

Announcements JULY BIRTHDAYS

July 1 st	Christine Beers
July 3 rd	Pauline Williams, Colleen McNeill
July 8 th	Bobbie Henry
July 9 th	Anita Kellerby
July 12 th	Konnie Haman
July 13 th	Luke & Max Leach
July 14 th	Fred Burgin
July 15 th	Brenda McNeill
July 16 th	Patty Statton
July 17 th	Delores Miller, Ray Leach
July 18 th	Bill Holder
July 20 th	Dennis Graham, Pat Montgomery
July 21 st	Vieune Revolinski
July 23 rd	Blake Smith
July 24 th	Sandi Yager
July 26 th	Shirley Murphy
July 29 th	Rosalie Christie, Dan Haman, Kennedy Corr
July 30 th	Judy Bates, Mike Fletcher, Bob Yager

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

August 2 nd	Aria Schoessler
August 3 rd	Jerry Kinkade
August 5 th	Sarah Thomas
August 7 th	Derek Barsness, Jeff Mrozinsky, Jo Ann Rickell
August 8 th	Seth Horn
August 10 th	Lu'Ann Hart
August 13 th	Cher Kammeyer
August 19 th	Jennifer Chanley, Jim McNeill
August 20 th	Rodney Soulek
August 24 th	Jennifer Osterkamp
August 25 th	Craig Barness
August 26 th	Debbie Montgomery
August 28 th	Greg Sylvester
August 29 th	Roy Holm
August 30 th	Jeanette Lewis

CODY CUPBOARD

August Items needed below:

- Canned Vegetables
- Canned Meats
- Boxed Cereal
- Puddings
- Peanut Butter
- Jelly

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!

Presbyterian Women

Welcome Back Lunch

Mark your calendars!

On August 18th, 2024 after worship on Sunday.
Food, Fun, Fellowship!

Watch for detailed information.

First Presbyterian Church, Cody Wyoming




Sunday Worship Service: 9:30 am

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July 28th, 2024
10th Sunday after Pentecost

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

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Responsive Call to Worship

God is eager to restore us to right relationships.

The Creator is waiting to claim us now as God's Own.

We have come to meet the God who welcomes us.

We have gathered to experience God's steadfast love.

Listen, for God will speak to those who want to hear.

Turn your hearts toward the one who saves.

We bow down to receive God's mercy.

We open ourselves to the source of peace.

God will answer us and will give what is good.

God restores us to faithfulness and righteousness.

We come asking, searching, and knocking.

We seek the good gifts only God can provide.

Hymn "When Morning Gilds the Skies" Hymn #487

Unison Prayer of Confession

You know us, God, better than we know ourselves. You know the ways we scheme and manipulate for our own advantage. You are aware of how often our deeds fail to match the faith we claim. Help us to face ourselves with honesty. Give us the will and courage to change our ways. We give thanks for Christ's intercession for us. We rejoice as the Spirit gives voice to all we cannot express. Save us. O God, that our lives might give expression to your reign. 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

Offertory "Draw Me Close To You" *performed by Wendy Corr*

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn "The Church's One Foundation" *Hymn #442*

Children's Time

Epistle Lesson Colossians 2:6-23 (The Message Version)

Gospel Lesson Luke 11:1-13 NIV

Sermon "Plain and Simple"

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" *Hymn #383*

Benediction and Blessing

Postlude

Ushers: Jacque Nielsen & Patti Smith
Music Director: Wendy Corr
Accompanist: Tim Schoessler
Message: Pat Montgomery

Colossians 2:6-23 (MSG)

From the Shadows to the Substance

⁶⁻⁷ My counsel for you is simple and straightforward: Just go ahead with what you've been given. You received Christ Jesus, the Master; now *live* him. You're deeply rooted in him. You're well constructed upon him. You know your way around the faith. Now do what you've been taught. School's out; quit studying the subject and start *living* it! And let your living spill over into thanksgiving.

⁸⁻¹⁰ Watch out for people who try to dazzle you with big words and intellectual double-talk. They want to drag you off into endless arguments that never amount to anything. They spread their ideas through the empty traditions of human beings and the empty superstitions of spirit beings. But that's not the way of Christ. Everything of God gets expressed in him, so you can see and hear him clearly. You don't need a telescope, a microscope, or a horoscope to realize the fullness of Christ, and the emptiness of the universe without him. When you come to him, that fullness comes together for you, too. His power extends over everything.

¹¹⁻¹⁵ Entering into this fullness is not something you figure out or achieve. It's not a matter of being circumcised or keeping a long list of laws. No, you're already *in*—insiders—not through some secretive initiation rite but rather through what Christ has already gone through for you, destroying the power of sin. If it's an initiation ritual you're after, you've already been through it by submitting to baptism. Going under the water was a burial of your old life; coming up out of it was a resurrection, God raising you from the dead as he did Christ. When you were stuck in your old sin-dead life, you were incapable of responding to God. God brought you alive—right along with Christ! Think of it! All sins forgiven, the slate wiped clean, that old arrest warrant canceled and nailed to Christ's cross. He stripped all the spiritual tyrants in the universe of their sham authority at the Cross and marched them naked through the streets.

¹⁶⁻¹⁷ So don't put up with anyone pressuring you in details of diet, worship services, or holy days. All those things are mere shadows cast before what was to come; the substance is Christ.

¹⁸⁻¹⁹ Don't tolerate people who try to run your life, ordering you to bow and scrape, insisting that you join their obsession with angels and that you seek out visions. They're a lot of hot air, that's all they are. They're completely out of touch with the source of life, Christ, who puts us together in one piece, whose very breath and blood

flow through us. He is the Head and we are the body. We can grow up healthy in God only as he nourishes us.

²⁰⁻²³ So, then, if with Christ you've put all that puffed-up and childish religion behind you, why do you let yourselves be bullied by it? "Don't touch this! Don't taste that! Don't go near this!" Do you think things that are here today and gone tomorrow are worth that kind of attention? Such things sound impressive if said in a deep enough voice. They even give the illusion of being pious and humble and austere. But they're just another way of showing off, making yourselves look important.

Luke 11:1-13 NIV

Jesus' Teaching on Prayer

¹ One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples."

² He said to them, "When you pray, say:

"Father,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come.

³ Give us each day our daily bread.

⁴ Forgive us our sins,

for we also forgive everyone who sins against us

And lead us not into temptation."

⁵ Then Jesus said to them, "Suppose you have a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread;

⁶ a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have no food to offer him.'

⁷ And suppose the one inside answers, 'Don't bother me. The door is already locked, and my children and I are in bed. I can't get up and give you anything.'

⁸ I tell you, even though he will not get up and give you the bread because of friendship, yet because of your shameless audacity he will surely get up and give you as much as you need.

⁹ "So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.

¹⁰ For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

¹¹ "Which of you fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead?

¹² Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion?

¹³ If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"