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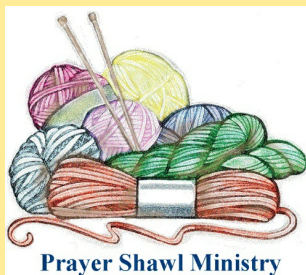
GOLD HILL NEWS

Spiritual Growth Ministry

The Faith Formation/Spiritual Ministry Team is looking for volunteers for the Fall.

Julie Corbin is going to have a meeting following church on Sunday, August 11th if anyone wants to join!

If you are interested, please contact Julie at 406-490-2814 or send an email to juliecorbin5@gmail.com.



Gold Hill Knitting Ministry

The Gold Hill Prayer Shawl Knitters will be meeting at Gold Hill on August 15th at 10:00 am. (We want to sort through yarn, etc.). Please note we will not meet at Big Sky in August! Please talk to Jeanette Quist if you have any questions.

Building & Property

We need you! Building & Property is looking for people to help with yard work. **If you can help with mowing the lawn, please see the signup sheet in the Hall.** Your help would be greatly appreciated! If you have any questions please talk to Lynn Aniksdal (491-2245), or anyone on Pete's Posse. Thank you!



Calendar:

GHELC Women's Book Club
meets at 10:00 am
Monday, August 5

Chateau Quilters
meet 10 am - 4 pm
Tuesday, August 6

Executive Committee
meets at 5:30 pm
Tuesday, August 6

LWR Quilters
meet at 9:30 am
Wednesday, August 7

Overeaters Anonymous
meets @ 6:15 pm
Wednesday, Aug. 7

Al-Anon
meets at 7:30 pm
Wednesday, Aug. 7

55+ Lunch Group
meets at 12 Noon
Perkin's Restaurant
Friday, August 9

Worship Service:
at 9:30 am
Coffee Hour:
at 10:45 am
Sunday, August 11

Bible Study Opportunities:

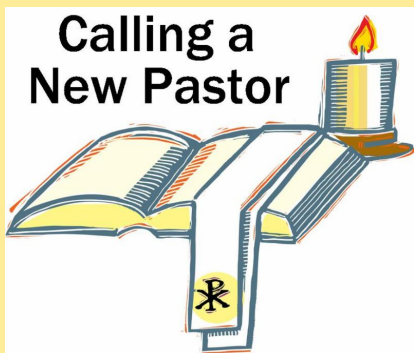
Group Study every
Thursday at 6:30 am @
Perkins Restaurant

Women's Gather Bible Study meets
the second Tuesday of the

Call Committee News

Rev. Jason Asselstine, Associate to the Bishop, chaired the first meeting on July 25th. Members of the Call Committee are Dale Schultz, Mike Vincent, Lynn Aniksdal; Jeanette Quist, Doug Drew and Bruce Graving, all were in attendance. The Committee agreed to Dale serving as the Chair, Mike as the Co-Chair and Bruce as Secretary. Lynn will serve as the liaison to the Council.

Jason reviewed the call process which is outlined in the Montana Synod Call Committee Handbook. The first order of business is to complete the Ministry Site Profile. The surveys and discussions notes we received from



the transition team will give us a head start on getting this task completed. It is very important that we get this right. The synod office will use this to match candidates with us as well as candidates reading it to see if they are up to the call. We understand that our responsibility is to work prayerfully and diligently at the call process so that when God answers the prayers of the people at Gold Hill

and the prayers of a pastor, we as a congregation, will be ready to welcome this person into our family and work together to serve however and wherever God leads us.

Jason also reiterated what Pastor Laurie has told us several times. Many parts of the call process will be confidential and for good reason, so although we will try and keep everyone informed as much as possible there will be periods when we have nothing to report.

Our second meeting was held Monday July 29th. We began work on the Ministry Site Profile. We met again on Friday August 2nd with the hopes of having a rough draft of the profile completed. There are parts of this that we will be visiting with members of the congregation about in order to firm up or correct our understanding of what the discussions and surveys told us. There are also a few questions about our community that were not covered in the transition teams research, therefore input from you as the congregation is important so we are accurate in what we submit to the synod office.

After we submit the site profile we wait for names and begin interviews. This part can take a long time and during this time you will not hear much more than we are still meeting and working. Be patient but pray openly and honestly with God on a regular basis.

1 John 5:14-15 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

14 And this is the boldness we have in him, that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. 15 And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have obtained the requests made of him.

Montana Synod News



Montana Rabbis' Open Letter

An open letter to U.S. Sen. Steve Daines:
 The Montana Association Of Rabbis (MAOR), representing rabbis in Billings, Bozeman, Missoula and Whitefish, is unanimously appalled by the ongoing torrent of racist incitement and personal attacks that President Trump continues to direct against Democratic women of color in Congress. MAOR is unanimously appalled and surprised by Senator Daines' support of the president's views and attacks.
 Montana deserves and expects more from its representatives. It is not the Montana way to personally attack others for their political viewpoints or positions. It is not the Montana way to promote bigotry or hatred, as the senator himself stated with his fellow representatives on Dec. 27, 2016: "We stand firmly together to send a clear message that ignorance, hatred and threats of violence are unacceptable and have no place... in Montana or across this nation."
 Collectively, as Montana's rabbis, we are the experts on antisemitism in

month at 9:30 am at Big Sky Senior Living Center on Waterford Way, in the Library

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Montana; we have studied it, lived it and know it when we see it. We refuse to allow the real threat of antisemitism to be weaponized and exploited by those who themselves share a large part of the responsibility for the rise of white nationalist and anti-Semitic violence in this country. Accusing these representatives of antisemitism is no justification for telling them "to go back to where they came from" or inciting violence against them.

In a direct affront to Montana's Jewish communities and Jewish leaders, Senator Daines has decided to join in the president's rhetoric of hate, a rhetoric which presents a serious threat to Jewish communities. We do not feel safer or supported by Senator Daines' comments, rather we fear the legitimization the president and the senator are giving to racism, xenophobia, misogyny and hatred.

At a time when many of the core values and norms of American democracy are under threat, we cannot equivocate or hesitate to challenge the forces of hate, even - and especially - when these forces cloak themselves in the authority of the Senate or the White House.

We invite Senator Daines to meet with MAOR's rabbis so that he can learn more about the dangers of antisemitism and how his words do not combat antisemitism as much as they promote white supremacy and hatred.

This opinion is signed by Rabbi Laurie Franklin, Missoula; Rabbi Mark Kula, Bozeman; Rabbi Francine Roston, Whitefish; Rabbi Ed Stafman, Bozeman; and student Rabbi Erik Uriarte, Billings.

Gold Hill Lutheran Church Welcomes You!

Are you looking for a place to connect with a faithful community, grow in faith, and put your talents to work in serving others? Look no further, we welcome you at Gold Hill Lutheran Church! To learn more about the mission and ministry of Gold Hill Lutheran Church, please contact Pastor Laurie Jungling at 406-723-4242.