodist Churches are scheduled for Saturday, November 3, 2018. (2016 United Methodist Book of Discipline, Section VI)

What is a Church Conference?

<u>Purpose and Responsibilities</u>: Review and evaluate the total mission and ministry of the church, receive reports, adopt objectives and goals recommended by the church council:

Who attends: To encourage the broadest participation by members of the church, all professing members (on the rolls) of the church are included. Professing membership are those whose have made a declaration of membership through the congregation, transfer of membership. Essentially, anyone can attend a Church Conference, but only professing members may vote. Those present should represent the demographics (gender, age, race) of the congregation.

What happens:

Approves the slate of nominees from the Nominating and Leadership Development Committee. May set term limits for elected and appointed positions. The BOD recommends that no officer serve more than three consecutive years in the same office.

Approves the church budget and pastor's compensation, based upon the recommendations of the Finance Committee and church council. Reviews qualifications for lay servant and certified lay servant and certified lay minister status and makes recommendation to the district committee on Lay Servant Ministries regarding their acceptance or continuance into those ministries.

Elects leaders: Ad Board Chair; committee on nominations and leadership development; committee on pastor-parish relations and its chair; the Chair and members of the finance committee, the financial secretary and church treasurer; lay member to annual conference; and, recording secretary.

Approves removal from membership rolls.

Note: All chairpersons of local church offices may be shared by two people EXCEPT: trustee, officers of the board of trustees, treasurer, lay member to annual conference, and chair and members of the pastor-parish relations.

The basic administrative organizational plan for local churches is: church council, PPR, board of trustees, committee on finance, committee on nominations and leadership development, and any others the church conference deems necessary. However, this is for administrative purposes and does not reflect the missional and discipleship development every congregation is called to do.

Local churches publish a Church Conference Report based on requirements form the Annual Conference.

If you have any questions, be sure to speak with Pastor Carol.

Ad Board Request

The Ad Board is looking for a Secretary to take minutes of their meetings. It would also include taking minutes at the Church Conference on November 3. Their meetings are usually the 4th Monday of each month. Please let Twylla McPherson know of your interest.





Our Annual Harvest Festival Auction and Pie & Coffee sale

went well!



Look for more pictures from this year's very successful Harvest Festival Auction in the November 2018 newsletter.

Not a blank space.

We're waiting to hear from you what you'd like to read in your church newsletter!!!



OCTOBER 2018

* Birthdays, # Anniversaries

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	*Joyce Kinsey	#Glenda & Bill LaBree *Darrell DeLange			Women's Expo at DCC 5-6 *Evan Jones	→
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Worship World Communion Wibaux 9:00 AM Glendive 11:00 AM	Columbus Day Office Closed	Girl Scout Troop 232 meets at 6:30 p.m.	"With These Hands" at 1:30 PM			
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Worship Children's Sab- bath Wibaux 9:00 AM Glendive 11:00 AM	Pastor Carol in Estes Park CO (15 –19) *Andrine Haas	*Marla Robinson	*Gerald Huschka *Jewel Gentry	UMW Meeting at 7:00pm		Girl Scouts of MT and WY STEM program.
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Worship Laity Sunday Faith Fellowship in Wibaux 9:00 AM Glendive 11:00 AM	Ad. Board Meeting 7:00 PM	# Jason & Stacey Stanfill	"With These Hands" at 1:30 PM		* Larry Evans	
28	29	30	31			
Worship Wibaux 9:00 AM Glendive 11:00 AM			Reformation Day	Roast Beef	Dinner will be N	ovember 7



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