

## *First United Methodist Church*

*2000 W. Lakeway*

*Gillette, WY 82718*

*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**

*Administrative Assistant: Meghan Davies*

*Lay Leader: Juli Pierce*

*Custodian: Sheila Huckins*

*Nursery: Kelsey Brunelli*

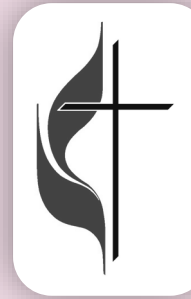
First United  
Methodist Church  
2000 W. Lakeway Road  
Gillette, WY 82718

Phone:  
(307) 686-7339

Email:  
admin@imaginefaith.com

We're on the Web!  
*See us at:*  
www.imaginefaith.com

Friend us on Facebook &  
now follow us on Twitter  
@FUMCGillette



Open Hearts

Open Minds

Open Doors

A Monthly Publication of

*First United  
Methodist  
Church*

2000 W. Lakeway Rd  
Gillette, WY 82718

The Pastors Door 1

Trustees update 2

Worship schedule  
Anniversary/Birthday 3

Calendar 4-5

Announcements 6

Finance /  
Announcements 7

# GRACE NOTES

May 2022

Volume 19, Issue 05

## The Pastor's Door

## Reverend Cory Young

Easter is over, so now what? Most of us are thinking about the end of school, summer vacation, warm weather, travel, or a million other things that will be happening this summer. Yet it seems that quicker than we put away the decorations from Easter we forget to celebrate the risen Christ. I am guilty of this often in my life. Easter comes and the week afterwards I am back in my office preparing for another Sunday worship. Christ Arose, now on to the next thing. But Easter is not over!

In the Liturgical Calendar (Church Calendar) we are in something called Eastertide. Eastertide is a time where in the Church we celebrate that Christ arose, spent time with those who followed him, and after fifty days ascended to God. What I love about this time of year is that Christ didn't just raise from the dead and head on to Heaven; Jesus stayed around for a little while to prepare his followers for the next step in their lives. They thought their mission and ministry was to be just disciples (students) of Jesus, when in fact they were to become apostles (those sent into the world to tell about Jesus Christ and the love of God). Their lives were about to be changed, and so are ours!

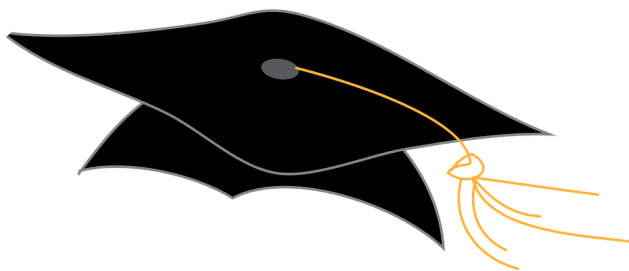
Eastertide is a time for us to celebrate the risen Christ, and to prepare ourselves for the next step in our calling. What is your next step in your walk with Christ? Where do you feel called to serve God? And how can we equip each other for the road ahead? These are some of the questions we need to ask ourselves.

Let's be honest, we are all looking forward to the next few months for some reason or another. We enjoy the warmth outside, the late sunsets, camping, boating, cookouts, and so on, but we shouldn't forget that we are called to continue to focus on what is next as well. Taking a break is ok! Rest is needed! Just don't think that because Easter is over the work of the Church is done. We are still needed in our community, and even through these summer months are called to serve God. The work that this church does is amazing, and I hope that we can keep doing what we are called to do!

Go celebrate the risen Jesus Christ and remember that the Holy Spirit is still with us in all that we do! May you have a blessed May!

Rev Cory





**GRADUATES!!!**

If you know of anyone graduating High School or College Please let the office know.



**Trustee Update**

The church received an annual fire inspection from the Campbell County Fire Department. This year’s inspection brought forward that our smoke detectors are in need of replacement. The fire department recommends a system of smoke detectors with a battery backup and need to be connected through Wi-Fi. Also, since it is recommended that we should keep all classroom doors closed to deter fire damage in case of a fire, we are putting in 12 smoke detectors with a wireless battery system. These will cost about \$45 each and are rated to last 10 years. Our insurance company sent us an alarm that will notify trustees (three have been designated) via texts and phone calls through the Wi-Fi system. That way we are aware of the situation immediately and can do what needs to be done for the emergency. If anyone would like to donate to this expense, please mark your donation as smoke alarms.

Thank you – The Trustees

**Finance Minutes**

Thanks for being such a giving church! Here is a list of our special giving for the first quarter of the year:

Noisy offering: \$527.15	Soup Kitchen: \$45.00
Council of Community Services: \$178.05	Shrove Tuesday: \$591.00
UMCOR: \$1,825.00	Angel Fund: \$1,884.00
HVAC: \$300.00	From Me to You: \$564.00
PACER: \$213.00	Gillette Assistance League: \$4,881.60
Computer fund: \$945.00	Flooring Project: \$450.00

**Ad Hoc Committee**

Tuesday May 10 @ 6:30pm  
(Boxelder Business Center)  
Informational meeting will be  
Sunday, May 15th after worship



Update:  
With Kelsey going to Billings this summer, the nursery will be closed. We will start looking for a new attendant before fall.



Sunday Worship Schedule

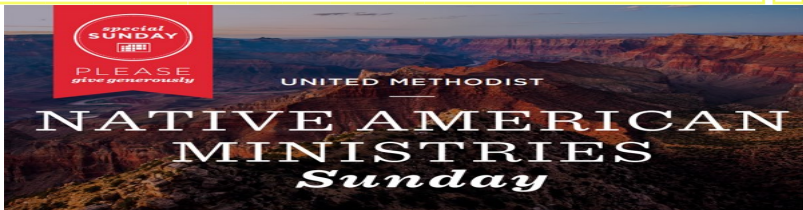
8:00 am Contemplative  
9:15-10:15 am Blended Worship  
Sunday School 10:30am all ages



Attendance Awards and  
Last Children's Sunday  
School May 22nd



May 1 Brysan Topping  
May 8  
May 15  
May 22  
May 29



With more than 20,000 Native Americans within the denomination, this Special Sunday helps to ensure that Native American United Methodist leaders are recognized and to celebrate their special voice in The United Methodist Church. Donations support vital ministries and churches in the Native American communities and allow The UMC to partner with existing native ministries to develop new programs on behalf of Native Americans. Half of the donations collected remain within the Annual Conference to provide hope to children and youth, hope for a brighter future in impoverished communities and a voice to those who have felt voiceless for years. This fund is distributed by the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry.



Doug and Dianna, Jenny Hartung, Rose and family, Ukraine, Tim Leair, Barb's mom and family, Annette, baby Angela, Neal, Albertson's family, Martinez family, Tanyon and Emma

**Reminder- All committee information for Ad Council meeting is due into the office by Wednesday May 4th.**

Keith Howard	May 02
Susan Eickbush	May 14
Marilynn Gillman	May 15
Francis Carlson	May 15
Tucker Nordhogen	May 17
Marjorie Rainwater	May 19
Morgan Becker	May 26
Dave Czapla	May 27
Kamryn Huber	May 28
John Howard	May 30
Niko Zeleski	May 31



Jim and Jan Hastings	May 12
Jed and Meghan Davies	May 25
Roy and Marilynn Gillman	May 25




We NEED Liturgists!!!! Sign up or contact the office today!!!!

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



Date	Preaching	Worship Leaders	Ushers
May 1	AnDee Steiner	AnDee Steiner	Gray's
May 8	Pastor Cory Young		Bosecker's
May 15	Pastor Cory Young		Fox's
May 22	Rose Rennell		Kelsey's
May 29	Pastor Cory Youth		King



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 UMW right after worship PACER @ 10:30am Mary Dickey @ 10:30am	2	3	4	5  Hydroponics @ 4p Finance Meeting @ 7pm	6	7  Soup Kitchen 10am
8 Plastic bag ministry @ 10:30am Ad Council @ 10:30am 	9 Boy Scouts @ 6pm Girl Scouts @6pm	10 Cub Scouts @ 6pm Prayer Shawl Ministry @ 6:30pm Ad Hoc @6:30pm (Boxelder Business Center)	11	12	13	14
15 Plastic bag ministry @ 10:30am  Ad Hoc after worship	16 Boy Scouts @ 6pm	17 OATH @ noon Cub Scouts @ 6pm Prayer Shawl Ministry @ 6:30pm Page Turners Book Club @ 6:30pm	18	19  Boy Scouts event 6-8pm	20	21
22 Last day of children's Sunday School/ attendance awards Plastic bag ministry @ 10:30am	23 Boy Scouts @ 6pm Girl Scouts @ 6pm	24 Cub Scouts @ 6pm Prayer Shawl Ministry @ 6:30pm	25	26	27	28
29	30 Boy Scouts @ 6pm	31 Prayer Shawl Ministry @ 6:30pm			Meghan Out of the office ?	
Plastic bag ministry @ 10:30am						