



The First Presbyterian Church Courier

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Sunday Schedule:
9:00 AM—Sunday School
10:30 AM—Worship Service



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YOUTH CORNER

October Dates

JV (6-8 grade)	7
Varsity (9-12th)	7
Club 345 (3-5th)	11
JV (6-8 grade)	14
Varsity (9-12th)	14
JV (6-8 grade)	21
Varsity (9-12th)	21
JV (6-8 grade)	28
Varsity (9-12th)	28

Looking Ahead

- Fall Retreat
October 15-18
(dates/time TBD)
- Acquire The Fire
December 4-5

October Schedule & Info...

J.V. (6th-8th grade)

Wednesdays 6:45-8:15p

Varsity (9th-12th grade)

Wednesdays 8—9:30p

CLUB 345 (3rd-5th grade)

One Sun a month 12-1:30p
(lunch provided @ 11:30)

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Fall Retreat

Yellowstone Presbytery hosts a Fall Retreat (6th-12th). While we are still waiting to hear “for sure” if they will have it this year (I think they will...), here’s a heads-up.

Plan on **Oct 15—18th** (dates/times TBD) for Fall Retreat (includes things like hiking, games, worship, small groups, massive capture the flag, a party & other exciting activities.. Cost (in the past) has been around \$65. More info to follow.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

On September 13 a new Bible Study started in the Adult Sunday School. Sitting down with a dear aunt and uncle, or grandparents, and having them take you through a picture album of your family's past introduces you to characters, events and past experiences that shaped who you. It can thrill your soul and make you so grateful for your family – both the wonderful moments and the tragic ones. The Adult Sunday School invites you to a great family reunion where you will learn about your Christian family history. If you are a committed Christian, you are indeed coming to be with a family – you are part of God's household of faith. But even if you are not a believer, you are still invited! This is a family that always has a seat at the table for anyone that wants to come. The gospel is an invitation for everyone and this is one family that wants to count you in. Our new study **HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY** will be a 13 week family reunion. Come join us and learn, or review, some of the key people and events that have shaped Christianity through the years.

SALT SHAKERS FOR OCTOBER:



Ed & Ann Deal
Ed & Leila Leppanen
John & Laura Clark
Dusty & Carol Rhoads
Mike & Linda Nutter
Kevin & Janet Shuttlesworth

SALT SHAKER DINNER KICK- OFF



The Fall
Salt Shaker Dinner Kick-off
will be hold Oct. 3, 2009 at
6:00 p.m. in the fellowship
hall. If you have questions,
see Laura Clark or call 494-
8185.

WEDDING SHOWER 'KITCHEN BASKET'



A wedding shower basket has been placed in the Parlor for Jennifer Leland and Brett Warren who will be married in October. If you choose to take part, this is a great way for our church family to celebrate the excitement of this wedding with the Leland family. Over the next couple of Sundays consider bringing a useful kitchen item (wire whip, wooden spoons, measuring cup, etc.) and placing it in the basket. Items should be left unwrapped. Be sure and sign the card!

Treasurer's Report

Sept. 27 (week 39)
General Fund

Received by week 39:
\$102,188

Needed by week 39:
\$102,566

We are \$378
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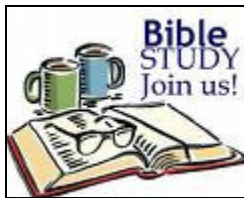
OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 4 Paul Buda
Ed Deal
- 6 Tanner Robison
Devin Sherman
- 10 Billy Cheman
- 16 Lorrie Gates
Kitrina Wilkins
Brian Wilkins
- 19 Joshua Rowe
- 24 Marjorie Kautzman
- 25 Ann Deal
- 26 Scott Sherman

SAFEWAY CLUB CARD NUMBER

Can we have your Safeway Club Card Number. When you sign up with the First Presbyterian Church as your sponsor, the church will get a % of your purchases with no cost to you. Call the church office for more information.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY



"Living Beyond Yourself: The Fruits of the Spirit" is the new Women's Bible Study which meets Monday at 11:00 AM. Contact Karen Shipley or Toni Robison if you have questions.

2010 STEWARDSHIP LETTER & PLEDGE CARDS

You should have received your 2010 Stewardship Letter and Pledge Card. If you didn't receive a pledge card and would like one, please contact the church office. If you haven't returned your pledge card, please do so as ASAP.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Children's Sunday School is up and running with a study on Paul and Silas. Come join in a time of learning and fun.

We have chosen another child to sponsor from Compassion Int'l. There is a bulletin board down stairs that will have more information as it becomes available. Please remind your children to pray for this child and her family. Our Sunday School collections will go toward supporting her. Thank you Adult Sunday School for helping support this ministry.

If you would like to help in the Sunday School, please see Cindy. These workshops are a lot of fun, and the time commitment is just 4 Sunday morning sessions.

"WEATHERIZATION WORK DAY"

Beginning at 9:00 AM, on October 3, 2009 the Support Committee is sponsoring a "Weatherization Work Day" Questions? Talk to John Leland.

DIRECTORY UPDATES / CORRECTIONS

Diane Sherman —490-2678



OASIS

OASIS is meeting on Wednesday evenings at 7:00. This is a time of music, prayer, singing, bible study and communion

PRESBYTERIAN WOMENS' ANNUAL FALL EVENT

COMING SOON! Our Presbyterian Women's Annual Fall Event will be held Sunday November 1 in the Fellowship Hall following our church service. Our Silent Auction will begin October 11 in the Parlor. The money raised from this sale will all go to LOCAL CHARITIES. Please put any gently used items you wish to donate in the library no later than Oct. 25th. Keep us in mind as you do your fall cleaning—. We appreciate your donations and support. Baked items can be brought before church on the day of the sale. (No clothing, please). Questions? See Mary Lou, Patty, Arla or Diane.

A CALL FOR PRAYER AND ACTION

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son; that whosoever believes in him should not perish but have everlasting life." John 3:16

The world gets smaller every time we look around. There was a time when it took months to travel by ship from one part of the world to another. Moving by land was even slower: my great grandparent's move from southern Iowa into central Nebraska took them nearly six weeks! Today we "flit" from continent to continent in a matter of hours! We fly to the opposite side of the U.S. for "a two day meeting" and back without giving it much thought at all.

But along with this mobility comes greater awareness of our wider world and along with that comes a greater sense of responsibility to the needs of the wider world and the wider Church around the world. Our Church here in Butte, MT has sought over the years to respond to those needs and to God's call to go out and serve. We have many who are involved within our community providing hand-made lunches, working in the food bank, supporting the Mission efforts at the 2nd street site, and taking part in Habitat For Humanity builds are just a few.

But, the needs and call are wider than just Butte, MT, and so as a church we have sought to listen and respond to God's leading and guidance to "go into all the world" - some of these have been participation in opportunities in Red Lodge, MT and at Lame Deer, MT helping out with time and talents. (We are looking at another possible participation in an effort up near Wolf point, MT next summer.) We have also sent folks farther afield: two different efforts into Louisiana following hurricane Katrina; and one into northern Mexico to do some building efforts. God has blessed and equipped these individual and team efforts in wonderful ways. But God is still calling!

In January 2010 we are looking to send another team out. This will be a medical mission to the city of Valladolid, Mexico. The mission will have a dermatology focus and will involve three couples (Dixon & Toni Robison; Nathan & Laurie Shuttlesworth and Karen & Lanny Rounds) from our church joining a larger team of Christian medical personnel for a week. We are moving ahead with this open door to be used of God in this effort. And once again we are asking YOU: the church to be moving forward in your prayers as well; won't you lift up this work and these people in special prayers that God would open every door and provide all the items and money needed for them to be able to participate freely in this mission. Pray also for the people who will be touched by this ministry, that there may be both physical and spiritual healing through these efforts.

In coming weeks and months you will be hearing more about this exciting Mission effort through the bulletin and newsletter announcements. Thank you in advance for your on-going prayers and support of what God is doing in and through Butte First Presbyterian Church both here and out there in the rest of the world.

Blessings,
Pastor Lanny Rounds

October 2009

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 7:00 Choir	2	3 9:00 Church Winterization 6:00 Salt Shaker Kick Off Dinner
4 9:00 Sunday School 10:30 Communion Worship Service Coffee Host: Support	5 11:00 Women's Bible Study 7:00 Boy Scouts	6 5:30 Support MU 6:00 Cubs 7:00 Deacons	7 6:30 am - Prayer Meeting 9:00 Bell Choir 12:30 Beehive 6:45-8:15 Jr. High 8:00-9:30 Sr.High 7:00 Oasis	8 7:00 Choir	9	10
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