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ALDERSGATE UNITED
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 1621 Thornton Ave., Butte - 782-2425
 Melissa Engel, Pastor 491-2146



Since I have arrived, our church has provided sacred space for a number of funerals. We have shown up, brought food for receptions, visited with the grieving families, and lifted them up in prayer. I want to thank you all, especially the Funeral Luncheon Committee and Arlene Timmer, for providing such radical hospitality during these celebrations of life. Thank you for being the church to our members and to those who are in our community

and from out of town.

Showing up and being present is important ministry. That is what we do as the body of Christ: we share in the ministry of mutual care and support. You may say, "But I am not gifted in visiting with people." You don't have to be. Someone else is gifted in that! All of us are called to be the beloved Christian community together, called to the work of the body of Christ in the world with our particular gifts. As it says in Romans 12:4-8:

For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

With your passions, gifts, and graces, in what way are you called to serve? One of the ways that our church creates space for mutual care and support is through our care ministries of the Prayer Chain, the Barnabas Group, and Pastoral/Care Team visits. We care about each and every person in our Aldersgate family and our surrounding community. We care when you go into the hospital, when a family member dies, when a baby is born, and when you are sick. We want to celebrate with you when you are celebrating and to grieve with you when you are experiencing grief.

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BIRTHDAYS

01: Ron Kuecks		23: Carol Brown
04: Jake Olson		23: Bev LeProwse
06: Carol Rhoads		25: Glenn Gerry
06: Isla Rose Thomson		26: Bob Tremis
10: Cherilyn Lambert		27: Mickey Lawrence
12: Kathy Bechtle		29: Julie Tresidder
20: Larry Davis		30: Julie Brandon



ANNIVERSARIES

08: Tom & Katelyn Hoffman	
08: Ed & Mary Lou Wolstein	
12: Jerry & Kathy Bechtle	
29: John & Laura Hash	

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Sometimes we don't hear that a particular thing has happened in your life, though. Please assume that we do not know, so if you want your church family to know, or just the pastor (please indicate when you call), I invite you to take the following steps:

To get on the prayer chain, please call Cherilyn Lambert at 565-8718.

To notify the Pastor and Church Administrator, please call at 782-2425.

(First step, if confidentiality is needed.) We will notify the Barnabas Group.

Another way that our church engages in care ministry is through the **Thanksgiving Dinner** that Vicki Kestle invites the whole church to on Thanksgiving Day. It is open to anyone who would like to come with special thought for those who live a distance from their family and would like to share the holiday with their church family. (Check out the newsletter for more details!)

After talking about gifts, the Apostle Paul writes in Romans 12, "Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor...Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another." May this scripture guide our thoughts and actions as the beloved community here in this place.

With love in Christ,
Pastor Melissa

<p>November's Trumpet Call Thank you to Donna Fry for sponsoring the newsletter for this month.</p>	 <i>In Memory of</i> <p>Don David 04/06/1926 10/10/2017</p>	<p>Offering Envelopes</p> <p>It's time to prepare the offering envelopes for 2018. If you would like envelopes and aren't already using them, please call the office. Both weekly and monthly envelopes are available.</p>
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Please note: Wilma Puich needs help completing the Picture Historical of the Methodist Churches. What she thought would be the easiest has turned into one of the hardest to complete. She is looking for information on the Silver Bow Methodist Chapel which was on Grand Ave. & Thornton where Aldersgate is now built. She has the picture of the little church from 1921-1931 which was later remodeled and used for many years. She needs a picture of the church from 1931 until it closed. If you have a picture or any information, please contact Wilma at 782-5411.



Thank you to Bev LeProwse for sponsoring the Mt. Standard Saturday ads during the month of November in loving memory of members of the LeProwse Family .



Daylight savings times end at midnight, November 4. Don't forget to set your clocks back so you will be on time for church on Sunday!

Women United in Faith

16th Annual Conference
Aldersgate Church
Nov. 4 - 9:00/4:00
Conference & Lunch—\$25
Conference only—\$10
For more information
Call Peggy Ryan at 565-0529



The Hand Bell Choir needs more members; absolutely no experience is needed. If you would like to ring bells or need more information, call Ronda Cherry at 782-6825

Communications Team Meeting

If you have knowledge of any of the following:
Audio-visual,
Websites,
Facebook
please attend a meeting after worship on Nov. 12, at noon.



Sunday, November 5, is a time when we honor loved ones who have died during the past year by naming them in remembrance. If you have someone you would like to add to our list, please call the office.

There will be an all-church potluck after worship in honor of All Saints Sunday and to also officially welcome Pastor Melissa and her family.

Mountain View/Trinity United Methodist Women

The UMW met October 5 at the home of Linda McElroy. She and Louise were the hostesses. We wear costumes for October and had a fun cast of characters.

Carolyn opened the business meeting with a reading from the prayer calendar, followed with a prayer for joys and concerns. We finalized plans for the Mt. View Social Development Center's Halloween party, which will be held on Mon. Oct. 30 at noon. We will be having a contest for the client's best costume and other fun things. The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Lynn Laurandean presented a very nice program on prayer. Very interesting. . . thanks Lynn.

Our next meeting is a no-host at Christina's on Nov. 2 at noon. If you would like to join us, please call me (565-6066). I have made reservations, but I can always add more ladies.

Susannah's will meet at Annie's at 11:30 on Nov. 21. guests are always welcome.
Respectfully submitted,
Louise Flynn, VP

Dear Church Family,

I am so excited to invite any and all of you to join me for the 6th annual pitch – in Thanksgiving Holiday Dinner to be held here at the Church in the Fellowship Hall.

I do ask for help with set-up, so anyone that can help please come to the Church around noon to help set up tables and chairs, then please return with your loved ones to share in the buffet style dinner.

We will gather for our meal on Thursday, November 23rd, beginning at 4:00 p.m. for fellowship and sharing. We will plan on “feasting” about 4:30. I will once again be providing the turkey’s & gravy, but will most definitely need the help of others attending to provide and prepare all the remaining trimmings.

Please bring a dish that most reminds you of your Traditional Thanksgiving Feast, whether it be the black olives that decorate the ends of the children’s fingers, the side dishes you so love, or the “No Calorie” dessert that you looked forward to longingly in earlier years.

Lastly, I would ask that any able-bodied people hang around after the meal and fellowship to make clean-up and tear down go just a little faster.

Please call me directly at 491-8416 if you are planning to attend so that I will have a fairly accurate head count to make sure we have enough turkey, as well as places set at the table for everyone that would like to participate in this celebration. I look forward to seeing you there!!

Blessings to all!

Vicki Kestle
491-8416