



Jason's Journal

Rev. Patti Money, Pastor

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**The purpose of Jason Lee Memorial
United Methodist Church is to
CONNECT people to Christ
Help people GROW in Christ and
Help people SERVE Christ**



Jason's Journal is a monthly newsletter of Jason Lee Memorial United Methodist Church,
168 S. University, Blackfoot, ID 83221

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All persons are welcome to worship each Sunday:

Worship at 10:30 a.m. with communion celebrated the first Sunday of each month

Free child care is provided

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Office hours Monday through Thursday from 9:00 am–12 noon.

DATE	ACOLYTE	LITURGIST	USHERS & GREETERS	FELLOWSHIP	FLOWERS	Nursery
Sunday Apr. 1, 2018	Liam Martin	Marv Jones	Ray & Chelta Arens	Paul & Venita Fankhauser and Jenifer & Devon Breshears	Everyone is welcome to bring cut flowers or plants	
Sunday Apr. 8	Brianna Freeburne	Stan Buck	Kimi Tominaga and Theresa Tominaga	Diane Colson and Karole Honas	The Flower Shoppe Etc.	
Sunday Apr. 15	Susanna Money	Paul Fankhauser	The Bewley Family	Jodee Lake and Joan Blessinger	The Flower Shoppe Etc.	
Sunday Apr. 22	Gracie Fitzgerald	Cindy Bewley	Marv & Barb Jones	Marv & Barb Jones and Brittany & Bill Jones and Bill VonDerLeith	Margaret Davis in memory of John & Jean Haselden	
Sunday Apr. 29	Durin Savage	Randy Shiosaki	Paul & Venita Fankhauser	The Martin Family and The Bewley Family	The Flower Shoppe Etc.	

If you are not going to be able to volunteer then please let the office know ahead of time

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Apr. 5 William VonDerLeith (91)
 Apr. 8 Cathie Fields
 Apr. 11 George Knodle
 Apr. 14 Ruger Oleson
 Apr. 14 Midori Tsukamoto
 Apr. 16 Jodee Lake
 Apr. 17 Barb Parris
 Apr. 21 Margaret Davis
 Apr. 22 Nikki Adams
 Apr. 23 Lola Brower
 Apr. 24 Becca Goodwin
 Apr. 24 Barb Jones
 Apr. 26 Hayden Adams
 Apr. 28 Connor Martin
 Apr. 28 Lenna Wood
 Apr. 29 Gary Hastriter

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

April 24
 Jim & Joan Blessinger
 (69 years)



Friends,

One of my passions is connecting the Gospel to popular culture. I believe that God speaks through secular channels (books, TV shows, movies, etc.). John Wesley called this “plundering the Egyptians.” I call it “finding glimpses of the Gospel.” For example, I have seen glimpses/gotten inspiration from: “Grey’s Anatomy”, “Bing Bang Theory”, and the “Star Wars” franchise, to name a few.

My most recent “glimpse sighting” came from the movie “The Greatest Showman”, a musical loosely based on the life of P.T. Barnum. The music in particular stirred my soul and reminded me of the kingdom of God. One of the most powerful songs is “This is Me.” It’s an anthem sung by the “Bearded Lady” and her fellow performers, who are all outcasts. Here are a few of the lines:

*I am not a stranger to the dark; Hide away, they say
'Cause we don't want your broken parts; I've learned to be ashamed of all my scars
Run away, they say; No one'll love you as you are
But I won't let them break me down to dust; I know that there's a place for us
And I know that I deserve your love; There's nothing I'm not worthy of
When the sharpest words wanna cut me down; I'm gonna send a flood, gonna drown
them out
This is brave, this is proof; This is who I'm meant to be, this is me*

In his ministry on earth, Jesus paid particular attention to the marginalized: women, lepers, those possessed by demons, Samaritans, etc. He showed them, and the world, that everyone is equal in God’s eyes and welcome in God’s kingdom.

So, our sermon series for April and May is called “Jesus: The Greatest Showman.” Each week, we’ll be looking at a different story in the Gospels that demonstrates how Jesus shows us what the kingdom of God is like. I’ll be using some of the song titles/themes from “The Greatest Showman” as illustrations.

I hope you’ll join us in worship as we delve deeper into the ministry of Jesus and explore how we can be a part of bringing the kingdom of God to fulfillment on earth.

Joy and peace,
Pastor Patti



APRIL HAPPENINGS

Sunday - 9:00 am AA

Sunday – 9:15 am Confirmation Class (April 8 through May 20)

Sunday - 10:30 am Worship and Sunday School

Sunday - 11:30 am Fellowship Hour

Monday – 10:00 am Women’s Bible Study (1st Monday of month meet at 12 Stones)

Wednesday – 10:00 am “Jesus – A Study” class

Wednesday – 11:00 am Knit Wits

Thursday – 6:15 pm Bell Choir practice, 7:00 pm Choir practice

Apr. 6 – 11:30 am - Bunch for Lunch – Homestead – everyone welcome

Apr. 7 – 9:00 am – UMW Every Member Enrichment Event – All Women Invited

Apr. 8 – 9:15 am Confirmation Class (each Sunday before worship through May 20)

Apr. 12 – 12:00 noon - UMW Monthly Meeting and luncheon

Apr. 15 – 9:15 am – Fundraising breakfast for Relay for Life (sausage & pancakes)

Apr. 17 – 11:30 am – Bunch for Lunch – Homestead – everyone welcome

Apr. 18 – 6:30 CDT Appreciation Dinner – Blackfoot S. Stake Center, 900 Riverton Rd.

Apr. 21 – 9:00 am to 1:00 pm – All Church Clean Up Day

May 12 – 12:00 pm – UMW Guest Day Luncheon

CHURCH CLEAN UP DAY

It's Clean Up Time! We will have a Church Clean-Up Day from 9:00 am-1pm on Saturday, April 21. We'll do cleaning, minor repairs, and de-cluttering. All that is needed is a willing heart. The church will provide coffee and donuts to get us started and we will end with lunch. Let's join together and make our building beautiful!

*******BUNCH FOR LUNCH -Everyone Welcome!*****

11:30 a.m. - at Homestead Restaurant

1st Friday every month - Call Dorothy - 208-785-3784/208-521-3784

3rd Tuesday every Month - Call Gayle - 209-690-9501

Please call Dorothy or Gayle if possible.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORTS

The committee met on April 4, 2018 at 6:15 pm. In attendance were: Pastor Patti, Diane Colson, Shirley Brumfield, Jan Simpson, Debbie Reid-Oleson, and Dorothy Hunter.

This is the first of our meetings starting on the first Wednesday of the month. This way we can report on the previous month instead of two months past. March was a better month with expenses less than previous winter months. The committee agreed on sending 5% of apportionments to conference.

The committee met on March 21, 2018 at 6:15 pm. In attendance were: Pastor Patti, Diane Colson, Shirley Brumfield, Jan Simpson, Debbie Reid-Oleson, and Dorothy Hunter.

We are sending \$250 to our apportionments. The committee agreed to change our meeting date to the first Wednesday of the month so we may report to you the previous month's business instead of 2 months back.

As chairman of the finance committee I would like to thank you for your generous giving.

Blessings,
Dorothy Hunter

PRAYER CONCERNS

Alec Carlson, Glenna Davis, Kathy Eisenbarth, Debbie Hammett, Carmen Hensen, Bill Hunter, family of Ike Ikard, Mary Jones, Charles Kennedy, Kathy Law and family, Rev. Davey Lefler, Pastor Ruth Marsh and family, Pat Miller, Ruth Ray, Frank Tominaga, Jack Tominaga, members of the Armed Forces serving in harm's way, victims of violence, victims of natural disasters,

FELLOWSHIP HOUR APRIL 2018

April 1 – Paul & Venita Fankhauser and Jenifer & Devon Breshears

April 8 – Diane Colson and Karole Honas

April 15 – Jodee Lake and Joan Blessinger

April 22 – Marv & Barb Jones, Brittany & Bill Jones and Bill VonDerLeith

April 29 – The Martin family and the Bewley family



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Our Unit meeting was held March 8. A delicious lunch was served by Circle 2.

Church Women United was held on March 10 at JLMUMC at 11:00 a.m. We had a short business meeting followed by the program "In Harmony With God's People". Twelve ladies attended and we all brought and shared finger foods. Pastor Patti led the bible study.

The regional UMW Every Member Enrichment Event will be April 7 at JLMUMC. The event starts at 9:00 a.m. On the agenda is a panel discussion on disenfranchised women and their families and how the community serves these women. People representing four local agencies are scheduled to participate. All women are welcome to attend.

The Guest Day Luncheon will be held May 12 at noon in the Jason Lee Fellowship Hall. More news to come.

Thank You
Cheryl Connelly

THE WESLEY HOUSE

If you would like to be a part of ministering to the students and staff at ISU contact Amy Scarlett at 208-232-1353 or Amyj.scarlett@gmail.com.
Love, Amy and the Wesley House Crew

ENOUGH FOR ALL

"No one can help everyone, but everyone can help someone." Unknown

Enough For All is our fund that helps meet needs in the community. Donations to this fund can be made at any time, but are also collected on the first Sunday of the month during Fellowship Hour. Thank you for your generous support of this valuable ministry.
Becca Freeburne, Enough for All Coordinator, 208-244-1843

AD COUNCIL MINUTES

The Administration Council met on March 21, 2018. Present were Jan Simpson, Dorothy Hunter, Debbie Reid-Oleson, Pastor Patti Money, Shirley Brumfield, Diane Colson and Pete Fitzgerald.

- Debbie and Dorothy reviewed the financials. Every month we are right on the line for income and expenses. We are sending \$250 to our apportionments.
- We are looking for someone for the nursery since Jordyn Garrett resigned.
- The "All church Cleanup" will be on April 21 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. The church will provide donuts and coffee and we will end with lunch.
- Pastor Patti is going to start the Confirmation Class April 8 through May 20.
- The UMW Every Member Enrichment Event "Every Member in Mission" will be April 7 at 9:00 am. All women are welcome.
- Brooke Colson is organizing an Easter Egg Hunt after services on Easter Sunday.

RELAY FOR LIFE

Relay For Life will be Friday, June 8, from 6:00 p.m. to midnight. Our church's Relay for Life team, called Angels Among Us, sponsors several fund-raising events. If you are interested in being a part of this fun team, or would like to help with any of the fundraisers, contact Shirley Brumfield, team captain, at 317-7617 or 785-3300. We welcome new people.

Relay for Life is a community event for the American Cancer Society – Stop by and walk a lap, admire the displays, enjoy a snack, purchase a raffle ticket, listen to the speakers, jam out to the live music, unite with the community in the fight against cancer. Everyone is welcome, it is free to attend, and you can come whenever it is convenient and stay as long as you wish. There are activities from 6:00 pm to midnight and everyone is welcome.

Our "Angels Among Us" relay for life team is asking for items to be donated for the silent auction at our table at the race. Thank you for your support.

Luminarias for the beautiful and touching Luminaria Ceremony at Relay for Life are available. These are decorated and lit to honor those fighting cancer or in remembrance of those who have lost their battle with cancer. They burn throughout the evening, serving as a reminder of the purpose of Relay For Life.

RELAY FOR LIFE - ANGELS AMONG US FUNDRAISING BREAKFASTS

Instead of a bowling tournament this year, our Relay for Life Team is hosting two fundraising breakfasts. They will be held on Sunday, April 15, and Sunday, May 20.

Breakfast will be served at 9:15 am before church. The menu for April 15 will be sausage and pancakes and May 20 will feature egg-bake. This is a wonderful way to support the Relay for Life team and enjoy a great breakfast to start your day!

No set price - we will be happy to accept your donation.

CAKE AUCTION and POTATO BAR REPORT

Our church's Relay for Life Team, Angels Among US, held their annual potato bar and cake auction on March 9. Over 150 people attended and we had 40+ scrumptious cakes to auction. The event was a rousing success and raised a goodly sum for the American Cancer Society.