

First United Methodist Church

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To Our Friends:

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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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Nursery: Sheila Huckins/Meghan Davies



Open Hearts

Open Minds

Open Doors

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The Pastor's Door

Reverend Cory Young

As the warm days of summer unfold, we are reminded of God's grace and the many blessings that come with this beautiful season. June and July offer us a time to take a break from our normal routines, enjoy the sunshine, and embrace moments of rest and recreation with our loved ones. This is also a time for us to reflect on our faith, and find God in the warm summer days.



Summer is a season when we can truly appreciate the wonders of God's creation. The vibrant colors of blooming flowers, the warmth of the sun, and the gentle breeze all remind us of God's love and the beauty God has bestowed upon us. It is a time to reconnect with nature, find peace in God's presence, and give thanks for the world around us.

During these months, let us take time to deepen our relationship with God through prayer, reflection, and acts of kindness. Whether it is through a quiet moment in the garden, a weekend in the Big Horns or at Keyhole, or a long overdue conversation with a friend, we can find God's love and grace in every experience. Summer is filled with opportunities to create cherished memories. Whether it is a picnic in the park, a family barbecue, on the golf course, or a family vacation, these moments of togetherness are precious. As we enjoy the longer days and warmer nights, let us remember to express our gratitude for the blessings we receive.

In the hustle and bustle of our daily lives, summer offers a chance to slow down and savor the simple pleasures. It is a time to laugh, play, and appreciate the gift of life. By embracing these moments with a heart full of gratitude, we honor God and the abundant love God has for us. As we move through the summer months, let us carry the spirit of summer with us, finding God's presence in every moment and sharing God's love with those around us. May this season be filled with joy, laughter, and the warmth of community.

Blessings to all, and may your summer be a time of renewal, reflection, and rejoicing in God's grace.

Reverend Cory

Home Visits

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



Join us June 19th and July 17th
at 6:30pm.



For the first two months of
this quarter, we have collected
\$363.44 for the school supply
fund through the noisy
offering.

We are in need of liturgists for the
upcoming months.



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



Date	Preaching	Worship Leaders	Ushers
June 1	Rev. Cory Young	Alice Speirs	Gray's
June 8	Rev. Cory Young	Mike Urlaub	
June 15	AnDee Steiner	Rusty Steiner	Fox's
June 22	Rev. Cory Young	Mike Urlaub	Birr's
June 29	Rev. Cory Young		King
July 6	Rev. Cory Young		Gray's
July 13	Rev. Cory Young	Thayne Gray	
July 20			Fox's
July 27	Rev. Cory Young	.	Birr's

Save the Date

25th Anniversary of Women's Ecumenical Retreat

Newcastle Lodge and Convention Center

Friday and Saturday,

September 26-27, 2025

"Let Us Rejoice And Be Glad"

Speakers: Rev. Olga Hard, Eowyn Vesper & Sheila Jeremiah

Registration to follow at a later date.

The Summer Giving Slump

A term that has been coined by studies showing that weekly church attendance drops over 30% over the summer months. The same article from Tithely also states that "A drop in attendance brings a drop in giving - giving amounts drop 14% in the summer months, and typically don't recover until November." This can put a strain on our budget to cover expenses, even the planned ones.

You can help in a couple of ways. One – contribute your giving through on-line giving. Breeze allows you to give through either a debit or credit card or directly from your bank account through ACH - Automated Clearing House. ACH is the same method used by employers and the government to deposit money directly into your bank account. The other way you can always mail in or drop off your giving at the church office when you're in town in between Sunday services. You may contact the church office and get the information to set this up for yourself.

We're not trying to alarm you that we are out of money as we do have a reserve that carries us through the summer. But, if you're like me, once your budget gets thrown off, it feels like it takes a long time to get things back on track.

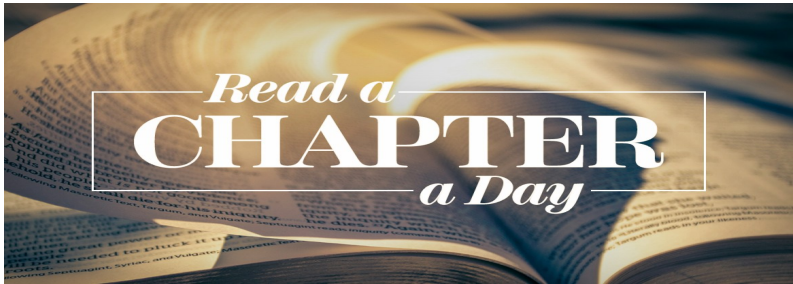
So enjoy your summer vacations, family reunions, camping trips and other activities. Please consider keeping up with your gifts to the church as we continue to take care of the business of the church. Our prayers are for everyone to have a fun and safe summer.

Finance Committee



Sunday Worship Schedule

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



Discipleship Ministries is thrilled to invite you to embark on a transformative journey with the Read a Chapter a Day challenge! Reading the Bible is one of the essential spiritual practices of disciples.

Join the summer challenge to read a chapter of Acts a day, starting the day after Memorial Day (May 27) and concluding on Independence Day (July 4).

This challenge is an opportunity for us to grow together in faith, wisdom, and community. Click the link below to learn more and register today by clicking [here](#) to go to the website.

There are also print outs on the table by the atrium.



Cory's Friend Matt and his friend Pete and wife, Marilynn and Roy, Ed Aldridge, Jeannie, AnDee mom and brother, Art Hardesty, Greg, Charla, Bonnie and Darren Wolff, Ken, those affected by natural disasters, Janet Rump and Family, Sue's friend Barb and another friend, Ashley Curry's daughter in law mom passed, Ric, Rusty's cousin Kristy and grandson, soup kitchen, MaryAnn's family.

Cokesbury Kids
ROAD TRIP
ON THE GO WITH GOD

The LORD your God is with you wherever you go.
Joshua 1:9

Join us for VBS 2025!
June 16-19, 9 am - Noon
Ages: PreK - 6th Grade
@ First United Methodist Church
partnered with Holy Trinity Episcopal

Register using the link or QR code
<https://fumcholytrinity.mycokesburyvbs.com/>

Gillette Assistance League Annual School Supply Giveaway

August 9th

As we start gearing up for our annual School Supply Giveaway we will be looking for volunteers in several areas.

Collection– To be announced

Sorting– August 8th

Giveaway– August 9th

Watch for updates




Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 Scouts @ 6pm	4	5 Finance @ 5pm	6	7 Soup Kitchen @ 10am
8 Ad Council @ 10:30am	9	10 Scouts @ 6pm	11	12	13	14
				Rev. Cory at Annual Conference		
15	16	17 Scouts @ 6pm	18	19 Prayer Shawl at 6:30pm	20	21 Rose Memorial Dedication at WY Independent Living
	Vacation Bible School 9-11:45am					
22	23	24 Scouts @ 6pm	25	26	27	28
29	30					

Spencer Pierce	June 05
Julie Fall	June 06
Ann Hardesty	June 06
Kim Murphy	June 06
Jan Hastings	June 08
Carol Bowersox	June 14
AnDee Steiner	June 26
Janice Curry	June 28
Cory Young	June 28



Thayne and Shone Gray	June 02
John and Kathy Nuzum	June 25
Tim and Wanda Fox	June 25



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4  Office Closed	5 Soup Kitchen @ 10am
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 Prayer Shawl at 6:30pm	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

Art Tarno	July 01
Teagan Schanck	July 09
Patty Tubbs	July 12
Linda Baker	July 13
Courtney Schanch	July 14
Cyndie Stees	July 18
Andy Urlaub	July 28
Nicky Burnett	July 29
Charles Land	July 30
Jadeyn Snyder	July 30
Morgan Anthes	July 31



Willy and Carrie Snyder	July 12
Mike and Janice Curry	July 13
Jason and Amy Taylor	July 15
Jason and MaryAnn Michael	July 16
Andy and Kelani Urlaub	July 19