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## Rockhaven Summer Potluck Supper and Vesper Services



Please bring a potluck dish or dessert to the supper, which starts at 5:30 pm. Our summer Vespers start at 7 pm in the chapel. Jody McDevitt will lead the service with pianist Holly Aloise. This summer's theme, following the camp theme, is "Peace Works." Invite the whole family, and friends, too. Come out early to play and enjoy Rockhaven's peace. We are so blessed to have Rockhaven as our church's special ministry. Plan to join us whenever you can on Sunday evenings thru August 25. Rockhaven is located at mile post 67 on Highway 191 on the way to Big Sky.

## Flowers for Sanctuary

Summer gardens are beginning to show off their early flowers. If you would like to provide a bouquet from your garden in the sanctuary for a Sunday church services, contact Linda by Wednesday at the church office, email [linda@fpcozeman.org](mailto:linda@fpcozeman.org) or call 586-9194.



Fresh flowers are such a lovely addition to the Sunday service, and you can take your arrangement home after Church, or give it away to other worshippers who are without gardens! Show off and share your floral abundance!

## *Enhancing Our Conversation With God*

*"Lord, thank you for those who intercede for others in prayer. Thank you for those who share concerns. Please Lord, fine-tune our spiritual ears so that we may always be receptive to Your voice and be willing to act whenever You call."*

*Penney Schwab, Daily Guideposts, 4/5/19*

## Rockhaven News

**This week at Rockhaven, June 16-21** is the first of two overnight camps for upper elementary children. Nineteen children are registered. A new addition to the camp is a tire swing.

### Welcome Summer Camp Staff (including “Camp Names”)

**Scott Thrasher**, director, is in his 13<sup>th</sup> summer as camp director! (“Captain”)

**Emily Thrasher** is this summer’s cook. After nine months in the food service at MSU’s new Rendezvous Dining Hall, she is living and working at Rockhaven this summer. (“Tenille”)

**Ashley Skalitsky**, camp counselor, is a wildlife biology student at UWisconsin, Madison (“Lola”)

**Dain Colliander**, camp counselor, is a student at MSU from Glen Ellyn, IL. (“Caesar”)

**Madison Raleigh**, camp counselor, is a nursing student at MSU from Portland, OR. She is also part of the Methodist Campus Ministry known as TNT (Tuesday Nights Together). (“Poppy”)

**Sarah Thrasher**, camp counselor, recently graduated from Belgrade High School. This is the 13<sup>th</sup> summer she has spent at Rockhaven Camp. (“Nemo”)

**Catherine Pierce**, camp counselor, is a senior at Belgrade High School. She has grown up in the ranks of Rockhaven summer staff. (“Quail”)

**Jarrel Beauchaine**, camp counselor, recently graduated from Belgrade High School. (“Scooby”)

**Mason Scurry**, camp counselor, is a student at Bozeman High School. A former Rockhaven camper, he is a member of Bozeman United Methodist Church. (“Yoshi”)

### 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](http://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!*



## Letters for Seven of our Youth Attending the Sierra Service Project

On July 15 - 17 ADYNN, MARTHA, ZEPH, JULIA, GRAHAM, DANI, DAYNA will be attending the SSP (Sierra Service Project) mission trip for youth. It is a huge tradition for SSP churches to send mail to the youth, encouraging their week. Every day there is Mail Call, and the staff make a big deal about calling kids into the middle of the big circle to get their mail, the more the better). The letters don't have to be long—it's the experience of getting mail that's important.

The way other churches often do it is to have a small group sit down for an hour and churn out some letters. These are then mailed so that they arrive during the week the kids are at camp. We want to show support for our young volunteers from First Presbyterian so this is our plan:

Join us during coffee hour after the second service on June 23 and write a few brief encouraging letters for us to mail.

Come to the church on June 25<sup>th</sup> Tuesday from 6:30 to 7:30 for coffee, dessert, and letter writing.

Write some letters or cards at home and deliver them to the office by June 26.

### *Birthdays this week*

*6/19 Chandler May*

*6/20 Nancy Rutkowski  
Paula Thomsen*

*6/21 Dolly Smith  
Gayle Hickert*

*6/22 Sarah Thrasher*

### **SUMMER PRESBENEWS SCHEDULE**

June 19 – PresbEnews

June 26 – No PresbEnews

July 3 Good News

July 10 – No PresbEnews

July 17 PresbEnews

July 24 No PresbEnews

July 31 - Good News

August 7 No PresbEnews

August 14 – PresbEnews

August 21 No PresbEnews

August 28 – Good News

September 4 PresbEnews

## Holland-days...

by Dan Holland

Last week I missed the deadline for placing words in this space. To the best of my recollection it was the first time that had happened in nine years. I was on assignment doing research in Las Vegas, NV on the eating and napping habits of our first grandchild, Huey Daniel (or Hue for short), and was relying on a tight travel schedule to get me back home in time to file my story. Unfortunately flight cancellations forced me to spend an extra night in an airport hotel without the tools to file remotely.

### Hue and Cry

The pictures I had seen led me to believe he would be huge, but by the time I actually held this three-day-old baby I was reminded how tiny, how delicate, how utterly helpless a newborn is.

I tried to play it cool — like he was just another child of God — but I couldn't even fool myself. Like me he is the first of a generation. All the bars will initially be set by him. His growth chart, his eating prowess, his GPA, his scoring average will all be the highest until those that follow raise the ante and surpass him. Or not.

Hue cries hard, as hard as he possibly can, violently even, but sometimes he opens his eyes in an effort to see from where his help comes. And I realize I am no different, for I, too, cry out — I cry hard, looking for where my help will come — then I, too, see that I am loved.

I hold him close to my chest, close enough that I can feel every slight shift, every barely perceptible sigh. And then I can feel his heart beating against my own. It is an ancient rhythm rising from his chest, from a Nordic longship or a Bantu council, and I can now be assured he was knit together by the source of love.



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

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