

Spreading the Good News of Christ
Through Our Love, Words, and Actions

“Becoming a Blessing”



**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)**

**535 North Ewing Street
Helena, MT 59601**

June 10, 2018

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

JUNE 10, 2018

Lay Liturgist – Art Bumgardner

* *Please stand if you are able*

PRELUDE: “Aria” by Paul Manz (1919-2009)

WELCOME

PREPARING OUR HEARTS *a time of silence*

OPENING PRAYER

*UNISON CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Sing praises to our Lord:

People: Who heals us and makes us whole.

Leader: Sing praises to our Lord, faithful children of God:

People: Whose joy rises in our lives each and every day.

Leader: Sing praises to our Lord, faithful children of God;

People: Give thanks to God's holy name: God's Kingdom is near to us; God's peace resides in our hearts.

* GATHERING HYMN: “Lord, You Give the Great Commission” See screen

CALL TO CONFESSION:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

Leader: When we resist your call to open our hearts to allow the freshness of your grace to enter:

People: God have mercy.

Leader: When we close our eyes to your new and unexpected possibilities of ministry, mission, healing and reconciliation.

People: Christ have mercy.

Leader: When we let fear overwhelm us, and cling to the security of what we know instead of risking new steps toward your mercy, freedom and justice:

People: God have mercy. *(time for silent confession)*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, let us proclaim the Good News:

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Leader: Let us recognize that we are made new by God.

People: Alleluia! Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

Leader: Let us share signs of Christ's peace with one another.

*GLORIA PATRI

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Come to the Waters" by *G.F. Handel, Art Bumgardner, bass*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING: **Isaiah 41:17-20** **Page 1123**

GOSPEL READING: **Mark 1:40-45** **Page 1551**

SERMON: **"Becoming a Blessing"** **Rev. Dr. Bruce Wismer**

*RESPONSE HYMN: **"The Servant Song"** **#424**

THE OFFERING

INVITATION TO OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

"Allegretto" by *Flor Peeters (1903-1986)*

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

UNISON LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and glory forever. Amen.

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

*SENDING HYMN: **"Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples"** **See screen**

*BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE **"God Be With You"** **#232**

POSTLUDE: **"Festival Voluntary"** by *Flor Peeters*

CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

Sunday	10	10:00 am	Worship Service / Education Hour
		11:30 am	Deacons' meeting
		12:00 pm	AA Study Group
Monday	11	6:00 pm	Helena X-Press Singers
		7:00 pm	Girl Scouts
Tuesday	12	10:00 am	Worship Committee meeting
		11:00 am	Bridge Club – ACBL Unit 411
		5:30 pm	Administration Committee meeting
		6:00 pm	Mission Committee meeting
		6:00 pm	Young Women's Bible Study
		7:00 pm	Building & Grounds Committee meeting
		7:00 pm	AL-ANON meeting
		7:00 pm	Boy Scouts
Wednesday	13	9:30 am	Willing Workers
		11:30 am	Congregational Fellowship Committee meeting
Thursday	14	11:00 am	Bridge Club – ACBL Unit 411
		4:00 pm	Praise Band practice
		6:30 pm	Youth Group
		7:00 pm	"It's In the Book" - AA Group
		7:00 pm	AA - District #61
Friday	15	12:00 pm	Friday Study Group
		1:00 pm	Hand & Foot - Ruth Room
Sunday	17	10:00 am	Worship Service / Education Hour
		12:00 pm	AA Study Group

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - June 11-15, 11:30 am - 3:30 pm

Please join the family of longtime member, Katie Spiroff, in celebrating her birthday of 90 years, **Saturday, June 16**, at Touchmark on Saddle drive **from 2 - 4 pm**.
No gifts please. She would enjoy seeing you.

Deacons-On-Call

Need a ride, a meal or a home repair? Call a Deacon on Call:

Rose Leavitt (443-4783)
Joy Edgar (202-2200)

Ushers

Ushers Today (10)

Sheryl Eriksen, Corky Lord
John & Carol Gneckow

Ushers Next Week (17)

Elroy & Lucille Letcher
Matthew Richards

Prayers for Strength and Healing

Bob Burns	Newell Anderson
B. J. Burns	Jennifer Massman
Donna Carey	Toston LaFournaise
Elroy Letcher	Heather Voeller Waters
Louise Cramer	Court Bourne, Pastor Scott's son
Doris Casebolt	Vella Raucy, Susan Steffens' mother
Joyce Andrews	Susan Byasson, Rose Leavitt's sister
Yvonne Moody	Terry Heinecke, Barrie's sister-in-law
John Gneckow	Jamie Heinecke, Barrie's daughter-in-law
Steve Granzow	Cathy Leavitt, Rose Leavitt's daughter-in-law
Linda Granzow	Heather McAllister, Pastor Scott's daughter
Gale Johnson	Dave Westenbarger, Carol Carpenter's father
Mazie Radcliffe	

Please keep the Military in your Prayers

Dan Boyer	Rick Kosticki
Barry Mattson	Robbie McCain

Prayer Requests - let us know how we can help:

If you have PRAYER NEEDS, please take advantage of our Prayer Chapel after worship, a peaceful place to commune with God. If you would like to have someone pray with you, please seek out an Elder, Deacon or the Pastor, and they will join you or find someone who will pray with you. Other options to make your prayer needs known are:

1. Prayer request cards are found on the shelves behind each pew in the sanctuary, in the Prayer Chapel, and in the youth room. Completed cards can be put in the offering plate, dropped in the prayer request box in the Prayer Chapel, or nailed to the cross in the Youth Room. If you wish to remain anonymous, you can—God knows! If you want the youth of our church to pray for you, nail the prayer request to the cross in the Youth Room.
2. Online prayer requests - go to fpchelena.com and select the button for “prayer” OR send an e-mail to admin@fpchelena.com. **Your request will be directly sent to the coordinator, Pearle Plowman- email: pearlynp@msn.com, phone number's - 449-8705-cell 459-6332, for distribution.**
3. Call the church – Anyone who answers the phone can either pray with you, direct you to the Deacon on call, and/or pass on the prayer request to the prayer coordinator.

Mark Your Calendars

Lona's Estate Sale
will be here at the church in Potter's House
on

July 13 & 14, 2018


There will be antiques, furniture, collectibles,
mementoes, household items &
much more.

Proceeds from the sale will be donated to the
Presbyterian Women.

T-Shirts, T-Shirts, T-Shirts

Willing Workers still need T-Shirts for making "little britches" for our Mission Sewing. Men's size S & M, Women's medium & large & Boy's large. You can place your gently worn T-Shirts in the Willing Worker's Basket in the Church Office. Thank you for your continued support of PW's mission efforts.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mark your calendars!  Musikanten Montana is sponsoring its 11th Helena Choral Week from June 11-16. In addition to classes, workshops, lessons, and choral music, there are free mini-concerts each weekday at 12:15 p.m. On Friday, June 15, the mini-concert will be at our church, First Presbyterian. We are happy to host the Friday concert, and we would love to see you there!

See the schedule for the full week of events, culminating in a concert on Saturday evening, June 16, at 7:30 p.m., at St. John's Lutheran Church. You are all invited to attend any of the events during the week!

Prayer Opportunity

This week we are praying for the ministry of the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA), which is the emergency and refugee program of the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. They are at work in the United States and throughout the world. Their focus is on immediate help and long term healing for those affected by disasters, either natural or human caused. The funding for the core budget is through the One Great Hour of Sharing, and its program work is additionally funded through designated gifts.

This weekend Glacier Presbytery will have the opportunity to learn from the PDA about how to be prepared for disaster in our communities and how to be a blessing to our communities after a disaster happens. The gathering will be in Conrad. Click here for more information. You can learn more about PDA at <http://pda.pcusa.org/>

Musikanten Montana's 11th

Helena Choral Week

June 11-16, 2018



Classes & Voice Lessons

Mon.-Fri. 9, 10, 11 at St. Helena's Cathedral Center
Music Fundamentals, Madrigal Singing, Group Voice,
The Meaning Behind Our Music (Mon & Tues at 11)
(\$50 for five 1-hour sessions, or \$12 per session –
Call Donna 406-439-2926 to register, or drop in)



Lunchtime FREE Mini-Concerts at 12:15 pm

Mon.-Thur. at the Myrna Loy; Fri. at First Presbyterian Church
Mon. – Barber & Baby Doe (June Lee, Anna Milburn; Walker, Cobb)
Tues. – Godly Airs (Barbara Hollinshead; Harrison)
Wed. – American Landscapes (Rob Tudor, Erick Crow; Browne)
Thurs. – Mélange (Art Bumgardner, Rob Tudor, Evanne Browne,
Barbara Hollinshead, Tom Gregg; Browne)
Fri. – Poulenc & Britten (Heather Barnes, Kyle Burke; Lee, Browne)



Grand Finale Concert

Sat., June 16, 7:30 pm • St. John's Lutheran Church
Kerry Krebill conducts HCW Chorus in
The French Connection
Music of Duruflé, Saint-Saëns, Corigliano,
Hindemith, Poulenc, Milhaud
(\$12 at the door, kids free)

Memory Verse:

Their hearts are steady, they will not be afraid; in the end they will look in triumph on their foes.

- Psalm 112:8

Thought for the Week:

To be a Christian is to live dangerously, honestly, freely - to step in the name of love as if you may land on nothing, yet to keep on stepping because the something that sustains you no empire can give you and no empire can take away.

- Cornel West

Welcome, Guests!

Thank you for choosing to worship with us. We pray for all of us a spiritually satisfying and challenging encounter with the Living Christ. If you would like to know more about the people and programs of this church, be in touch with our pastor, Rev. Wipperman, 442-4775, visit our website: www.fpchelena.com, or take a copy of our monthly church newsletter, *The Mustard Seed*. If possible, return next Lord's Day!



STAFF

Ministers
Pastor
CRE of Pastoral Care
Director of Christian Education
Director of Music and Media
Administrative Assistant
Financial Coordinator
Organist
Nursery Care Attendant

Every Member
Rev. Scott Wipperman
Arlyn "Butch" Plowman
Lexsey Carpenter
Les Cramer
Bruce A. Luke
Jill Lloyd
Ann Swisher
Nicole Carpenter

ELDERS

Linda Bench - 2019
Kathy Chambers - 2019
Marvin Carpenter - 2019
Dianna Goodman - 2019
Judy Birch - 2020
Marshall Gingery - 2020
Matthew Richards - 2020
Mary Craige - 2020
John Coefield - 2021
Joe Steffens - 2021
John Warren - 2021
Mary Wright - 2021
Elaine Gingery, Clerk

DEACONS

Rena Bumgardner - 2019
Joy Edgar - 2019
Arlyn "Butch" Plowman - 2019
Ward & Mary Stiles - 2019
Art Bumgardner - 2020
Patti Borsberry - 2020
Rose Leavitt - 2020
Judy Patton - 2020
Pearle Plowman - 2020
Julie Chaffee - 2021
Candace Coefield - 2021
Corky Lord - 2021
Jim & Charlotte Meyer - 2021

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