

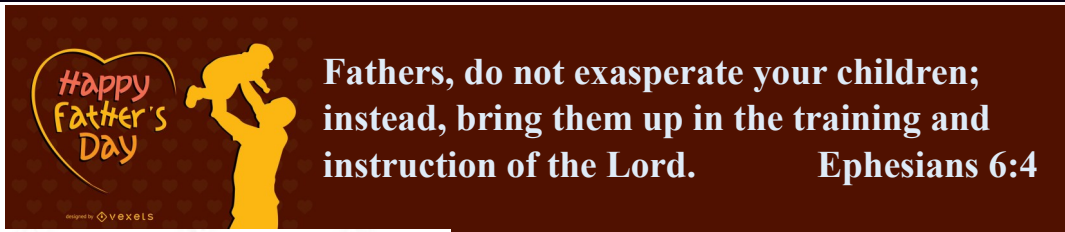
Courier Newsletter

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Pastor Karolee on your graduation with honors!

June 4 — A congregational meeting will be held after the worship service to vote on the hire of Karolee Larson as our installed pastor. George Goodrich will officiate the meeting, and Chuck Carlson will also be here to share in this special occasion! Please be in prayer for this vote and plan to attend. A celebratory lunch for Karolee will follow the meeting.

Pastor Karolee will be here on the 4th but will be on sabbatical for the months of June and July.

For any urgent needs, please contact one of the elders.

Church Office Hours

Office: T, Th, F 8-12

Pastor's Drop-In Hours

Tuesdays: 10:00-2:00

Thursdays: 10:00-2:00

Hours may vary

Please call the church office to set up another meeting time if needed.

(406) 782-6595



Full-Circle Speaker Comes to FPCButte!

Operation Christmas Child Celebration and Kick-Off

A full-circle speaker is an adult who received a shoebox as a child and is now an ambassador for Operation Christmas Child. Kim Vance from Cambodia will be sharing how a simple gift impacted her life.

Growing up in Cambodia, Kimheang Vance's family didn't have enough food to eat, so she and her siblings worked hard on their family farm. Vance walked an hour each way to school, even though her parents hadn't been able to afford school supplies. At 14, Vance was invited to a Christmas celebration at a house church. She was excited to come because the church offered food. There, she received an Operation Christmas Child shoebox gift. Come hear her story!

There will be four opportunities to hear Kim's story June 2-4:

- ◆ June 2 — 7 pm Anaconda Revive Church
- ◆ June 3 — 10 am Butte, First Presbyterian Church (brunch)
- ◆ June 3 — 7 pm Dillon, Grace Bible Church
- ◆ June 4 — 2 pm Clancy, South Hills Baptist Fellowship



Pastor's Ponderings

Lots happening this summer and you are a big part of it!

George Goodrich and Chuck Carlson will be here to worship with us on Sunday, June 4. Come for worship and stay for the congregational meeting when you will have a chance to discuss and vote on the hire of your new pastor. Please be in prayer about this decision. While I would love to continue as part of this church, I also understand the importance of your role in the discernment process. Be honest. Come with questions and concerns. Now is your chance to express your opinions. And rest assured... no matter what the outcome is, we will celebrate the call of the Holy Spirit with a party after the service and meeting.

June and July will be filled with an all-star line-up of preachers. While I take a much needed break to rest my body and brain after six years of seminary stress, you will be treated to a variety of preachers. Please come to support them. Many are members of this congregation, and some are filling the pulpit for the first time. Stepping into the pulpit is a very humbling and terrifying experience as you make yourself vulnerable for the Word of God to be preached. Please come support your brothers and sisters in Christ as they share God's Word with you.

As mentioned above, I will be on sabbatical in June and July. During this time, I will be in prayer for First Presbyterian as I reflect upon all that I have learned and how it will benefit our church and community. I encourage all of you to spend time praying for First Pres as well. As a community of Spirit filled believers, we work and pray together as we discern where God is already at work in Butte and how we can participate in that good work. We are in exciting times! Last Sunday – on Pentecost Sunday – I had two separate conversations with people who did not grow up in the church. They are seeking and we can be part of that journey. Let us spend this summer in prayer as we seek to know how to be a witness of Christ in our neighborhood.

I may be on sabbatical, but I will still be in Butte. I am taking a break from all things academic but would still love to meet up and enjoy some time with y'all. If you feel you have a pastoral emergency, please contact one of our elders (Traci, Dixon, Gus, Kathy, Kevin). They will discern if it's something that needs my involvement. During this time, I will not be attending Butte First Pres. Instead, I'll be visiting other churches, getting some fun new ideas, and pondering how to move forward when I come back in August. I'm looking forward to all the fun, new things we can do together this fall.

Once again.... Please support your brothers and sisters as they bring you God's message this summer.

Grace and peace,
Karolee

Summer Preaching Schedule

June 4	George Goodrich	July 2	Freeman McCall
June 11	Mike McNamee	July 9	Chuck Carlson
June 18	Jennifer Pierce	July 16	Gary Helming
June 25	Milo Coladonato	July 23	Fran Wright
		July 30	Milo Coladona

Men's & Women's Bible Studies

Suspended for summer months. See you in the Fall.

HAPPY *BirthDay*
TO YOU

June Birthdays

If we missed your birthday this month, please let us know so we can get it added.

- 6__Clara Neill
- 6__Brittney Ruschetti
- 8__Keanne Lambertson
- 11__Rob Neill
- 13__Andrew Duran
- 13__Kate Helming
- 15__Todd Erickson
- 15__Larry Mayo
- 19__Aden (Siler) Capps
- 24__Karolee Larson
- 24__Jered LeProwse
- 25__Leslie Dickerson
- 25__Sara Rowe
- 25__Kitrina Wilkins
- 26__Carol Link
- 27__Jean Printy



Children & Youth



Baby Bottle Boomerang

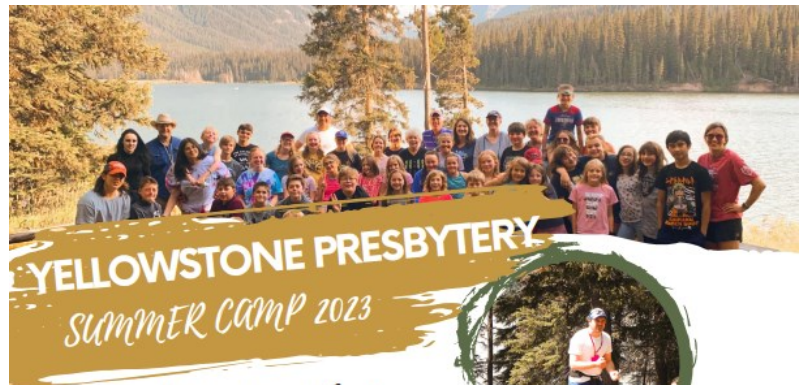
This special offering will continue through June 18 (Father's Day), to collect loose change to benefit New Hope Clinic. So save up your coins (we will accept bills too!). There are also baby bottles in the foyer for you to fill up at home. We look forward to having the children help with this offering.

“Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right. Honour thy father and mother; which is the first commandment with promise; that it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth.”

Ephesians 6:1-4



- The Support Ministry Unit is hosting June Coffee Hour (see page 5 more details)
- 2023 Per Capita is \$58.00
- Tithes & Donations can be mailed to:
First Presbyterian Church
901 W. Platinum
Butte, MT 59701
- You can tithe online!
Go to our website & click “Donations”



Hyalite Youth Camp

Just 30 minutes south of Bozeman, Hyalite Youth Camp offers cabin housing, lake access, and full-use facilities. Join us June 19th - 23rd for a week of all-ages fun!

Logistics

Camp is for students entering 3rd-12th grade.

Drop off is at 2:00 PM on Monday the 19th and pick-up will be 10:30 AM on Friday the 23rd.

Price: \$250 (scholarships available, just ask your pastor!)

For more info:

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First Presbyterian Church of Dillon
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Dillon, MT 59725



Prayers please

- ◆ Karolee Larson
- ◆ Marjorie Kautzman
- ◆ Robert Noel
- ◆ Patty Mikesell (Beehive)



Is the Lord calling you to a music ministry? We have a few opportunities:

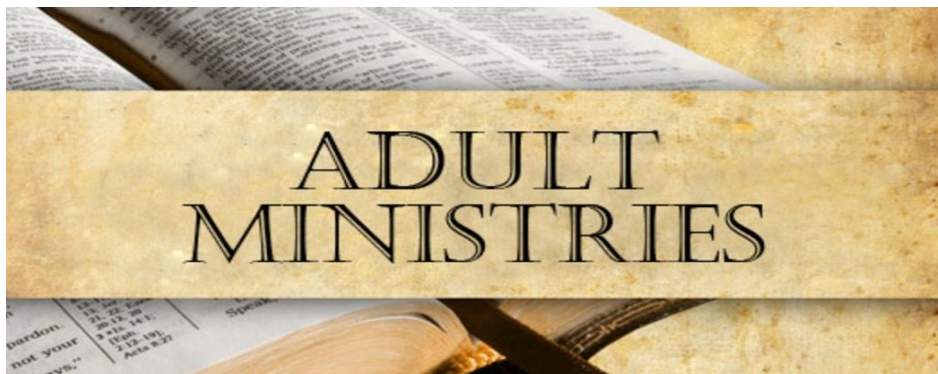
The **Chancel Choir** rehearses Thursdays at 7pm from Sept. through May. Although the choir takes a break for the summer, we still try to have solos, small ensembles, instrumentals, etc.

The **Bell Choir** rehearses Wednesdays at 9am and also takes the summer off. If you can read music...you can learn to play the bells!

The **Worship Team** leads the opening hymn in our Sunday worship service.

Play an instrument?

For more information, see Jean or call the church office.



Adult Sunday School, Bible Studies, Anna's Circle, No-Name Lunch, Chancel Choir and Hand Bell Choir are suspended for the summer months.



Butte Rescue Mission

Kick the Can food and shoe drive, continues through June 7. There is a collection box in the foyer for donations. Compassion Week is held June 4-10 to inform the community of their services. Lawn signs are available at the church.

P. W. Fall Event Class Held Willow Bark Bouquets

Nancy Ostle-Zahn led a class in willow bark bouquets. She is a great teacher and all had fun making these unique creations. Thank you Nancy! Proceeds from the Fall Events benefit local charities — more events to come! The Fall Event for 2023 is Nov. 5



Happenings!

Missionary Speaker

Mark your calendars now! Bob & Kristy Rice will share their testimony in South Sudan, Sunday August 6 during our worship service.

Coffee Hour

June will be hosted by Support Ministry Unit. On Sunday, June 4 we'll gather in the Fellowship Hall for lunch to celebrate Karolee. The rest of the month, fellowship will take place over coffee, tea and cookies in the parlor. July's coffee hour host will be Education Ministry Unit.



Coffee Fellowship

Salt Shakers



What is salt shakers you ask? It is a time for our church family to get together for social activity, get to know each other more, and just have fun!

If you are interested in hosting a salt shaker event in your home, at the church, or anywhere else of your choosing, contact Sheryl Mayo to get on the calendar.

Food Pantry

Needed: Cash donations are needed for gas as well as items that can easily be eaten by families living in their cars. Donations can be placed in the basket in the foyer.



Operation Christmas Child (OCC)



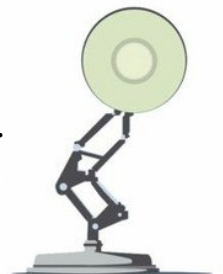
The theme for June is "Let's Go Outside".... Any toys or activities to play with outside. We will also be accepting cash donations all year for the shipping costs. Please note on check or envelope: OCC.

Our goal this year is 160 boxes. Ages 2-4 and 10-14

Let's share the Gospel to the ends of the earth!

"Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD rises upon you. See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the LORD rises upon you and his glory appears over you."

Isaiah 60:1-2



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Deacons | Janet Shuttlesworth, Jean Peterson, Donna Harbaugh, Milo Coladonato, Mike McNamee



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OCC Celebration, Karolee Graduates!!, Baby Bottle Boomerang, & more in this month's Courier!

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**Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead,
bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.**

Ephesians 6:4