



A mid-week newsletter of First Presbyterian Church - Jody McDevitt & Dan Krebill, co-pastors
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Co-Pastors' Corner...

"The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it," begins Psalm 24. In a Montana summer, we can encounter the world's beauty and wonder daily. If we are paying attention, we'll notice the vastness of the ever-changing sky above us. Shifting clouds and light, blue skies and stormy weather, and the moon and stars at night all inspire reflection on our place in the cosmos. Everything belongs to God.

"The world and its inhabitants, too," the psalm continues. This morning while lying in bed, I heard the croaking of sandhill cranes flying overhead. Driving out to Rockhaven, elk and deer are often in the farmers' fields along with horses and cattle. Those who live closest to the land know that the land is not theirs, it is part of God's gift of life. We dwell in the midst of a teeming variety of the world's inhabitants, sharing space, water, food, and air.

The glories of God's world teach us gratitude, generosity, and responsibility. This summer, wherever and however you enjoy this special place where we live, remember to give thanks for the home God provides for us. Share the earth's gifts with as many global neighbors as God gives us. And accept the challenge to "tread the earth lightly," mindful of the generations of humans and other inhabitants who will inherit this wondrous earthly home when we dwell in God's eternal home.

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. Dan Krebill 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.

Enhancing Our Conversation With God

"Guide us in your truth and teach us, our God, our Savior." Psalm 25:5

Session Notes June 27

Meeting open with meeting new members, Betty Sieg and Linda and Andrew Kroeze, on letters of transfers. We welcome them to our fellowship and please greet them and Sullivan, the Kroeze's daughter.

There will be a piano concert on July 21st at 3:00 in the sanctuary.

We received a beautiful stained glass donation from Paul and Doris Krebill that will be hung in the middle window of the fellowship hall. We are so grateful to Paul for sharing this special piece of artwork with us.

It was noted that the assessments for 24 S. Willson have been received and a special thank you goes to Donna Beck for her work on getting half the lot separated so that we are only paying taxes on the one part. The assessments values increased to \$978,000 for the building and land and \$1,200,000 on the bare lot.

The co-pastors reported on their work in the past month and comment on the mission trips still upcoming. They will be vacationing in the Beartooth Mts. this week and then have more vacation in August. Stephen Hundley and Doug Melius will be filling the pulpit when they are gone.

Session approved funds from the mission support fund to help fund Dan and Jody's study leave trip to the Holy Lands in the Spring of 2020. They will use this as well as study leave to fund this time of learning about the Holy Land as well as spending five days studying the Palestine issue.

We also approved funding for Kari Robbins for seminary. She will be meeting with the session on August 12 and the Presbytery on August 13 to come under the care of the Presbytery for her time at Seminary. More information will be forthcoming after those approvals are received as to how members can help support her in her education. This will be a matching fund between members and mission support fund. *Continued on page 3*

OMBUD: *The person who will listen to your suggestions, concerns, complaints and compliments.*

Every quarter our **OMBUD** from the session is Holly Aloise she will be happy to answer your questions and listen to what you have to say. You can speak with her personally or contact her by phone 451-4630 or email hollyaloise@gmail.com. She will follow-up with Session.

2 Corinthians 9:7

“Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.”

Thank you for giving your time, talents, and financial contributions.

Without your generous support we could not do all the great things we do to Glorify God.

Below is a table showing our financial status as of the end of May 2019

May General Operating Income	\$30,382	Year to Date Income	\$214,561
May General Operating Expense	\$33,792	Year to Date Expense	\$186,195
May General Operating Balance	\$-3,110	Year to Date Balance	\$28,366
May Rockhaven Income	\$15,245	Year to Date Income	\$35,902
May Rockhaven Expense	\$9,851	Year to Date Expense	\$32,963
May Rockhaven Balance	\$5,394	Year to Date Balance	\$2,940

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Kathy Braun's salary for the Mainly Music series was approved through August. The group is still working on securing funds to underwrite the concert series. There will be three concerts in the fall, Bach, Matthew Sullivan and Messiah. Anyone wishing to contribute to this, please contact Kathy or Dan Krebill.

It was noted that Rachel Turner is the new chair of the Rockhaven committee and Jane Spencer was appointed to the Endowment committee.

Our July meeting will be a picnic at Dan and Jody's home but we will have two special meetings to receive new members prior to that.

Another upcoming event to mark on your calendar, August 25th at 7 pm we will have missionaries from Zambia here to speak.

Respectfully submitted,
Charlie Mandeville

Birthdays this Month

7/2 *Pat Dickensheets*
Rich Brauss
Debra Jackson
7/3 *Vern Svensrud*
7/4 *Rachel Minter*
7/6 *Billie Jean Marion*
Mike Hoffman
7/7 *Lynda Reiley*
7/8 *Bella Wilfling*
7/9 *Rachael Thompson*
7/11 *Owyn Campbell*
7/12 *Mary Lensink*
7/14 *Doris Heckerman*
7/16 *Wilson McMakin*
Miriam Frye
7/18 *Natalie Hoffman*
7/19 *Laurel Schlegelmilch*
7/22 *Glenn Welch*
Carl Lehrkind
Michael Lehrkind
7/23 *Carol Shellenberger*
Gail Weingart
Brad Garnick
7/24 *Jolene Turner*
7/25 *Caralyn Hodgson*
7/28 *Louise Milburn*

Flowers for Sanctuary

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@fpcbozeman.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!



In memoriam of Jean Travis July 20, 1928 - June 14, 2019. Jean was a member of our congregation since 1982 and had recently moved to Polson. A service will be August 3 with the time being announced at a later date.

In memoriam of Myrtle Leuschen June 24, 1929 - June 25, 2019. Myrtle was a member of the congregation since 2004. A family service will be held in July.

Mainly Music thanks supporters

Thank you friends and members of First Presbyterian Church for supporting Mainly Music and becoming our first Underwriters and Supporters.

Platinum Level \$1000: Anonymous

Gold Level \$500-\$999: Ric Tieman & Susan Gibb, Chuck & Maureen Poremba, Jane & John Hodges, Jim & Marsha Jarrett.

Silver Level \$250-\$499: Rich & Nancy Giddings, Christine Poremba Evans, Chuck & Sally Broughton, Dick & Nancy Rote

Donations: Dick & Rosemary Lee, Don & Judy Mathre, Brad & Trish Garnick.

Thank you so much!

Kathy
Special Music Events Coordinator

SUMMER PRESBENEWS SCHEDULE

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

If you have any articles please send them to presbenews@fpczoeman.org on the Monday by noon before publication on Wednesday.

First Presbyterian Church
Piano Concert
Four hands and solo piano
Denise Scanlin
Professional concert pianist and
university piano professor in Abilene, Texas
María Garzon
Spanish pianist
Sunday, July 21 at 3:00pm



No admission charge but donations are gladly accepted
Corner of Willson & Babcock Call 586-9194 or 539-3491 for information

Rockhaven Camps

This week at Rockhaven Camp, July 1-3, we are debuting our first “Little Wild Ones” day camp for ages 4-6. Seven children are enrolled.

Next week at Rockhaven Camp, July 8-12, 41 children are attending day camp.

Glacier Camp Director to Speak at Rockhaven

The Rev. Tim Lanham will be at Rockhaven Camp on Sunday evening, July 21, as worship leader and preacher. Tim is in his first year as director of Glacier Camp on Flathead Lake, a ministry of Glacier Presbytery. Previously he served as pastor of Sunrise Presbyterian Church in Great Falls, and before that he was pastor of two Yellowstone Presbyterian churches in Stanford and Geysers.

Tim will share his perspective on our “Peace Works” summer theme, based on the story of Jesus calming the sea. He has a wonderful reputation as a preacher—just ask Jim and Ilene Casey, who formerly were members of Sunrise Presbyterian Church.

Plan to join us for the 5:30 potluck and 7 pm Vespers service on July 21!

To Mars and Beyond! VBS Wrapup

This year’s Downtown Ecumenical Vacation Bible School was the biggest—and best?—VBS ever!

Here are the numbers:

161 children, nursery – 6th grade

60 youth volunteers, including 16 from a visiting church in Colorado Springs

97 adult volunteers, including 6 from Colorado Springs

Each year VBS chooses a mission project. This year the project was to provide donations to the Juliana Fund of Family Promise. This fund was established in memory of a young girl who was part of a Family Promise family when she died tragically while hiking with her family. The fund enables kids to participate in enriching activities which have fees, such as soccer, swimming lessons, dance classes, etc. With pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters, and lots of dollar bills,

we raised \$2146.89!

There are additional numbers, such as 175 carpentry bookshelf kits assembled, and over 300 hotdogs and veggie burgers eaten at the closing (indoor) picnic. But the most important results of VBS can’t be counted. A week of learning and living faith, boldness, kindness, thankfulness, and hope—new friends and more friends—the partnership of six churches—youth growing in leadership and faith—children growing in understanding of God—adults learning from kids—VBS is memorable and amazing.

Glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we can ask or imagine by the power at work within us! (Ephesians 3:20)

Holland-days...

(by Dan Holland)

This month (July 20th to be precise) marks the fiftieth anniversary of human's first steps on a cosmic body other than our own. The most recent edition of National Geographic has devoted most of its pages to commemorating this historic event. Included in its coverage is a discussion of the various things that have made the trip to the lunar surface — some of which returned to earth (Alan Shephard's golf club) and others of which remained behind (the golf balls Shephard hit as well as a family photo left behind by Charles Duke.) One item mentioned caught me by surprise, perhaps because I was in junior high at the time and didn't really think about the importance of those kinds of things at that age. In any event it was a photograph of the chalice Buzz Aldrin used during that initial voyage to celebrate the Lord's Supper on the moon. The chalice is now housed at a church near Houston and it got me to thinking what that most unusual of communions must have been like.

A Really Thin Place

The words of the Psalmist
take on a whole new perspective:

O Lord, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth...

...but for the first time the earth is just
a blue marble illuminated against a backdrop
of blackness.

This is my body, broken for you.

And how about these words:

When I look at your heavens,
the work of your fingers...

...and now we stand in those heavens and
claim dominion where none have gone before.

This cup is the new covenant in my blood.

What are human beings
that you are mindful of them...

...yet in the vastness of this unbound cosmos
you reach down and love each one,
even me.

*For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup,
you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes again.*



Rockhaven Chapel

First Presbyterian Church

July 2019



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 7pm Boy Scouts	3	4 	5	6
7 8:30 am Worship 10:30 Worship 5:30 pm Rockhaven Potluck 7:00 Rockhaven Vespers	8	9 7pm Boy Scouts	10	11 7am Men's Bible Study	12	13
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