



# PresbEnews

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## Rockhaven Vespers Begin June 19

One of the best things about summer in Montana is being able to worship God at Rockhaven. Our tradition of summer Sunday evenings in the Rockhaven Chapel is dear to many. All are invited, so if this is something you have yet to enjoy, put it on your calendar and make this the summer you take advantage of this special aspect of our church's life.

This summer we will explore the theme "All Things New," from Isaiah 43:18-19. Summer preachers will be Dan Krebill, Jody McDevitt, Dan Holland, and Brent Turner. In addition, our summer camp staff, led by Scott Thrasher, will lead the service twice. New this summer, the overnight camp weeks will begin on Sunday afternoons. Campers will be part of the Vespers services those weeks (June 26 and July 31), and camp staff will lead services which are all ages-friendly!

If you would like to share your music at a service this summer, let Jody know. Thank you to Holly Aloise, Martha Krebill, and the Riverside Singers for already being on board.

We begin the summer season on June 19 with a Father's Day "Pig Roast," featuring pulled pork sandwiches provided by the Rockhaven Operational Board, at 5:30 pm. Bring a side dish, salad or dessert, and stay for the Vespers service at 7 pm. On most other Sundays, the entire potluck depends on those attending, always starting at 5:30 pm. At the end of the summer, we will host the third Rockhaven Rocks! event.

Please come and enjoy the fun and fellowship.

Rockhaven is at milepost 67 on Highway 191, on the way to Big Sky.



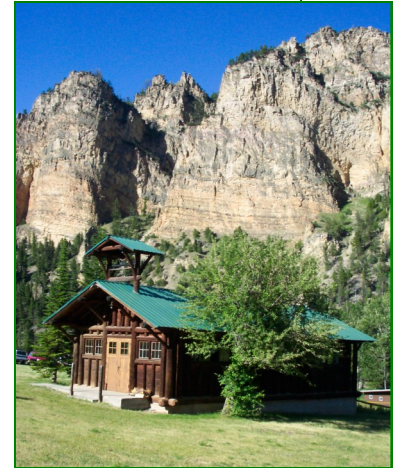
## Congregational Meeting June 19

The session has called a meeting of the congregation on Sunday, June 19, immediately following the 10:30 service for the purpose of electing a ruling elder to serve on the session in the class of 2019. Church members, please plan to attend this important meeting.

### Special Thanks to Those Who Helped at Rockhaven

THANKS from the Rockhaven Operational Board and FPC Congregation to those who helped out with the June 4th Rockhaven Work day..... The camp has never looked better. What a great way to kick off the summer church camp and vesper season at Rockhaven!

Scott Thrasher	Dan Archer
Dan Holland	Sandy Archer
Christine Holland	Randy Kleinhans
George Haynes	Pat Dickensheets
Bill Anderson	Fritz Dickensheets
Mike Roser	Marsha Jarrett
Cheryl McNicholas	Jim Jarrett
Jim Mitchell	
Bernie Mitchell	



### Ted Williams' Brother to be Honored Posthumously



Robert Williams was serving in the Army Air Corps when he was killed in Bataan in the Philippines in World War II, just a few days before Bataan was surrendered to the Japanese in April 1942. For three years he was listed as Missing in Action; later his remains were buried in Rocky Ford, Colorado, with others of his family.

Recent genealogical study by Ted's daughter Celinda revealed that Robert was entitled to several military awards, including the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart. This **Friday, June 10 at 2 pm**, Senator Steve Daines will present these awards to Ted as the next of kin. The ceremony will be held at the American Legion building on East Main in Bozeman, with refreshments following.

All are welcome to attend.

### 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.fpcbozeman.org](http://www.fpcbozeman.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!*



In memoriam of Don Frye II January 31, 1939 – June 4, 2016. A memorial service will be held in the sanctuary Monday, June 13 at 2:00 p.m. , with viewing from noon to 2:00 p.m. Don was a member for 52 years and very active through the years. Our thoughts and prayers go to Cyn, Don and Jennifer, Bill and Angela, Lee and Jake and their families.

### Community Café



Looking for a mini mission project? Our church continues to provide volunteers every second Monday of the month to serve dinner to those looking for a good meal. We need 11 people each time, 9 to serve from 4:30 to 7:30 PM and 2 to serve from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. New volunteers are always welcome. It's a great way to serve the Lord and work along side your fellow church members. Please contact Judy

Patterson if you like to give it a try some month.

Judy's contact information – Ph: 587-9722, email: [tdbear972@aol.com](mailto:tdbear972@aol.com).

### *Birthdays this Week*

6/9 *Tim McNicholas*  
6/10 *John Sacklin*  
6/12 *Charlie Mandeville*  
*Martha Krebill*  
6/14 *Julie Small*

### Summer Flowers

Please bring flowers for the sanctuary this summer. A calendar is in the north narthex to sign up or feel free to bring flowers from your garden anytime. They can be for an special occasion or just because. Please call the church office at 586-9194 by the Wednesday previous if you would like to put something in the bulletin.

For more information call Sally Broughton at 585-3544.

### Mainly Music Concert

Mainly Music presents Heidi Osgood-Metcalf, pianist, on Friday, July 1st at 7:p.m. in the sanctuary. Will Ackerman Grammy Award winner and Windham Hill Records founder says "Heidi draws upon the inspiration of the dramatic and varied landscape of Montana to create her latest album, Montañas. Her music boasts brilliant skills as a composer and pianist, but it is the power of the emotion that she brings to her pieces that resonates most deeply with us. One of the greatest compliments I can offer any musician is that they remind me of no one else, and this is certainly the case with Heidi. Featuring world-class musicians on many of the pieces, the album moves gracefully from intimacy to exuberance as only Heidi could express it". Please join us for an evening of wonderful music.

## Holland-days...

*by Dan Holland*

I finally made it down to Rockhaven last Saturday. Other than the Sunrise Service on Easter morning, it was my first time down to our camp this year. Saturday was the last big clean-up day before the start of our summer camping season, and there was a big turnout. Fifteen people showed up and all of us worked hard. At one point there were eight different pieces of machinery being operated simultaneously. Weed-whackers, brush trimmers, push mowers, and riding mowers were all singing their high-pitched hymns. Flowers were planted, cupboards were scrubbed, holes were filled, machinery was fixed, and I don't know if this grand, old lady at the base of Sheep Rock has ever looked as spectacular.

Of course some of that had to do with the time of year. It was a drop-dead gorgeous day. The bluest of bluebird days. The rains of May had worked their magic; everything was a verdant green. The majesty of the mountain set against a cloudless sky was breathtaking.

Rockhaven will get used this summer more than it ever has. More children will revel in her beauty than ever before. They will discover her nooks and crannies, cool off beside her creek, smell the flowers in her meadow, cross the bridge over her beautiful, beautiful river, pray beside her campfire. They will be drawn close to their Creator and their Creator will be in their midst.

After all of our chores were done on Saturday and most of the folks had headed home, I still had one task I wanted to get done. There is a stubborn patch of noxious knapweed on the east side of the river and it's always best to spray when no one is around. After tending to this tiny blemish on Rockhaven's otherwise stunning countenance, I walked back across the bridge. The river was mocha colored and turbulent with run-off. As I neared the west side, I saw the tired, old dorm that will soon be filled with campers.

At some point during the course of the next twenty years the dorm will be replaced with a multi-purpose building. It will be the centerpiece of the not yet finalized long range plan. But that is a long ways off, and in the meantime the old dorm will have to make do. As I crossed the bridge, though, I saw something I hadn't noticed before. The windows on the dorm shone nearly as clear as the cobalt sky above. Jim Mitchell had spent the day washing all the windows and now I was enjoying the fruits of his labor. The floor-to-ceiling glass around the dorm's front door perfectly mirrored the scene within its gaze. Reflected in the windows were the trees lining the river, the velvet hills behind them, a portion of Sheep Rock taking it all in, and above that, in the midst of the big, big sky, was the face of God giving me the slyest of winks.