



First Presbyterian Church

The Mustard Seed

NEWSLETTER

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Raffle drawing, too!

Community Thanksgiving Dinner will be Thursday, Nov. 27, 1-3 p.m.

This year's Helena-wide Thanksgiving Dinner will be Thursday, Nov. 27, between 1 and 3 p.m., at First Presbyterian Church, in Richardson Hall.

Piano music will be provided by Merle Korizek and Ann Swisher. Drawing for our Church's raffle will be at 3 p.m.



Your Friendship Committee is seeking volunteers for food, and for set-up, clean-up, and to work during the dinner. Please see the sign-up sheet on the Coffee Table. We hope you can help!

Special Olympics dinner on Nov. 7

FPC will be serving dinner to about 50 Special Olympics athletes Friday, Nov. 7, 5-7 p.m.

We will be hosting the Miles City Bandits again this year, and also the Mt. Powell Stars team.

Mission and Outreach Committee is coordinating the meal. For details, visit with Carol Gneckow.



Life is better together.

Ecumenical Thanksgiving Worship Service

Tuesday, Nov. 25, 6:30 p.m.

Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church
3580 N. Benton Ave.

Our Redeemer's Lutheran
St. John's Lutheran
First Presbyterian
St. Peter's Episcopal
New Life Lutheran

You're invited!

One of Pastor Emily's seminary professors, Dr. Tucker Ferda, will be presenting a lecture Thursday, Nov. 6, at 3 p.m., for his installation to the Errett M. Grable Chair in New Testament Exegesis and Early Christianity in Pittsburgh.

His lecture is titled "The Solidarity of the Messiah: Recovering Matthew's Theology of the Cross within Second Temple Judaism."

Pastor Emily plans to watch the live-stream of the lecture from the church library, and you are welcome to join her. Dr. Ferda's family has deep connections to FPC Helena.

Thank you notes

Pumpkin Patch Party, October 18

Thank you Helena First Presbyterian Church for a successful Pumpkin Patch Party! Romans 12:10 (NIV) *"We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. ...If it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully."*

Your gifts were so appreciated on Saturday! We had more volunteers than church vests to wear. We gave away over 80 hot dogs! We had sunshine and a blustery wind. Thanks to all who participated, who helped haul tables and chairs for set-up and take-down. Thanks to our Scouts for the 2 bounce houses and for the ax-throw game. We had wonderful hands-on games for the children including ring toss, cake walk, face painting, fishing, drawing, etc., along with special treats we handed out.

John Coefield said the Pumpkin Patch sales went well on Saturday. Our medical team had no one to nurse. Our music team provided upbeat tunes. Galatians 5:13 (NIV) *"Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves."* Thank you all!

- *God's Peace, Carol Gneckow, Mission & Outreach*

McNay Service

First Presbyterian Church,

Thank you for the use of the church for David's service.

- *The McNay Family*

Dear John and Carol (Gneckow),

I just wanted to personally thank you for all of your help on Friday and Saturday, setting up the service and luncheon, and the clean up afterwards. It was so nice to have people from the church there who were familiar with everything to guide our crew of volunteers. Thank you for everything—and it was a pleasure to meet you!

- *Lori McNay*

Potluck Canceled

Our normal "5th Sunday Potluck" falls on Nov. 30, right after Thanksgiving.

The Friendship Committee has decided to cancel this potluck.

Trivia Question:

What was Matthew's occupation before he became a disciple of Jesus?



(Answer on page 15.)

Dear friends in Christ,

In October, I had the joy of attending the National Gathering of 1001 New Worshipping Communities, a movement within the Presbyterian Church (USA) to create new communities across the country that worship God in diverse ways. We gathered in the beautiful space of Estes Park, Colorado, to worship, connect, and rest.



Our central text for the gathering was Mark 6:30-32. The disciples have just returned from their ministry journeys. Perhaps they had been going about teaching and visiting people and healing the sick. Apparently, they were so busy that they did not even have a chance to eat! So, Jesus says to them, “Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest.” They get into a boat together and go to a solitary place. Their time of rest is short because five thousand hungry people meet them at the place at which they were seeking solitude, but even after having compassion on the crowds and feeding them, Jesus again seeks solitude, dismissing the crowds and going up to a mountainside to pray by himself.

Sometimes we, like the disciples, can be so busy with ministry that we neglect the most important thing: simply spending time with Jesus. We neglect our body’s needs and the invaluable gift of rest. Even when we do rest, we can be tempted to view rest as a means to the end of doing more work. When I share about my own practice of Sabbath, I find that I often emphasize how this practice helps me to show up as a grounded and energized pastor and fuels my creativity. While it is true that our ministry tends to be more wholehearted and thoughtful and creative when we are rested, we also need to be reminded that rest is inherently valuable, an end in itself, a gift from God, and even a command from God.

Amidst all the wonderful ministry of our congregation, amidst all the day-to-day tasks in your life, amidst all the other responsibilities to family and community that you hold, how are you taking time to go with Jesus to a quiet place and get some rest? Jesus longs for you to cease from your work and spend time with him. May you be nourished by the gift of rest in this season. And may you know that time spent with Jesus is time well spent.

Grace and peace,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Emily Cowser". The ink is dark and the signature is written on a light-colored rectangular background.

The Rev. Emily Cowser

Names for the Messiah

Advent study begins Dec. 4

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, the Advent season is up on us soon. I will be offering a study of our Advent book, *Names for the Messiah*. The study will be on Thursdays, the 4th, 11th, and 18th of December at 11:00 in the church library.

The Books will be available to you November 23 so that you may start to review the material. This is a light study filled with fun and fellowship along with continued knowledge of the Word. Don't forget to invite a friend! I'm thinking lunch provided. The Advent books are available to all even if you cannot attend the study so be sure and take one. Please, one book per couple.

Questions? Give me a call, Dianna Goodman 406- 443-4193. All you have to do is say, **YES**.

In Him,
Dianna Goodman



Dianna
Goodman

About the Study Book . . .



Best-selling author Walter Brueggemann examines the four royal titles given in Isaiah 9:6.

In Isaiah 9:6, a divine utterance is given to us using four royal titles — Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace. *Names for the Messiah* ponders each title and how the people understood it then, how Jesus did or did not fulfill the title, and how Christians interpret Jesus as representative of that title.

Christians have claimed from the beginning that Jesus was the Messiah foretold in the Old Testament. In this study, best-selling author Walter Brueggemann tackles the questions: "What were these expectations?" and "Did Jesus fulfill them?"

Christmas Caroling

A Christmas Caroling event is being planned. Not just the Choir, but everybody in the congregation will be invited to go caroling at retirement homes, nursing homes and residences during the afternoon of Dec. 7. Details to come.

Signs of Autumn

With October came an uptick in activities—

enjoying the last mild days of Fall with a stroll around Spring Meadow Lake . . .



reuniting the choir for Sunday anthems . . .

and even beginning bell choir rehearsals for “The Music of Christmas” Sunday on December 21!



Coffee for Vets drive wraps up Nov. 11

The Mission & Outreach Committee will conclude the Coffee for Vets drive on Veterans Day, November 11.

Bring in coffee - either fresh roast in a can or coffee pods—along with some of the shelf-stable "this & that" for putting into your favorite cup of coffee - coffee mate, sugar, etc.



Thank you for helping with this giving opportunity! Questions? Call Carol Gneckow, (406) 422-9914.

MINUTES OF THE SESSION

October 21, 2025

The regular meeting of the Session of the First Presbyterian Church of Helena was called to order on October 21, 2025, at 1:30 PM by Pastor in Residence Reverend Emily Cowser who also Moderated the subsequent meeting.

Elder Jim Meyer opened the meeting with prayer.

Reverend Cowser handed out a page of Scripture from 1 Kings 19:8-18 and introduced Session to “Dwelling in the Word.” The verses were read aloud twice and members were asked what stood out to them.

Reverend Cowser indicated that she plans to include a Discernment question or two to Session meetings such as, “When were you closest to God since our last meeting” and “when or what found you farthest from God since our last meeting.”

There was a quorum with the following Elders present: Arlyn “Butch” Plowman, Carol Gneckow, Patti Borsberry, Jim Meyer, John Bryan, Jeff Chaffee, Barb Leland. John Warren was absent as he is resigning from Session including Chair of Nominating Committee and Synergos. Deacon Ward Stiles, Clerk of Session John Gneckow and Treasurer Leo Potter were in attendance.

APPROVAL OF DOCKET: Reverend Cowser asked for additions to the docket. Added notice: Elder John Warren’s resignation from Session; request to approve John Coefield as Nominating Committee Chair; and discussion on forming a team to assist families with funeral arrangements in FPC to New Business. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the docket with the additions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the minutes of September 16, 2025, regular Session meeting as presented.

CLERK’S REPORT: The Clerk read thank you notes from Lori McNay (daughter-in-law) and Darlene McNay for the assistance provided in preparing for David McNay’s funeral and luncheon and the attendance from church members and friends at his funeral.

The Clerk also noted that FPC has received notice that we are listed as having some interest in the estate of Rose Leavitt. The estate is in probate with the First Judicial District Court in Lewis and Clark County. I was advised by the law office handling the estate probate that there is nothing that we need to do except sit back and wait for the court to rule, which can take as much as a year.

Active Membership as of August 31, 2025	89
Active Membership as of September 30, 2025	89

RESIDENT PASTOR’S REPORT:

Pastor Emily has learned that with the demise of Helena FPC PW, FPC doesn’t have a “go to” group to provide hospitality for various services.

ACTION ITEM: Ask the Deacons to address forming a Memorial Service

Team made up of Deacon and congregation volunteers. A motion was made, seconded and passed.

Elder Carol Gneckow said that she is willing to attend the Deacon meeting to provide information about the hospitality services that PW provided in the past.

ACTION ITEM: Move Session meeting times to 1:00 PM on the second Tuesday of the month through June 2026 but be willing to revisit the meeting time if deemed appropriate. After discussion, moved, seconded, and passed.

ACTION ITEM: One of Pastor Emily’s seminary professors, Dr. Tucker Ferda, will be presenting a lecture November 6 at 3:00 PM as part of his installation to the Errett M. Grable Chair in New Testament Exegesis and Early Christianity. Being awarded a Chair in an academic community is considered to be a great honor for a professor. Pastor Emily plans to watch the livestream of the lecture and installation and is inviting anyone from the church to join her in the church library. Dr. Tucker is a relative of Lucille Samson who was a long-time member of FPC Helena.

Met with her coach, counselor, two mentors, her spiritual director, and her 1001 apprenticeship cohort and Sabbath Innovation Lab cohort.

She attended a Stewardship Kaleidoscope conference.

She attended the Glacier Presbytery meeting at Glacier Camp.

She attended the 1001 New Worshipping Communities National Gathering.

She had one-to-one and small group conversations with various church members.

Asks for continuing prayers for Linda Bench who is recovering from a virus.

Plans to spend December 29 through January 3 with family in Pittsburg to celebrate Christmas.

Communion	Total	Breakout
September	84	39 in person, 36 online, 9 at home

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Administration Committee: Chair Jim Meyer reported. A written report was submitted to Session.

The financial report was reviewed. Net operating income through September was \$25,695 and expenses were \$23,092. For the year, we have received 80% of our projected (budgeted) income, while expenses are at 63% of budgeted. (75% of the year is gone). The Building Fund is listed as negative and funds will be transferred as appropriate.

In September, Vanguard Funds showed a gain of \$6976.53, bringing the YTD gain to \$28,442.97.

The Memorial Committee: did not meet.

A bid has been received from TDS for internet and phone services. We anticipate savings of over \$100 per month.

The Pumpkin Patch Party was discussed.

ACTION ITEM: Administration recommends that the proceeds from this year's Pumpkin Patch be given to the Mission Committee to distribute. Motion passed.

The kitchen building fund was discussed. Raffle ticket receipts are \$1459 to date with more selling events scheduled.

ACTION ITEM: The Administration Committee recommends beginning replacement of the Building/Kitchen funds with \$26,000 from Vanguard funds #2 -Sigrid Underdahl account, and #4 -Building Reserve account, and obtain monies in 2026 from the principal of Lona's Legacy fund with the Presbytery Foundation to the maximum allowed and utilize the proceeds from the current raffle, then reevaluate. Motion passed.

Karen Witte agreed to outline the logistics of the pledge drive during Stewardship Sunday. The stewardship mailing list was reviewed and revised.

We are anticipating a good income next year based on pledges received to date, the Synergos assistance with Pastor Emily's income and expenses, and the campus lease monies.

Next meeting: November 12 at 4:00 PM.

Building and Grounds Committee: Chair "Butch" Plowman reported and a written report was submitted to Session.

Discussed 2026 budget—increase to \$89,350 from \$85,850.

- Building insurance increased less than expected (\$600)

- Delete van maintenance (\$500)

- Increase hourly rate for cleaning service plus additional for cleaning pews (\$1100)

- Anticipated increases for water (\$100), carpet cleaning (\$200), and lawn care (\$500)

- Miscellaneous (\$3,000)—equal to amount spent this ytd.

Eric Much will plow the parking lot but doesn't have someone to shovel sidewalks—FPC will seek someone.

We will sign up for four lawn treatments with Nitro-Green.

Mark may have found someone to replace the retired sprinkler maintenance gentleman.

Future opportunities (projects):

- Stucco repair

- Broken table disposal

- Main entry door draft

- Eleventh Ave door

- Spauling on colored concrete near main entrance

Next Meeting: November 12 at 10:00 AM

Christian Education Committee: Chair John Bryan reported. A written report was submitted to Session.

Chair John Bryan opened the meeting with prayer.

Clerk of Session John Gneckow provided the committee with definitions and information on Designated and Restricted funds available to them.

Vicky Bryan and Mollee Jones, the new Youth Group co-leaders, need to have background checks completed. This will take place as directed by Personnel.

The committee is considering hiring a part-time youth leader.

ACTION ITEM: Session asked the Education Committee to prepare a proposal for the Part Time Youth Leader position to include a job description and proposed pay. Moved, seconded, and passed.

CLP Dianna Goodman will be leading a Bible study for Lent based on the book Names for the Messiah. The study will begin December 4 at 11:00 AM.

ACTION ITEM: Session approval for Dianna to lead this study during Advent. Motion made, seconded, and approved.

Pastor Emily informed the committee that the Child Abuse Prevention Policy, and the Sexual Harassment Policy, need revision. According to the Book of Order, we also need to write an Antiracism policy.

Next Meeting: December 8. (No meeting in November)

Friendship Committee: Elder Barb Leland reported. A written report was submitted to Session.

Up-coming Activities:

Lost Soles hike around Spring Meadow Lake October 26, leaving the church around 11:30 AM.

Community wide Thanksgiving Dinner on Thanksgiving day.

Congregational Christmas Caroling December 7. Time to be determined.

ACTION ITEM: Session approve promoting a Congregation Christmas Caroling event December 7.

Next Meeting: November 12 at 1:00 PM.

Mission and Outreach Committee: Chair Carol Gneckow reported. A written report was submitted to Session.

Chair Carol Gneckow provided information from Volunteer Training with Family Promise. She also provided information on Meal Guidelines, overnight hosting expectations, emergency information, and other helpful reminders.

The Pumpkin Patch Party was a well-attended event considering the blustery wind. The Administration committee moved to give the Pumpkin Patch proceeds to the Mission and Outreach committee to donate to Helena Food Share for their Kids' Pack program.

ACTION ITEM: Request Session approval to donate the Pumpkin Patch

proceeds to Helena Food Share for the Kids' Packs program. Motion passed.

The committee selected "Bag of Moringa Tree Seeds" and "Sapling Set" from the Presbytery Giving Catalog for our February worldwide mission giving.

ACTION ITEM: Session approval to promote "Bag of Moringa Tree Seeds" and "Sapling Set" from the Presbyterian Giving Catalog as the FPC February mission giving project. Motion passed.

The Annual Prison Fellowship Angel Tree campaign begins November 16 with receipt of Christmas cards listing gifts that the children hope to receive. The gifts should be wrapped. The drive will end December 14. The Mission Committee plans to include a gift bag for each child which will include an orange, some candy, and a Christmas tree ornament. The family will also receive a \$50.00 gift card to Safeway. Gifts will be distributed December 19 and 20.

ACTION ITEM: Participate in the Annual Prison Fellowship Angel Tree and include a gift bag with an orange, some candy, and Christmas tree ornament for each child. Additionally, the family is to receive a \$50.00 gift card to Safeway. The campaign is to begin November 16 and end December 14. Approved.

The Helena Warm Hearts campaign begins December 27 and ends January 31. The drive collects new blankets and towels to gift the needy within our community. The gifts will be given out on Valentine's day.

ACTION ITEM: Approve participation in the Warm Hearts giving campaign in Helena beginning December 27 and ending January 31. Motion passed.

ACTION ITEM: Session to strive to increase FPC Mission giving 10% above 2025 in 2026. Motion passed.

Mission and Outreach will purchase five (5) turkeys from its budget for the Community Day dinner.

Next meeting: November 10 at 1:00 PM

Nominating Committee: A written report was submitted to Session.

The committee reviewed the Deacon and Elder 2025 class list. Two people have served 6-year terms with no break and are ineligible for another term until they have completed a one-year hiatus from the Board or Session. Committee members will contact the remaining individuals to see if they will accept another term.

The meeting was closed with prayer.

Next meeting: Pending a call from the moderator to review the acceptance/nonacceptance of any or all candidates.

Personnel Committee: Chair Jeff Chaffee reported. A written report was submitted to Session.

Chair Jeff will supply members with a list of staff anniversary dates and ensure that all employee files are in a secure cabinet in the office.

Pastor Emily wants to add the Dental Benefit to her benefits. The coverage will add \$37 per month to her compensation package. Chair Jeff will review how this addition will fit into the current and future budget.

ACTION ITEM: Approve adding the Dental Benefit to Pastor Emily's compensation plan for the remainder of 2025 and through 2026. Motion passed.

The committee continues with discussion of a Nursery Care Job Description. They also discussed having a volunteer backup to the Nursery Care Attendant.

FPC needs current policies on Sexual Harassment and Misconduct, Child and Youth Protection, and Antiracism. We do have a written guideline listing the Policies and Procedures Relating to Sexual Misconduct that will need to be updated to meet current guidelines from the Presbytery. Pastor Emily will look for guidance from other churches in the Presbytery and review information on the PC(USA) website.

Pastor Emily attended the Presbytery fall meeting at Glacier Camp October 10 and 11.

The committee and Pastor Emily discussed the Pastor's job description. We will work on the wording and then present it to Session.

Had a discussion on the process of preparing the 2026 budget.

Next meeting: November 3 at 1:00 PM

Property Oversight Committee: Did not meet.

Synergos Committee: Barb Leland Reported. A report was submitted to Session.

The committee met September 30 in a seminar format led by Rev. Courtney Arntzen titled "Leading through Conflict with Clarity and Compassion."

The discussions focused on framing and reframing conflict, examining, and identifying types of conflict, deescalating the conflict to take the emotion out of it and understanding the side issues and work toward a peaceful outcome.

Barb noted that during the meeting, the church members are encouraged to purchase unity items such as t-shirts with our congregational name on them along with a statement of what we believe or similar wording.

ACTION ITEM: Session agreed to encourage unity items promoting the church within the church congregation that express things we believe and promote. Passed.

Barb will do research on the cost of purchasing shirts and have them printed.

Worship Committee: Chair Patti Borsberry reported. Written reports were submitted to Session.

Some members have commented to a committee member that they would like more traditional hymns sung on Sunday.

Dianna Goodman suggested doing away with the printed words on the screen so that congregants can get back to reading the melody, harmony, and words in the hymnals. People who worship from home would be invited to stop in and pick

up a hymnal or ask to have one delivered to them.

Les Cramer spoke with Tonna about teaching committee members to operate the slide deck during services.

Advent Services begin November 30. We will decorate the sanctuary following the worship service that day. Advent books have been ordered and will be available November 23. Two new banners are also being purchased using Anderson Trust funds.

Deacon Report: A written meeting report and activity report for September meeting was submitted to Session.

Committee Business:

Discussed Name tags for church services rather than the stick-on type. Ward reported that Session decided written nametags were more welcoming than the typewritten nametags on a lanyard. Those who have one may still use it.

During September 2025, no meals were provided. Twenty-six (26) cards were sent acknowledging birthdays and anniversaries and one sympathy card and one get well card. Five Grief booklets were also provided to various people who lost family members during the past year. There were no hospital visits. Communion was served to 7 people at Touchmark and 2 people received communion from a Deacon at home.

Next Meeting: November 9 following the Worship service.

A Motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the committee reports.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Session member John Warren has resigned his seat on Session and committees that he has been involved in. His resignation leaves Session with only seven (7) members. According to the by-laws, seven members on Session is the least number of members we must have to conduct business.

John Coefield has been asked to fill the vacancy as chair of the Nominating Committee. He has prior experience and has agreed to chair the position. Motion made to approve John as Nominating Chair, seconded, passed.

The church office will be closed December 25 through January 2 so our staff can enjoy the holidays with family. Motion made, seconded, and passed that the staff will receive their pay for that week.

There being no further business to conduct, a motion was made, seconded, and approved to adjourn the meeting.

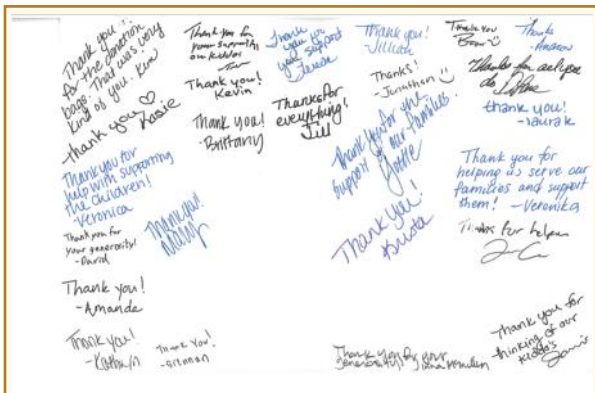
The next Regular Session Meeting: November 18, 2025, at 1:00 PM

John Gneckow
Clerk of Session

Glacier Camp Online Advent Study begins Nov. 30, 5 p.m.

For the Zoom link or more information, email camp director Tim Lanham, timothy@glaciercamp.org.





Another Thank You . . .

From Child & Family Services, for the duffle bags stuffed and donated by FPC Helena as part of a project with the Glacier Presbytery churches.

Join us for worship Sundays, 10 a.m.

or online: www.fpchelena.org



Thank You for Your Generosity

Thank you for your faithful giving to the ministry of FPC Helena.

Your financial support makes the proclamation of the gospel possible throughout the world! Our Sept. net giving is here:

	Sept. 2025	YTD
Income	\$23,155	\$213,186
Expenses	<u>\$20,143</u>	<u>\$187,491</u>
	\$3,012	\$25,695

The online giving program can be found on the fpchelena.org/giving website.

If you have any questions, please contact Treasurer Leo Potter at 815-980-5236.

*This is the day that the Lord has made:
let us rejoice and be glad in it!*

ELDERS & DEACONS

FPC Elders

Patti Borsberry

(Worship Chair)

Jeff Chaffee

(Personnel Chair)

Barb Leland

(Friendship Chair)

John Bryan

(Christian Ed Chair)

Jim Meyer

(Administration Chair)

Butch Plowman

(Building & Grounds Chair)

Carol Gneckow

(Mission Chair)

John Gneckow

(Clerk of Session)

FPC Deacons

BJ Burns

Kathy Chambers

Jill Cook

Bonnie Anderson

Ward Stiles

Vice-moderator

Vicky Bryan

Art Bumgardner

Moderator

Rena Bumgardner

Ria Caussyn

Carole Massman

NOVEMBER 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sa
Time Change! Be sure to turn your clocks back one hour Nov. 1!						1
2 10 am Worship w/Communion 11 am Social	3 10 am Personal 5 pm Xpress Singers	4 11:30 am Bridge 7 pm Al Anon 7 pm Scouts	5 2 pm Choir 3:30 Handbell Ringers	6 10 am Sarah & Rebekah Study 3 pm Livestream with Pastor Emily 6:30 Bridge 7 pm AA	7 Noon Bible Study 1:30 pm Hand & Foot Cards 5 pm Special Olympics dinner	8
9 10 am Worship 11 am Social Time 11:15 am Deacons	10 1 pm Mission 5 pm Xpress Singers	11 11:30 am Bridge 1:30 pm Worship Committee 7 pm Al Anon 7 pm Scouts	12 10 am Building & Grounds 1 pm Friendship 2 pm Choir 3:30 pm Ringers 4 pm Admin	13 6:30 Bridge 7 pm AA	14 Noon Friday Bible Study 1:30 pm Hand & Foot Cards	15
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30 Advent 10 am Worship 11 am Social Time						

November Birthdays



14th Larry Mirch
21st Deanna Albert
21st Sarah Coefield
23rd Gabriel Drynan
25th Susan Steffens

25th Mary Wright
27th Louise Cramer
28th Lucille Letcher
28th Rena Bumgardner
29th Bill Uthman



November Anniversaries

24th Butch & Pearle Plowman

25th Joe & Susan Steffens



The pumpkin sales are over, but we have straw bales for sale!

Pastoral Care: Who to contact

Members of First Presbyterian Church, Helena who are in need of pastoral care, or know someone who is, should take the following steps:

1. Contact Resident Pastor Emily Cowser — Church: 406-442-4775; Email: pastor@fpchelena.org.
2. If she is not available, contact Commissioned Pastor Dianna Goodman — Cell: 406-431-8964; email: eastsidedesign@bresnan.net.
3. If she is not available, contact Arlyn (Butch) Plowman — Home: 406-449-8705; Cell: 406-558-9240; email: pearlynp@msn.com.

You may also get in touch with your shepherd.

Cover photo: Autumn scene at the base of MacDonald Pass.

Trivia Answer

A tax collector.

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Sunday Service 10 a.m.
Weekly Sermon on HCTV Cable Channel 189
Wednesdays at 6 pm & Saturdays at 9 AM



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of Christ through Our Love,
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