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SAVE THE DATE:

*Sundays – Worship with
us at 9:30 a.m. online*

*In-person Worship -
Lingle, 9:30 a.m.*

Torrington, 11 a.m.

Torrington Session members:

Jane Iddings, 2021
Ellen Preston, 2021
Royden James, 2022
Diane Nye, 2022
Rhonda Estes, 2023

Lingle Session members:

Aaron Bahmer, 2021

Trenda Weisshaar, 2021
Don Aippersach, 2022
Ann Rose, 2022
Ryan Yung, 2023
Craig Fullmer, 2023



Upcoming Events

Thursday, Sept. 2: 6 p.m., Bible and Brews Corner Bar, Lingle

Sunday, Sept. 5: 9:30 a.m., Service in Lingle, In Person or Facebook or YouTube

11 a.m., Service in Torrington, In Person

Wednesday, Sept. 8: 2 p.m., Praise Team, FWUPC

1:30 p.m., Mary/ Marthas, Lingle

Thursday, Sept. 9: 3 p.m., PW Coordinating Team, FWUPC

6 p.m., Bible and Brews, Corner Bar, Lingle

Sunday, Sept. 12: 9:30 a.m., Service in Lingle, In Person or Facebook or YouTube

11 a.m., Service in Torrington, In Person

12 p.m., GIFT- Pizza and Tall Tale movie

Thursday, Sept. 16: 1 p.m., Seminar, Memory Issues, Dementia and Alzheimer's, FWUPC

3 p.m., PW Meeting, FWUPC

6 p.m., Bible and Brews, Corner Bar, Lingle

Friday-Saturday Sept. 17-18: PWP, Encampment

Sunday, Sept. 19: 9:30 a.m., Service in Lingle, In Person or Facebook or YouTube

11 a.m., Service in Torrington, In Person

12 p.m., Joint Carry-in Lunch, both churches invited, Torrington

Monday, Sept. 20: 6:30 p.m., Session, Torrington

Tuesday, Sept. 21: 4:30 p.m., Deacons, Lingle

5:30 p.m., Session, Lingle

Thursday, Sept. 23: 6:00 p.m., Bible and Brews, Corner Bar, Lingle

Sunday, Sept. 26: 9:30 a.m., Service in Lingle, In Person or Facebook or YouTube

11 a.m., Service in Torrington, In Person

Monday, Sept. 27: 10 a.m., Book Club Discussion, The Turquoise Table

Thursday, Sept. 30: 6 p.m., Bible and Brews, Corner Bar, Lingle

SPECIAL 3 MONTH SEMINAR SERIES FROM BANNER HEALTH at 1:00 p.m.-



Banner Health®

Dessert will be provided. Bring a friend!

September 16th Memory issues, Dementia and Alzheimer's

October 21st Depression and Anxiety

November 18th Holiday stress and ways to cope

Thank you, Banner Health, for conducting these free workshops!

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Coordinating Team meets September 9 at 3 p.m.

PW meeting begins September 16 at 3 p.m.- Lesson one

The PW fall gathering is to be held in Encampment September 17. Registration is only \$10! Hope you can join us. See Carolyn or Jane with questions.

GENERATIONS IN FAITH TOGETHER (GIFT) RESUMES AFTER WORSHIP ON SEPTEMBER 12

All ages are invited to join us for pizza and the family movie TALL TALE. GIFT will continue weekly following worship at FWUPC. All are welcome!

REMEMBER, NEVER RESPOND TO TEXT MESSAGES FROM PASTOR BRUCE ASKING FOR MONEY!

MARY MARTHAS RESUMES IN LINGLE ON SEPTEMBER 8 AT 2 P.M.

SPECIAL REQUEST FOR REPAIRS FOR A CHURCH MEMBER IN TORRINGTON. CAN YOU HELP?



COFFEE ORDERS ARE DUE EACH MONTH BY THE 10th. Contact Carolyn McBurney to place your order!

PRESBYTERY UPDATE

“I am the church, you are the church, we are the church together.” Do you recall that song? When we participate in our church we find that there are local congregational opportunities as well as statewide Presbytery opportunities and National and International opportunities through the PCUSA. I am serving on the Evangelism, Church and Leader Development Committee and am excited about new beginnings here in our Presbytery. We have 3 New Worshipping Communities in ministry with another one on the way. God is busy in Wyoming and we Presbyterians are joining the action and serving and reaching out, to love our neighbors.

The Presbytery has just partnered with Rev. Monica Hall, she will serve as the Executive Presbyter and is looking forward to meeting everyone in Wyoming. She brings her experiences from small church ministry and is thrilled with all the things that are going on in our Presbytery. I will let you know when she visits our congregations. You will want to meet her.

The Presbytery meets next at Star Valley United Presbyterian Church September 24-25. It is available by Zoom if you would like to attend or catch part of it. Speak to pastor Bruce for more information.

MISSION

The Praise Team wants to remind you that we will be collecting the Peace and Global Witness special offering at the beginning of October. We are also supporting the Backpack Program at the school district. Last year we gave new backpacks to replace those that had worn out. We will let you know how you can help in future Minute for Missions during worship. Thank you for your support.

GIFT

Beginning on September 12 at noon our Generations In Faith Together program will start. GIFT is a shared meal, paid for by the church, and a lesson for all ages. We are working our way through the Bible using a curriculum from the PCUSA titled, Growing in God’s Love. This program will meet every Sunday at noon in Torrington through the end of the year. Please join us for this time of food, fun and fellowship.



REFLECTIONS



With Pastor Bruce McBurney

Here we go again. I'm not thrilled by the possibility that we will be doing the Covid dance again. Enough already! However, if we can all get vaccinated and wear our masks when we are indoors we can have a healthy autumn and winter. We live every day with risk and threats, the scriptures talk about these as part of life. That is why the good news is that God is with you. The good news isn't that God keeps bad things from happening but that we are filled with the Holy Spirit. Because Jesus is the incarnation of God among us, we can be certain that God is very aware of the challenges that we face every day. Take comfort in the idea that God is with us, with you-all the time. Virus or no virus we know that there is going to be pain and suffering but knowing that God is right inside us should give us hope.

This autumn as we get back to our usual routines I pray that we can find safe spaces to inhabit. I want our churches to be safe places for everyone to feel like they can belong to a community that cares and does not judge. We must feel this safety first, then we should invite others to join us in a nonjudgmental place of care and acceptance. If you find yourself in a situation in which a friend or acquaintance is in need of a listening ear please remember that we have all been through more trauma this past year and a half than anyone has endured in a long time. Be patient and don't try to 'fix' anything. Just listen and see if they need a hug. Let's strive to be the hands, feet, and ears of Christ in our time and place.

You are blessed!

Bruce

"For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known." 1 Corinthians 13:12

"United in Ministry - Being the Hands and Feet of Jesus."

Presbyterian Women of Wyoming

2021 Annual Meeting

Presbyterian Church of Encampment

918 Rankin Avenue,

Encampment, Wyoming

September 17 at 5pm- September 18 at 2:30pm

Registration Form

Name _____

Street _____

City _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Total Registration Fee (includes meals) just \$10.00 per person

Deadline for Registration is September 4, 2021

Please list any dietary or special needs _____

Send your completed registration form made out for \$10.00 to:

Wyoming Presbyterian Women

Rhea Cooksey-Dixon, P.O. Box 455, Story, WY 82842

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