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Gold Hill News

Upcoming Events & Activities



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

by Kay Vang

During this time of social distancing and lack of group gatherings we are not walking by the display of prayer shawls in the Gold Hill hallway. But this may be the time when someone really needs a prayer shawl. Please remember they are available to give to someone who may have a special need or concern at this

time. Please call Mary in the church office, let her know if you have a color preference from those available, and she will see that you can get one.

We do like to keep track of to whom the prayer shawls are given so that one person does not receive multiple shawls so let Mary know who you are thinking about and she can check the list to see if that person already has one.

If you knit or crochet and would be willing to spend some time creating one or more prayer shawls that will certainly be appreciated! There is yarn available in the Fireside Room in many different colors. Any size or shape works. The prayer shawls are all blessed and a label noting they are from the Gold Hill Prayer Shawl Ministry is added before they are given to someone. If you see that your newly created shawl gets to Mary in the church office the prayer shawl ministry team will take care of the rest.

THANK YOU for thinking about and caring for people who are having concerns of many kinds by knitting, crocheting, or giving prayer shawls.

Due to the coronavirus outbreak, Gold Hill cannot take physical donations of food for the Food Bank. However, your monetary donations are still needed.

**Mail your monetary donation
directly to:**

**Butte Emergency Food Bank
1019 East Second Street
Butte, MT 59701**

Thank you for your generosity!





Scarves, Hats, Mittens!

It is November and time to begin collecting new and lightly-used scarves, hats, and mittens for those in need. Please bring them to Sunday worship or drop them at the home of JoAnn Farrow, Jeanette Quist, or Miriam Haley. You can also leave them in the box in the church entryway on the West side.

If you have any questions you can talk to Miriam Haley (498-3861).



LWR Quilters are meeting

The Gold Hill Evangelical Lutheran World Relief Quilters are meeting at 10:30 am on Wednesday at the Civic Center. Please feel welcome to visit us or join us there any Wednesday. We will bring our own sewing supplies, lunch, drink and masks. Thanks to Bill Melvin and the Civic Center for making this space available.

Gold Hill Schedule Changes & Additions

All Council and group meetings will be held via Zoom for the foreseeable future due to the rise in coronavirus cases in our county. Questions? Talk to Pastor Carrels or any Council member.

Wednesday weekly devotions are offered by Pastor Carrels on Facebook in the evening. Go to Gold Hill's Facebook page or Pastor Carrels' page to join in. Gloria Dei will offer devotions on their Facebook page.

Evening Bible Study/Adult Forum offered by Pastor Carrels on Wednesdays at 5:30 pm via Zoom. Let Pastor know if you'd like to join in.

Thursday Morning Bible Study now held at 8:00 am via Zoom due to the rise in coronavirus cases in our county. Talk to Pastor Carrels if you have any questions.



Here is an amazing Ministry opportunity!! Do you want to help us make a community Christmas CD?

With the remarkable help of Dave Coleman, our music director and piano player extraordinaire, we would like to make a Christmas CD that can go out to our congregation members and be put up on YouTube. We are looking for singers and instrumentalists that would like to record their favorite Christmas Songs.

Do they have to be "Churchy"? **NO!**
Can I play Rudolph? **Ugh! If you have to!**
What about Santa Stuff? **Sure!**
What if I'm not perfect? No one is!
Come and share your gifts.

This is a ministry for the congregation so that we all have a small piece of our community with us all the time this Advent Season.

If you are interested please email pastor (pastorgoldhill@gmail.com) or Dave Coleman (daveinconcert@gmail.com) to coordinate times for recording during the months of October and November. Proceeds from this CD will go to a worthy charity and it will be a lot of fun!

Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp News

Announcements:

Day Camp sign-ups for congregations are open now!

Contact our office at 406-752-6602 or communitystaff@flbc.net to sign up.

Summer 2021 applications for Montana adult volunteers open today!

Find the application & more information online [HERE](#) or contact FLBC at 406-752-6602 or email communitystaff@flbc.net. Click [HERE](#) for a hard copy of our volunteer application!

2021 [Retreat Schedule](#) and [Summer Calendar](#) are now posted on our website! Stay tuned for more information. Mark your calendars!



Upcoming Retreats & Events:

Visit [FLBC Annual Programming](#) to learn more about our year-round programming and to find additional COVID-19 related information

Crazy About Quilting & Crafting Retreat

November 12-15, 2020

\$210/person (Thurs-Sun) // \$195 (Fri-Sun)// \$65/day (Commuter)

Bring your quilt and craft projects and work alongside friends old and new on the shores of Flathead Lake. FLBC will also be providing opportunities to learn new skills! [FLYER](#) attached here.

Family Advent Retreat

December 4-6, 2020

\$140, Ages 13+ / \$120, Ages 7-12 / \$75, Ages 2-6 / Free Children under 2 / \$480 maximum cost per nuclear family

Join us for time at camp as we prepare for Christmas! Make awesome crafts, cut your own Christmas tree, and soak in time for worship and prayer this Advent. [FLYER](#) attached here.

Jr + Sr High Ski & Snowboard Retreat

January 8-10, 2021

\$115/person (2 adults free with each church group // Lift tickets are separate from retreat cost)

Come for an awesome weekend filled with good food, fellowship, snow games, worship and FUN! [FLYER](#) attached here.

**CHURCH COUNCIL
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Weekly Calendar

Executive Committee
meeting via Zoom
at 5:30 pm
Tuesday, Nov. 3

LWR Quilters
meet at 10:30 am
at Butte Civic Center
Wednesday, Nov. 4

Bible Study/Adult Forum
via Zoom at 5:30 pm
Wednesday, Nov. 4

Weekly Devotion
on Facebook
at 6:00 pm
Wednesday, Nov. 4

Bible Study Group
meets at 8:00 am
via Zoom
Thursday, Nov. 5

Worship & Music
meeting via Zoom
at 6:00 pm
Thursday, Nov. 5

Worship Service
(Outdoors)
at 9:30 am
Sunday, Nov. 8

Montana Synod News

Words from the Bishop: Defiant Joy

Blessings to you, people of the Montana Synod. This past Sunday was All Saints Sunday, the holy-day in the church year during which we give



thanks for and honor all who have supported us in our lives and faith journeys before leaving us temporarily in death. All Saints Sunday is about remembering the dead who are no longer with us here on earth. It's also about recognizing the saints yet sinners who still walk with us in this world and are standing in defiant joy and inspired faith against death in all of its forms. Because, you see, this holy day is also about re-membering the resurrection that is promised to us in Jesus Christ.

In essence, All Saints Sunday is about facing death head-on and smiling at it through our faith in Christ. It's about waving good-bye to death as Jesus banishes it into oblivion. All Saints Sunday is about celebrating life, the abundant life that comes to us in God's eternal City through the power of Christ's resurrection from the cross. "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end," Jesus announces in the Revelation of John (Chapter 21). "It is done. Every tear will be wiped from your eyes, mourning and crying and pain will be no more. Death will be no more. See, I am making all things new."

As Jesus wipes away our tears and our fear of death with them, let us too stand in defiant joy against all that would try to destroy the new life Christ is bringing even now into our lives.

"Amen. Come, Lord Jesus."

Bishop Laurie



Are you looking for a place to connect with a faithful community, grow in faith, and put your talents to work 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 Marlow Carrels at 406-723-4242.

Gold Hill Lutheran Church Welcomes You!