# **Announcements**

# JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Kathe Williams, Julie Wilson January 5<sup>th</sup> **January 7**<sup>th</sup> Lejean Mitchell, Sharon Smith

January 8<sup>th</sup> Darlene McCarty

January 9<sup>th</sup> Hugh Currah

January 10th Brianne Phillips

January 13<sup>th</sup> Hayden Thomas

January 15<sup>th</sup> Peggy Farman

January 19th Ron Watson

January 20th David Reed

January 22<sup>nd</sup> Sandy Klomparens

January 23<sup>rd</sup> Ron Lineberger

January 25<sup>th</sup> Khloe Grimm

January 26<sup>th</sup> Everleigh Henry

January 27th Karen Anderson

January 28<sup>th</sup> Bonnie Johnsey

**January 29**<sup>th</sup> Tyler Henry, Karen Myers

January 31st Robert Capron

# CODY CUPBOARD

January Items needed below:

**★** Toothpaste

**★**Kleenex Tissues

**★** Disposable Razors

**★**Toilet Paper

**★**Laundry Detergent

**★** Diapers

# **Session Reminder**

Committee's meet independently in January 2025. Session will be held on Saturday, January 11<sup>th</sup> during the Annual Elder Retreat.

# **Christian Education – Children's Sunday School**

Next meeting is January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025!

## First Presbyterian Church, Cody Wyoming

Sunday Worship Service: 9:30 am Office: 307-587-2647

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Office hours: Tuesday - Friday 8:30am - 1:30pm

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# **December 29th**, 2024 1st Sunday of Christmas

Please fill out attendance form and pass it along your row

#### **Praise Music**

**Prelude** 

**Welcome and Announcements** 

**Hymn** "Joy to the World"

#### **Responsive Call to Worship**

Come, join the search for all God will reveal.

We are the church, committed to an encounter with mystery.

God has sent light to dispel our fears.

The glory of God has risen upon us. The gospel of Christ reveals God's grace.

We share in the promise of Jesus Christ.

We gather together and lift up our eyes.

Our hearts thrill to the sight and our lips rejoice.

Through us, the wisdom of God will be made known. There is rich variety to meet each one where we are.

> The radiance of truth surrounds us. Boldly and confidently, we approach our God.

**Hymn** "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

#### Invocation

God beyond our knowing, grant us today new glimpses of who you are and what you intend for us to be. The powers of this earth bow before you in humble adoration. Mighty nations are tiny blips on the screens of your eternity. Our lives are insignificant except as you enlist us to be a part of your eternal purposes. You draw us irresistibly toward the light. We are attracted to your revelation. We need the sense of purpose you engender among us. Come, Holy Mystery, to reveal as much of your truth as we can stretch to understand and receive into our lives. Amen.

Hymn "What Child is This?"

## **Unison Prayer of Confession**

Just and righteous God, we tremble before your all-knowing awareness of us. You have blessed us with abundance we have not counted and riches we have not fully appreciated. Our gratitude is found wanting before your judgement. Our attention to the needs of the poor and the oppressed is less than you desire. Forgive us, God, for misplaced anger and callous disregard of ways we trample others. We seek redemption from oppression and violence to embrace new life in Christ. 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**

**Hymn** "Hark the Herald"

Offertory

Doxology

## **Prayer of Dedication**

**Hymn** "We Three Kings"

Children's Time

**Hymn** "Good Christian Friends"

**Scripture** Matthew 2:1-12

Sermon "The Moon of the Trees Broken by Snow"

#### **Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer**

Closing Hymn "Go Tell it on the Mountain"

## **Benediction and Blessing**

Postlude

Ushers: Phil & Peggy Farman
Music Director: Wendy Corr
Accompanist/Choir Director: Tim Schoessler
Message: Pat Montgomery

## Matthew 2:1-12 (NIV)

The Magi Visit the Messiah

- <sup>1</sup> After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem
- <sup>2</sup> and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." <sup>3</sup> When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him.
- <sup>4</sup>When he had called together all the people's chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Messiah was to be born.
- <sup>5</sup> "In Bethlehem in Judea," they replied, "for this is what the prophet has written:
- <sup>6</sup> "'But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;

for out of you will come a ruler

- who will shepherd my people Israel."
- <sup>7</sup>Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared.
- <sup>8</sup> He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him."
- <sup>9</sup> After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was.
- <sup>10</sup> When they saw the star, they were overjoyed.
- <sup>11</sup> On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.
- <sup>12</sup> And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.

# **Upcoming Events**

Saturday, January 4<sup>th</sup>
Tea Party with Debbie
Montgomery,
Buswell Hall 10:00am.
Contact Peggy Farman or Vieune
Revolinski with questions.

**Sunday, January 12**<sup>th</sup>
Retirement Party for Pat & Debbie

Montgomery, immediately following Worship Service in Buswell Hall. Potluck (No Sign-Up) Contact Michael Thomas or Kerry Murphy with questions.