

## Announcements:

### Congregation Life: ♥ February Birthdays ♥

February 1<sup>st</sup> **Abbie Horn**  
February 2<sup>nd</sup> **Gayle Cory**  
February 4<sup>th</sup> **Andy Scott**  
February 7<sup>th</sup> **Stacey Skoric**  
February 8<sup>th</sup> **Roy Bruce**  
February 10<sup>th</sup> **Susan Cory**  
February 12<sup>th</sup> **Patti Smith**  
February 15<sup>th</sup> **Caitlyn Murray**  
February 17<sup>th</sup> **Kathy Reed**  
February 18<sup>th</sup> **Phil Farman**  
February 20<sup>th</sup> **Zoie Kittle**  
February 21<sup>st</sup> **Les McNeil**  
February 22<sup>nd</sup> **Mark Fisher**  
February 23<sup>rd</sup> **Tracy Wormald**  
February 28<sup>th</sup> **Michelle Horn**

### Middle School and High School Youth Group

**NO YOUTH GROUP TONIGHT**

**Next Meet is February 26<sup>th</sup>**

United Methodist Church 5:00-6:30pm

Dinner will be provided.

### Christian Education: Sunday School

There will be no Sunday School on February 26<sup>th</sup> Thank you!

### Annual Congregational Meeting

Will be held February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023 after worship in the Sanctuary.

Review of the Annual Report and FPCC By-Laws.

### Deacons: Cody Cupboard Items for February

For the month of February the Deacons would ask for these high priority items:

- Hamburger Helper
- Pancake Mixes
- Cooking Oil
- Crackers
- Hot Chocolate Mix or Packages
- Coffee



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Ash Wednesday  
February 22<sup>nd</sup> 2023  
Service of Ashes at 5:30pm

### Presbyterian Women: Announcements

Presbyterian Women will be having their Garage Sale on Saturday, April 15, starting at 9:00 am. If you have items to bring ahead of time, you can leave them in the PW closet or you can take them to Joan Wright's house. (2401 Central Ave.)

Thanks!

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

### Attention: Families of College Students or Military Persons

Do you have a college student(s) or military person(s) who would benefit from a care package or a card from FPCC? Please contact Sandi Yager if you are interested or if you have any questions.

## Turkey & Syria

The earthquake last weekend has been devastating to people in Turkey and Syria. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance program has already sent \$40,000 to help with earthquake relief efforts in Syria.

The Presbytery of Wyoming has maintained an ongoing relationship with Christians in Syria for years through the Syria/Lebanon Network Partnership.

That group has added \$2,000 to the \$4,700 they have already sent to the "Children of the World Medical Center" in Aleppo. If you would like to send money to this specific relief effort, checks may be made out to Wyoming Presbytery, P.O Box 1767, Casper, WY 82602. Be sure to write "Syria/Lebanon" on the memo line.



February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

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

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

### Call to Worship

Happy are those who seek God with their whole heart.  
Their eyes are fixed on all that God commands.

**We have come to reflect together on God's law.**

**It is hard to hear, in other places, what God expects.**

Ready yourselves to receive all that God supplies.

Attune your hearts to God's promises and warnings.

**We expect to be challenged as well as encouraged.**

**We know that our ways are not God's ways.**

God gives us choices that result in life or death.

We can obey or reject the way of life God intends for us.

**We seek to know and follow the way of life.**

**We want to live accordingly to promises we have made.**

Opening Hymn "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" #464

## Scriptures

Unison Prayer of Confession

**O God, you know the pain of all our broken relationships. Some we have tried to mend, and others we have tried to ignore. We feel your judgement on our estrangements. Hear us as, in silence, we remember them before you... O God, we ask for courage to admit our mistakes and overcome them. Show us what we can do to right the wrongs for which we are responsible, and forgive, we pray, what cannot be changed. Empower us as reconcilers and servants of your way. 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.

### 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

**Hymn** "Take Thou Our Minds Dear Lord" #392

### Children's Message

**Scripture** Matthew 5:11-38

**Message** "Salt & Light"  
Revelation 3

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

**Closing Hymn** "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" #356

### Benediction

### Postlude

Ushers: Pat & Betheny Neiters  
Music Accompanist & Choir Director: Tim Schoessler  
Message: Pat Montgomery

### Matthew 5:11-38, NIV

<sup>11</sup> "Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me.

<sup>12</sup> Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

#### Salt and Light

<sup>13</sup> "You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

<sup>14</sup> "You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden.

<sup>15</sup> Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house.

<sup>16</sup> In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

#### The Fulfillment of the Law

<sup>17</sup> "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them.

<sup>18</sup> For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished.

<sup>19</sup> Therefore anyone who sets aside one of the least of these commands and teaches others accordingly will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever practices and teaches these commands will be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>20</sup> For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.

#### Murder

<sup>21</sup> "You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, 'You shall not murder, and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment.'

<sup>22</sup> But I tell you that anyone who is angry with a brother or sister will be subject to judgment. Again, anyone who says to a brother or sister, 'Raca, is answerable to the court. And anyone who says, 'You fool!' will be in danger of the fire of hell.

<sup>23</sup> "Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you,

<sup>24</sup> leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift.

<sup>25</sup> "Settle matters quickly with your adversary who is taking you to court. Do it while you are still together on the way, or your adversary may hand you over to the judge, and the judge may hand you over to the officer, and you may be thrown into prison.

<sup>26</sup> Truly I tell you, you will not get out until you have paid the last penny.

#### Adultery

<sup>27</sup> "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.

<sup>28</sup> But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

<sup>29</sup> If your right eye causes you to stumble, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell.

<sup>30</sup> And if your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell.

#### Divorce

<sup>31</sup> "It has been said, 'Anyone who divorces his wife must give her a certificate of divorce.

<sup>32</sup> But I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, makes her the victim of adultery, and anyone who marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

#### Oaths

<sup>33</sup> "Again, you have heard that it was said to the people long ago, 'Do not break your oath, but fulfill to the Lord the vows you have made.'

<sup>34</sup> But I tell you, do not swear an oath at all: either by heaven, for it is God's throne;

<sup>35</sup> or by the earth, for it is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the Great King.

<sup>36</sup> And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make even one hair white or black.

<sup>37</sup> All you need to say is simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything beyond this comes from the evil one.

#### Eye for Eye

<sup>38</sup> "You have heard that it was said, 'Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth.

*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.*