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Last week I received two messages in a short period about the ice floes going down the Yellowstone River here in Glendive. My husband and I put on shoes and drove down to the Bell Street Bridge. I was surprised how many others were taking in this awesome yet scary event. As we stood on the bridge feeling the shaking and hearing the roar as the ice crashed against pilings and into other floes, naturally I felt the power and presence of God.

God is present in the loud roars of floods and the quietness of gentle streams. God is present when many are gathered, like on that bridge, or we sit alone in a sacred space. God is present when we speak or are silent, when we laugh and when we cry, when we seek help, or we offer it.

This is Lent, a time for reflection, reconciliation and to remember a resurrected Jesus who bore our problems as none other. God was present as Jesus when he touched the leper, healed the menstruating woman, and raised the dead back to life. He was present in the lightness of days and in the darkest night of his death.

Easter is coming. It begins on Easter Sunday and is celebrated for 50 days until Pentecost on June 9. God is present not just during these special days and traditions of Christians around the world, but in every moment in time. My prayer is that each of you will look for and be open to God's presence in your lives. The moments when we least expect and the times when our prayers are answered. As we finish Lent 2019, join me in worship opportunities as we ask the Risen Christ to be present in us.

United Methodist History and Polity

From the 1884 Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church, paragraph 137.

"The best general method of preaching is, 1. To convince; 2. To offer Christ; 3. To invite; 4. To build up. And to do this in some measure in every sermon." <u>The 2016 United Methodist Church Book of Discipline</u> has no such guidance.

In 1884 there were 104 Conferences in the United States and seven in foreign countries; Bulgaria, West China, North China, East China, South America, Corea (Korea) and Denmark.

Today there are 54 Annual Conferences in 5 Jurisdictions in the US alone. There are seven Central Conferences abroad: Africa Central (15 countries), Central and Southern Europe Central Conference (15 countries), Congo Central Conference (5 countries), Germany, Northern Europe and Eurasia Central Conferences (15 countries), the Philippines Central Conference and West Africa Central Conference (11 countries).

April Church Events

Our 2019 Lenten Worship Services See schedule below



| Food Bank Sunday | April 7 | | | | |
|-------------------------|---|---------------|--|--|--|
| "With These Hands" | April 10 & 24 at 1:30 pm | | | | |
| Palm Sunday | April 14 Service | | | | |
| Girl Scout cookies sale | April 14 after worship in fireside room | | | | |
| Maundy Thursday | April 18 at 7:00 am here at UMC | | | | |
| Good Friday | April 19 Community Worship 12 pm at UMC | | | | |
| Easter Sunday | April 21 Sunrise at 7:00 am, breakfast to follow, with regular service at 11:00am | | | | |
| Youth Group | Wednesday April 24 at 6:00 - 7:00 pm | | | | |
| Church Rummage Sale | Friday April 26th at 4:00 pm | - 7:00 pm and | | | |
| | Saturday April 27 at 9:00 an | ו - 12:00 pm | | | |

Our 2019 Lenten Worship Services are with UCC and Zion Lutheran Churches at

First Congregational Church (UCC)

120 W. Power St.

With soup at 6:00 PM & Lenten Worship at 6:45 PM

Wednesday- April 3

- Zion - Pastor Avis Anderson

Wednesday- April 10

- UCC Church - Brother Guy





Thank you for coming to Tsai-Ying's baby shower. Fun was had by all!

Financial Status of the Church

General Fund Financials

| Income: | Expenses: | | |
|-----------------|------------|--|--|
| Jan. \$6,386.12 | \$7,811.23 | | |
| Feb. \$8,182.36 | \$6,635.73 | | |

Ways to receive the Newsletter:

Picked up during Sunday Worship. Sent to you by mail. By e-mail & get it first. Or Download it on our Website: glendiveunitedmethodistchurch.com

March Coffee Hour Sign up

| April 7 | Andrine | | | | |
|----------------------------|------------------|--|--|--|--|
| April 14 | Dawn & Tori | | | | |
| April 21 | Easter breakfast | | | | |
| April 28 | Millie | | | | |
| May 5 | Methodist Men | | | | |
| You may call in or sign-up | | | | | |

You may call in or sign-up in the Fireside Room.



Be a *Friend*!



Every time you shop at Reynold's Warehouse grocery, tell the check-out clerk you would like your purchases credited to the church's <u>Account #8000</u>.

Thank you for the continued support!

United Methodist Women





Building a Thriving Generation of Children and Youth World-wide

In 2019, the offerings received from the annual *Call to Prayer and Self Denial* observance"wili1upport programming and advocacy for children. Programs may include but are not limited to:

- Advocacy to end the school-to-prison pipeline
- Anti-violence and child-protection programs
- Afterschool and wraparound programs
- •Vocational livelihood training for refugees and vulnerable children and youth
- Formal and informational workshops on healthy living
- Equal access to education
- Access to education and life opportunities for children with disabilities
- Education that destigmatizes health issues as well as the social standing of women, married or single, and encourages children to be welcoming to all
- Involve children in care of the earth through learning, action and advocacy
- Health care for children
- Access to clean water
- Attention to the new needs of girls as puberty begins
- Scholarships
- Programs that teach open-mindedness as a lifestyle





Coming soon! -- Our Church Rummage Sale

The church rummage sale has been scheduled for Friday, April 26 – Saturday, April 27. So – when the cleaning bug bites you, box up those used goodies and save them for the church's sale! Tentative hours for the sale are from 4:00 to 7:00 pm on Friday and 9:00 am to noon on Saturday. We will have coffee available and there will be a bake sale, too.

Remember – rummage sale items can be placed in the room in the southeast corner of the basement (the room used for dishwashing during the church dinner).

We will need people before, during, and after the sale to help with advertising, set-up and marking, working on sale days, and clean-up after the sale. If you can help with this project, please contact Andrine Haas or Vernone Spencer.

Here are some things to keep in mind:

- PLEASE NO CLOTHING/SHOES. Accessories like jewelry, purses, and scarves are fine.
- Only items in good, clean, usable condition.
- After the sale, unsold items will be donated to the Attic or the Zion furniture room OR thrown away.
- If you have large items (like furniture), please wait until just a few days before the sale to bring them to the church. It would be helpful if you would let Andrine or Vernone know that such items will be coming.
- Bake sale items should be delivered to the church on the days of the sale

So let's make a little extra money for the church while we clean out our closets!

Hello!

I hope you are well, wonderful and ready for a summer of outdoor fun! I am the new manager of Luccock Park (near Livingston), and we are looking forward to a weekend of campfires, hammers and chainsaws May 16th, to 19th 2019.

Our projects include:

- Scrape and prep Wigwam for paint Thursday afternoon and Friday (Volunteers, RYLA, Sherwin Williams)
- Paint Wigwam Friday and Saturday (RYLA and Sherwin Williams)
- Roofing Grace and a staff cabin on Saturday (Billings West End Rotary)
- Filling the wood shed (Volunteers)
- Cutting and splitting opportunities abound!
- Vacuuming all bunks, sills and corners of the cabins (Volunteers)
- Bring a shopvac and be a hero!
- Window washing of all cabins (Volunteers)
- Thorough kitchen cleaning, including the store room (Luccock Board)
- Pulling weeds, mowing lawns, sweeping porches and general tidying up (Volunteers)
- Fire ring upkeep
- Wood chinking Livingston and Laurel cabins

We will provide hearty meals, bunks, and fires. FYI there will be a small group of campers on campus.

Let us know when you will be arriving/departing and if there is a job that particularly interests you or your group by sending an email to karend144@gmail.com or n.manager@luccock.org

In addition, we are in need of a couple of equipment donations: 2 new BBQ grills, and a Popcorn maker similar to this: <u>https://amzn.to/2Ht6zJz</u> thank you for considering these needs.

Thank you for helping us to do great things for children and families this summer. ~Karen

Sincerely,

Karen Grosz, CPC President, Canvas Creek Team Building Ph- 855-832-6278 Calendar- https://calendly.com/karend144 Website- KARENGROSZ.LIFE Watch- TED Talk- Karen Grosz, Innovative Teams Connect- https://www.linkedin.com/in/karen-grosz/

Thank you, Colleen Wakeley

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April 2019



* Birthdays, # Anniversaries

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|-----|--------------------|--|---|---|--|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 Lenten Soup/Supper & Worship 6:00pm-6:45pm Zion - Pastor Avis | 4 *Patty Steer | 5 | б * Sari Hunter |
| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 Lenten Soup/Supper & Worship 6:00pm-6:45pm UCC- Pastor Guy "With These Hands" - 1:30pm | 11 | 12 | 13 *Keith Clingingsmith |
| 14 Palm Sunday | 15 | 16 | 17 * Emma Doty | 18 Maundy Thursday UMC at 7:00pm | 19 Good Friday Community Service At UMC 12:00pm | 20 |
| 21 Easter Sunrise Service 7:00am Breakfast to follow Reg. Service 11:00am | 22 | 23 *Diana Notis | 24 "With These Hands" - 1:30pm *Karmen Neard | 2 <i>5</i> *Jean Mitchell | 26 Rummage Sale Bake Sale 4:00—7:00pm | 27 Rummage Sale Bake Sale 9:00– 12:00pm |
| 28 | 29 | 30 | | | | |

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