

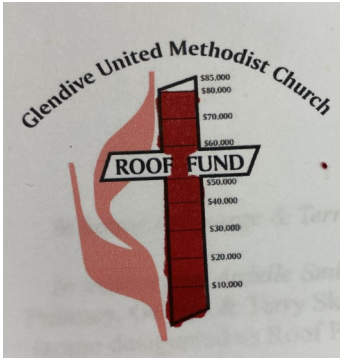
Glendive & Wibaux United Methodist Church Newsletter

June 2024



Pastoral Letter

While I was in Yellowstone National Park for the first time, I remember finding a road I thought was pretty remote to sleep on. I slept in my car and didn't want to get reprimanded by park rangers, so I wanted to get off the beaten path to avoid being seen. I found a spot I thought was dark and off the road a little. I turned on my car's headlights and they illuminated a huge steam vent about half a football field away. I cracked the windows (not thinking about bears having very useful car-entering claws) and went to sleep. I woke up the next morning to elk singing across the park and a bison herd crossing the road around my car. Now that I've been back with someone who knew the park, I discovered that where I slept was pretty much the opposite of remote. The steam vent I saw marks the midway point of Hayden Valley, the second most popular wildlife spot in the park. Life is a lot like this. We pick our opinions, interests, sports teams, relationships, and so much more and we cling to them, calling them safe. We forget what Paul reminds us of; that "we see now in a mirror dimly." What we see now is about as clear as a dark, lightless night in Yellowstone on a tree-covered road. It's only by returning to where we've come that we begin to get clarity. We come back better prepared or not alone, checking the bends and drop offs of our life's path. "Self-reflection" may sound selfish, but it's the most important tool we have to appreciate God, the world, our life, and those around us. We return to our old passions and choices and see what we always knew; we didn't see the whole picture at the time, we just saw a hazy idea that we walked toward, God at our side. Remember that the next time you feel 100% sure you're right. Remember that the next time you feel like you've done nothing but make mistakes. Go back and remember that yeah, you may not have been as safe as you thought, but the view when the darkness broke was stunning. whether this is the case or not.



The Roof Fund keeps growing!

Thanks to many generous donors, our Roof Fund Campaign has now

raised approximately \$83,000, so we are at about 98% of our goal.

The following new donors were added since the last report:

Irene Gross

Logan Henderson

Gayle & Gerry Barthel

... and the Roof Work will start soon!

Most of the materials have been purchased and are in storage. The contractor hopes to start work on the roof in June.



The annual rummage sale was a great success!



Everyone working together made this happen and we were able to donate \$427.10 to the General Fund and \$2,123.00 to the Roof Fund. It was through a united effort that we were able to accomplish this. People donated items, brought items to the church, categorized and priced the items, bought items, and spread the word of our sale. Many hours of hard work went into making this sale so successful and we thank everyone who contributed in any way.





United
Women
in Faith

United Women in Faith will meet WED, JUNE 12 at 9:30 AM at the Church. All women are welcome to come and enjoy a breakfast of coffee, rolls, and fruit. If you have children, bring them along!



Cotton Candy! To Spin or Not to Spin...

Dawson County Fair is coming swiftly -- dates for the United Women in Faith Cotton Candy Booth would be July 25-27. With a good concert and an actual carnival lined up for this year, it could be a banner year for selling cotton candy! However, right now it looks like quite a few of our past workers will be gone . We must soon decide whether to have the booth this year and it will depend on whether or not we think we can fill work shifts (spin cycles?). We try to fill about 9 2-hr shifts over three days with two workers per shift, 3 workers for evening shifts. So, that means about 20 workers. We also can use help setting up and taking down the booth.

YOU CAN HELP! If you know you will likely be available to work, or have family or friends who would enjoy learning, or can think of others who might want to try it, please notify Millie Robinson or Andrine Haas, or leave a message with the Church Office. The money goes to help support programs for women and children across the country and around the world, as well as locally.



We appreciate our Coffee Hour Hosts. For the Month of May they were: Twylla McPherson, Andrine Haas, Vernon Spencer, Leslie Hunter, Millie Robinson and others for the Lindquist Farewell.



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| June 2 | Jim Gentry |
| June 4 | Denise van Leeuwen |
| June 6 | Jason Stanfill |
| June 15 | Mary Brown |
| June 16 | Leslie Hunter |
| June 18 | Ron Haugeberg |
| June 28 | John Wesley |

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| 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 <i>Trivia in the Park 6pm</i> | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 <i>Quilt Show</i> |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 <i>Cele- brate Glen- dive</i> | 22 |
| 23/ 30 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 <i>John Wesley's Birthday</i> | 29 |

Summer Scheduling:

For the month of June:

The Glendive United Methodist Church will host the United Congregational Church at the 11 a.m. services.

For the month of July:

The United Congregational Church will host the Glendive United Methodist Church at their 10 a.m. services.



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