PRESBYTERIAN CHURCS November 2025 Newsletter www.conradfirstpres.org conpres@3rivers.net

Sunday Worship @ 11:00 AM

Secretarial Office Hours
Monday through Friday

8:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Sunday Bible Study @ 10:00AM*

Monday Handbells @ 6:00PM

1st & 3rd Tuesdays Prayer Ministry @ 12:00PM

Wednesday Learn 2 Sew Class @ 3:30PM to 5:00PM

Wednesday Adult Discipleship Class @ 6:00PM

Wednesday Children/Youth Program @ 6:15PM to 7:45PM *Youth Group Update Inside!*

Thursday Choir @ 7:00PM

1st Friday of Every Month Free Community Meal @ 11:30AM to 1:00PM

Mark Your Calendars!!

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DON'T FORGET

to follow us

ON FACEBOOK

Come and enjoy a home cooked meal and an opportunity to visit with old friends and meet new friends on Friday, November 7th, starting at 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall at First Presbyterian Church in Conrad. The menu will be Layered Turkey Dinner, Green Bean Casserole, Rolls, Creamy Cranberry Salad, and Dessert.

Everyone is welcome at our tables.

<u>WEDNESDAY NIGHT CHILDREN & YOUTH PROGRAM UPDATE</u>

Our Wednesday Night Youth and Children's Program has gotten off to a great start with 29 students signed up. We are into our 7th week already!

Our Children's class leader is Carol Dayrider who is in charge of our young people in grades Pre-K to 4th grade. Jane Arends teaches the 5th through 7th graders, and David Arends heading up the students in 8th through 12th. Pam Wittmier is once again our Craft and Game leader.

The former choir room downstairs is going through a transformation into a Youth Room for the High Schoolers. They have chosen some lounge furniture and will add some new wall paint to make it their own.

Feeding a hungry crowd on Wednesday nights is very popular with our participants. Pam and Karla Wittmier have started us off with some delicious Kid-friendly suppers. A big "THANK YOU" to Marla Bruner and Della Kellogg for once again helping out as well. We also have some parents lined up to share their culinary talents with us in the next few weeks.

On October 15th, we drove the Youth around Conrad to "*Trick or Treat*" for the Food Pantry. They brought in 290 pounds of food!

We have 3 more special events planned before Christmas, which includes a visit to the Logan Extended Care, Horizon Lodge, as well as a Children and Youth-led Christmas Church Service on Sunday, December 14th.

We begin our Wednesday program with dinner at 6:15PM and go until 7:45PM. If you know a young person who would like to join us, just have them show up with a parent next Wednesday to register. If you need more information, please call Jane Arends at (406) 450-4163. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT CHILDREN & YOUTH PROGRAM UPDATE CONTINUED

You may have noticed our Hay Bale entry in the Chamber of Commerce contest to raise money to keep the Conrad Senior Center serving meals and the Senior Surrey running. The Youth helped with our Bale'm (Balaam) and His Talking Donkey display out in front of the church. You can check out the story in the Old Testament book of Numbers Chapter 10.



NOMINATING COMMITTEE



This year's Nominating Committee is looking for three (3) church members to be congregational representatives on the committee for 2026. The work would consist of 2 to 3 committee meetings in the fall and a few phone calls to invite membership on the Session and to replace outgoing Deacons. We also are looking for 1 more member to serve as an Elder for the Session. Please consider serving your church as these are very important positions in our church leadership. If you will do so or have questions, call Claudia Martin at 406-949-0374.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

If you have any articles to contribute to the **December Newsletter**, please turn them into the office no later than the morning of **Wednesday**, **November 19**th, which should provide enough time for article placement and proofreading if all articles are received by the due date. Any articles received after the due date will need to go into next month's newsletter or bulletin if it is time sensitive. The newsletter will be printed and mailed out the following week, providing enough time for the newsletter to be delivered with time sensitive articles.

If you have any articles or information you would like to submit, please send them either by email to conpres@3rivers.net or mail to:

First Presbyterian Church
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Conrad, MT 59425





GLACIER





Presbyterian Women met on Wednesday, October 8th at 10:30AM. The meeting was called to order by Jean Baringer. Carol Dayrider led the opening prayer. Roma Lee read a devotional on "Humor". Minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved. The financial report was presented. Memorial Funds have been transferred into the PW account. A gift card for Bella Dayrider was purchased and given to Bella, along with a lovely card made by Karla Wittmier. Presbyterian Women are in charge of the blood drive on October 9th. Roma will bring ham and cheese, Phyllis will bring egg salad, and Martha will bring roast beef. We will meet at 9:30AM to make the sandwiches. The bazaar workshops have been put on hold until after Christmas, since we are not having a bazaar this year. Karla will add some Christmas items to the Cupboard in the Fellowship Hall. The Outreach Committee is getting ready for Trunk or Treat. They are also preparing 30 Christmas boxes for Samaritan's Purse. Members can sponsor a box for \$25 dollars. Presbyterian Women will pay the postage. School supplies were given to the Meadowlark School and Trac Phones were donated to Hi-Line Help. We should know more about the Christmas luncheon next month. It was moved and seconded to take a special offering for the Senior Center at the Christmas dinner. The next meeting will be held November 13th at 10:30AM. Roma Lee and Martha will host.

NEWS FROM GLACIER CAMP AND SPRUCE LODGE

Glacier Camp completed its most successful camping season since COVID-19, hosting approximately 130 campers. Planning has already begun for the 2026 camping season, the theme for which will be "My Cup Runneth Over- Jesus and the Promise of Abundant Life."

Glacier Camp's annual donor appreciation dinner and scholarship support fundraiser will be held Sunday, November 16th starting at 4:00PM with a fellowship hour. A traditional holiday meal will be served at 5:00PM. The guest speakers for this year's dinner are Matthew McClintic and Jack Huffine, longtime camp attendees, who will share their insights on the value and importance of our camping ministry. Glacier Presbytery Camp will participate in the Thrivent Matching Campaign as part of our scholarship/camp ministry fundraising efforts. The campaign will begin November 10th and conclude November 24th. Thrivent will match gifts up to \$3,000. All donations will need to be made through a website link, which is not yet available. Please keep a look out for that link on the camp's Facebook page or their other social media platforms.

Glacier Camp and Conference Center hosted Glacier Presbytery on October 10th - 11th, the first time since 2019. Our guest speaker, Rev. Joe Chambers, spoke on the biblical theme "Beloved". Of particular interest is that the Presbytery voted to receive the report of the ad-hoc committee. This committee was tasked in March with exploring different options related to the camp and its ministry. The conclusion reached and affirmed by the Presbytery, is to continue operating the camp with two points of focus. Our summer camp ministry will continue to serve the youth of our churches and beyond and Spruce Lodge will continue to function as a venue for retreats, guest groups, and weddings. Terri Rector, Spruce Lodge Manager, has done a fantastic job of booking events.

The On-Line Advent Bible Study will begin on November 30th at 5:00PM. The theme for this year's Bible Study will be "Thanks be to God for His Incredible Gift" and will explore the theme of gratitude especially as it relates to the promise and fulfillment of a Messiah. If you would like to participate, contact Rev. Tim Lanham at timothy@glaciercamp.org.

Tim Traveler Tour-Rome to Reformation is being planned for Autumn 2026. There is still room for a few more participants to join our group October 25th - November 7th, with an optional extension to England and Scotland November 7th - 12th. Join us as we study and celebrate our heritage as Christians in the Reformed Tradition. Contact Rev. Tim Lanham at timothy@glaciercamp.org for more information.

FPC OUTREACH SUMMER ACTIVITIES & UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

October was a busy month for the Outreach Team. The First Friday Community Meal in October served a total of 98 people, including the take-outs. The tables were decorated with tablecloths in Halloween colors and pumpkins that contained treats for those sitting at the tables. Everyone was in a cheerful mood and again, we were blessed with some new faces.

Crayons, paint sets, and markers were taken to Meadowlark Elementary for their student closet. The closet is a source for teachers to access when children arrive for class without the necessary supplies needed in the classroom.

With grateful thanks to our congregation for the generous candy donations, the team volunteers filled 300 quart size Ziploc bags with candy and fun surprises to give out in Conrad's Trunk or Treat Halloween bash on Main Street.

Karen Burditt's After School Sewing Class has 8 girls this Fall. The girls got to choose the projects they wanted to do and quickly came up with unique ideas for several small projects. Karen found patterns for the projects and the girls have started work on them.

Layettes for WIC participants are being assembled and will be taken to the Pondera Health Department in the near future. Refreshments will be served to the staff and clients at the Food Pantry on the last Friday of the month.

Thirty (30) Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes were filled with gifts and clothing for children, ages 2-4, 5-9, and 10-14 years. The boxes are due in Great Falls mid November for shipping to various countries around the world. Samples boxes for each age group will be on display in the Fellowship Hall for viewing and an opportunity to sponsor a box. The boxes will be tracked and the destination reported to the church around the first of the new year. The Outreach Team would like to thank the Presbyterian Women's group for covering the cost of shipping the shoeboxes, as part of their global ministry.

The Outreach Team will be making a monetary donation to the Save the Senior Surrey fundraiser. The surrey provides an important service to our community and to those who no longer drive.

The next Community Meal will be on November 7th. Join us then for a Thanksgiving style meal and a chance to visit with old friends and make new acquaintances.

Martha Orcutt Karen Burditt Pat Keil
Della Kellogg Phyllis Hammermeister Karla Wittmier

And all the angels who help in this outreach.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ADULT DISCIPLESHIP CLASS

The Wednesday Night Adult Discipleship Class has begun a new 6-week DVD series, "Tame Your Thoughts" by Max Lucado. We meet Wednesday nights from 6-7 in Room 4 next to the church office. Please join us for scripture-based discussion and Christian fellowship. All are welcome!

<u>NOVEMBER</u>	LAY READERS		<u>DEAC</u>	CON'S LIST				
Nov. 2	Della Kellogg	God's Work Our Hands	Nov. 2	Karla & Jeanne				
Nov. 9	Nancy Powell		Nov. 9	Phyllis & Nikki				
Nov. 16	Arlene McHenry		Nov. 16	Carol & Amy				
Nov. 23	Martha Orcutt		Nov. 23	Arlene & Roma Lee				
Nov. 30	Julie Katana		Nov. 30	Phyllis & Jeanne				
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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CONRAD





THE CHURCH FINANCES FOR SEPTEMBER 2025:

Operating Income: \$11,241.00

Operating Expenses: (\$9,071.23)

August Balance: \$2,169.77

Year-to-Date Balance: \$1,820.23



Worship Committee:

- 1. Communion will be served on November 2nd.
- 2. Pastor Judy will preach on November 2nd, 16th, and 30th.
 - 3. Gary Klette will preach on November 9th.
 - 4. David Arends will preach on November 23rd.
- 5. The Committee is working on plans to live stream our church services.

The Discipleship Committee:

- 1. The Wednesday night youth will go trick or treating for the Food Pantry.
- 2. They also built a super cute hay bale presentation to raise funds for the Senior Center and the Senior Surrey.

The Outreach Committee:

Our Free Community Meals continue to be very popular and much appreciated. Our next one will be on November 7th. We have finished preparing the Christmas shoe boxes for young people who may not receive any other gifts this year. The boxes will be on display during coffee hour for those who wish to sponsor a box.

Technology Committee:

Due to the age and technical problems we have been having, we intend to obtain some bids and recommendations from a professional on what to do with our sound system.

The next Session meeting will be Monday, November 17, 2025 @ 7:00 PM.



PRAYER LIST



Please remember to pray for Friends & Family of Nick Hjelm, Bruce Benjamin, Robin, Amy Zimbelman, Barb Perry, Wally McHenry, Wendy Wagner, Dave Perry, Ward Orcutt, Cecil & Alice Benjamin, Kristine Ries Prewett, Helen Stordahl, Mary Sanders, Lavon & Karen Carter, Sean Carter, Dana & Marie Ahmed, Pearl Severtson, and Hazel Jones

If there is a name that you would like to add or remove from the prayer list in the bulletin, please call the church office, 406-278-3043. For **Prayer Chain Requests**, please call either Martha Orcutt, 406-868-1890 or Karen Burditt, 406-271-5295.



Kid's Corner Coloring Time HAPPY THANKSGIVING!



KID'S CORNER



Books of the Bible

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Habakkuk Haggai Hebrews Hosea Isaiah James Jeremiah Job Joel John Jonah Joshua Judges Kings Lamentations
Leviticus
Luke
Malachi
Mark
Matthew
Micah
Nahum
Nehemiah
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Obadiah
Peter
Philemon
Philippians
Proverbs

Psalms
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Samuel
SongofSolomon
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Timothy
Titus
Zechariah

November 2025

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2 Worship 11AM 21st Sunday after Pentecost Communion 10 Bible Study	3 10AM Exercise Class 6PM Handbells	4 12PM Prayer Ministry	5 3:30PM Learn 2 Sew Class 6PM Adult Discipleship Class 6:15PM Youth Program	6 10:30AM Worship Committee 7PM Choir	7 10AM Exercise Class 11:30AM to 1PM Free Community Meal	8
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YOUTH GROUP UPDATE INSIDE!

November Birthdays

- 1 Casey Buechler
- 3 Julie Wood
- 4 Amy Zimbelman
 Gary Klette
- 8 Cordell Wittmier
- 9 Rob Lettenga
- 10 Judy P. Sibley
- 11 Sydell Yeager
- 14 Allison Harris
- 15 Richard Warwick

18 Carol Jones

Sharon Eisenberg Oien

- 20 | Ryan Orcutt
- 22 Ray Moritz

David Brown

Eddie Jones

23 Arlene Newmiller

Amber Keil

- 27 Thanksgiving Day
 - Maggie Springer

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HAPPY

Tanner Orcutt

November Anniversaries

- 18 Karli & Luke Redd
- 21 Wally & Arlene McHenry
- 24 Greg & Della Kellogg
- 25 Dale & Patricia Keil
- 27 Phil & Molly Springer
- 28 David & Sharon Oien

