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Congregational Meeting Sunday, June 11

A special meeting of the congregation will take place on Sunday, June 11, in the sanctuary immediately following the 10:30 service. The purpose is to act on a report by the Nominating Committee regarding the election of church officers.

Rockhaven Summer Kicks off June 18



All are invited to join the festivities at Rockhaven on Sunday, June 18, for our annual Father's Day "Pig" Roast. The Rockhaven Operational Board will host dinner, providing pulled pork sandwiches and beverages. Please bring a potluck dish to share with others. The meal will begin at 5:30 pm. Come early to enjoy the peace and beauty of Rockhaven in June—when the river really runs through it!

Sunday evening vespers services begin the same night, at 7 pm. Dan Holland, one of our resident storytellers, will start this summer's theme, "The Water of Life." Musicians will include the Riverside Singers and accompanist Holly Aloise. Come raise the roof of the Rockhaven Chapel with your singing and praising God.

This will be the first of 11 weeks of Sunday evening potlucks (5:30) and vespers (7:00) at Rockhaven. Plan to be there. Rockhaven is a blessing for the church family, and for friends, too. Invite your friends to experience God's presence at the "thin place" we call Rockhaven.

Enhancing Our Conversation With God

"Delight yourself in the Lord, and He will give you the desires of your heart. "Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for Him..."

Psalm 37: 4, 7a

Welcome to our new members

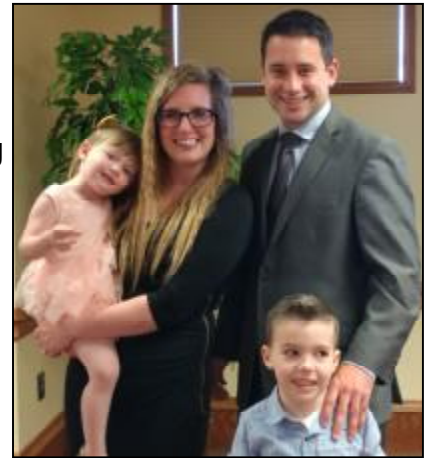
Ashley and David Driscoll were high school sweethearts in Missoula who came to Bozeman 10 years ago to attend MSU. Their nuclear family has expanded to include Andrew, age five, and Paige, age 2. David finished his PHD in engineering this past December and has just launched his own Bozeman business doing government research. Ashley is a professional photographer, primarily photographing babies, children, and families. Family is the center of their leisure time activities. They like to camp, raft, and ride four wheelers and dirt bikes. Andrew just got his first dirt bike. Brent and Rachel Turner are Driscoll's host.

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Lori Ingram, transferring from the Canyon Creek Presbyterian Church in Richardson, Texas, is the route for Lori to become a member of First Presbyterian here. Lori lives in Belgrade and chose this area because she plans to pursue a degree in nursing at MSU. When Lori arrived in Montana many years ago, she dug in her heels and stayed to raise her two sons in Helena. They now reside one in Big Sky and one in Missoula. Her stint in Texas was to help with medical issues of her mom and step-dad. Reading and needlework occupy Lori's time in winter since she is not a winter sports enthusiast. However, she loves walking and hiking in the Montana spring and summer. Suzanne Bratsky is Lori's host.

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Nita Vaughn began attending our church for a number of reasons but high on the list is that she loves to sing from our hymnal. In fact, she likes it so much she often attends both services. Nita loves the mountains and everything outdoors around Bozeman with the same enthusiasm she has felt for the two years she has lived here. Previous to moving to Bozeman Nita resided in the Tri Cities area of Washington. Photography is her passion and she hopes to be able to do some formal photography training. Her days are currently busy with her studies in adult education at Willson school. She knew Bozeman would be a good place to live when she arrived by bus on her first trip to Bozeman at 3 a.m. only to find no bus station, no taxi, no phone, etc. A couple dropping their daughter to get on the bus saw her dilemma and gave her a ride to the motel. Chuck and Sally Broughton are Nita's host.

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New members continued on next page....

Giving to First Presbyterian Church

In addition to traditional methods, First Presbyterian Church offers the option of making financial contributions to the church electronically via the web or by texting. Contributions via the web can be made from the online giving link on the church's website, www.fpcozeman.org or by scanning this QR code with your Smartphone. To give by text, simply text the amount of your gift and any designation to **406-278-6267**. Thank you!



New Members continued.....

Laura Larsson's mother, Diane Stone, introduced Laura and her children Mitchell (15) and Alice (13) to this church. Laura grew up in Baker City, Oregon and came to Bozeman as a professor of nursing at MSU in 2001. She attended college at Lewis and Clark College in Portland, MSU, and Oregon Health and Science University, also in Portland. Mitchell joined our church with the recent confirmation class. Laura likes to garden and a perfect day for this family is boating with the Guenther family. Debby Haynes is Laura's host.
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Lane Guenther's two children, Wyatt and Shelby, joined our church with the last youth confirmation class. They have two older siblings Michael in California and Peyton in Bozeman. Lane was born in New Rockford, ND and grew up in Mandan where he was a part of the 1st United Methodist Church. He attended a Christian school from 4th grade through his junior year in high school. After about twenty years in Washington, Lane and his family moved to Bozeman in 2013 to be with his parents and extended family. He works as a transportation broker at Trade Risk Guaranty. The family likes to camp, boat, and ride motorcycles. Dan Holland is Lane's host.
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Love INC measures impact

How does our congregation serve our neighbors in need in the Gallatin County? Love INC has started to count the impact. During the 1st Quarter of 2017, **First Presbyterian** congregation members **served 179 volunteer hours** through the Clearinghouse call center, helping in the Love INC office, serving as your Church Ministry Coordinator, and helping individual clients in need. Contact Bill and Katie Anderson, our Church Ministry Coordinators, if you are interested in becoming a Love INC volunteer at 406-624-6118 or email at wganderson99@gmail.com or katie anderson99@gmail.com



Birthdays this week

- 6/7 Dan Berg
- 6/9 Tim McNicholas
- 6/10 John Sacklin
- 6/12 Charlie Mandeville
- Martha Krebill

Correction from last weeks Good News
 Wade Spoerl graduated from Bozeman High school not his brother Carl and will attend Middle Tennessee State University.

Holland-days...

by Dan Holland

Lord of heaven and of earth,

There are times when it seems we humans are walking on a tightrope and it just doesn't seem plausible we can continue to maintain our balance. I suppose it helps to have your perspective as the God who was and is and ever shall be. I'm sure you can point to a Wednesday in 1942, or 1863, or 1349 and can reassure us you were there then and you are still here now. So it is incumbent upon us now, as it always has been, to come before your throne with our prayers and supplications.

Lord, we really need your help to solve the problem of terrorism. You have taught us and shown us over and over again that love conquers hate, yet this insidious form of evil has us flummoxed. We are at our wits end. What is it that has caused people in Yemen, and Tripoli, and Damascus, and Marseille, and London, and Dearborn, MI to become so disillusioned, so disenfranchised that they see extinction as the only alternative? Show us the way, precious Lord. Give us the wisdom and the courage to unite as humanity not in a show of sheer force, but in a demonstration of pure love. We are seven billion people being held hostage by perhaps a half million. Just the sound of 6.95 billion people praying in unison would be enough to shine light into the darkest corners of this world. But then we still need to walk into those dark streets and plant flowers, and plant hope, and plant love.

Grant us the strength also, dear God, to stand up to those among us who insist the only way to fight fire is with fire. Certainly we must be vigilant to protect the innocent caught in the crosshairs of atrocity, but it seems our efforts at eradication over the last two decades have only served to fan the flames of audacity. As naïve as it sounds, we must change the hearts of hatred. And it starts in our own hearts. It starts in my heart.

Amen



Church Facebook page a source of up-to-date info!

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