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Spirit,
United to Serve*



The Nugget E-News

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Gold Hill News

Gold Hill Needs You!

Paul Vang, A Nominating
Committee Member



As we approach the end of the year, we are also nearing another Annual Meeting, which means change of leadership.

Gold Hill's Nominating Committee is starting the work of identifying candidates for the many offices and committees that conduct the work of our congregation. In the council there

are vacancies for President, Administrative Director, Worship Team Leader and Spiritual Growth Team Leader.

There are also vacancies on the Trust Committee, Audit Committee, Flathead Lake Bible Camp representatives, next year's Nominating Committee, 2019 Synod Assembly delegates, and the Call Committee for a new pastor.

In other words, there is work to be done and we need workers.

We welcome volunteers, suggestions, and recommendations for filling these vacancies. You can call or send emails to the church office, members of the Nominating Committee, Pastor Laurie, or call me at 494-5736 (email pfvang@bresnan.net).

Scandinavian Cookie Baking

We are baking cookies Sunday, November 18, from 12:30 pm to 4:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited to come and make cookies for the Lutefisk Dinner. Questions? Talk to DorothyAnne Honeychurch or Peg Probasco.



Annual Lutefisk & Meatball Dinner



Every year at Gold Hill Church the first Saturday in December is reserved for its annual Lutefisk Dinner. This year is no exception and

The annual Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner December 1st from 3 - 7 PM in the Fellowship Hall. The menu hasn't changed and will feature lutefisk and lefse, with pickled herring, Swedish meat balls, boiled potatoes and white cream

gravy, cooked carrots, pickled beets, and plenty of hot coffee to drink. There will also be Scandinavian cookies and fruit soup for dessert.

One of the great things about Lutefisk is how it brings people together. In fact this dinner has become so popular that lovers of this special cod dish drive great distances, and these are not just people of Scandinavian descent!

So please join us! All are invited to attend, and if anyone has any questions they can call the church office at 723-4242. You can use the sign-up sheets in the Fellowship Hall to indicate how you can help with this event, or call Mike Lawson @560-3591 for more information. As always the food will be great and the fellowship even better.

Ticket prices are \$14 per adult and \$8 per child and will be available at the door.

Calendar:

Stephen Ministry Leadership
meets at 6:00 pm
Monday, November 12
Stephen Ministry Supervision
meets at 7:00 pm
Monday, November 12

Women's Gather Bible Study
meets at 9:30 am at
Big Sky Senior
Living Center
Tuesday, November 13

Church Council
meets at 6:00 pm
Tuesday, November 13

LWR Quilters
meet at 9:30 am
Wednesday, November 14

Gold Hill Choir
meets at 6:30 pm
Wednesday, November 14

Overeaters Anonymous
meets @ 6:15 pm
Wednesday, Nov. 14
Al-Anon
meets at 7:30 pm
Wednesday, Nov. 14

Prayer Shawl Knitting Ministry
meets at 10:00 am
Big Sky Senior
Living Center
Thursday, Nov. 15

Copper Cloggers
meet 1:00 - 4:00 pm
Thursday, Nov. 15

Lefse Makers
meet at 9:00 am all
day in the Hall
**Friday, Nov. 16 &
Saturday, Nov. 17**

Worship Service:
at 9:30 am
Christian Education:
at 10:30 am
Coffee Hour:
at 10:45 am
Confirmation Class:
at 12 Noon
Sunday, November 18

Cookie Baking
12:30 pm - 4:30 pm
Sunday, November 18
in the Fellowship Hall

Bible Study Opportunities:

Group Study every Thursday
September through May at
6:30 am @ Perkins

Music Ministry

Would you like to minister to others with the music of Christ's birth?

If you are interested in singing in the choir for Christmas Eve, or would like to offer special music with voices or instruments, please stop in after worship and visit with Shelly Clark, or contact her at (406) 291-9860.



Women's Gather
Bible Study meets
 the second Tuesday of the
 month at 9:30 am at
Big Sky Senior Living
Center on Waterford Way,
in the Library

LINKS:

[Click here to visit our FB page and "like" us!](#)

[Click here to visit our Church Library Page!](#)

What is Pete's Posse?



The idea is to form a group of volunteers to meet for breakfast (maybe once a week or every other week) to review a list of things that need to be done in the church. Just as in our homes, there is always a "to do" list of routine maintenance tasks needing to be done at the church and parsonage. This list is posted on a white board outside the church office. Who gets to do these tasks and when will be decided by the "posse". Many members have been generous with their time and talents and

we invite any and all to join the *posse*. Talk to Bruce Graving for more details.

We are calling it Pete's Posse after Pete Godtland and Pete Hiam - who have done so much for Gold Hill.

We will meet, at least initially, every Tuesday at 8:00 am at the Community Café, 116 West Park Street. However, we will meet at the Café on Thursday of this week due to the election tomorrow.

CHURCH COUNCIL

2018:

Peggy Probasco -
 President

Bob Brown -
 Administration Director

Revonda Stordahl -
 Treasurer

Peggy Graving -
 Secretary

Debra Pascua -
 Spiritual Growth
 Ministry
 Team Leader

Cheryl Neuhart -
 Worship Ministry
 Team Leader

Julie Corbin -
 Leadership Ministry
 Team Leader

Jerry Aaker -
 Outreach Ministry
 Team Leader

Pastor Laurie Jungling

Words from the Bishop:

Welcome to the Montana Synod!

Every November, the Montana Synod gathers pastors in their first three years of ordained ministry into an event we call First Call Theological Education. It is always a joy to spend three days with our newest colleagues, hearing their stories and telling them about some of the ins and outs of the Montana Synod. Every ministry site is unique, but there are some common features of the congregations of the Montana Synod, whether large or small, urban or rural.



So who are these newest pastors? In the first year class we have Todd Wright, originally from Illinois, now serving at First Lutheran in Glasgow. Also in that class is Jake Schumacher, serving Immanuel in Absarokee, originally from Washington. The most recent arrival is Sean Janssen, from Washington and Arizona, serving Christ in Big Sandy and Messiah in Havre. We welcome them to the Montana Synod from three different seminaries, three different parts of the country.

The second year class includes Havre native Jessie Obrecht, serving the Fairfield Parish, and Belgrade native Marlow Carrels, serving the Westby Parish. Jayson Nicholson, who serves Our Savior's in Laurel, comes to us from California, having done his internship in Montana. Jean Hay serves Bethlehem in Billings, and proudly claims her heritage as a Navy brat. Her most recent home was Minnesota. Doris Tollefson, from Hinsdale, was also ordained in 2017, and continues to serve faithfully.

Finishing out her third year is Carol Seilhymer, who serves our congregations in Plains and Thompson Falls. She comes to us from Minnesota. It is a delight to meet with these colleagues, who are faithfully serving congregations in the Montana Synod.

You have probably heard that we have more vacancies than we do candidates. And you may have heard that for every 2 pastors who retire, one is ordained. So we have to think in new ways about how we do ministry in the Montana Synod, how we fill pulpits, how we make best use of gifts.

In October, the Montana Synod was assigned 2 more seminary graduates. One has already received a call in the Synod, and the other is interviewing. We hope to have both in place before long.

This past weekend the Candidacy Committee met and granted entrance to 2 more candidates. LPA Tim Sharp, who is serving Savage and Skaar, is officially enrolled in TEEM at PLTS, and LPA Kristin La Ve is set to enroll in a Distributed Learning MDiv in the fall. They join Wendy McAlpine, LPA in Sunburst who officially began TEEM this fall, and Melanie Forrey, who began Distributed Learning MDiv at Luther this fall. They join other Montana Synod students at various

places on the journey to rostered ministry.

There are many ways to engage in theological education, both at seminary and elsewhere. I encourage you to look around you for who might be a pastor or a deacon in the future, and to tell them you see potential. That's how many of us get here.

And of course, while we are encouraging people to think about seminary education and becoming pastors, we continue with our robust LPA training programs. We currently have 3 going on-a new class based in Great Falls, a continuing class based in Glendive, and an advanced class (LPA 2.0) for LPAs who are functioning as Synodically Authorized Ministers.

I am grateful for all who serve, in a variety of capacities.

Bishop Jessica Crist

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.