

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements: *Please sign the friendship pad*

*Call to Worship: Psalm 127:1

Leader: Unless the Lord builds the house,

People: Its builders labor in vain.

Leader: Let us praise the Lord in all that we do.

All: We gather to worship God and sing of his praises.

*Opening Song “*As We Gather*”

*Prayer of Confession (In Unison)

Carol Annin

Holy God, on this Labor Day weekend, we give thanks for empowering us with your gifts to serve others. You have equipped us with tools to work, share, and help those in need. Help us not to become complacent in our care for others. May we not turn a blind eye to the needs of others. Continue to work in our lives by your grace and mercy, energizing us in our work toward others. We praise you and thank you for your gift of Jesus Christ.

(Continue in silent personal confession...)

*Assurance of Pardon

*Song “*Morning Prayer*”

Passing the Peace of Christ

L: May the peace of Christ be with you. All: And also with you.

Children’s Time

Prayer for Illumination

Carol Annin

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 2:4b-15 *pg. 2*

New Testament Reading: Colossians 3:23-24 *pg. 202*

Sermon “*Work: A Burden or Blessing?*”

*Song of Response #369 “*I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me*”

Worshipping God With Our Offerings

The Offertory

Emily Banks, soloist

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”

*The Doxology *pg. 592*

*Prayer of Dedication

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Lord’s Prayer

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Emily Banks, soloist

Prayer Following the Lord's Supper

*Closing Song #2223 “*They’ll Know We Are Christians*”

*Benediction

*Postlude

Sandi Rabas

*Indicates to stand, if able and comfortable.

Music license for use in worship and live streaming is provided via CCLI #20735174

Those Serving in Worship:

Greeter: Sharon Moore

Ushers: Charlie Reed, Sandi Schoenberger, Jacob Lawson, Ron Wooten

Worship Assistant: Carol Annin

Communion Preparer: Betty Roy

Communion Servers: Betty Roy, Vicky Zimmerman, Meghan Ascheman, Linda Luse, and Marjorie Stewart

Church Staff Information:

Ministers: All Members

Pastor: The Rev. Dave Thompson pastordave@fpbillings.org

Office Manager: Jeanne Raney mainoffice@fpbillings.org

Children’s and Youth Director: Nichole Bodalski

Director of Music: Sandi Rabas

Choir Director: Janie Sutton

Custodian: Kent Fellingham

Preschool Directors: Karen Gerbase and Karen Norsworthy

Children’s Ministry Assistant: Maicyn Russell

Nursery Care: Lily Ascheman and Lauren Bauer

Bus Driver: David Sanderson

Announcements

Welcome to FPC! We are so glad that you have joined us. If this is your first time visiting with us, we extend a special welcome to join us again. We hope that you feel right at home with us.

Food Bank Sunday will be recognized this morning. We invite you to bring items for the Billings Food Bank on the first Sunday of each month.

Communion invitation: All are invited to share with us in the sacrament of communion this morning.

Grief Support Group will be meeting this Wednesday at 10:00 AM in the conference room. Facilitated by Dr. Don Harr, this group meets twice a month to provide support and encouragement to those facing grief and loss.

Worship Time Change takes place on Sunday, September 10 with services at 8:30 and 10:30 AM. Sunday school will be offered at 9:30 AM. Children's Sunday school will be offered during both worship services as well.

New Class: Join Pastor Dave beginning on Sunday, September 10 at 9:30 AM in the Fireside Room for the class "Destination Heaven." Dave will help us look at our final destination, how we get there, and what it will be like. This four week class will continue each Sunday through October 1.

Maui Fires Assistance: Help is needed for those recovering from the devastating fires in Maui, Hawaii. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is on the ground in Maui, helping with food, shelter, and other essential services. If you would like to make a donation, please specify on your check, "Maui Fire Assistance."

Frying on Fridays group will continue on a monthly basis and will meet again on Friday, September 8 at 5 PM. Join us for a group that is centered around food and hospitality in the Bible. Co-led by Nichole Bodalski and Russ Kline, this group meets on Fridays at 5 PM in the church's kitchen. Talk to Russ (850-4569) or Nichole (861-3549) about this group and how to get involved. This group is meeting as a way to build relationships around food and friendship.

Sanctuary flowers this Sunday are provided by Suzanne Braun in memory of her parents, Milous and Marily Repka. Our flower sign-up sheet is available to designate flowers in memory or honor of someone. Please find the sheet on the table as you enter the sanctuary. Suggested donation is \$30.

Upcoming Events:

Fall schedule resumes with worship at 8:30 and 10:30 on September 10

Youth Group resumes on Wednesday, September 13 from 6-8 PM

Women's Luncheon on Wednesday, September 20 at 12noon

Awana Kid's Program resumes on Wednesday, September 20 at 4:45 PM



LABOR DAY

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September 3, 2023

This Week @ FPC

- Sunday**
(Sept. 3)
Worship 9:30 AM
Communion served during worship
Coffee and cookies following worship in the fellowship hall
Pastor Dave leading worship at West Park Village 11 AM
- Monday**
Happy Labor Day– church office will be closed
No Monday Work Crew
No Kiwanis group
- Tuesday**
United Campus Ministry meeting downstairs 6-9 PM
- Wednesday**
Bible Study Fellowship Leaders' meeting 9 AM
Better Together Preschool 9 AM-1 PM
Men's study group meets in the Fireside Room 10 AM
Grief Support Group meets in the Conference Room 10 AM
- Thursday**
Square Dancing in the Fellowship Hall 7 PM
- Friday**
Frying on Fridays group meets in the kitchen 5-7 PM
Square Dancing in the Fellowship Hall 7-9 PM
- Sunday**
(Sept. 10)
Worship 8:30 AM
Sunday school classes 9:30 AM
Choir rehearsal in the sanctuary 9:30
Worship 10:30 AM
Choir to sing during worship
Coffee and cookies following worship in the fellowship hall

Last week: Attendance: 231 Offering: \$ 3,231

Sermon Notes

Sermon: Work: A Burden or Blessing?

Scripture: Genesis 2:4-15 and Colossians 3:23-24

Tithing envelopes are now located in the friendship pads