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SUMMER 2014

PASTOR'S PEN

"It's Summertime!"

We are doing something new with this version of our summer newsletter. We have decided to combine the next three months (June, July, and August) and have only one newsletter for the summer months. Inside you will find information, announcements, and birthdays & anniversaries pertaining to the summer months.



Summer marks a different pace in the life of the church. Many of our weekly Bible studies, Sunday school, and regular activities take a recess for the summer months. A number of activities will resume in September as we kick off our Ministry Fair on Sunday, September 7.

I want to take a moment to thank all of you who have helped with these activities. We have a great core of volunteers who help provide and maintain a high level of ministry during the school year. A number of you work with our children and youth ministry programs, serve on committees, assist with worship, participate in Study groups, and serve on our leadership teams. I appreciate all of the ways you have enhanced the ministry and mission of FPC. We truly couldn't do it without you!

Even though summer does offer a different pace, we still offer a variety of opportunities for people to grow in their faith. I'd love to have you join us for our weekly summer worship that is held every Sunday morning at 9:30 AM. Our annual Vacation Bible School (VBS) program will be held June 9-13 from 9-12:15 each morning. Kids will be going to "The Jungle" to learn more about God and the Christian faith. From June 21-26, our Youth Group will be traveling to Denver to work with inner-city missions-- not only helping to change lives, but being changed in the process. Our annual Community Block Party will be held on Wednesday, August 20 as we reach out to those in our community with free food and fellowship.

I look forward to the summer months and enjoying the beautiful, long days that this area provides. I wish you and your families well as you enjoy what lies ahead in terms of vacations, family gatherings, and special celebrations. When your schedule allows I hope you will join us for worship and other activities during the summer and use these opportunities to grow in your faith.

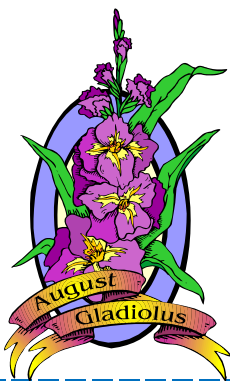
In Christ,
Pastor Dave

COMING ATTRACTIONS:

Vacation Bible School held June 9 – 13 from 9-12:15 each day
VBS Carnival and Picnic: Friday, June 13 from 5:30-7:30
Senior Singles to go to Red Lodge on Saturday, June 21
Youth Mission Trip to Denver June 22-26— talk with Orrin if interested in going
Presbytery meeting in Butte from June 27-28
Habitat House Dedication on June 30 at 534 Newman Lane
Community Block Party coming on Wednesday, August 20 from 5:30-7:30 PM
Ministry Fair and fall schedule resumes on Sunday, September 7

MEMORY JOGGERS FOR AUGUST

<u>The 3rd</u>	<u>The 10th</u>	<u>The 17th</u>	<u>The 24th</u>	<u>The 31st</u>	
Preaching Dave Thompson	Preaching Dave Thompson	Preaching Dave Thompson	Preaching Dave Thompson	Preaching Dave Thompson	Ray & Jean Noble Diane Noddings Charlie Reed Don Reed George Schuman Bill Woolston
Key Elder David Bauer	Key Elder Heidi Duncan	Key Elder Sharon Lincoln	Key Elder Ken Eichenberger	Key Elder Samantha Cormier	
Greeters Ray & Jean Noble Lucile Weisbeck	Greeters Jenice Fugere Chris Eriksen Jody Lafko	Greeters Bob & Barbara Muir Jody Mercer Wallace	Greeters Judy Nusbaum Noah & Lauren Bauer	Greeters Marie & John Reamy Sharon Mathews	
Ushers Bob & Cathy Culbertson Earl & Sharon Henderson	Ushers Jo Albin Midge Jarrett Jan Blackburn Pat Clark	Ushers Royal Johnson Edna Carlson Jean Ross Diane Noddings	Ushers Jerry Koch Bob Fedric Bill White Don Reed	Ushers Chris Eriksen John Thompson Russ & Janet Kline	
Liturgist Linda Luse	Liturgist Judy Cuff	Liturgists Don Harr	Liturgist Tonya Appelt	Liturgist Jane Myhre	Substitute Greeters: Ann & Ken Chase Kay Doss Tom & Ruth Drummond Ruth Ewen Bob & Linda Fedric Ginger Green Jeanie Hekkel Tom & Ginny Helmer Earl & Sharon Henderson Biff Hogue Midge Jarrett JoAnn Jones Walt & Priscilla Laird Bob & Barbara Muir Marge Myhra Jane Myhra (if no choir) Ralph Myhra (if no choir) Betty Ann Nesmith Ray & Jean Noble June Pierce John & Marie Reamy Charlie Reed Bob & Shirley Shirley Jerry Swanson Lucile Weisbeck Bill Woolston
Care Board Chuck Leggate	Care Board Don Harr	Van Driver Kate Mitchell	Care Board Don Harr	Care Board Don Harr	
Van Driver David Bauer	Van Driver Chuck Leggate	Sound Booth Jeff Gruizenga	Van Driver Don Harr	Van Driver Don Harr	
Sound Booth David Bauer			Sound Booth Bob Culbertson	Sound Booth Bob Culbertson	
Communion Sharon Lincoln Scott & Carol Harr Don & Michelle Reed					
				Substitute Ushers: Pat Clark Kay Doss Tom & Ruth Drummond Ginger Green Tom & Ginny Helmer Earl & Sharon Henderson Biff Hogue Bob & Barbara Muir Jane Myhre (if no choir)	



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Summer Worship Celebration
@ 9:30

STAFF
Pastor: Dave Thompson
Office Manager: Jeanne Thompson-Raney
Music Director: Denise Finn
Student Intern for Youth Ministry: Orrin Feddes
Choir Director: Janie Sutton
Music Accompanist: Bev Wornom
Custodian: Kent Fellingham

SESSION MEMBERS
Clerk of Session:
Marlene Spencer 252-5027

Class of 2015
Kathy Baskett 544-9857
Sharon Brady 655-9046
Marv Brown 256-0257
Jeff Gruizenga 850-3697

Class of 2016
Samantha Cormier 245-9497
Heidi Duncan 252-2373
Jenice Fugere 252-9641
Michelle Reed 252-5316

Class of 2017
David Bauer 371-5075
Ken Eichenberger 248-8563
Sharon Lincoln 656-9014
Sharon Mathews 696-5559

FOOD BANK SUNDAY REMINDER

Our church was one of the first churches in Billings to designate a monthly Food Bank Sunday. We continue to promote it today as a way to raise awareness and food for the Billings Food Bank. We invite you to bring some non-perishable food items with you on the first Sunday of each month as we help local people in need.

SESSION NOTES:

On May 13th the session members were pleased to examine and receive 24 new members into the membership of the church. Seven of these were the youth who had completed confirmation classes with Pastor Dave. These young people read excerpts from statements of faith which they had written.

It was decided to do maintenance on the floor in Fellowship Hall this summer. Plans for a stained glass window in remembrance of Kay Jones were accepted. The family has commissioned an artist to create the window.

The property committee was given permission to purchase a new lawn mower for the church. The new mower will include a bag for picking up the grass clippings.

FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

2014	INCOME	EXPENSE	NET
MAY	\$ 25,492	\$ 32,788	\$ (7,296)
YTD	\$ 270,077	\$ 171,871	\$ 98,206

PER-CAPITA FOR 2014 IS \$45 PER MEMBER. IF POSSIBLE, WE ENCOURAGE MEMBERS TO PAY THEIR OWN PER-CAPITA WHICH GOES TO SUPPORT THE WORK AND MISSION OF THE PC(USA).

MAY	2014
4TH	225
11TH	193
18TH	221
25TH	175
2014 MAY AVERAGE	204
2013 MAY AVERAGE	229

Words of Appreciation from Bible Study Fellowship

As many of you know, Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) uses our church on Wednesday and Thursday mornings during the school year. About 180 women were enrolled in this year's program. They wish to express their appreciation for allowing their group to use our church facilities. They plan to resume in September. All women are invited to join this group.

THE CHURCH MICE

The church mice would like to recognize the efforts of Bill and Jeanne Castberg. They have been helping with the watering of the grass and flowers for the past several years. Jeanne recently fell and broke her hip and is out of commission for a while. Bill has been very helpful with maintaining the sprinkler system and making sure the grass is adequately watered.

Thanks for your help in keeping our church property beautiful. We appreciate all of your help!



FLOWER SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Our flower sign-up sheet is located on the back table in the narthex. We invite you to sign up for a particular Sunday to sponsor the flowers either in honor or memory of someone or a special event such as an anniversary, birthday, etc. Suggested donation is \$25.

Special thanks to those who donated flowers during the month of May. They included Bob & Shari Dayton (in recognition of Catherine Kinney's graduation from RMC), Jim & Biff Hogue (in memory of their daughter Jennifer), Bob & Cathy Culbertson (in celebration of their 30th wedding anniversary), Barb & Ken Eichenberger (in celebration of birthdays), and Don & Michelle Reed (in memory of their parents).

JUNE
2014

The 1st

Preaching
Dave Thompson
Key Elder
Sharon Brady
Greeters
Tom & Ruth Drummond
Kay Doss
Ushers
Bob & Cathy Culbertson
Earl & Sharon Henderson
Liturgist
Jeff Gruizenga
Van Driver
Chuck Leggate
Sound Booth
David Bauer
Communion
Russ & Janet Kline
Deb & Greg Wiens
Jo Albin

The 8th

Preaching
Dave Thompson
Key Elder
Ken Eichenberger
Greeters
Bob & Linda Fedric
Edna Carlson
Ushers
Chris Eriksen
Jason Ascheman
Cindy Leggate
Emily Feddes
Liturgist
Orrin Feddes
Care Board
Jody Mercer
Wallace
Sound Booth
Chuck Leggate

The 15th

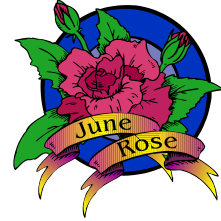
Preaching
Dave Thompson
Key Elder
Jeff Gruizenga
Greeters
Jeanie Hekkel
Phyllis Brown
Marge Myhra
Ushers
Jerry Koch
Bob Fedric
Bill White
Don Reed
Liturgists
Doris Backus
Van Driver
Kate Mitchell
Care Board
Chuck & Cindy Leggate
Sound Booth
Jeff Gruizenga

The 22nd

Preaching
Dave Thompson
Key Elder
Sharon Mathews
Greeters
Ed & Alta Dakolios
June Pierce
Ushers
Kurt & Mary Grabow
Megan Lorentz
Jody Lafko
Liturgist
Janet Kline
Care Board
Edna Carlson
Van Driver
Don Harr
Sound Booth
Bob Culbertson

The 29th

Preaching
Dave Thompson
Key Elder
Sharon Lincoln
Greeters
Bob & Norma Thiesen
JoAnn Jones
Ushers
Robyn Bauer
Thelma Riggs
Janet Brown
Bebe Spring
Liturgist
Bill Lorentz
Care Board
Chris Eriksen
Van Driver
Don Harr
Sound Booth
Bob Culbertson



JULY
2014

The 6th

Preaching
Orrin Feddes
Greeters
Barbara & Ken Eichenberger
Meghan Ascheman
Ushers
Marlene Spencer
Sharon Brady
Marian Shehein
Betty Ann Nesmith
Liturgist
Vicki Thompson
Care Board
Van Driver
Chuck Leggate
Sound Booth
David Bauer

The 13th

Preaching
Dave Thompson
Greeters
Carl & Vickie Johnson
Chris Eriksen
Ushers
Gary & Judy Lohnbakken
Howard & Sharon Klovstad
Liturgist
Jerry Swanson
Care Board
Sound Booth
Chuck Leggate

The 20th

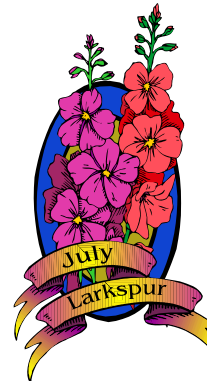
Preaching
Dave Thompson
Key Elder
Jeff Gruizenga
Greeters
Kurt & Mary Grabow
Diane Noddings
Ushers
Russ & Janet Kline
Marv & Janet Brown
Liturgist
Heather McLean
Care Board
Van Driver
Kate Mitchell
Sound Booth
Jeff Gruizenga

The 27th

Preaching
Dave Thompson
Greeters
Kay Doss
Sharon Mathews
Jeanie Hekkel
Ushers
Jim & Biff Hogue
Deb & Greg Wiens
Liturgist
Pam Gore
Care Board
Van Driver
Don Harr
Sound Booth
Bob Culbertson

Communion

Heidi Duncan
Samantha Cormier
Sharon Mathews
Paige Spalding
Jim Hummel





Presbyterian Women News

The time has come to take a summer break from Circle meetings. We will meet again in September. We will continue to serve our church congregation as we are called on to do. We will be collecting silverware and can openers to donate to Gateway House.

Next Year's Circle Bible Study will be *Reconciling Paul: A Contemporary Study of 2 Corinthians* by Elizabeth Hinson-Hasty. Paul's writings are some of the most influential in Christianity. Revisiting the struggles Paul faced and the authenticity and integrity of his theology is an essential task for churches today in the midst of great change.

Paul, like us, wrestled with and questioned his faith as he tried to live as authentically as possible in an ancient world that, like ours was also in the midst of great change. What can we learn from visiting 2 Corinthians and considering Paul's theology and ideas as they relate to the context of our time?

Elizabeth Hinson-Hasty invites us to read Paul's letter afresh in light of today's issues. Concepts of shared partnership, power in weakness, healing, reconciliation, love, and a new apostolate all figure prominently in her reading of Paul.

CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE

We are very close to getting our final copies of our new church pictorial directory. We hope to have them into your hands in the next few weeks. We appreciate your patience as we work with Lifetouch to complete this process. Our new directories will include six activity pages, pictures of our members, and an updated roster.

Family Promise of Yellowstone Valley Update

There have been many changes at IHN. As many of you know our name has changed to Family Promise of Yellowstone Valley (formally IHN). We also have a new Executive Director, Lisa Donnot, joining us on December 2. We have a new part time case manager, Martha Carstensen, joining us on December 17th.

Family Promise is a shared ministry of 25 Billings Area faith communities. Our mission is to restore homeless families to self-sufficiency. Our values, mission, operations and care of our families have remained constant. The offices and day center are still located in the Bethlehem Lutheran southwest basement.

We have 25 congregations and 1400 volunteers that make up a unique and special faith community that supports Family Promise families. Families spend evenings at one of the 14 host church sites, rotating on a weekly basis. Congregation coordinators spend hours preparing for each week, attending to the many details to ensure that the week goes smoothly. Each week a different group of volunteers selflessly give of their time and resources in order to help Family Promise children and parents thrive and succeed. Our board of directors also volunteer numerous hours to help with preparing meals, being evening hosts, setting up bedrooms at various churches and anything else that is ask of them. Family Promise would like to thank each and every one of you. We could not be successful without our volunteers. We also have many volunteers who come to the day center on weekend and spend time with our families. If anyone is interested in volunteering for any part of our program please contact the day center at 294-7432, Lee Winnan 699-0276, or your church coordinator.

We just finished our annual fundraiser event Beach Blizzard on February 8th. We had a great turn out and raised \$65,000 which will be used to support Family Promise families. A great big "Thank You" to all who participated, as well as all of our volunteers. Successful events depend on our sponsors which include: Ambuehl Family, Rico & Martha Arguelles, Bethlehem Lutheran, Billings Federal Credit Union, Cal Northam Real Estate, Cloud Peak, Cole Law Firm, Shane & Gina Colton, Congregational Beth Aaron, Conlin's Furniture, Cross Petroleum, Cummings Rocky Mountain LLC, Dale & Jax Door & Glass, Dick Anderson Construction, Echelon Design and Advertising, The Executive Plaza, Fisher Construction, William & Karin Fitzgerald, First Interstate Bank Foundation, Freyenhagen Construction, Hardy Construction, Horseplay on Ladders Inc., Judy Johnson, Little Horn State Bank, Merrill Lynch, Moulton Bellingham PC, Nord/Plath, RBC Wealth Management, Dr. Don & Carol Roberts, Robert Orthodontics, Rocky Mountain College, Schutz Foss, Sign Products, Skinner/Benoit Public Relations, St. Vincent Healthcare Foundation, Stewart & Mary Jane Taylor, Tire Rama, Underrinder Motors, Weave Management Group, Mike & Kathy Woods, Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd.

We are serving 3 families, 5 adults, 6 children ranging in age from 1 year to 7 years and currently screening for a new family to join the network.

—Family Promise of Yellowstone Valley

June Birthdays

- | | |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Peter Weisbeck | 13 James Hall |
| 2 Andrew Wiens | 14 Tom Helmer |
| Dave Thompson | 17 Sharon Klovstad |
| 3 Lucille Weisbeck | 19 John Thompson |
| June Pierce | 20 Chris Leone |
| 4 Jane Quandt | 21 Bobbie Lauwers |
| 6 Dan Gall | 22 Mae Hunter |
| Juanita Stovall | 23 Carol Limbach |
| 7 Eric Leggate | 24 Bill Woolston |
| Bill Young | 25 Joan Bateman |
| 11 Kurt McLean | 26 Bev Wornom |
| 12 Jeannette Davis | 27 Bebe Spring |
| Karen Gall | 28 Linda Luse |
| Chuck Pinnick | Michelle Montville |
| | 29 Pat Hastings |

Anniversaries

- 7 Clare & Jean Hekkel
8 Chuck & Marge Pemble
10 Russ & Janet Kline
12 Tim & Gail Janiak
16 Mark & Teri Pattee
22 George & Maxine Schuman
23 Ken & Barb Gullard
Rod & Cindy Hessler
27 Dave & Vicki Thompson
29 Jim & Jennifer Bennett
James & Helen Hall

July Birthdays

- | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| 3 Doug Stuart | Wava Knutson |
| 6 David Sanderson | Mike Michalsky |
| Andrew Sterup | 19 Jim Bateman |
| 7 Pat Clark | 20 Merilyn Ballard |
| Lois Dalton | Jim Duncan |
| 9 Charlie Reed | Rae Chaney |
| 10 Pam Gore | John Urbaska |
| Orrin Feddes | 21 Patt Thomas |
| 11 Sandra Schoenberger | 22 Lois Dyce |
| 12 Amy Letson | 23 Janet Kline |
| Jason Ascheman | 24 Mike Lafko |
| 14 Floyd Creekmore | Shawn Pattee |
| 16 Norma Thiesen | Eric Wiens |
| Lynne Erickson | Noah Bauer |
| 18 Daniel Repka | Scottie Jones |
| | 25 Berl Ward |

- 27 Colin McRae
28 Phyllis Brown
Jileasa White
29 Melissa Leggate
30 Carlene Taubert
31 Boden Lafko

Anniversaries

- 5 Don & Michelle Reed
16 Jim & Cherrie McRae
19 Robert & Irene Sterup
22 Jerry & Colleen Swanson
23 Dan & Karen Gall
24 Tom & Ruth Drummond
25 Sam & Patt Thomas

August Birthdays

- | | |
|--------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 Jo Albin | Jean Ross |
| Larry Bean | John Luse |
| John Oliver | 15 Lorrane Croymans |
| 2 Ryan Lafko | 16 Helen Pluhar |
| 3 Clare Hekkel | Vicki Thompson |
| 4 Megan Bell | 17 George Green |
| Jody Ferestad | Jeanne Castberg |
| 5 Midge Jarrett | 22 Michelle Cormier Lee |
| Michelle Reed | 27 Jennifer Bennett |
| Deborah Keenum | 28 Rod Hessler |
| 7 Russ Kline | 31 Ruth Letson |
| 8 Meredith Miracle | Liam Montville |
| Betty Ann Nesmith | Tom Erskine |
| 11 Deb Wiens | |
| 12 Jerry Swanson | |
| 14 Darlene Busch | |

Anniversaries

- 3 Joel & Lila Spring
6 Joe & Leona Roberts
7 Bob & Shari Dayton
Bob & Shirley Shirley
11 Chuck & Cindy Leggate
14 Bill & Merilyn Ballard
19 John & Linda Luse
20 Kevin & Cheryl Nagel
23 Jim & Mary Wempner
27 Tom & Jeannette Davis
30 Ralph & Jane Myhre
31 John & Mary Quandt

MISSION NEWS

We continue to work with our sister church in Zimbabwe where the Rev. Paul Neshangwe serves as pastor. We are excited to be helping the Makokoba Presbyterian Church by sending \$1000.00 to be used for micro-loans for people in their community. Jack Bell is instrumental in this effort.

Services continue at Ponderosa Pines Home every 4th Tuesday of the month at 4:00 P.M. Please join us there.

Peace Lutheran Church houses a “School Break Food Pantry”. They give food to whoever needs it while the children are not in school. We are donating \$1000 to aid in their busy summer program.

Our youth group has been leading monthly worship services at the Montana Rescue Mission. The mission was in need of a computer to help with these services. One of our wonderful members has donated a rebuilt computer for this purpose. Thank you so much.

Westminster Spires requires new roofing on their summer camp buildings in Red Lodge. We use this facility and are helping by donating \$2000.

Work continues on our Habitat for Humanity home. It will be finished soon. The dedication is planned for June 30. More information about the dedication will be in the church bulletin and e-news.

To all who like to knit and crochet—there is box in the coat room by the office that says “Warm Hats for Cold Heads.” There is some yarn and patterns for hats. Please take what you need and leave what you make. If you have any knitting needles about sized 10 or 12 or crochet hooks about sized 8mm that you don’t want, feel free to put them in the box for others to use. Thank you

The money for all of these projects comes from you, the congregation, through your generous giving. The Mission Committee is humbled by the responsibility of using this money wisely to help God’s children. Those who take the yarn do not need to worry about paying for it. It has been paid for by the Mission Committee’s budget. Together we are helping the people of our congregation, Billings, and beyond.



Revamp the Camp at Westminster Spires coming June 6-8

The annual Revamp the Camp at Westminster Spires will be held June 6-8. Westminster Spires is our Presbytery’s camp, located just south of Red Lodge. A number of children and youth from our church attend camp during the summer. We will begin on Friday, June 6 at 1 PM. Our goal is to replace roofing shingles on several of the cabins and repair any issues we find on each cabin we are working on. If you don’t like ladders, we have cleaning and repairs that are at the ground level. We may also have some brush clearing and other ground maintenance. I would love help in the kitchen for cleaning and cooking. We need volunteers everyday. You can come up for a day or the whole weekend.

This is one of our expensive projects and we will need about \$10,000 in donations. So far we have \$5,000, but we need \$5,000 by June. On behalf of all our young children who are experiencing a Joyful, Faithful and Christ awakening moments, please make a generous donation to the “Revamp the Camp Fund.” Your check may be payable to St Andrew Presbyterian Church with Revamp the Camp in the memo portion. Our church recently donated \$2,000 toward this project through our mission budget.

Senior Singles trip to Red Lodge planned for Saturday, June 21

Our June outing plan is a trip to Red Lodge for lunch at the Bridge Creek Backcountry on Saturday June 21. We will meet at the church parking lot at 9:30 AM and pool rides. Please call Phyllis Brown at 702-7040 by Wednesday June 18. She needs a head count. Remember if you are over 50 and single, this is your group!

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP CONTINUES EVERY MONTH

A grief support group within our church continues to meet the first Wednesday of each month from 10-11 (please note new time!) in the fireside room. This group is open to anyone in the church or community who is experiencing grief. Facilitated by Dr. Don Harr, this group will provide support and help to those facing grief.

Stephen Ministry Update

The Stephen Ministry leadership team is making plans to begin a ministry training session on September 25 of this year. This training will be held on Thursday evenings from 6:00 - 8:30 p.m. and will conclude sometime in March. You will be Blessed with 50 hours of training to prepare you to become a Stephen Minister for the members of our congregation. We are asking everyone to prayerfully consider becoming a part of this ministry. Please contact Pastor Dave, JoAnn Jones, Michelle Reed, Jack Bell, or Doris Backus for further details.



Youth News

Goodbye winter and hello summer! Hope everyone has some wonderful summer plans and great ideas to stay cool. The youth group has been very busy this past month and we are looking forward to a busy summer as well.

We have been blessed to be able to go to the Montana Men’s Rescue Mission once a month and due a church service for them. Sharing our faith in Christ and being able to worship the Lord has been wonderful. We also had the opportunity to help out with the Habitat house on May 3rd. Just recently we celebrate our Graduating Seniors, our Confirmation kids, and have an overall wonderful youth Sunday on May 18th. It was jammed packed with recognizing individuals and eating cake afterwards.

Vacation Bible School is June 9th through the 13th and it will be a wild safari full of games, activities, and teaching kids about Jesus! Our High School students will get the opportunity to go down to Denver June 22nd through the 25th and work with an organization called DOOR. While there, we will be ministering to the homeless and helping the DOOR with whatever they need us to do. High School camps run all through the month of July and will be held at Westminster Spires. Camps are always a wonderful time to get away from the busyness of life and get refocused on Christ.

Please continue to pray for our group and also pray that VBS, mission trip, and that camps go wonderful and that the Lord will be honored through it all!

In Christ,
Orrin Feddes (Student Intern in Youth Ministry)



ON A PERSONAL NOTE

We share our condolences with Gary and Judy Lohbakken on the death of their son Russell. His funeral will be held at our church on Tuesday, June 3 at 10:30 AM. A reception in our fellowship hall will follow.

We extend our condolences to Bill Woolston and his family on the death of his wife Peggy. A memorial service was held at Mountainview Cemetery on May 16.

We share our sympathies with Jason and Amanda Lauwers on the death of their son Keagan. A graveside service was held in Roundup on May 13.

A memorial service for Diane Barz, former member of our church, was held in our church on Wednesday, May 28.

We extend our condolences to Mary Lou Jacobson on the recent death of her son Tom.

We share our condolences with the family of Florella “Skip” Halverson who passed away on May 21. Her funeral was held in our church on Monday, May 26.

Bert and Ellen Ward have moved to Roundup to be closer to their son. Their new address is 1202 3rd Street West, Roundup, MT 59072.

On Sunday, June 8 Amanda Lambott will be baptized. Amanda is one of our church’s new members.

“Gratitude is the fairest blossom which springs from the soul: all the cards, flowers, food, but especially your prayers have touched my heart thank you all for caring.” Lovingly, Denise Finn

A Note from Lois Dyce

Dear Church Family and Friends, I arrived safe and sound, and gradually setting in to the new “California Lifestyle.” My new home address is: 15411 West Sunset Boulevard, Room 125; Pacific Palisades, CA 90272. I have kept my Billings phone number of (406) 671-4288.

The place I live in has a very interesting mix of people from many varied backgrounds. Surprisingly enough, the largest denomination represented is Presbyterian. Works for me! My home is about ¾ mile from the ocean and a moderate temperature every day. They have many interesting events here, weekly out to the movies, lunches out, and trips to museums and cultural affairs. Should be plenty to keep busy.

I send sincere thank you for all your kind support. I have received many letters, cards, kind thoughts, and your prayers. I appreciate each and every one, and wish to send my heartfelt gratitude. There is nothing I would rather do than sit and write each of you a personal note, however as time moves forward, I am unable to complete the task. So I thank you all and hope to keep in communication with you whenever, and wherever life takes us.

Rest assured that even though I am turning into a “Golden Girl” in the Golden State, I am still a “Montana Momma” from Big Sky Country Many blessings, Lois Dyce

We welcome 17 new members

On Sunday, May 25 we welcomed 17 new members into our church family. Our new members are Kristi Forsch, Dottie Hilger, Matthew Hundley, Don and Lori Korell, Amanda Lambott, Eileen Lewis, Bud and Joanne Leuthold, Cook and Kelly Murch, Sandy Reitz, Ian and Abbie Tillinghast, Janice Ward, and John and Lauren Wright.

