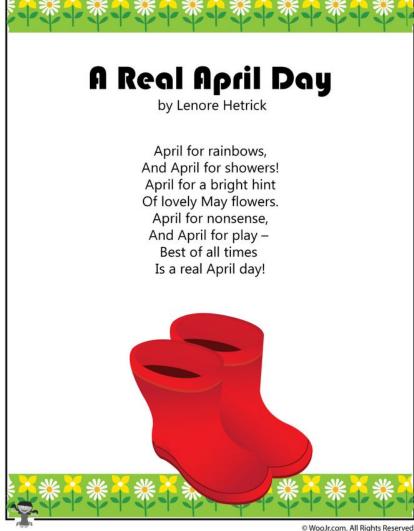
FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST) CASPER, WYOMING

THE CALL







Church Staff:

Bryan Elliott: Lead Pastor Kathy Winders, Secretary Daniel Galbreath, Music Director



Donna Osterholt, Nursery Michelle Griebel, Custodian **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 11:30 - Coffee Fellowship

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Preschool - M-F 8:30 - 5:30 P.M. **CLOSED JUNE-AUG.**





Dear Church Family,

Over the many years of pastoring I often review my newsletters for April. In 2020, I was lamenting the fact that we were a few weeks into a shut down because of covid. I wish I could have told my impatient self back then that it would be several years of life disruption! Four years into this disruption we have all had a rough year recently with the economy, wars, political unrest and other things that have visited us in our personal lives.

To greater or lesser degrees some of us have been inconvenienced by this pandemic, by the economy, health concerns, and just plain life circumstances. But others have experienced many personal losses in life as well as financial upheavals. Yet, today, we embark on the most holy and sacred Christian holiday and that is celebrating Jesus risen from the grave! For Easter is not an event, it is a season of renewal. It is not just a Sunday once a year, it is Eastertide and lasts for several weeks and ends on Pentecost. But more importantly, it is life conquering death! The light of the world is shining for all to see. We are able to experience Jesus and receive comfort in the midst of all our change this past year. Jesus is our lighthouse.

Light breaking forth in darkness, and light being reflected and multiplied all over the earth is what Easter is all about. We are here on this world to bear witness to the Light of the World and Shine! It is our purpose. We have several opportunities to be beacons of light in this season of Easter when people go to church and entertain thoughts of God that may not be their normal everyday pattern. Invite someone to church this month. They may never be the same as they encounter our loving God.

I believe FCC offers people a place to experience the presence of Christ with warm and genuine, light reflecting people who care for them. We are unique in that we like to like people and really want to get to know them. That is our gift as a community of faith, **we offer hospitality**. All we need to do is invite. As we share this month of the beginning of Spring, may we offer new life growth experiences to those around us by sharing our lives in meaningful ways. Let us meet together in celebration as we share. See you Sunday and have a blessed and glorious Eastertide!



We continue to make 75 sack lunches most weekends. If anyone would like to donate loaves of bread (8 loaves a week are used), please contact Annette Ambrosino or Wanda Hogan as to when to bring some. There is a sign up sheet downstairs for help needed with both sandwich and blanket ministry,

To date, 2025 blankets have been made. Blankets are tied on the 3rd Saturday of each month. We will not be making blankets from May thru August except some that will be finished by DWM during their summer monthly meetings.

In our ministry work with The Rescue Mission we work together to prepare and provide a hot, nutritious meal. Once a month we assist and serve this dinner meal with kindness and a smile. They are always so grateful. Thank you to our regular volunteers, Annette Ambrosino, Wanda & Colin Hogan & Debbie Mestas. We always have a great time. Please let Annette or Wanda know if you feel moved to help in the ministry. We serve on the 4th Friday of each month.



THANK YOU to the volunteers who have helped with the sandwich ministry and blankets. Debbie Mestas, Trudy Woodard, Janis Coey, Belle Stapleton, Max Jacobson, Darlene Bishop, Lani McBee, Virginia Yohn, Annette Ambrosino and others who have volunteered. You truly are the KEY! Blessings to all of our helpers — Thank you, Annette Ambrosino & Wanda Hogan



Easter will soon be upon on us (MARCH 31st) and Spiritual Growth will be purchasing the flowers for Easter Sunday. If you wish to purchase flowers to remember or honor someone, the cost will be \$9 and you are welcome to take the flowers home after the 10:10 Easter Service on March 31st. If you wish to purchase flowers but are unable to attend church, please send your check and information to the church office. Any questions, contact Kimberly Ireland.

APRIL DIACONATE 8:15 - Nina Hytrek 10:10 - Trudy Woodard & Dale Gregory Contact Trudy Woodard @ 259-4370 to sign up if you haven't already.

> **OFFERING STEWARD Judy Baker** ****

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL **Jennifer Grooms** ******

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MARCH March 24 Teresa Elliott - both services March 31 8:15 - Dewey Smith. 10:10. Dennis Baker

APRIL

April 7 - Teresa Elliott - Nancy Thomas April 14- Nancy Thomas - Gloria Monroe April 21 - Teresa Elliott - Nicholas Grooms April 28 - Dewey Smith - Dennis Baker



Casey & Sarah Brown - April 12, 2008 Lalo & Jane Perez - April 14, 2023 Darin. & Crystal Rodgers - April 15, 2005 Steve & Cindy Huckfeldt - April 24, 1976

New Email address Elaine Gross — elaine8838@outlook.com



Dear FCC Scholarship Committee and Church Family--I would like to formally thank you for the scholarship money I was granted for my spring semester. With the financial aid from the church along with my additional BOCES classes, both have allowed my goal of getting my associates degree in fire science even closer. By the end of my freshman year in college, I will have graduated with my degree and hopefully will be applying for a job with the Casper Fire Department. Thank you again for your generosity. Sincerely, Cristopf Atkinson





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Apr 3 Stan Fox Apr 4 Dennis Baker Jennifer Grooms. Apr. 20 Apr 7 Apr 12 Kimberly Ireland Apr. 25 Apr 13 Paul Hallock Apr 14 JIM Oliver





Thank you to the FCC outside yard pickup volunteers for keeping the church looking "spiffy" during the fall and winter months. It is greatly appreciated. Ted Grooms



There's a sign up sheet on the bulletin board for those that wish to keep the church grounds looking pristine during the summer. No mowing or trimming is needed. Please take a month from May-September. Contact Ted Grooms if you have any questions or would like more details.

There is also a signup sheet on the bulletin board that has a list of outside projects that Ted Grooms has come up with. Please feel free to pick a project and complete these on your own time. Just let Ted know what project you have picked, when you would like to work on it and he will have supplies/materials available for you at that date.



At the annual Blue and Gold Banquet held several weeks ago, the following Cub Scouts from Pack 1013 at FCC crossed over to Boy Scouts Troop 1013B:

Blake Stupak, member FCC Chase Whitaker Logan Avery Luke Bennion Reece Hansen Elias Lybbert Jay Lozano CONGRATULATIONS AND ENJOY YOUR SCOUTING EXPERIENCE



INFORMATION ON FCC REGISTRATION FORMS FOR SUMMER CAMP IS ON THE BULLETIN BOARDS

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION: NOON APRIL 18TH.

CONTACT:

MICHELL ELSER OR ERIKA WARD IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.



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Disciples Women's Ministry Tuesday, April 9th In Fellowship Hall at 1:00 p.m.

Read Ephesians chapter 4

Our service project for April is The Olivia Caldwell Foundation A monetary donation would be appreciated.



It has been three years since CWF (Christian Women's Fellowship) became DWM (Disciples Women's Ministry). The name has changed but the "soul" of our group remains the same. We enjoy Christian fellowship and share our joys and concerns with each other. We read the Bible, a new chapter each month. We began with Psalms 119: 1-8, and Philippians. We are currently reading Ephesians and sharing our thoughts about the scripture during the meetings. We send cards to homebound members, and take turns doing a devotion, sing songs and enjoy snacks! We look forward to a picnic in the summer.a potluck and party during Christmas. We help the

Fleece Blanket ministry during the summer months by putting a few blankets together after our meeting.

Throughout the year we contribute to local, national, and international organizations such as the Rescue Mission, Hospice, and Interfaith, providing both material goods and monetary donations. We have also helped our church quilting groups and our FCC preschool. There is no "membership fee" and members donate to the DWM budget as they are able.

We had our first big fundraiser in 2023 with the creation of the cookbook "A Seat at our Table." It was a great success, all 100 books were sold, and DWM appreciated your support! The funds enable DWM to go beyond the budgeted items and help with needs that arise during the year.

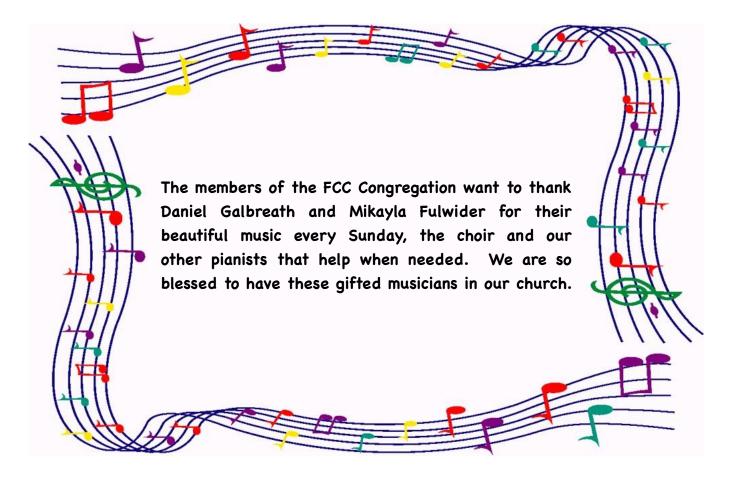
We would love to have you join us the second Tuesday of every month at 1:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall! See you soon!! If you have any questions, contact Lani McBee.

APRIL 2024

FCC CASPER CALL



FCC Preschool year is getting close to the end. It is hard to believe how quickly this school year has gone! In April we will be studying the letters V, W, X, and Z. The kids love their music time with Mr. Dylan from Vibes. Graduation this year will be May 23 and last day of school is May 24th. Thank you to FCC for your support of the Preschool~~~~ Shannon & Teresa





Maundy Worship Service will be at 6:30 p.m. in the Inner Room. Rev. Nancy Thomas will preside. No meal will be served.

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MARCH 30th - 10 AM

EASTER

Bring your camera for photos with the Easter Bunny!

First Christian Church

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If you would like to donate candy or eggs, please put them in the basket by the sanctuary.

Questions? Want to help? Text Michelle at 307-259-1166.

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Christian Education will present 2nd grade graduates with bibles on Mother's Day Sunday,May 12th. Our 2nd graders are: Allie Lackey, Rylie Lavin, Abel Cazier and Tyler Sibal. Please let Michelle know if there are other members receiving these bibles.

On May 19th the High School graduates will be presented bibles. Those are: Jada Wardell, Emma Lackey, Cristopf Atkinson and Zachary Hawley. If there are any other members graduating from High School, please let Michelle know.

Congratulations to all our graduates and High School seniors "You're off to Great Places! Today is your day! Your mountain is waitingSo get on your way!" ... From Oh the Places You'll Go! By Dr. Suess

PASTOR BRYAN'S SERMON IN THE ROUND GROUP filled Easter Eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt while discussing the previous sermon. Easter Bunny helpers are Rita Petersen, David Riedel, Dewey Smith and Pastor Bryan.

A fun time was had by all!