

Announcements

May Birthdays



May 1 st	Sami Heimer
May 2 nd	Scout Phillips-Gogan
May 4 th	Dennis Spargur
May 6 th	Jackson Leong
May 9 th	Sara Reed
May 11 th	Curt Scott
May 17 th	Carol Cherry, Debbie Kousoulus, Angie Page
May 19 th	Janalyn Shultz
May 22 nd	Rachel Schoessler
May 23 rd	Wendy Corr
May 24 th	Fred Hynek

CODY CUPBOARD

May Items needed below:

- Toothpaste
- Laundry Detergent
- Toilet Paper
- Disposable Razors
- Kleenex Tissues
- Diapers

CE & IMO - 2024 Pack Trip Events!

YOUTH

Monday, June 17th –
Thursday, June 20th

ADULT

Tuesday June 25th -
Friday June 28th

Christian Education

Fellowship Activity Table

Each Sunday during fellowship there will be an activity table for children and for those who are kids at heart!



PLANNING OUR FUTURE TOGETHER!



The Congregational Self Study Committee would like to invite YOU to complete the Church assessment Tool (CAT)! CAT is an online instrument that will help our leaders gauge the strength, vitality and trends in our church. The information gained from this assessment will be beneficial in helping the leaders of First Presbyterian Church of Cody as they make decisions about the future growth of our Church Family.

Beginning June 9th, 2024, you will receive an email with a unique link to the CAT. We are asking you to go online (by clicking on the link provided by the email) and tell us about your experiences and priorities for our church. Please do not discuss the survey or your answers with others as this may influence their answers.

If you need a paper copy, please visit the church office where copies will be provided along with a self-addressed stamped return envelope.

All answers to this assessment are strictly anonymous. We have no way of matching any assessment to a particular person. So please feel free to candidly share your perceptions, opinions and experiences. Our future together is dependent on your participation and honest answers.

If you have any questions, please contact the Congregational Self Study Committee:

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Thank you for your participation!

Spotlight: Karen Snyder



MorningStar Senior Living
Karen Snyder Unit #21A
4001 Bell Ave,
Billings, MT 59106

If you would like to visit Karen, she is in the memory care unit - "Reflections". Please call 406-510-1172, to get directions to visit her.



May 26th, 2024
Trinity Sunday

*Please fill out attendance form
and pass it along your row*

Praise Music

"Days of Elijah"
"Agnus Dei"
"Hear the Call of the Kingdom"

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Responsive Call to Worship

God finds delight in humanity, and in each of us.
Let us rejoice before the majesty of our Creator.

**God of grace and glory, who made all things,
How majestic is your name in all the earth!**

In Christ, we are called to endure and to hope.
Let us give thanks for a faith that brings peace.

**God of grace and glory, Savior of your people,
How precious to us is your gift of Jesus Christ!**

The Holy Spirit is present to guide and direct us,
Let us listen that we may hear and do what is true.

**God of grace and glory, ever present with us,
How reassuring is the love with which you surround us!**

Hymn "God of Grace and God of Glory" Hymn # 420

Unison Prayer of Confession
God of all worlds, we confess that we are too much people of the flesh, living in slavery to our possessions and our fears. We are so attached to our little corner of the world that we find it difficult to identify with people whose experience is far different from our own. We do not want to suffer with the homeless, the hungry, the refugees, the oppressed. We turn away from the suffering of Jesus to pursue temporary advantages. We act just like another human organization, not the body of Christ making a difference in the world. O God, forgive us and reclaim us as your children. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon
Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel!
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen

Gloria Patri

Choir Anthem "Jesus, Messiah"

Offering

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn “Holy, Holy, Holy ” *Hymn #138*

Scriptures: Mark 12:28-34

Children’s Time

Sermon “The 11th Commandment”

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

Closing Hymn “Eternal Father, Strong to Save” *Hymn #562*

Benediction & Blessing

Postlude

Ushers: Greg & Paula Dimler
Music Director: Wendy Corr
Accompanist: Tim Schoessler
Message: Pat Montgomery

Scripture
Mark 12:28-34 (NIV)

The Greatest Commandment

²⁸ One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating. Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, he asked him, “Of all the commandments, which is the most important?”

²⁹ “The most important one,” answered Jesus, “is this: ‘Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one.

³⁰ Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.’

³¹ The second is this: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no commandment greater than these.”

³² “Well said, teacher,” the man replied. “You are right in saying that God is one and there is no other but him.

³³ To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself is more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices.”

³⁴ When Jesus saw that he had answered wisely, he said to him, “You are not far from the kingdom of God.” And from then on no one dared ask him any more questions.

Westminster Larger Catechism #149-154

149. Is any man able perfectly to keep the commandments of God?
No man is able, either of Himself, or by any grace received in this life, perfectly to keep the commandments of God; but doth daily break them in thought, word, and deed.

150. Are all transgressions of the law of God equally heinous in themselves, and in the sight of God?
All transgressions of the law of God are not equally heinous; but some sins in themselves, and by reason of several aggravations, are more heinous in the sight of God than others.

151. What are those aggravations that make some sins more heinous than others?
Sins receive their aggravations,

1. From the persons offending: if they be of riper age, greater experience or grace, eminent for profession, gifts, place, office, guides to others, and whose example is likely to be followed by others.

2. From the parties offended: if immediately against God, His attributes, and worship; against Christ, and His grace; the Holy Spirit, His witness, and workings; against superiors, men of eminency, and such as we stand especially related and engaged unto; against any of the saints, particularly weak brethren, the souls of them or any other, and the common good of all or many.

3. From the nature and quality of the offense: if it be against the express letter of the law, break many commandments, contain in it many sins: if not only conceived in the heart, but break forth in words and actions, scandalize others, and admit of no reparation: if against means, mercies, judgments, light of nature, conviction of conscience, public or private admonition, censures of the church, civil punishments; and our prayers, purposes, promises, vows, covenants, and engagements to God or men: if done deliberately, willfully, presumptuously, impudently, boastingly, maliciously, frequently, obstinately, with delight, continuance, or relapsing after repentance.

4. From circumstances of time and place: if on the Lord’s day, or other times of divine worship; or immediately before or after these, or other helps to prevent or remedy such miscarriages: if in public, or in the presence of others, who are thereby likely to be provoked or defiled.

152. What doth every sin deserve at the hands of God?
Every sin, even the least, being against the sovereignty, goodness, and holiness of God, and against His righteous law, deserves His wrath and curse, both in this life, and that which is to come; and cannot be expiated but by the blood of Christ.

153. What doth God require of us, that we may escape His wrath and curse due to us by reason of the transgression of the law?
That we may escape the wrath and curse of God due to us by reason of the transgression of the law, He requires of us repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ, and the diligent use of the outward means whereby Christ communicates to us the benefits of His mediation.

154. What are the outward means whereby Christ communicates to us the benefits of His mediation?
The outward and ordinary means whereby Christ communicates to His church the benefits of His mediation, are all His ordinances; especially the Word, sacraments, and prayer: all which are made effectual to the elect for their salvation.