



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 May 6	Liam Martin	Marvin Jones	Bob & Marilyn Colson		Paul Zilk in honor of Roy Zilk	Alexandra Bolter
Sunday May 13	Brianna Freeburne	Jodee Lake	Jim & Eileen Breitweg	United Methodist Men	The Flower Shoppe Etc.	Alexandra Bolter
Sunday May 20	Susanna Money	Dorothy Hunter	Tom & Bobbie Drysdale		The Flower Shoppe Etc.	Alexandra Bolter
Sunday May 27	Gracie Fitzgerald	Shirley Brumfield	Mid Tsukamoto and Alice Konishi	Randy Shiosaki and Theresa Konishi	The Flower Shoppe Etc.	Alexandra Bolter

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

MAY BIRTHDAYS

May 3 Gene King
 May 4 Ray Tominaga
 May 4 Ernie Whitworth
 May 11 Tyler Carlson
 May 11 Andy Fitzgerald
 May 11 Ann Haxby
 May 11 Tina Whitworth
 May 12 Chris Nowacki
 May 12 Angelina Quilimaco
 May 14 Alice Konishi
 May 16 Matthew Dalley
 May 17 Tori Hastriter
 May 17 Tyson Hastriter
 May 18 Jordyn Jensen
 May 19 Devon Breshears
 May 22 Paul Fuller
 May 25 Debbie Hammett
 May 26 Christa Goodwin
 May 27 Emma Fitzgerald
 May 27 Randi Lemieux
 May 27 Ira Oleson
 May 27 Randy Shiosaki

MAY BIRTHDAYS CONT.

May 28 Ashley Goodwin
 May 28 Aaron Hamilton
 May 28 Harlie Oleson
 May 29 Elizabeth Fields
 May 29 Eric Torgerson

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

May 27 – Larry & Kathy Eisenbarth (45)
 May 31 – Mike & Kathy Torgerson



Friends,

For over 40 years, United Methodists have been in conversation on the subject of human sexuality, specifically the inclusion of GLBTQ individuals in the local and global church. The current language in the Book of Discipline (our “rulebook”, so to speak) states: *The United Methodist Church does not condone the practice of homosexuality and considers this practice incompatible with Christian teaching.* Self-avowed, practicing homosexuals may not be candidates for ordained ministry, and ministers and churches are not permitted to conduct weddings of homosexual couples. There are many who support this stance, and many who believe this needs to be changed to allow for full inclusion of GLBTQ individuals. Over time, this conflict has grown more and more heated. It has caused deep divisions among United Methodists. I have no doubt that individuals in our congregation have different views on this matter.

At the 2016 General Conference (a gathering of United Methodists that meets every four years and makes decisions for the denomination), a task force called “The Commission on a Way Forward” was created. This group of clergy and laity with different perspectives and from a variety of geographical areas, has been meeting for the past two years. In 2019, there will be a special General Conference to discern and vote on the recommendations of this commission and all the UMC bishops. It will be a watershed moment in our denomination, with the possibility of a split.

In light of these developments, United Methodists in Oregon, Idaho, Alaska, and Washington will be engaging in regional “Table Talks.” These will be a respectful time of learning, conversation, and worship. Our area will be hosting a “Table Talk” on May 19 at Pocatello UMC. It is free of cost and childcare is provided. I encourage you to attend. If you need information on how to register for this event, or have any other questions, please contact me.

Joy and peace,
Pastor Patti



MAY 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 (No class 5/2 or 5/9)

Wednesday – 11:00 am Knit Wits (No Knit Wits 5/2 or 5/9)

Thursday – May 3 last practice for both Bell Choir and Choir for the summer

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May 4 – 11:30 am - Bunch for Lunch – Homestead – everyone welcome

May 12 – 12:00 noon - UMW Guest Day Luncheon - \$5.00 per person – see below

May 15 – 11:30 am – Bunch for Lunch – Homestead – everyone welcome

May 19 – 1:00 to 5:00 pm – Sage District Table Talk – Pocatello UMC

May 20 – 9:15 am – Fundraising breakfast for Relay for Life (egg bake)

May 20 – 10:30 am Confirmation Sunday

June 8 – 6:00 pm to midnight – Relay For Life – Blackfoot High School track area

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The regional UMW Every Member Enrichment Event was held April 7 at JLMUMC. We had a very good turnout with ladies coming from all over the state. People representing four local agencies led a panel discussion on disenfranchised women and their families and how the community serves these women.

The Guest Day Luncheon will be held May 12 at noon in the Jason Lee Fellowship Hall. Please bring a photo and a short biography of your mother or grandmother. All ladies are welcome. Cost is \$5.00 per person and includes the luncheon. Please come and bring a guest.

June 17 is the Father’s Day Coffee Hour.

The rummage sale is scheduled for July 21.

Thank You

Cheryl Connelly

*******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 REPORT

The committee met on May 2, 2018 at 6:15 pm. In attendance were: Pastor Patti, Diane Colson, Shirley Brumfield, Alan Hennebold, Pete Fitzgerald, Debbie Reid-Oleson, and Dorothy Hunter.

We are at 33% of the calendar year. The giving and expenses are equal so the committee voted to send \$100.00 to conference.

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, Jennifer Connelly and children, Kathy Eisenbarth, Venita Fankhauser, Debbie Hammett, Bill Hunter, family of Ike Ikard, Mary Jones, family of Charles Kennedy, Pat Miller, Bob Parris, Frank Tominaga, Jack Tominaga, members of the Armed Forces serving in harm's way, victims of violence, victims of natural disasters.

CAMP DINNER AND TALENT SHOW

A big thank you to those of you who donated their time, talent, and food to the camp dinner and talent show. The meal was delicious and the talent was exceptional! Thank you, also for your generous donations. This is a wonderful way to invest in the youth of our church.

Sincerely,

Dick Stroh

Kathy Torgerson

FELLOWSHIP HOUR MAY 2018

May 6 –

May 13 – United Methodist Men

May 20 –

May 27 – Randy Shiosaki and Theresa Konishi



OPPORTUNITY TO SPONSOR FLOWERS!

Each week, we have beautiful flowers in our sanctuary. Do you want to remember a loved one? Celebrate a birthday, anniversary, or special event? Or simply celebrate God's work in your life? If so, you are invited to sponsor the flowers that week. The cost is \$40 (made out to "The Flower Shoppe") and you may take the flowers home with you after worship. There is a sign-up sheet outside the office. If you have any questions, please call the church office.

AD COUNCIL MINUTES

May 2, 2018 - Opening prayer given by Shirley Brumfield. Those present were: Shirley Brumfield, Diane Colson, Debbie Reid-Oleson, Dorothy Hunter, Kathy Eisenbarth, Pastor Patti Money, Pete Fitzgerald and Lynda Nowacki.

- Treasurer Report – (Debbie Reid-Oleson) Giving was \$10,439.50 income and \$10,645.24 expenses.
- Finance - (Dorothy Hunter) Our finances are in good standing.
- Trustees - (Pete Fitzgerald) We have a new gas meter. Pete replaced a pipe and put in new furnace filters.
- Worship – (Kathy Eisenbarth) A worship committee meeting will be May 7th at 11:00.
- Pastor's Report - Pastor Patti is serving on the worship team for Annual Conference on charge of the commissioning/retirement service. Also, she completed the Transitional Intentional Interim Ministry training.
- U.M.W. - Plans being made for the guest day luncheon on May 12th.
- New business: A motion was made to elect Dick Stroh as Lay Member to annual conference and seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 7:58.

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. Items can be dropped off at the church office or brought to our booth at Relay for Life. 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

The final fundraising breakfast will be Sunday, May 20. Breakfast will be served at 9:15 am before church. The menu will feature egg-bake. Instead of a bowling tournament this year, our Relay for Life Team is hosting two fundraising breakfasts. The first was on Sunday, April 15 and went very well. 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.

POCATELLO UMC TO HOST TABLE TALK MAY 19 PLEASE COME!

The second of the two scheduled Sage District discussion sessions on the way forward for the United Methodist Church is slated to happen **Saturday, May 19, from 1-5 pm at Pocatello First UMC (200 North 15th Ave., Pocatello)**. The talks are happening throughout the Greater Northwest Episcopal Area (Oregon, Idaho, Washington and Alaska), and are generating an atmosphere of healthy, open dialogue around the topic of human sexuality and the church. The conversation and diversity of thought is important, as we hear and learn the perspectives of those around us.

The conversation will continue, as we begin to anticipate the special General Conference special session called for February of 2019.

It is very helpful to register for the Table Talk - allowing the facilitators to prepare for your presence. The talks happen in a worshipful environment, with communion around the table being the theme. You can register on the Greater N.W. Episcopal Area website. Please contact the JLMUMC office if you would like us to place your registration for you. There is no fee - and, as always in the United Methodist Church, all are welcome at the table! Childcare will be provided. Hope to see you there.

DONATIONS FOR LAWN CARE

Spring has sprung, and our grass is growing! We hire someone to mow and trim our church yard each week during the spring and summer months. If you feel led, you are welcome to make a monetary contribution to offset the cost of the lawn care. Simply make a check out to the church and put "lawn care" in the memo line. If you give cash, put it in an envelope and mark it accordingly. Thanks so much for your support!