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## GOLD HILL NEWS



### Lenten Schedule

This year at Gold Hill we're holding soup & bread suppers at 5:45 pm with transition conversations. Worship follows at 6:30 pm.

We hope you will join us!

*Please see the soup & bread signup sheet in the Fellowship Hall.*

### Annual Spring Banquet & Auction

Butte Rescue Mission is holding their annual Spring Banquet & Auction on Thursday, April 11, at the Butte Civic Center. Doors open at 5 pm and the banquet begins at 6 pm. Tables are available for 10 seats at \$300 a table. To sponsor a table you can mail your check to PO Box 3046, Butte, MT 59702, or call (406) 782-0925 to pay by phone or if you have any questions. **Donations help continue the ministry of the Butte Rescue Mission.**



## FLBC News

### Summer Staff 2019

We are seeking kitchen staff and male counselors for summer 2019. If you know of someone who would be interested in spending their time on the shores of Flathead Lake this summer, encourage them to contact [kyle@flbc.net](mailto:kyle@flbc.net) for more information and to apply!

### Summer 2019 Registration

Online registration is now open. Click [HERE](#) to learn more about summer programs & pick the week you'd like to attend! Check out new programs like Treehouse Camp, Navigators (for campers entering 1st & 2nd grade) and Run for Fun! Spaces fill quickly so register soon.

In addition dates for discounted summer rates are fast approaching! Registering by **April 1st** saves a camper \$50, and registering before **May 1st** saves \$25.

### Upcoming Retreats and Events:

Register by calling the camp office at 406-752-6602 or emailing [office@flbc.net](mailto:office@flbc.net)

### Mother's Day Brunch

May 12th 2019

All are invited to celebrate Mom's special day with a brunch overlooking the shores of Flathead Lake! Brunch will be served in three seatings: 9:30AM, 11:00AM, and 12:30PM. Advanced reservations required! See [FLYER](#) attached.

## Calendar:

**Stephen Ministry  
Supervision**  
meets at 7:00 pm  
Monday, March 25

**LWR Quilters**  
meet at 9:30 am  
Wednesday, March 27

**Soup & Bread Supper**  
at 5:45 pm in the Hall  
Wednesday, March 27

**Lenten Service**  
at 6:30 pm - Sanctuary  
Wednesday, March 27

**Gold Hill Choir**  
meets after Worship  
Wednesday, March 27

**Overeaters Anonymous**  
meets @ 6:15 pm  
Wednesday, Mar. 27  
**Al-Anon**  
meets at 7:30 pm  
Wednesday, Mar. 27

**Copper Cloggers**  
meet 1 - 4 pm  
Thursday, March 28

**Trust Committee**  
meets at 7:00 pm  
Thursday, March 28

**Worship Service:**  
at 9:30 am

**Coffee Hour:**  
at 10:45 am

**Sunday School:**  
at 10:45 am

**Adult Faith Formation:**  
at 11:00 am

**Confirmation Class:**  
at 12:00 pm

Sunday, March 31

**Bible Study  
Opportunities:**

May 24-26, 2019

The best way to kick off your summer! Join in for a weekend of meaningful service work to prepare FLBC for the summer season, fellowship over great food, and all the fun of camp! This is a great weekend to introduce someone you love to FLBC - they'll get a taste of camp activities, food and worship... and it's free! See [FLYER](#) attached to register.

**Women's Retreat: Psalms & the Seasons of Life**

June 7-9, 2019

Join us for a weekend of engaging Bible Study, led by Pastor Susan Briehl as well as time for relaxation, yoga, massages, boating, great food, and more! See [FLYER](#) attached to register.

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

**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**



**Words from the Bishop: Lent-let's serve the world, especially the poor and those in need!**

In Lent we are challenged to push beyond our comfort zone and help others. Many congregations have special projects, special ministry emphases in Lent. Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Columbia Falls is highlighting a different children's ministry or outreach each week in Lent. It is an opportunity for congregation members to learn about the issues children face in our communities, and to make financial contributions. Our Savior's is serving the world.

Pastor Kendra Wilde is not only a pastor at Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church in Helena, she is also the President of MAC (Montana Association of Christians.) One of the primary things that MAC does is take the voices of Christian people to the Montana State Legislature. (Wyoming has a similar setup, through the Wyoming Interfaith Network). Pastor Kendra and other faith leaders, both clergy and lay, speak at hearings, write letters, write op eds, and work hard to keep the voice of neighbor love alive and well in the midst of complicated discussions in the legislature. MAC is serving the world.

Loni Whitford, President of Our Saviour's, Rocky Boy, and Secretary of the American Indian and Alaska Native Association of the ELCA, brought her daughter and friends and colleagues to a Rally for Medicaid Expansion in Helena on Saturday. An EMT on the Rocky Boys Reservation, she sees the effect of health care, and she sees what the absence of it can do. As a tribal member she knows that health care is a treaty right. And she also sees that it is a human right. Loni, through her advocacy, is serving the world.

Many Lutheran congregations have soup suppers during Lent, and take up an offering for hunger-related causes. ELCA World Hunger, Bread for the World, local food pantries, and meal programs are among the many ways that congregations reach out in the love of Jesus to their neighbors far and near. They are serving the world, especially the poor and those in need.

The Cape Orange Diocese, our companion synod in South Africa, works to share the good news of Jesus Christ in the poorest communities. Displaced from the choice areas during the Apartheid era, the church moved to the margins, and worked tirelessly for justice. Now, more than 2 decades since the official end to Apartheid, the church continues to work with the aftermath-racism, and economic inequality. The Cape Orange Diocese is serving the world, especially the poor and those in need.

Jack Siemens is an LPA, and President of Harlem Lutheran Church, where he is also serving as a Synodically Authorized Ministry in the absence of a pastor. He also preaches at Dodson Lutheran on a regular basis. In addition to his all-consuming church work, Jack runs the Harlem Food Bank, an outreach to hungry neighbors. Jack Siemens serves the world, especially the poor and those in need.

Spirit of Life serves the inmates in the Fort Peck Tribal Institution, with Pastor Christine Holler-Dinsmore. Both women and men receive pastoral and liturgical services, as well as encouragement and strength for their lives as they are released. Spirit of Life offers unconditional love and hope to people who have been rejected by society. They welcome prayer shawls, warm socks, and skirts. Spirit of Life serves the world.

This week NRIT is offering 2 opportunities to attend a continuing education event on "Theology of the Land." Professor Eric Meyer of Carrol College will explore biblical and theological concepts through which Christians can understand and deepen their relationship to the land and fellow creatures. NRIT is serving the world that God so loves.

How is your congregation serving the world, and especially the poor and those in need this Lent? I'd love to be able to share your stories.

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*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.*