Announcements

Congregation Life: October Birthdays

Patric Nieters

2nd. Dave Neihart, Mary Mellinger

Tom Horn, Nathan Kittle

Connie Fisher, Sean Murray 7th.

Sara Murray, Croix Kittle

11th. Marilyn Faber, Vayda McNeil

12th. **Eunice Watson**

13th. Linda Jones

15th. Joan Wright

16th. Kurt Mellinger

17th. Jan Bensink, Roger Kearns

22nd. Joni Seuferer

27th. Bev Reish

30th. Bill Reish

Presbyterian Women – Fall Festival

Plan to attend PW's annual FALL FESTIVAL SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4th from 9:00am – 1:00pm Shop for a variety of frozen soups, pies, baked good, crafts and Christmas items. And it's a great time to fellowship as you enjoy complimentary coffee and cookies.

Proceeds support local missions such as Food 4 Kids, Cody Cupboard, Jubilee Missions and more.

Workshop – Circle of Impact

The membership of Cody First Presbyterian is invited to a leadership workshop Saturday morning November 18. The workshop will equip each person with the skills to apply the Circle of Impact model and the Five Questions That Every One Must Ask. These skills will be helpful as the church seeks to grow in its spiritual life and service to the people and community of Cody.

> Saturday, November 18th 9:00am – 12:00pm The Workshop will take place in Buswell Hall.

Congregational Life: Wednesday Night Suppers at FPCC Suppers will be served the first and third Wednesday most months.

Sunday School for kiddos (ages 5-18)

November 5th at 10:50! Teachers and helpers will meet on October 29th to plan for the following week!

Youth Group

Youth will again meet the 1st and 3rd Sundays from 5:00-6:30.

Adult Education Class

Ephesians 2:10

"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." What does it mean to be called by God into a life of service and purpose?

This weeks with Pastor Ed Brenegar The 5 Questions That Everyone *Must Ask* will be explored:

- 1. What has changed? How are we in transition?
- 2. What is our impact?
- 3. Who are we impacting?
- 4. What opportunities do we have?
- 5. What problems have we created? What obstacles do we face?

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY!

Looking for a fun, easy way to serve our church?? Ushering is a great way to get to know our congregation!

Ushers typically serve one Sunday each quarter (4 times a year). Sundays are assigned at the beginning of each calendar year so you will always know well in advance when you will be ushering.

Also, if you have a conflict, it is easy to switch your Sunday with other ushers. We will be holding usher training on Sunday, October 29, after the service. Please consider joining in this enjoyable way to serve God and others!!

Please see Cathy Aardema or Peggy Farman if you have any questions.

Deacons: Cody Cupboard Items

For the month of October, the Elders and Deacons would ask these high priority items to be collected for those in need in our Community. Thank You all for your support!

✓ Hambuger Helper

✓ Crackers

✓ Pancake Mixes

√ Hot Chocolate (Packed or Mix)

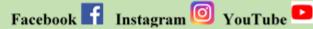
✓ Cooking Oils

✓ Coffee

First Presbyterian Church, Cody Wyoming

Sunday Worship Service: 9:30 am (praise music at 9:15 am) Office: 307-587-2647 fpcc@fpcc.email | CodyFirstPresbyterian.org 2025 23rd Street Cody, Wyoming

Office hours: Monday - Thursday 8:30am - 1:30pm









October 22nd, 2023 21st Sunday after Pentecost

Praise Music

We Bow Down The King of Love My Shepherd Is He Has Made Me Glad

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

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Adoration of God

Call to Worship

The Good Shepherd invites us to green pastures.

We are refreshed beside still waters.

We have been given everything we have.

God offers us everything we need.

When we walk through shadowed valleys, God is with us.

We are comforted and reassured.

God leads us in the right paths.

Our cups are filled to overflowing.

God welcomes us to the table where love is expressed. We are invited to partake of the truth God offers.

We have received plenty that we might share.

We are called to be God's helpers.

Hymn "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life" Hymn #408

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Good Shepherd, we have wandered down the strange pathways of our world. We have ventured into dead-end streets that looked more inviting than the narrow ways marked out by the signposts of your love. We have trusted other voices and turned away from your truth. We have accepted your gifts without acknowledgement. We have failed to use our overflowing cups to fill the cups of sisters and brothers, who need what we could offer. Forgive us, we pray, and restore us to your fold. 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 "Go Ye Into All the World"

Children's Time

The Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

Hymn "Precious Lord Take My Hand" Hymn #404

New Testament Reading John 10:1-18 (NRSV)

Sermon "The Shepherd and the Sheepdog" Psalm 23 (NRSV) *Three Leadership Observations:*

- The Ostrich Hides
- The Peacock Preens
- The Sheepdog Watches

Our Response to God

Call to Offering

Offertory

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn "Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us" Hymn #387

Benediction & Blessing

Congregational Meeting

Ushers: Julie Wilson & Charisse Childress Music Director: Wendy Corr Accompanist: Tim Schoessler Message: Ed Brenegar

Congregational Meeting TODAY Sunday, October 22nd 2023 **After Worship in the Sanctuary**

Report from the 2023 Nominating Committee Pastor's Terms of Call Sexual Misconduct/Youth Protection Policies

Psalm 23 (NRSV)

¹The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.

² He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;

> ³ he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths

> > for his name's sake.

⁴ Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil;

for you are with me; your rod and your staff—

they comfort me.

⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil;

my cup overflows.

⁶ Surely^[e] goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD

my whole life long.

New Testament Reading

John 10:1-18 (NRSV)

Jesus the Good Shepherd

- 1'Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit.
- ²The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep.
- ³The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.
- ⁴ When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice.
- ⁵They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.'
- ⁶ Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.
- ⁷So again Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep.
- ⁸ All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them.
- ⁹I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture.
- ¹⁰ The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.
- ¹¹ 'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.
- ¹² The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away and the wolf snatches them and scatters them.
- ¹³ The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep.
- ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me,
- ¹⁵ just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep.
- ¹⁶ I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.
- ¹⁷ For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again.
- ¹⁸ No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'