

THE PRESBYTERIAN POST

Pastor Bruce McBurney

Save the date:

In-person Worship -

Lingle, 9:30 a.m.

Torrington, 11 a.m.

Torrington Session

Nancy Hays, 2023

Royden James, 2023

Jane Iddings, 2024

Ellen Preston, 2024

Diane Nye, 2025

Lingle Session

Ryan Yung, 2023

Steve Ransom, 2024

Mary Harshberger, 2024

Aaron Bahmer, 2024

Don Aippersach, 2025

Ruth Ann Hanson, 2025

Trenda Weisshaar, 2025



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Upcoming events

Sunday, Jan. 1: Worship

9:30 a.m.: Lingle

11 a.m.: Torrington

Thursday, Jan. 5: Bible Study, 6 p.m., Corner Bar, Lingle

Friday, Jan. 6: Epiphany

Sunday, Jan. 8: Worship

9:30 a.m.: Lingle, Installation of Officers

11 a.m.: Torrington, Installation of Officers

12 p.m.: GIFT, Torrington

Monday, Jan. 9: Session, 6:30 p.m., Torrington

Wednesday, Jan. 11: Praise Team, 10 a.m., Torrington

Worship Team, 12 p.m., Lingle

Mary Marthas, 1 p.m., Lingle

Thursday, Jan. 12: PW C.T., 3 p.m., Torrington

Bible Study, 6 p.m., Corner Bar, Lingle

Sunday, Jan. 15: Worship

9:30 a.m.: Lingle

11 a.m.: Torrington

GIFT at noon, Movie: The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind, Torrington

Monday, Jan. 16: MLK Day

Tuesday, Jan. 17: Deacons, 4 p.m., Lingle

Joint Congregations Session, 6:30 p.m., Lingle

Thursday, Jan. 19: PW, 3 p.m., Torrington

Bible Study, 6 p.m., Corner Bar, Lingle

Jan. 20-22: PW Women of the Synod Meeting - Highlands Ranch

Sunday, Jan. 22: Worship

9:30 a.m.: Lingle

11 a.m.: Torrington

Sunday, Jan. 29: Worship

9:30 a.m.: Lingle

Congregational Meeting, Lingle

11 a.m.: Torrington

Congregational Meeting, Torrington

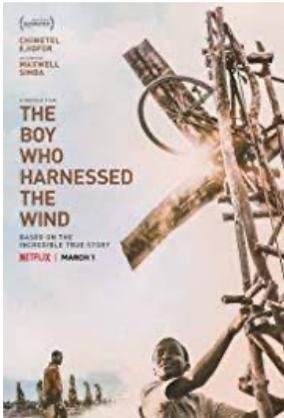
Monday, Jan. 30: Book Club, 12 p.m.

Winter Comfort

Now that the cold weather has come, if you have an event planned and want the heat on please ask the Pastor to set the thermostat for you. The thermostats are locked for a reason and you cannot adjust it. There is nothing in the Boiler Room downstairs that will make it warmer in the room you want to use. Please stay out of that room. Remember that it will take several hours to heat your room for your event so let the Pastor know/remind him before it's too late. Thank you for your advanced planning and enhanced communication.

Torrington PW

Inclement weather did not stop our Presbyterian Women from holding their annual Christmas Tea on December 15. One of two of our ladies were honored with a Lifetime Membership award (The second will be awarded at a later date). Linda Farrier has spearheaded the final two Rummage Sales, helping to raise funds for PW's mission. Thanks for the hours of hard work you put in on our behalf!



Sunday Afternoon at the Movies

January 15- Sunday Afternoon at the Movies- THE BOY WHO HARNESSED THE WIND

Based on a true story- William Kamkwamba was born in the country of Malawi, in Africa. When he was fourteen years old, a terrible drought hit the village where he lived. People had nothing to eat. Being an excellent student and very fond of physics, William decides to save his native village from starvation. In the library he finds books on physics. After studying the books, he got an idea to build a wind generator, to provide electricity to his family.

Carolyn McBurney to represent PW at USAME

During this faith-deepening and relationship-building trip Oct. 13-23, the group will visit partners in Phoenix, Tucson, and the Arizona-Mexico border, focusing on immigration and refugee issues, violence against women and children throughout the immigration process, and challenges facing indigenous people living in Arizona. Participants will experience learning, accompanying, and serving, with significant time set aside for reflection, conversation, and prayer as they encounter deep hurt as well as hope. The trip will include a visit to Cafe Justo, from whom we get the great coffee Carolyn orders for church members! The purpose of the PW USA Mission Experience (USAME) is to equip participants with an understanding of the history and culture of a particular region as well as the challenges, hopes and ministries of mission partners who serve God's people there. Traditionally, one Presbyterian woman from each synod joins the delegation and spends the following two years sharing the experience with groups within her synod.

Torrington Hymnals

What a blessing it is to have new hymnals to use. Our sister congregation in Lingle has new hymnals, too. If you would like to contribute to our collection we are offering a chance to honor or remember someone with new hymnals. If you would like to purchase a hymnal to have a name plate put in it honoring or remembering someone the cost is \$20 per book and \$2 for shipping and handling. Below is a form you can cut out, fill in, and put in the offering plate or get it to the staff. Thank you for your generosity.

Glory to God Hymnals

We had a wonderful donation at First Wyoming UPC of 40 Glory to God hymnals donated in Dalton Foos' name. If you'd like to make a donation in memory or in honor of someone, we will be placing another order. The cost is \$20 per book and \$2 shipping and handling. You can use the form below and return it with a check or cash to the offering plate or mail it to the church office.

I'd like to order _____ hymnal(s).
 _____ In Honor of _____ (who?)
 _____ In Memory of _____ (who?)
 _____ Donation
 Name _____ Phone # _____

Reflections with Pastor Bruce McBurney

Will you resolve to do something for the new year? Last year I think I resolved to not have any resolutions. I was able to keep that resolution and now my record, if anyone is keeping track, is 1 kept - 88 failed. When I look back on my experience with keeping New Year's Resolutions I feel like I'm on par or close to it. Fortunately we, as the beloved children of God don't have to wait a whole year for a new beginning. Every day is a clean slate, a fresh start, we can decide to try again before our feet hit the floor.

Maybe this New Year's Eve we can resolve to listen more, serve others more, or help those in need. My experience suggests that trying to change ourselves to meet the expectations of others is futile. God loves us just like we were created. God loves us no matter what others think of us. Let us add a dash of Shalom to our New Year tradition. Shalom encourages us to seek wholeness, not for ourselves, but for the whole community. When we seek shalom we take the temperature of the whole community. If there are parts of your community that are not being cared for or have enough to live healthy lives, let us resolve to listen and see those in need around us. Let us work with them to find solutions to their challenges. Jesus was in that business and as disciples of the Christ we should be too.

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 13:1