



Glendive United Methodist Church Newsletter



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Friends, Easter is early this year, April 1st in fact. That means that Ash Wednesday is on February 14th the same day as Valentine's Day. When Lent starts, we Christians tend to give something up as we prepare ourselves for Easter and the Resurrection of the Lord.

You can rest assured that this Pastor is not giving up CHOCOLATE. I like my Valentine's Day Chocolate. I think that rather than giving up something I will find something to give to. In other words I will fine some Mission Projects to give to during Lent, such as Food Banks, Domestic Violence, UMCOR and others. What about you?

God Bless,
Pastor Ruth

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Count Your Blessings Poem

Count your blessings instead of crosses;
Count your gain instead of losses.
Count your joys instead of woes:
Count your friends instead of foes.
Count your smiles instead of tears;
Count your courage instead of fears.
Count your full years instead of lean;
Count your kind deed instead of mean.
Count your health instead of wealth;
Count of God instead of yourself!

God Bless,
Pastor Ruth



January Church Events

Food Bank
Choir Practice

“With These Hands”
“Charge Conference”

UMW Ash Wed. planning *

Ad Board Meeting

First Sunday of every month
Wednesdays, at 7:00 pm

Wednesdays January 3rd & 17th at 1:30 pm
Saturday, January 6th at 11:30 am. with Pot Luck!
Including Miles City and Wibaux

January 18th at 7:00pm in the Fireside room

Monday, January 22nd at 7:00 pm

February Church Events

Food Bank
Choir Practice

“With These Hands”

Ash Wednesday

Lenten Worship & Soup Suppers UMW News below*

Ad Board Meeting

First Sunday of every month
Wednesdays, at 7:00 pm

Wednesday, Feb. 7th & 21st at 1:30 pm

Wednesday, Feb. 14th

Monday, February 26th at 7:00 pm

* See article below.



Lenten Worship & Soup/Suppers
Wednesdays at our United Methodist Church!
with Soup at 6 PM. and Worship at 6:45 PM.

| | | |
|---|---------------|----------------------------|
|  | February 14th | Ash Wednesday, Pastor Ruth |
| | February 21st | Brother Guy |
| | February 28th | Brother Guy |

UMW News

Ash Wednesday is Feb. 14 this year, and we are hosting the soup suppers with the UCC and Zion. We will serve Feb 14 and March 21. Depending on the weather, UMW will try to meet January 18th to plan the first supper.





Another successful church dinner!

What does it take to do our church dinner?

- Weeks of planning and preparation
- 180# of beef
- Mounds and mounds of mashed potatoes
- Gallons and gallons of gravy
- 13 cans of green beans
- 3 cans of apple rings
- 23 dozen dinner rolls (and there were only 11 left at dinner's end!)
- 20 salads of a wonderful variety
- 48 pies PLUS a cheesecake & a carrot cake (and there wasn't much pie left at the end either)
AND
- Dozens and dozens of workers!!



Once again, we accomplished it all in great style and made over \$3,400 in the process. We received many, many compliments on the dinner - even on Facebook. So many thanks to all who contributed, worked, and came to eat. Hope to see you there again next year.

- Andrine Haas





Annual UMW Christmas Bazaar and Luncheon

“Here Comes Santa Claus!”



The United Methodist Women’s Christmas Bazaar and Luncheon was a success this year! My earlier reported estimates were not complete, and thus not exactly correct. We cleared \$1693.07, almost \$300.00 than 2016. BUT, our expenses were about \$80.00 more (chicken was expensive this year!) and we had only \$30.00 in donations, compared to a yearly average of

around \$ 200.00 over the past 4 years. *It was still a very good year!* Our goodies table broke a record, crafts did very well, and we served a few more people at lunch than last year, especially beef sandwiches. Thank you to everyone who donated, helped, brought sale items, and came to eat!

Our Church Choir

presented a 

Carol Cantata on

Sunday, December 17th worship

Thank you Choir!

Friend of Reynolds!

Shop Reynolds!

Every time you shop at Reynold's Warehouse grocery, tell the check-out clerk you would like your purchases credited to the church's:

Account # 8000



Thank you

for the continued support!



Hanging of the Greens



Placing the Nativity Scene.



Decorating the Tree!

UMW CHRISTMAS DINNER

The UMW annual Christmas Dinner was held Dec 14. A total of 17 ladies gathered to enjoy pastas, breadsticks, salad, and a

Christmas cake. We sang carols together and enjoyed a lovely evening.





Children's Corner

The Sunday School Christmas Program was "Christmas Letters"



What if we could write letters to
Mary and Joseph and find out all
about what happened when
Jesus was born?



Children: David Kingstad, Duncan Kingstad, Tori Engle
Joseph: Gerald Huschka **Mary:** Janine Huschka
Innkeeper: Dr. Eric Sigmond **Shepherd:** Steve Mittlestadt
Angle: Kileaka Herbaugh





Memorials

- **In honor** of mother Frances Andrews Graves
-**from** Royce Graves and Gary Graves
- **In memory** of Leta Schlicht
- **from** Bob and Jackie Schlicht
- **In memory** of Kathleen Schuett and
Tom Paulos
-**from** Sally Paulos
- In memory** of Mary Altner
- **from** John and Andrine Haas
Dick and Doris Kruger
Ron and Anne Freistone
Allan Altner
Thomas Altner
Ron and Joan Haugeberg
Betty Carpenter
Verle and Pat Jones

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Thank you!

Clean out your closets for the 2018 church rummage sale!

We are planning to hold another church rummage sale in the spring - possibly in April. So - when the cleaning bug bites you, box up those used goodies and save them for the church's sale! If you can store items yourself until sale time, that is great. But if you want to get them out of your house, they can be stored in the church basement in the room under the front stairs or in the room we use for dishwashing during the church dinner. Please do NOT bring large furniture items until close to sale time.

We probably will have coffee - and maybe bake sale items - available again and we will encourage people to stop by to view our beautiful sanctuary and stained glass windows.

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 or have questions, please contact Andrine Haas or Vernone Spencer.

Here are some things to keep in mind:

- **PLEASE - NO CLOTHING/SHOES.** Accessories like jewelry and purses are fine.
 - **Only** items in good, clean, usable condition.
 - **After** the sale, unsold items will be donated to the Attic or the Boys and Girls Club 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 know that such items will be coming.

So plan now to clean out your closets and we'll make a little extra money for the church! Watch for more information later.

Coffee Hour Hosts



January & February Coffee Hour Sign up

- Jan 7 Vernone & Twylla
- Jan 14 Betty C.
- Jan 21 open
- Jan 28 Potluck
- Feb 4 open
- Feb11 open
- Feb18 open
- Feb25 open

You may call 377-5678 or sign-up in the Fireside Room.

Ways to receive the Newsletter:

Have it sent by mail, e-mail or View & download it on our Website: glendiveunitedmethodistchurch.com



“Thank you!”



to everyone who brought the:

November Treats:

Andrine (dinner left-overs), Doris and Glenda, Men’s Club, Jo Ann & Andrine

December Treats:

Pot Luck Cooks, Sunday School, Andrine, Jo Ann

Financial Status of the Church

Budgeted monthly amount needed per month: \$8,097.75

November Income - \$8,364.83
Expenses - \$17,098.80

December Income - \$22,559.50
Expenses - \$12,409.02

Our Birthdays and Anniversaries

It's fun to see the list of birthdays and anniversaries that are printed on the calendar in each newsletter. But we realize it's time to update that information! If your birthday and/or anniversary dates are missing or printed incorrectly, would you let the church office know? Thanks.

Christmas Caroling!



Caroling Tour of Glendive with stops to sing to friends and families. We celebrated the season and had a **“cool” and wonderful time!**





Trustees Report for 2017

1. UMDF Investments (5) all came due in 2017 and were renewed for 2 years at an interest rate of 1.65%.
2. Brick sign in front of church was completely rebuilt with new brick work and a 2 new signs. Memorial money from the Milne Family covered most of the cost and a fund was set up. Cost was approximately \$3,200.
3. Court yard fence on the north west side was repaired to fix damage from last year's wind storm.
4. Kitchen remodeling was completed in the Fireside Room – UMW women funded and managed this renovation which is very nice.
5. The dishwasher for the parsonage was replaced with a good used one.
6. The sprinkler lines had some leaks & damaged heads replaced.
7. A new water heater was installed in the parsonage and a large new one (75 gallons – 75,000 Btu fast recharge) was installed to replace two older ones near the church kitchen in the basement.
8. The main front entryway to the church sanctuary was repainted thanks to the efforts of Greg and Joan Hunt.
9. The Bell Tower roof was repaired again after leaks appeared. It was rebuilt 2 years ago by Mark Anderson Roofing. This repair was done under warranty at no cost to the Church.
10. Lights were changed in the sanctuary to energy efficient light bulbs. Some of these may need to be changed again as the light produced is not enough in places.
11. A three year Church insurance policy was finalized through Hub Insurance. The carrier is Church Mutual Insurance and the policy cost is approximately the same although the property value of the church, parsonage and contents have increased.

Mike Carlson

Thank You!

Thanks to everyone for your donations, time and work on the many church projects during the past year! The sign project, the kitchen, and helping with other activities that were so needed!



Our Christmas Eve Service



Thank You!

Thanks Robin Thompson and our organ mechanic for your work on the church organ! We would not have had the chimes for Christmas with out your help.



JANUARY 2018

* Birthdays, # Anniversaries

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|------------------------------------|--|--|------------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| | 1 *Iris Milne | 2 *Brenda Herbaugh *David Skerritt | 3 "With These Hands" at 1:30 pm | 4 *Judy Rice | 5 | 6 <i>Charge Conference at 11:30 am</i> <i>Potluck to follow</i> *Al Eidet |
| 7 Food Bank Sunday #Brenda and John Herbaugh | 8 | 9 *Kayrene Vashus *Dawn Kingstad | 10 *Jace Gentry #Jerry & Judy Dickhaut | 11 *Janice Kruger | 12 | 13 |
| 14 Human Relations Day | 15 *Janine Huschka | 16 | 17 "With These Hands" at 1:30 pm | 18 UMW meeting at 7:00 pm | 19 *Kileaka Herbaugh | 20 *Dorothy Graves |
| 21 | 22 Ad. Board Meeting at 7:00 pm | 23 *Audrey Hunter | 24 *Velma Kinsey | 25 | 26 *Ruby Woods | 27 |
| 28 | 29 *Melissa Skerritt | 30 | 31 *Tristan Alderman | | | |



FEBRUARY 2018

* Birthdays, # Anniversaries

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | 1 *Basie Niehaus *John Herbaugh | 2 | 3 |
| 4 Food Bank Sunday *Dave Galusha | 5 *George Skerritt | 6 | 7 "With These Hands" at 1:30 pm #Gerald & Janine Huschka | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 11 * Carol Tuner *Jasmine Evans *Chuck Powell *Kim Vashus | 12 *Linda Galusha *Jasmine Evans | 13 *Ruth Powell | 14 Valentine's Day Ash Wednesday Lenten Worship & Supper 6:00 pm at GUMC | 15 | 16 | 17 * Heather Haas |
| 18 * Anne Friestone * Allen Altner | 19 | 20 | 21 "With These Hands" at 1:30 pm Lenten Worship & Supper 6:00 pm at GUMC | 22 * Cole Nead | 23 | 24 |
| 25 | 26 Ad. Board Meeting at 7:00 pm | 27 | 28 Lenten Worship & Supper 6:00 pm at GUMC | | | |

GUMC Newsletter



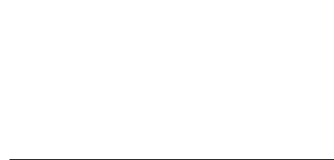
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