



THE CALL



PLANT YOUR SPRING GARDEN

Three rows of peas:

- Peace of mind
- Peace of Heart
- Peace of soul

Three rows of squash:

- Squash indifference
- Squash hatred
- Squash bullying

Three rows of lettuce:

- Let us be kind
- Let us be compassionate
- Let us love one another

Water with patience and cultivate
with love!



Church Staff:

Bryan Elliott: Lead Pastor

Kathy Winders, Secretary

Arlon Miller, Music Director

Megan Jones, Preschool
Director

Alexus McKauly, Custodian

Donna Osterholt, Nursery

Ministers: Every Member!



Office hours:

Mon.-Thurs.

9:30 AM - 2:00 PM

Fridays: CLOSED

SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

8:15 Worship Service

9:00 Adult Sunday School

10:10 - Worship Service

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Preschool - M-F 9:00 - Noon

CLOSED JUNE-AUG.

Preschool Phone - 472-0649

**PULPIT GUEST
JUNE 4TH
CHAPLAIN DAVE MONDLE**

Dear Church Family,



From Pastor Bryan

God is good! His mercies endure forever! I am so thankful to God for his loving kindness and his blessing of this church family for Teresa and I. It has been almost two years that we have been in Casper. In that time we have seen many visitors to our church. We have had increases in our attendance over the first year and it has become stable over this past year. The month of April was up in our average worship attendance. You may ask why I look at the numbers? Because these aren't numbers they are people. People who need to be connected to something outside of themselves. People who long for a relationship with God and His people. We are those people of faith.

Teresa found a story that was on Facebook this past week and the gist of it was this: "Over the past several years I have had 32,000 meals that I have eaten. For the life of me I can't remember them. I have also listened to thousands of sermons through my church attendance and I can't remember them either. Thus church must not be important! But, someone noted, those 32,000 meals gave you a nutritious value that sustained your life and caused you to grow both physically and mentally. Without this food you would have wasted away to nothing. It is the same for the spiritual nutrition that you received, without it your spiritual life would waste away to nothing." This is important to remember as we live our lives. Yes, it is important for you and your family to take vacations, spend time doing kid things like sports and other recreation. Going to school and extracurricular activities that feed the mind. But, it is also important to remember the spiritual. The joy that comes to us through being fed God's word and being in community with one another. It is my hope that you remember to nurture your spiritual life this summer as well as the rest of the year.

June is a time when all of us kick off summer plans: graduations, golfing, water sports, fishing trips, and family vacations! Teresa and I will be doing some of the same. We are going to see her parents up in Washington (north of Spokane) and then attend our middle granddaughters 5th Birthday. I will be helping to lead the "Fishing and Theology" workshop that we have with the Northern District of the Greater Rocky Mountain Region of the Disciples of Christ (This was started by Doug Goodwin) at the end of June. It is a joy to have summer weather and experience all that these Wyoming outdoors gives us. BLESSINGS AND SEE YOU SOON!

In His Care,

Bryan



Rejoice always, pray continually,
give thanks in all circumstances.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

DWM Potluck



DWM MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP

Tuesday, June 13th @ 1:00 p.m.

Chicken will be provided.

Bring a dish

Read Mark 15

Contact Lani McBee if you have any questions!

During June, July & August DWM will be working on Fleece Blankets after their meetings. Whoever wants to stay after a meeting to help is encouraged to do so.



You're invited to a 90th Birthday Celebration in honor of Darlene Bishop
Saturday, June 3, 2023

Type to enter text 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Casper Country Club - Upstairs

RSVP: Daney Tanner - 307-258-7439

Daria Dundas - 307-262-0480

Please join us for refreshments, shared stories & memories.

Help us shower Darlene with cards and good wishes.

No gifts, please

JUST A REMINDER

The following people signed up to pick up garbage weekly around the church and yard. If you find you are unavailable, please let Ted Grooms know.

May - Gary and Max Jacobsen

June - Paul Hallock

July - Tom & Melanie Dowler

August - Carmen Goodman

September - Belle Stapleton

October - Ted Grooms

Thank you very much for signing up to help keep the church looking nice!



**JUNE
DIACONATE**

8:15 - Nina Hytrek
10:10 - Floyd Field & Trudy Woodard
Contact Pat Seamands @ 262-2921
to sign up if you haven't already.

**OFFERING STEWARD
Randisue Davis**

VEGGIE TALES

May 28
June 4
June 11
June 18
June 25

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

May 21 - JoAnn Neal
May 28 - Kimberly Ireland & Elaine Gross
June 4 - Belle Stapleton
June 18
June 25 - Trudy Woodard

ELDERS

May 21 - 8:15 Teresa 10:10 Gloria
May 28 - 8:15 Teresa 10:10 Teresa
June 4 - 8:15 Robin 10:10 Colin
June 11 - 8:15 Robin 10:10 Nancy
June 18 - 8:15 Teresa 10:10 Teresa
June 25 - 8:15 Teresa 10:10 Teresa



**JUNE
BIRTHDAYS**

Annette Ambrosino	June 1	Mary Burgess	June 16
Jason Baker	June 1	Steve Huckfeldt	June 20
Zach Hawley	June 1	Elane Burkhalter	June 25
Dewey Smith	June 4	Nicholas Grooms	June 26
Colin Stewart	June 4	Nina Hytrek	June 26
Peg Jackson	June 10	Sandie Stoltenberg	June 29
Gary Jacobson	June 13	Jerry Meeks	June 30



**JUNE
ANNIVERSARIES**

ANNIVERSIES

Rob & Jolene Knaus - June 3, 1995
Raylan & Tammy Heck - June 7, 1986
Cal & Nancy Decker - June 9, 2022
Rich & Janie Nelson - June 10, 1970
Ted & Lois Purvis - June 13, 1959
Chook & Lani McBee - June 15, 1965
Bob & Laura Glasspoole - June 19, 1965
Clyde & Maryann Cain - June 22, 2002
Chuck & Judy Potter - June 26, 1957



Thankful
FOR YOUR KINDNESS

Thank you to DWF, Mission Commission and Rick Black for their time and participation for Keith's Celebration of Life. There was a wonderful turn out and we couldn't have done it without all the help. Thank you to the congregation for all the sympathy cards. We truly appreciated them all. Sincerely Pam, Madison & Amber Rouse.

Dear Church Family...Thank you for the cards, calls, texts, food and visits during our tragic time of losing Don. Our pain is deep and devastating, however, you have provided comfort that was greatly needed and appreciated. Thank you!

Randisue Davis, Kelly Hover, Brianne Watkins, and Ali Dugan.

Worship on the Mountain
July 30th @ 11:00 a.m.
Bring chair and sack lunch



FCC MEMBERS are invited to attend NC graduation on Thursday, June 1 At 7:30 p.m. At the Ford Wyoming Center & KW Graduation on Friday, June 2 @ 7:30 p.m. Evan Woods & Kylee Stupak will be graduating.

PICTURE YOURSELF HERE!



Theology and Fishing in the Big Horns of Wyoming
June 26-30th, 2023 @ Bear Lodge Resort
Theme: Amos and Isaiah: Prophetic Voices in Times of Crisis

Our guide for the Theology part will be Dr. John Hull who has taught Hebrew Bible since 2009 and is a Minister Emeritus at Beargrass Christian Church in Louisville, KY where he served as Minister of Faith Development for 21 years. He is also an outdoorsman who loves to fish, hike and enjoy God's creation.

Contact Pastor Bryan if you are interested or would like more information.



We had another successful school year and are looking forward to the summer sun!!!

We are taking registrations for our 1/2 summer camps hoping to have 20 kids in each session this summer.

We have some spots in all 3 classes for fall enrollment.

We'd like to thank our 3/4's teacher Max Jacobson for all

her hard work and dedication to the preschool. We wish her a very happy and relaxing retirement.

A very warm welcome to Landas Lawyer. She will be will be teacher our 3/4's class next year.

Thank you FCC for your support!! Megan Jones, Director



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH would like to say Thank You to the Preschool Teachers for doing such a great job with the preschoolers this year. **GREAT JOB!!**

Why did you cut the joke book in half?
Mom said to "cut the comedy."



AN IDEAL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY!!!

Volunteers are needed to sign up to help with our Veggie Tales summer program for children ages 3-grade 4, which starts on Sunday JUNE 28th. The sign up sheet is on the bulletin board outside the secretary's office. **Pick a Sunday of your choice!** You can also bring a helper with you if you choose.

1. Attend church service through Children's time with Pastor Bryan
2. Class is in the board room which has a big TV and an air conditioner
3. Serve a snack (snacks provided)
4. Talk to the kids about their week. They like to share and it's fun
5. Show the Veggie Tales video.
6. If weather is nice and time permits, go out to the playground, sit on a bench and watch children play until church lets out. (If it's rainy - there are games for indoors.)

Contact Maggie Grooms or Michelle Elser if you have any questions about this excellent FUN-filled program.

June 2023

May 2023							June 2023							July 2023						
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 8:15 AM Worship 9:00 AM Adult's Sunday School 10:10 AM Worship 11:30 AM Coffee Fellowship	29 Pastor Bryan vacation OFFICE CLOSED Memorial Day 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	30 4:45 PM Arlon Miller piano lesson 7:00 PM AA	31 9:00 AM QUILTERS	1 7:30 PM NC Graduation	2 OFFICE CLOSED 10:00 AM Quilters 3:00 PM Sandwich making 7:30 PM KW GRADUATION	3 7:30 AM Men's BS 8:15 AM SANDWICH MINISTRY
4 Pastor Bryan vacation PULPIT GUEST 8:15 AM Worship 9:00 AM Adult's Sunday School 10:10 AM Worship 11:30 AM Coffee Fellowship	5 9:00 AM Paper Piecing Quilters 2:00 PM Circle of Caring 6:30 PM Elders meeting 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	6 4:45 PM Arlon Miller piano lesson 7:00 PM AA	7 9:00 AM QUILTERS	8 OFFICE CLOSED 10:00 AM Quilters 3:00 PM Sandwich making	9 OFFICE CLOSED 10:00 AM Quilters 3:00 PM Sandwich making	10 7:30 AM Men's BS 8:15 AM SANDWICH MINISTRY 9:00 AM Men's Group
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18 YOUTH CAMPS Father's Day 8:15 AM Worship 9:00 AM Adult's Sunday School 10:10 AM Worship 11:30 AM Coffee Fellowship	19 Juneteenth 12:00 PM CALL deadline 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	20 7:00 PM AA	21 9:00 AM QUILTERS	22 OFFICE CLOSED 10:00 AM Quilters 3:00 PM Sandwich making 5:00 PM Mission Meal	23 OFFICE CLOSED 10:00 AM Quilters 3:00 PM Sandwich making	24 7:30 AM Men's BS 8:15 AM SANDWICH MINISTRY
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WE REMEMBER

More than 150 years ago, Memorial Day took shape amid the backdrop of the U.S. Civil War. Before it ended, women began decorating the graves of fallen soldiers. In 1868, when May 30 was designated as Decoration Day, loved ones placed flowers on the graves of Union and Confederate soldiers alike.

By 1882, Decoration Day became known as Memorial Day and soldiers who died in other wars were honored too. Over time, it became a day to remember all loved ones who have died—in way or otherwise. In 1971, Congress declared Memorial Day a national holiday to be observed on the last Monday in May. On Memorial Day, we pause to remember people who made the ultimate sacrifice for their country and for our freedom. We also pray for those who continue serving, especially those in harm's way.

A PRAYER FOR MEMORIAL DAY

We remember, O Lord all those people throughout the years who have made the supreme sacrifice for our country, for liberty, for us. Whenever we breathe the air of freedom or claim the right to justice or enjoy the privilege of worship, fill us with gratitude for those who selflessly gave the last full measure of devotion—their very lives—for our benefit.

May these brave men and women now know the joy of eternity and your presence. And may the families of the fallen receive comfort and peace amid their grief. Help us as we minister to their needs. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



May 8, 2023

Dear friends of CRMR Camps,

Among the strongest ministries of the *Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)* are its camps and retreats for children and youth. People of faith often look back at camp as a time of significant faith transformation or growth; a moment where their relationship with God was strengthened; or when a call to ministry was heard or accepted.

Faith experiences out in nature bring about a special connection with our Creator and, though there are fewer campers than there used to be, in many ways the opportunity to learn about God and experience his love is more important than ever. Over the past several years, and especially since the pandemic, we have experienced an ever-increasing number of participants in our camps and retreats who do not have a strong connection to a local church anymore. Some churches have cut back on their ministries to kids and some, sadly, have even had to close their doors. But the young people who come to our camps experience a welcoming faith community where they say they feel God's presence more than anywhere else in their lives.

Therefore, we are committed to keeping our camping ministries strong and meaningful for every young person who comes. We also try to keep the cost to them as low as possible. The fee they pay covers our cost to La Foret for their meals and lodging plus only \$20 to help pay our expenses for staff training, craft, game and medical supplies, curriculum, and the lodging and meals for the staff.

As you can imagine, the fees paid by campers is never enough to cover our expenses – but you can help us meet our budget if you would like to and are able to make a contribution (which is tax deductible). Perhaps you would like to cover the food and lodging expense for one or two of our volunteer staff. That cost is right around \$410 per person. Or maybe you would like to give a little bit more or less. Any amount helps!

You are receiving this letter because I know you are someone who understands the importance of this ministry, and I wanted to give you an opportunity to support it. Camp donations can be sent to the region at: CRMR, 9250 E. Costilla Ave, Suite 605, Greenwood Village, CO 80112. Please make checks payable to *CRMR* and mark "*Camp Donation*" on the memo line.

Thank you so much in advance for your support, and even if you are unable or choose not to make a financial contribution this year, please include the campers and our volunteers in your prayers for a safe, fun, and amazing week of transformation in their faith and lives!

God bless you, and feel free to contact me with any questions, ideas, or concerns. I would love to hear from you!

Sincerely,
Shelly Garrison

CRMR Associate Minister to Youth
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fragmented world.*