Announcements:

Congregation Life: ♥ April Birthdays ♥

April 1st – Dave Bensink

April 2nd – Phil Bates

April 3rd – Marko Skoric

April 4th – Tim Schoessler Quincy Sondeno

April 5^{th –} Dorothy Fuller, Kate Mossman, Kathy Wormald

April 6th – Kay Soulek, Allison Peters

April 8th – Judy Capron, Ole Sondeno

April 11th – Kim Fletcher

April 15th – Gale Beers, Cary McWilliams

April 16th Liesel Hodecker, Dave Shultz

April 18th Doris Schofield

April 21st Dick Briesmeister

April 24th Greg Dimler, Oscar Henry, Oliver Horn

April 27th Larry Rickell

April 29th Laura Briesmeister

Irene Schultz is now at Tender Nest, Unit 3 Room 10, 4040 Park Hill Drive, Billings MT 59106 Phone 307-587-2655. She misses everyone and would like calls and visits.

Deacons: Cody Cupboard Items for April

For the month of April the Deacons request these high priority items:

- Canned vegetables
- Canned meats
- Puddings
- Peanut Butter
- Jelly
- Cereals (Cheerio's, Corn Flakes)

Pack Trip 2023

Organizational Meeting for the Pack Trip
Wednesday April 26
Parlor at 5:30 pm

Registration forms need to be in by END of meeting.

Trip is June 12-15.

If you, or youth you are aware of would like more details please have them contact Pat Montgomery at 307-899-6191.

Presbyterian Women: Announcements

Presbyterian Women will be having their Scholarship Information in the PW box at church. This scholarship is for high school seniors who are going to college or college students attending college.

Sunday School News

Youth Sunday School Last Day April 30th

Adult Study of Proverbs Continues through May 21st



Sabbatical committee is proud to announce that our congregation has stepped up to help find housing for temporary supply pastors! – Just as we knew would happen!

Clerk of Session: Weekly Prayer List

At the February Wyoming Presbytery Council meeting it was suggested that we have a church of the week that all of the presbytery can pray for. A list of the weekly prayer schedule can be found on the bulletin board in the narthex.

Wyoming Presbytery Per Capita 2023 (GA Minutes, Part 1, 1995)

Per Capita: Per capita is an opportunity for all communicant members of the Presbyterian church through the mid councils to participate equally, responsibly, and interdependently by sharing the cost of coordination and evaluation of mission; and of performing ecclesiastical, legislative, and judicial functions that identify a Reformed Church, while at the same time strengthening the sense of community among all Presbyterians.

\$33.03 (Presbytery) + \$3.00 (Synod) + \$9.61 (General Assembly)

TOTAL \$45.64



April 23th, 2023 3rd Easter

Please fill out attendance form and pass it along your row

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

God has called us together for this time of worship. God is listening to our thoughts and to our speaking.

God inclines an ear to us and hears us.

God knows us better than we know ourselves.

Let us open our hearts to the One who gives us life. Let us set our faith and hope in God.

In one another's presence, we renew our vows. Together we offer our thanksgiving sacrifice.

God's promises to us are ancient and ever new. God is with us here and on all the roads we travel.

Together we lift our voices in songs of praise.

Together we recognize we are precious in God's sight.

Opening Hymn

"Thine is The Glory" #122

Unison Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, we admit that we are seldom amazed and astonished. We take for granted much that was once thought to be impossible. We are confident consumers of human ingenuity. Sometimes we think we have no need of you. Matters of the spirit are far down on our list of concerns. We are even suspicious of those who claim to see visions and skeptical of those who seem carried away in their devotion to the faith. Yet we long for something more than our daily routines. O Spirit, come to save us from ourselves. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be; world without end. Amen.

Choir Anthem "My Lord Is Like A Shepherd"

Children's Time

Presentation of Offering

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

Second Hymn "Love Divine All Loves Excelling" #376

Scripture: 1 Peter 1:3-25

Sermon: "Inheritance"

Luke 24:13-35

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn "God Whose Giving Knows No Ending" #422

Benediction

Recessional

Ushers: Julie Wilson and Charisse Childress
Music Director: Wendy Corr
Music Accompanist & Choir Director: Tim Schoessler
Message: Pat Montgomery

Scripture

1 Peter 1:3-25

Praise to God for a Living Hope

³ Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, ⁵ who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶ In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. ⁷ These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. ⁸ Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, ⁹ for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

¹⁰ Concerning this salvation, the prophets, who spoke of the grace that was to come to you, searched intently and with the greatest care, ¹¹ trying to find out the time and circumstances to which the Spirit of Christ in them was pointing when he predicted the sufferings of the Messiah and the glories that would follow. ¹² It was revealed to them that they were not serving themselves but you, when they spoke of the things that have now been told you by those who have preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven. Even angels long to look into these things.

Be Holy

¹³ Therefore, with minds that are alert and fully sober, set your hope on the grace to be brought to you when Jesus Christ is revealed at his coming. ¹⁴ As obedient children, do not conform to the evil desires you had when you lived in ignorance. ¹⁵ But just as

he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; ¹⁶ for it is written: "Be holy, because I am holy." [a]

¹⁷ Since you call on a Father who judges each person's work impartially, live out your time as foreigners here in reverent fear. ¹⁸ For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. ²⁰ He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake. ²¹ Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.

²² Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart. ^[b] ²³ For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God. ²⁴ For,

"All people are like grass,
and all their glory is like the flowers of the field;
the grass withers and the flowers fall,

25 but the word of the Lord endures forever." [C]
And this is the word that was preached to you.

The Nursery is available for individual use during the Service! While the Nursery is not staffed, parents can view the Service in the Nursery live via streaming.