

## The Pastor's Door

Reverend Cory Young

“Easter is over, now what?” I cannot tell you how many times I have heard that question, and how amazed people are that ministry doesn't just stop after Easter. April is the month for me to do all the “I will do it after Easter” projects that need my attention. Cleaning up my desk, taking time to plan spring and summer worship, dealing with General and Annual Conferences, and the weekly routine of keeping this church worshipping.

But there is one thing that we so often forget that once Easter Sunday comes and goes, we pack up the plastic easter eggs till next year and seem to forget that we are Easter People! Christmas is great, but Easter is the reason for our worshipping together. Christ arose, stayed with the Disciples for 50 days and then ascended into Heaven. So, what did he do during that time? Was he just wandering around? Was he sleeping in? Or was he still teaching?

Christ taught even after Easter and was trying to make his Disciples understand the task that was before them, and Christ is still trying to tell us about the tasks before us. We can have a few moments to catch our breath, but then we must get back to the work that needs to be done. The next major holiday in the church calendar is Pentecost, then nothing till Advent. But that really doesn't tell us the story of the church, does it? Of course not.

After Pentecost the United Methodist Church will be holding General Conference (April 23 – May 5 in Charlotte, North Carolina) to change and amend the Book of Discipline and the rules that govern the denomination. Then later in the summer the Mountain Sky Conference will be having our Annual Conference (June 20-23 in Casper) to approve appointments and other important business of the conference. But even these two events don't tell the story of our church. The church continues on every day of every week of the year.



### Open Hearts

### Open Minds

### Open Doors

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## First United Methodist Church

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## First United Methodist Church

2000 W. Lakeway

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Return Service Requested

To Our Friends:

## Join Us at First United Methodist Church!

### Sunday Worship Services

8:00 a.m. Contemplative

9:15-10:15 a.m. Blended Worship

10:30-11:30 a.m. Sunday School

We love kids at FUMC!

*First United Methodist Church is building a Christian community where followers of Jesus advance God's mission for all creation. We do this by reaching up to God, across to our neighbor, and out to the world.*

### Office Hours

Tuesday–Friday 9:00am-2:00pm  
and by appointment

### Pastor: Cory Young

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We have a lot of plans for the next several months! Mary Dickey Scholarship Auction in April; graduations will be happening in May/June; the Illini Riders will be visiting us in July; VBS will take place in July as well; August will bring not only Bike Week in Sturgis, but the Seventh Day Adventists Camporee to Gillette; September school starts back up; October has the Pumpkin Patch; the list goes on and on.

Worship is just the beginning of what we are called to do, and this church continues to amaze me with its dedication to helping those who need it. Those within the church, or those who are in the community that we serve. Take a break as needed, but also remember that we aren't locking the doors till Advent. Come serve, grow, and show God's love! Easter Sunday is over, the call of this church is not!

Have a blessed spring!

Rev Cory



### Graduates

If you have a graduate, please send a senior picture and information into the office by the end of the month. Include High School or College they are graduating from and if they are going onto continue their education (where and what) We will be recognizing our seniors on May 19th during worship.

### Mary Dickey Memorial Scholarship

The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual - LIVE and SILENT AUCTION with a Sloppy Joe Luncheon to benefit the Mary Dickey Memorial Scholarship is being planned for Sunday, April 21, 2024 – 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Depending on the weather, of course, lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. and the auction will begin at 12:00.

If you have an item for the live or silent auction, or want to make your signature recipe for the dessert auction, contact Rose or Pat.



During the March Ad Council meeting it was approved to move forward with revamping the church website. We have an outside party working on a new layout and working with Meghan and Rev. Cory on making it more user friendly and having the options to connect to Facebook and our YouTube page. Stay tuned for the updates to come within the next few months.



**Sunday Worship Schedule**  
 8am Contemplative Service  
 9:15-10:15 am Blended Worship  
 Sunday School 10:30am all ages



Join us April 18th at 6:30pm.



**Home Visits**

If you would like a home visit please contact Rev. Cory

**Friendship Circle**

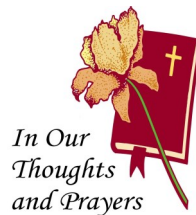
At our April 11th gathering we will be making gift bags to take home to use. See you at 10:00AM.

**JESUS AND JACK**

Jesus and Jack was created with the intent that, as Christians, we need to be willing to meet people where they are in life and show them the love of Jesus. Our goal is not to convert anyone or push our beliefs on them, but simply to engage in meaningful conversation and let the Holy Spirit lead.

We will gather from 6 – 7 p.m. at Grinners Bar on:  
 6-7 PM on March 12 | April 9 | May 14

Grinners Bar  
 5201 S Douglas Highway, Ste 100  
 Gillette, WY 82718



Fauna, those fighting cancer, Weston Gray, Alice's friend Cheryl, Anna, Art Tarno, Katherin's dad, Stowe's, Patrick and Dawson, travel mercies, those struggling with depression, family of a co-worker of Rochelle that passed away, Cher, Kelly & Cheyenne Smith, Jessica, Belinda on the passing of Randy, forest fires, little boy who lost his mom, transitions, Christy, Wes Brunelli

- April 7 Alora
- April 14 Luka
- April 21 Emma
- April 28 Brylie



Marcia Knutson	April 02
Brad Christensen	April 06
Heather Ivory	April 09
Tracy Wasserburger	April 14
Meghan Davies	April 17
Kelsey Brunelli	April 19
Remington Knutson	April 20
Emma Michael	April 25
Abby Howard	April 29



Greg and Sharon Schreurs April 10

Reminder to watch us live on Facebook Sunday morning for worship!!!  
<https://www.facebook.com/FirstUnitedMethodistofGillette>



Date	Preaching	Worship Leaders	Ushers
April 7	Rev. Cory Young	JoAnn King	Gray's
April 14	Rev. Cory Young	Janet Zimmerman	Bosecker's
April 21		AnDee Steiner	Fox's
April 28	Rev. Cory Young	Sharon Schreurs	Birr's

# April

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5 Meghan out of the office	6 Soup Kitchen @ 10am
7 Trustees @ 10:30am PACER meeting @ 10:30am	8 Boy Scouts @ 6pm Girl Scouts @ 6:30pm	9 Cub Scouts @ 6pm Jesus and Jack 6pm @ Grinners	10	11 Friendship Circle @ 10am Finance @ 5:30pm	12	13
14 Ad Council @ 10:30am	15 Boy Scouts @ 6pm	16 OATH @ Noon Cub Scouts @ 6pm Jesus and Jack from 6-7pm @ Grinners	17	18 Prayer Shawl ministry @ 6:30pm	19 Meghan out of the office ? Reverend Cory Gone	20
21 Mary Dickey Memorial fundraiser @ 10:30am Reverend Cory Gone	22 Boy Scouts @ 6pm Girl Scouts @ 6:30pm	23 GAL @ 11:30am Cub Scouts @ 6pm	24	25 Worship Meeting @ 2pm	26	27
28	29 Boy Scouts @ 6pm	30 Cub Scouts @ 6pm				