

want to share it, we will provide a time for you to do so. Additionally, we can connect you with others for collaborative musical opportunities. If you have questions, please contact Sally Harmon at sharmon@firstpresfargo.org.

Upcoming Worship & Music Programming:

The Kirkin' o' the Tartans, Nov. 3 at 9:00/11:00 am (identical services). We will feature the blessing of the Scottish tartans with bagpipes and drum band, Celtic dancers, orchestra and choirs. This long-standing traditional service is truly celebratory. Invite your friends to attend!

All Saints Sunday, Nov. 10 at 10:30 am. During Worship, we will name and remember the saints of our church who have passed away in the last year. An opportunity will be provided to come forward and light a candle in remembrance of loved ones, past or present.

Carols by Candlelight, Dec. 15 at 6:30 pm. Join us for this heartwarming musical program will feature all our church's vocal and instrumental ensembles, as well as congregational carol-singing in a celebration of word and music. This is another opportunity to invite a friend to attend.

MISSION

Heart & Soul Community Café

Heart-n-Soul Community Café (HSCC) is a welcoming space that provides an opportunity for all people to come together to experience conversation and community while enjoying a fresh and healthy meal. Not everyone can afford to eat a nutritious meal out at a restaurant. At HSCC everyone is welcome, included and can experience the dignity of enjoying a meal among individuals from all walks of life. Pay what you can, pay the suggested amount or pay it forward to help a neighbor in need, or volunteer your time in exchange for a meal.

The HSCC Ministry is one of the community inclusion goals of the James 2 ministry initiatives. The resulting collaboration with Heart-n-Soul Community Café, directed by Leola Daul, created opportunities for FPC volunteers to work alongside volunteers, from outside the church community, to support existing programs by joining together in service.

How Can You Help:

Volunteers

- Identify core volunteers who would work at the café.
- Identify small groups of volunteers to work on specific projects.
- Volunteer to prepare a local, delicious, and nutritious meal.

Diners

- Encourage individuals, with whom you do outreach and are in need to dine with us.
- Encourage individuals to dine with us and pay the suggested amount or pay it forward.

Awareness

- Share our posters and weekly bulletin posts in/on social media.

Contacts:

- Leola Daul at heartsoulcc@gmail.com, www.heartsoulcafe.com, or visit www.facebook.com/HeartnSoulCommunityCafe/
- Sherri Stern, 701-429-3522
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Emergency Food Pantry

The Emergency Food Pantry is a long-standing mission in the FM area, providing food baskets for those who are hungry. The need for families continues to increase every year. For two weeks a year (spring and fall), our congregation provides several volunteers to help put together the baskets and fill orders. If you would like to volunteer for this ministry, please contact Jan Harrison at jharr25@aol.com. There is a tote in the West Foyer Coatroom for ongoing donations. Most needed items are deodorant, feminine products and toiletries, men's razors, paper products, toothbrushes, toothpaste, laundry soap, shampoos, and diapers for all ages.

OFFICE

If your time is limited, but you'd still like to help out in some way, join the Office Support Squad! Volunteering in the office gives you an opportunity to engage more with both staff and the congregation of FPC.

Digital Announcements

Announcements on the TVs in the Foyer and Gathering Space may include upcoming events or info that you would like to share with the congregation, as well as recaps of recent activities. Announcement slides should have a font size of 28 or larger, widescreen (16x9) format, and need to be read in 7-9 seconds. Formats accepted: Powerpoint, Word or an image file. Slides and questions may be submitted to slides@firstpresfargo.org.

Offering Counter

We already have a faithful volunteer in place for the weekly count but could use "backups" in case our volunteer is unavailable. Also looking for volunteers to help fill the months of January, February & March while our volunteer is away. Every other week, once a month, the choice is yours! The offering count would entail 30-60 minutes of your time (depending on volume). If you're interested, please contact Jan Lundgren at jlundgren@firstpresfargo.org or call the church office.

Desk Subs

Here in the office, we have volunteers who staff the desk on a daily basis over the noon hour. Volunteering at the front desk is stress free, with time to read a book, work on a crossword puzzle or catch up on your email! Duties include answering the phone, letting people into the building and the occasional office project. Dates and times are occasional. If you are interested in helping out, contact Monica Gelinske in the church office or at mgelinske@firstpresfargo.org.



2019-2020 Ministry Catalog

Vision
Go. Serve. Love.

Mission
We are a community of faith striving to show God's love through worshiping, teaching, serving and caring for all people.

Values
**Preach the Good News. Teach the faith of Jesus Christ.
Love God and others, as ourselves. Serve all people.**

First Presbyterian Church

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Many of our opportunities happen on Wednesdays and Sundays. Here is a quick reference listing of those activities and worship services and a reference to their corresponding information in the catalog.

Wednesday	What	Catalog Description
5:30 pm	Genesis Ringers 5:30-6:10	Pg. 7
	St. Andrew's Brass 5:30-6:30	Pg. 7
6:15 pm	Grades K-2 Choir 6:15-7:00	Pg. 7
	Grades 3-6 Choir 6:15-7:00	Pg. 7
	Grades 7-12 Choir 6:15-7:00	Pg. 7
6:30 pm	Westminster Ringers 6:30-7:30	Pg. 7
7:00 pm	Youth Group 7:00-8:00	Pg. 5
7:30 pm	Sanctuary Choir 7:30-9:00	Pg. 7
Sunday	What	Catalog Description
9:15 am	Children's Sunday School 9:15-10:15	Pg. 4
	Youth Sunday School 9:15-10:15	Pg. 5
	Pastor's Class 9:15-10:15	
9:45 am	Sanctuary Choir Warm-up 9:45-10:15	Pg. 7
10:30 am	Worship 10:30-11:30	
11:30 am	Time For Fellowship	
12:00 pm	Confirmation 12:00-1:30	Pg. 5

Church Staff

Rev. Dr. Paul H. Lang-Pastor, Head of Staff

Rev. Mary Jo E. Holtey-Associate Pastor

Sally Harmon-Music Coordinator & Organist

Dr. Erynn Millard-Adult Choir Director

Jan Lundgren-Business Manager

Monica Gelinske-Administrative Assistant

Penny Andrist-Children's Ministry Coordinator

Kayla Bones-Youth & Young Adult Ministry Coordinator

Rick Fiebiger-Facilities Manager

All staff emails are:

(first initial and last name of person)@firstpresfargo.org

The Library

The church library is in the lower level of the church at the bottom of the stairs. Four church members maintain the library. Please seek out Amy Cusher, Nancy Johnson, Judy Rippentrop, or Marilyn Olson if you have questions. They can be found working in the library on the second and fourth Wednesday afternoons of the month.

In the library you will find approximately 2,000 adult and children's books as well as many biblical reference materials. The historical pictures of the church are on display in the library. All books are entered in the computer. You may utilize the electronic card catalog for book searches.

Books for *The Pilgrimage* Ministry are available in a specified area of the library. This gives pilgrimage participants the opportunity to check out the books before the classes.

We invite you to come to the library and check out the books. You can also sit and relax in the rocking chairs and spend some quiet time.

Library Features:

- adult fiction and nonfiction books
- children and youth books
- books for *The Pilgrimage* classes
- a set of Reproduction Volumes of the Saint John's Bible
- devotional books
- reference materials
- shelves in the West Foyer with various library books and magazines
- the Sunday edition of *The Forum*, available in the West Foyer

MUSIC

There are many opportunities for people of all ages and gifts to share in the musical and worship life of our church. Whether it is participation in a vocal or handbell choir or the all-church orchestra or brass group, we encourage sharing the gifts and talents that we have been given!

Vocal Music

Children's & Youth Choirs

Wednesdays: 6:15-7:00 pm

Our three children's and youth choirs meet simultaneously on Wednesday nights **beginning September 4**. Newcomers are accepted throughout the year.

- K-Grade 2 Choir, directed by Music Education students from MSUM under the supervision of Dr. Erynn Millard. Parents are always welcome to observe or lend a hand with this energetic group! Contact Erynn at erynn.millard@mnstate.edu.

- Grades 3-6 Choir, directed by Pam Burns. Contact Pam at pcapuch@msn.com.

- Grades 7-12 Choir, directed by Dr. Erynn Millard. Contact Erynn at erynn.millard@mnstate.edu.

Sanctuary Choir

Wednesdays: 7:30-9:00pm

Sunday Warm-up from 9:45-10:15am

The Sanctuary choir participates in worship nearly every Sunday during the program year. New members are welcomed throughout the year, and snowbirds are welcome to participate before they "fly away" for the winter! For questions, contact director Dr. Erynn Millard at erynn.millard@mnstate.edu.

Instrumental Music

Genesis Ringers

Grade 4 through adults, Wednesdays: 5:30-6:10 pm

Genesis, as the name implies, is for beginning and early advancing handbell ringers. The basics of music reading gained from piano lessons or participation in a school orchestra, band or vocal choir are helpful! Parents and students can enjoy this choir together. If you have questions, please contact Sally Harmon at sharmon@firstpresfargo.org.

Westminster Ringers Handbell Choir

Adults, Wednesdays: 6:30-7:30pm

Our adult handbell choir is a group of people who love music and enjoy the fellowship and teamwork involved in producing beautiful handbell music together. If you can read music or have played handbells in the past and would like to join, please contact Jill Post at jillkath@aol.com.

St. Andrew's Brass Ensemble

Experienced adult players, Wednesdays: 5:30-6:30 pm

Playing together in a small ensemble means working together, practicing our part on our own, and being aware of the other members of the group as we play. It's a satisfying experience to help enhance the worship service through music. If you have questions or would like to join, please contact Jill Post at jillkath@aol.com.

All-Church Orchestra

Grade 7 through adult, periodically

This group includes players of a string, brass, woodwind, or percussion instrument. The orchestra plays periodically throughout the year. Whether you are learning to play your instrument or have set it aside for a number of years, you are welcome! If you have questions, please contact Sally Harmon at sharmon@firstpresfargo.org.

Pianists

Accompanists are encouraged to lend a hand (or two!) with our young choirs. Solos, quartets and duets can be included in worship occasionally for those interested. If you have talents in this area, please contact Sally Harmon at sharmon@firstpresfargo.org.

Solos and Small Groups

Year-Round

We form small singing and instrumental ensembles throughout the year. If you have a musical talent and

Oct. 8, 12:00 pm. Lunch will be provided by Esther Circle. The program will be on Nokomis' new day care, presented by Gary Wolsky, and the Thank Offering will be dedicated.

Dec. 3, 1:00 pm. The Annual Christmas Tea will be served by the PW Board. The program will be a short concert by the North High Jazz Carolers, directed by Shelly Zietz.

Apr. 14, 12:00 pm. Lunch will be provided by Leah Circle. The program will be "Forum," presented by Don Kinzler, garden expert, and the Least Coin offering will be dedicated.

May 12, 12:00 pm. Lunch will be provided by Naomi/Ruth Circle. The program will be on a Senior Companion Program, and the Birthday Offering will be dedicated. There will also be the installation of officers.

For Men

Monday Morning Breakfast Group

Mondays, 9:00 am, Fargo Fryn' Pan

This men's group meets every Monday morning for breakfast, study, and fellowship the Monday after Labor Day through the Monday before Memorial Day. All men are welcome to participate; it is structured so that you can come when you are able. No need to prepare study materials before you arrive; they will be provided for you as needed. If you have interest in our agenda or attending, please contact Marvin Duncan.

ManUP Bible Study for Men

ManUP, a men's Bible study, convenes at 6:45 am on the second Tuesday of each month, October through May, in the Jennie Roberts Room. Coffee and pastries are served. Intended to help men understand what the Bible says in relation to what is expected of a Christian man, the study this year examines the apostle Peter's first letter. A copy of the study guide can be obtained at <https://www.presbyterianmission.org/wp-content/uploads/firstpeter.pdf> or you can request a copy from Bruce Maylath at ring4linguist@yahoo.com. No advance preparation is required for each month's study.

Upcoming ManUP Programming:

FPC's Men's Bible Study Retreat is scheduled for Friday evening, Sep. 20 & 21. The retreat will be held at the Country Inn & Suites in Detroit Lakes. It begins with dinner at Zorbaz on Detroit Lake at about 5:45 pm. The Bible study will be led by Dr. Steve Reed, chair of the Religion Department at the University of Jamestown and begins at around 7:00 pm at the hotel. It continues Saturday morning and ends around 3:00 pm.

All men of the church are invited. The retreat is a great opportunity to get to know your fellow men at FPC and learn about God's message for men.

A block of hotel rooms is being held for retreat participants. You can make your hotel reservation by calling Country Inn & Suites at 218-847-2000. When making your reservation, let them know you are with the First Presbyterian Fargo group. Direct questions to Bruce Maylath.

For Adults

The Pilgrimage

"Do you know about God? Or do you know God? There is a big difference!"

These provocative words get to the heart of the struggle many feel about their faith. It is so much easier to know something *about* God than it is to *know* God. To know God means to invest time and emotional energy in developing *one's relationship with God*. As with any relationship of significance, this is both a great challenge and a great treasure.

The Pilgrimage is an adult faith formation ministry which equips disciples of Jesus Christ to grow deeply in relationship with the living and present Lord. *The Pilgrimage* gives you the tools and teaches you the disciplines needed to grow as a disciple of Jesus. This is accomplished by providing:

- Regular classes to inspire you to invest in your relationship with God. In these classes you will have your knowledge of the many streams of Christian spiritual formation broadened, and your experience of a variety of formative disciplines deepened.
- A significant small-group ministry (Compass Groups) which surrounds those who become pilgrims with a community of ongoing support, nurture, and encouragement.
- Periodic gatherings to learn more about foundational principles and tools of *The Pilgrimage* ministry, such as the Pilgrim's Compass, and to strengthen the community of pilgrims by sharing experiences and insights.
- Annual opportunities for those who have completed certain prerequisite "steps" to go on a travel pilgrimage as a group. The trips will alternate between domestic and international destinations.

The Pilgrimage is meant to supplement, and not replace, more traditional forms of adult Christian education (Sunday school, for example). Those who commit to *The Pilgrimage* are making a commitment to a process of faith-formation which will demand more of them than more traditional forms of Christian education. *The Pilgrimage*, with its higher expectations of those who become pilgrims, promises a deeper transformation and a richer experience of faith.

Mission Statement for The Pilgrimage

For Christians hearing the call to go deeper—*The Pilgrimage* creates a community and provides tools and experiences through which we learn to hear the call of God and respond in faith, journeying together with friends on the path to a Spirit-led and joyful life.

Contact Info:

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Web: <https://thepilgrimage.net>



Rally Day, September 8!

We'll welcome Pastor Mary back from sabbatical AND kickoff our new program year with **Rally Day on September 8**. The morning's festivities will include **Worship at 10:30 am**, followed by a picnic meal featuring menu items (loosely) tied to the northeast, where Pastor Mary visited while she was away: New York deli sandwiches, Cape Cod kettle potato chips, New York cheesecake, and we'll throw in some veggies for good measure. A freewill offering will be taken for the meal.

Children & Youth Sunday School registration forms will be available (you may also register your child(ren) on our fabulous new website) and we'll have a balloon twister, face painter, and yard games. The theme of our program year is "Kindness Grows". Don't forget to bring your backpack to Rally Day for our annual "Blessing of the Backpacks".

EDU/CON

The EduCon Committee focuses on educational programming and fellowship events at First Presbyterian. We are in need of a few additional members and would love to have you join us! We meet at the church on the second Monday of each month from 5:30-6:30pm. Any EduCon questions can be directed towards committee chair, Andrea Smith, at andrea_chad@hotmail.com.

Here are just some of the events we are planning for this program year. Event signups for volunteers, food, and other items needed for each event can be found on the Volunteer Opportunity board in the weeks before the event. Check *The Messenger* and weekly bulletin inserts for details/potential changes closer to each event.

For All

Game On

Oct. 27 at 5:30 pm

Who's up for game night? Come on your own, bring a friend, bring your family...whatever works for you. We'll have pizza, snacks, and a selection of games you may choose from OR bring your own game if you have a favorite. Game On will be held in the Social Hall (after the duet recital) and is intended for all ages.

Movie Night

Nov. 15 at 6:30p

You are invited to "Dinner and a Movie" in the Social Hall. We will be enjoying pizza, popcorn, and a movie yet to be determined.

Chili Cookoff

Jan.19 after Worship

With the Social Hall under construction last winter, we missed our annual chili cookoff, but it's BACK by popular demand. Join us for food and fellowship, and an opportunity to support the work of our church with your freewill donation. Bring your \$\$\$ and "vote" for your favorite batch(es). We will be seeking chili makers, cornbread and dessert bakers, and lots of other volunteers to bring the "fixins" too. Signups will be available after the New Year.

Pi(e) Day

Mar. 15 after Worship

Pi Day is an annual celebration of the mathematical constant π . PIE day is our annual celebration of Pie!! Bakers, be sure to add this date to your calendar so that you can contribute to what is sure to be a tasty treat.

Ice Cream Social

May 17 after worship

Whew! What a year...let's celebrate the end of our program year with ice cream! THANK YOU to all the volunteers and staff who make it all happen.

For Adults

Lunch and Learn

Sep.15 from Noon-2:00 pm

Join us to view the 90-minute documentary, *5 Broken Cameras*, a film by Emad Burnat and Guy Davidi. The film is an account of non-violent resistance in a West Bank village threatened by Israeli settlements. Discussion with Rev. Dr. Jane Holtzclaw will follow. Pizza will be provided, but you may bring your own sack lunch if you prefer.

We hope to add additional *Lunch and Learn* events, so be on the lookout for details. If you have a lead on an interesting speaker/topic, please let Andrea know.

Dinner for 7

Signup deadline October 6

If you are looking for a way to get to know others in our church family, consider signing up on the Volunteer Board for Dinner for 7. Let us know on the signup sheet if you are able to occasionally host the group (no worries if you can't) and/or if you are willing to be the "lead" of a group to get your gatherings planned. Some groups have taken turns hosting, some choose potluck, and others choose to meet at a coffee shop, restaurant, or theatre – do what works best for you! Groups will be formed shortly after signups close, and all who sign up will be notified once groups are formed. This event is for adults of all ages—singles and couples! Each group will choose its own meeting time/place/menu, etc.

Valentine's Day Dinner & Talent Show

February 14 (TENTATIVE)

Years ago, there was a Valentine's Day dinner at the church, and we're hopeful that we can bring it back. EduCon will support the event, but what is needed to make it happen are a few ORGANIZERS and a few more VOLUNTEERS! We are in the planning phase and seeking input and organization from volunteers - can you help? If so, contact Andrea Smith.

Fargo Town Hall

Sep.16: Garth Stein-author and film producer

Nov.4: Cindy Williams-actress

Apr. 6: Spencer Stone-actor and author

Apr. 27: Amanda Knox-public speaker

The purpose of Fargo Town Hall is to produce, promote, and present a lecture series to the general public that enlightens, educates, and entertains. Town Hall is entering its 49th season. For series tickets visit fargotownhall.org or contact Marcia Foss at 701-840-1986 or ndmom-foss@gmail.com. Individual tickets may be available at the door on the day of the lecture. Lectures are held in the Great Hall at the Fargo Holiday Inn beginning at 10:30 am. Luncheons are also available for purchase.

For Young Adults

FPC is assessing the needs of young adults age 21-35. Kayla Bones is conducting interviews to see what best fits our community. If you would like to participate in an interview, please contact Kayla at 701-293-6311 or kbones@firstpresfargo.org. As we analyze the data from the interviews, we will figure out what fits our needs and go from there. Be watching for a summary and what FPC will be offering in the future.

EDUCATION

For Children

Sunday Morning Education

The Sunday morning education hour for children is 9:15-10:15. We welcome your children, ages 3 to grade 5, to participate in our grade leveled program where children will have a home room and a team of education leaders that will stay with them throughout the year. Sunday school runs September 15-May 17. Please note there are certain Sundays where there is special programming or no Sunday School.

The kids meet as one large group at the beginning of every session to sing, celebrate birthdays, make announcements, take offering and pray together. They then move to their home classrooms for the rest of the hour. Our curriculum, "Growing in Grace & Gratitude" is rooted in the foundation of Presbyterian identity where God's grace and our gratitude are the heartbeat of our faith, life, and worship. The curriculum extends an invitation to discipleship that inspires children to learn and practice hospitality, generosity, and love, and it reaches beyond Sunday morning, encouraging children to live their lives as an expression of God's grace.

To participate in the children's ministry, you must register your children once at the beginning of the year – forms will be available on Rally Day, September 8, or online. Most education classes are held on the 2nd floor, with the exception being three-year-olds who work and play together in the nursery suite off the Gathering Space.

If you have any questions or concerns about children's education or would like to volunteer, contact Penny Andrist, 701-293-6311 or pandrist@firstpresfargo.org

Nursery

The nursery is available for birth to 3 during the Sunday School hour and the 10:30 worship hour. Our N-3 rooms have age-appropriate books, music and toys. Children get to know themselves and how to treat others. They learn that God loves them, their teachers love them, and how to love each other. Our attendants are highly qualified! You can rest easy knowing that your children are in good care while you participate in church programming.

Upcoming Children's Programming:

Sep. 8, Rally Day, 10:30 am. Join your church family for worship on the lawn with a picnic following, and don't forget to register your kids for Sunday School.

Oct. 20, Intergenerational Event, 9:15 am. Children and youth meet in the Social Hall to work and play together as they continue to build relationships.

Nov. 3, Kirkin' Sunday, 9:00 & 11:00 am. *No Sunday School*. Enjoy one of two identical services.

Dec. 15, Family Christmas Party, 9:15 am. Come to the Social Hall with your children for an hour of fun fellowship, art, music, and finger-food!

Carols by Candlelight, 6:30 pm. All Sunday School children participate in this special evening service as we prepare for this during regular Sunday Schools hours.

Dec. 22 & 29. No Sunday School

Apr. 5, Palm Sunday Event, 9:15 am. Children and parents meet in the Social Hall for an hour of fun fellowship, art, music, and finger-food!

Apr. 12, Easter Sunday, 9:00 & 11:00am. *No Sunday School*. Enjoy one of two identical services.

May 3, Children & Youth Service, 10:30 am. Please mark this day on your calendar *right now* and make plans to attend this awesome service which has become an annual delight and meaningful worship for the congregation. This service is planned and prepared for months by the children and youth and delivered in unique ways, capitalizing on the expressions of faith that only children can bring.

May 17, Family Party & VBS Registration, 9:15am. This day we celebrate! We celebrate our faith, our relationships and our growth. This party includes all the standard "good stuff" and gets us prepped for the upcoming VBS. Plus...the ice cream social after worship!

Jun. 8-11, Vacation Bible School, 5:30 pm. One of the most popular offerings here at First Pres. Climb aboard for mountains of fun at Rocky Railway! On this faith-filled adventure, kids discover that trusting Jesus pulls them through life's ups and downs. Celebrate a ferocious faith that powers us through this wild life. Join us on the adventure!



Kindness Grows - Find a way that you can volunteer in Children's Ministry this year.

For the Youth

Middle School Sunday School, Grades 6-8

Sundays 9:15-10:15 am

The Unequivocally Energetic Education Duo, Fred Hudson and Andie Hensler, will be teaching the class. The students will continue in their journey through the Dwell Curriculum. This curriculum is aimed at helping students think and talk about their faith.

High School Sunday School, Grades 9-12

Sundays 9:15-10:15 am

The high schoolers will be exploring how we see God in our everyday lives and how we live out our faith. We will focus on spiritual practices, conversations, and asking deep questions.

Confirmation

Sundays 12-1:30 pm

This class will be devoted to studying the basic beliefs and practices of the Presbyterian church. Students will be equipped to live out their faith today. Questions and doubts are embraced, discussed, and encouraged. The students will write or create their statements of faith and present them to Session prior to Confirmation Sunday (April 19). Ninth graders and their parents will receive a letter spelling out this fall's confirmation schedule. If you have a ninth grader (or unconfirmed student older than 9th grade who wishes to join us) and you haven't yet received a letter, contact Kayla Bones at kbones@firstpresfargo.org to get your youth enrolled.

Youth Group, Grades 6-12

Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 pm

Once again, we will do a large group and small groups alternating every other week. This gives students the ability to get to know students closer to their age range and the older students as well. We will do mission projects, bible study, social activities, and interactive worship.

Upcoming Youth Programming:

Sep. 8: Rally Day, 10:30 am

Sep. 11: Youth Group Starts, 7:00 pm

Sep. 28: Volunteer at Churches United, 2:00-4:00 pm

Sep. 29: Youth Reader & Youth Ushers

Oct. 16: Rend Collective Concert and Lock In

Oct. 20: Intergenerational Event, 9:15 am.

Nov. 3: Kirkin' Sunday, 9:00 & 11:00am. *No Sunday School*. Enjoy one of two identical services.

Nov. 11: Volunteer at Great Plains Food Bank

Nov. 27: *No Youth Group*

Dec. 1: Youth Reader & Youth Ushers. *No Sunday School*

Dec. 11: Giving Tree Shopping, 7:00-8:30 pm

Dec. 14: Decorate Cookies & Wrap Giving Tree Gifts, 12:00 pm.

Dec.15: Cookie Walk, before and after Worship & Carols by Candlelight, 6:30 pm

Dec. 22 & 29: *No Sunday School*

Dec. 25 & Jan. 1: *No Youth Group*

Jan. 24-26: Snow Camp at Clearwater Forest

Feb. 26: Ash Wednesday Service, 7:00 pm

Apr. 9: Maundy Thursday Service, 7:00 pm

Apr. 10: Good Friday Service, 7:00 pm

Apr. 12: Easter Sunday, 9:00 & 11:00am. *No Sunday School*. Enjoy one of two identical services.

Apr. 19: Confirmation Sunday

Apr. 24-26: Crystal Springs Youth Retreat

May 3: Children & Youth Service

If you have any questions or concerns about youth education or would like to volunteer, contact Kayla Bones, 701-293-6311 or kbones@firstpresfargo.org.

For Women

Women's Retreat

Our first Women's Retreat will be held at Fair Hills Resort near Detroit Lakes, MN, September 20-21. Mary Jo Lewis will be presenting the topic Enneagrams, and the cost is \$150 per person (1-night lodging, 2 Saturday meals, programming, and a book about Enneagrams is included in the registration fee). Attendees may enjoy the resort Friday afternoon if they wish, with programming beginning Friday evening through late afternoon Saturday. Further details and registration information can be found at <http://www.firstpresfargo.org/womensretreat>. Registration and payment are due September 2nd.

Presbyterian Women (PW)

PW is looking forward to welcoming new women to our group. Three of our four circles meet on the third Tuesday of each month, September through May, at 9:30 am & 1:00 pm, at both the church, and at members' homes. The fourth circle meets at the church on the 3rd Saturday at 10:00 am during the same months. This year's Bible study is *Hearts of Stone*, and study books will be available for purchase at the September meeting. All women of FPC are welcome to attend.

Care to help with the planning and programming of PW? The PW Board meets on the second Tuesday each month, September through May, at 10:00 am at the church. Contact Nancy Lium, PW Moderator, with any questions at liumn1949@gmail.com.

Upcoming PW Programming:

Sep. 10, 12:00 pm. Lunch will be provided by Rachael Circle. The program will be a preview of this year's study, *Hearts of Stone*, presented by Reverend Mary Holtey.



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