

## Announcements

**Golf Appreciation:** Special thanks to all who participated and assisted with our 1st annual golf tournament last Saturday. About \$5,000 was raised to support our church's youth group and the mission trip to Zambia, Africa. Special thanks to Dan Ehlang and Barb Whittle who organized this event. We appreciated all of the donations, including those from Pepsi, U.S. Foods, Frito Lay, Albertsons, CVS, and a number of area golf courses.

**Sunday school** with Pastor Dave continues on Sundays at 9:15 in the Fireside Room. He is teaching a class titled, "Is This the End?" Amid pandemic, protests, hurricanes, and fires, many have wondered, "Is this the end?" This six week class is offering a biblical perspective to the end times and how virus, disease, natural disaster, unrest play into our lives. Dave is helping us look at signs of the end times from both the Gospel accounts and the book of Revelation and will help us see the hope that we have when we base our lives upon the promises of Christ. This class is offered both in person and on-line at [www.facebook.com/fpcbillings](http://www.facebook.com/fpcbillings) and will continue through October 18.

**Kids' Sunday School:** Our children's Sunday school program is being offered on-line. Jaki Harada, a student at MSUB, is putting together a weekly lesson that is being sent out via e-mail. If you would like to be added to this e-mail list, please contact Pastor Dave.

**Staying encouraged:** Our church is here to help you through this pandemic. Pastor Dave is available to talk, pray, or read scripture with you via the telephone or in person. Feel free to use this resource as we want to help each other through this time of uncertainty.

**Stephen Ministry Help:** Please know that our church has a trained and caring group of people who are available to help provide encouragement and support. If you would like to receive help from one of our Stephen Ministers, please contact Doris Backus or Pastor Dave. They are here to help during this time.

**Youth Group** for all 6-12 grade youth continues on Wednesdays from 6-8 PM at the church. Join us for food, games, music, and learning. Please wear a mask.

**Diaper Drive:** We are collecting diapers of all sizes for Family Promise. You can either bring the diapers by the church or if you would like someone to come by and pick them up, please call the church office.

**Sanctuary flowers** this Sunday are sponsored by Carol Annin in honor of Ruth Drummond's birthday this Sunday. Our flower sign-up sheet is available to designate flowers in memory or honor of someone. Please find the sheet as you enter the sanctuary. Suggested donation is \$25.

**Church columbarium:** The church has decided to install a columbarium. There will be twenty niches available for purchase at \$1,000 per niche. Each niche can contain up to two urns. Please contact Sandi Schoenberger at 647-5685 if you are interested in learning more about this opportunity.

### **COMING ATTRACTIONS:**

Youth group for all 6-12 grade youth meets on Wednesdays from 6-8 PM



**First Presbyterian Church**

**2420 13th Street West**

**Billings, Montana**

**252-3434**

**[www.fpcbillings.org](http://www.fpcbillings.org)**

**September 20, 2020**

Prelude *Kerry Gruizenga, pianist*

Welcome and Announcements

**\*Call to Worship:**

*Leader: We come this morning seeking your guidance;*

**People: The Lord is our shepherd.**

*Leader: We come this morning seeking your rest;*

**People: The Lord leads us beside still waters.**

*Leader: We come this morning seeking renewal;*

**All: The Lord restores our souls. We come to worship God.**

**\*Opening Song** *“Every Move I Make”*

**\*Prayer of Confession (In Unison)**

Holy God, we admit that we often run on empty. We move from one activity to the next, taking little time to restore our souls. We tend to be so busy that we don't stop to seek your guidance. We become so self-consumed that we think that we can go it alone, not needing help from you or others. We admit our need for your renewal and strength. Help us to slow down and to make room in our lives for your presence through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*(Please continue in silent confession...)*

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

**\*Song # 2128** *“Come and Find the Quiet Center” (verse 1 only)*

**Passing the Peace of Christ**

*L: May the peace of Christ be with you.* **All: And also with you.**

**Children's Time**

**Prayer of Illumination**

**Old Testament Scripture: Psalm 105:1-6** *pg. 556*

**New Testament Scripture: Matthew 20:1-16** *pg. 21*

**Sermon Series “A Different Way”** *see Sermon Helps*  
*Part 2 of 3: “Payday”*

**\*Song of Response** *“God of Movements and Martyrs”*

**Worshipping God With Our Offerings**

**The Offertory**

*Kerry Gruizenga, pianist*

**\*The Doxology** *pg. 592*

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**\*Closing Song** *“You Are My Wholeness”*

**\*Benediction**

**\*Postlude**

*Kerry Gruizenga, pianist*

**\* Indicates to stand, if able and comfortable.**

Music license for use in worship and live streaming is provided via CCLI # 20735174

**Giving Mobile App:** Check out our mobile giving app. You can simply text fpcbillings to 77977 and give a one-time gift or set up reoccurring gifts. If you have any questions, you can talk with Jeanne or Pastor Dave. We appreciate your generosity to our ministry!

# This Week @ FPC

<u><b>This Sunday</b></u> (Sept. 20)	Sunday school class in Fireside Room 9:15 AM Worship service 10:30 AM
<u><b>Monday</b></u>	Monday morning work crew 9:00 AM Better Together Preschool 9:00 AM Kiwanis group meets in the Church & Society Room 9:30 AM Kiwanis lunch in the Fellowship Hall 11:00 AM
<u><b>Tuesday</b></u>	Women's Bible Study meets in Fireside Room 9:30 AM
<u><b>Wednesday</b></u>	Better Together Preschool 9:00 AM Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) Leader's Meeting 9:00 AM Youth Group for grades 6-12 6:00 PM Young Adult Bible Study at Trina White's 7:00 PM
<u><b>Thursday</b></u>	Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) 9:00 AM
<u><b>Friday</b></u>	Better Together Preschool 9:00 AM Christian study group meets in Fireside Room 12noon
<u><b>Sunday</b></u> (Sept. 27)	Sunday school class in Fireside Room 9:15 AM Worship service 10:30 AM

Last Sunday: Attendance: 94                      Offering: \$10,920.00

## Church Staff Information:

**Ministers: All Members**  
**Pastor: The Rev. Dave Thompson** [pastordave@fpcbillings.org](mailto:pastordave@fpcbillings.org)  
**Office Manager: Jeanne Raney** [mainoffice@fpcbillings.org](mailto:mainoffice@fpcbillings.org)  
**Music Accompanist/Organist: Sandi Rabas**  
**Choir Director: Janie Sutton**  
**Custodian: Kent Fellingham**

## Sermon Helps Designed to help you get the most out of the sermon *Sermon series: "A Different Way"* *Part 2 of 3: "Payday"* *Matthew 20:1-16*

### A. Common Work Premises:

1. The early bird gets the \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Hard work \_\_\_\_\_ off.
3. "A dream does not become reality through \_\_\_\_\_; it takes sweat, determination, and hard work." —*Colin Powell*
4. "I'm a great believer in \_\_\_\_\_, and find the harder I work, the more I have of it." —*Thomas Jefferson*

### B. Why were some workers left until 5 PM?

1. They \_\_\_\_\_ in.
2. They were doing \_\_\_\_\_ else.
3. They weren't as \_\_\_\_\_ as the others.
4. They weren't as \_\_\_\_\_.

### C. Life lessons from the Parable:

1. This parable is not about fairness, it's about being \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Jesus levels the \_\_\_\_\_ field with his generosity.
3. As much as we want, we don't have the right to \_\_\_\_\_ God.

### D. Thought to Take With You:

*"My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."* —*2 Corinthians 12:9*