

FCC HARBINGER

January 2023



January Birthdays

Ben M.- 4th

Elly V.- 7th

Beth M.- 17th



JANUARY CHURCH EVENTS

Worship- Each Sunday @ 1045am

Join us in person or online for worship every Sunday at 1045am. This is a time you should set aside each week to be intentional about focusing on God/Jesus and how we can each better our lives of faith.



Annual Meeting- January 21st after worship

Join together as a congregation to affirm the work of the board and the leadership of the church. This meeting is meant to serve as time of affirmation of those called to positions on the board or in spiritual leadership as Elder or Deacon.

Potluck - January 21st after meeting

Following our annual meeting, we will be having a potluck as we celebrate another year together as church.

“Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors.” Luke 2:14

CONGREGATIONAL SURVEY

In 2024, we will be doing a congregational survey to see how we are doing and where we want to go! The survey will be available in paper or online starting on January 21st and will end Feb 4th. We want your feedback as leaders so that we can better serve you and so that we can better serve God. Perhaps you have noticed something we haven't, perhaps there is something that needs to be addressed. Perhaps you have a curiosity on something. All of these will be things you can anonymously respond to in the Congregational Survey! Pastor Mat will send out and email with the digital link on Jan 21st



PRAYER REQUESTS

Wayne DeMinck, Doug & Joan Combs, Marie Hall, Charlotte Hanger, Linda Richards, Hayden Tucker, Michael Call, Judy Carter's family, Karen Whipple, Trisha's brother Bob, Jasper, Sandy, Shelia, Carma G., and all who are suffering through natural disasters and war in this world

If you no longer wish to receive the Newsletter, please email newsletter@fccmissoula.org.

RECIPE SPOT

Pork Chop Dressing

From "A Loving Helping of Christian Hospitality" by the FCC Christian Womens Fellowship (Copies of this cookbook are available in the office)

~Ingredients~

8 Pork Chops, Cut to 1/2 thick	2 c. Water	1 c. Chopped celery
1 env. Chikn Noodle Soup Mx	1/2 c. chopped onion	1 tsp. rubbed sage
4 Tbsp. Butter	4 c crouton or bread crumb	



Trim fat from chops. In a large skillet, cook trimming until about 1 tablespoon fat remains; discard trimmings. Brown chops in hot fat. Season with salt and pepper. Remove chops. In same skillet, cook celery and onion in butter or margarine until tender but not brown. Add water and sage. Simmer for 5 min. Add croutons; stir until moistened.

Put in covered baking dish and bake covered for about 1 hour. at 350 degrees.

Submitted by Jean Goldsby

PASTOR MAT TRAVELING

Pastor Mat will be out of the Office Jan 4- 20

He will be at Lexington Theological Seminary 4-15

And visiting family 16-20

He will still be checking his email and phone but may not be able to respond immediately.



COFFEE HOUR

Below is our wonderful people helping with Fellowship time.



Jan 7	Tricia W.
Jan 14	Jan T.
Jan 21	Potluck
Jan 28	Beth M.

We are Disciples of Christ,

A movement for wholeness in a fragmented world. As part of the one body of Christ, we welcome all to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us.

• Disciples of Christ Statement of Identity



Save some Dates for 2024

Lent will be Feb 14- March 31

Easter is March 31st




Regional Assembly: May 3-5th

Church Camps: July 8-20

Cane Ridge West 40th Anniversary: Labor Day Weekend.

Regional Assembly

*Save the date for Regional Assembly!!
The Northern Lights Regional Assembly will be held May 3-5th in Wenatchee Washington! During this assembly, we hope to install a New Regional Minister and celebrate being church together.*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 TOPS: 730-1130a Scouts: 6:30p	3 MMA- 12pm Five Valleys: 6-730p	 Ben M. B-day 4* Girl Scouts:6-730p	5* Al Anon:12-130p	6* Al Anon: 930a AA: 7p
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THINGS TO KNOW

Congregational Meeting

January 21st after the worship Service. All members of the congregation invited to attend and vote. We will have a Potluck following this.

Pastor Mat Out *

Pastor Mat will be out of the Office from January 4-20 for education and visiting family. He can still be reached via cell and email but may have a delayed response.

Elders Schedule

7th - Jim Sadler
14th - Tricia Waylett
21st- Nancy Lumsden
28th- Fred Lumsden



Pastor Mat in the Blackfoot @ CRW

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MINISTER REFLECTION

As we enter yet another New Year, I find myself like Mary, pondering things. One of the texts from our Worship on New Years Eve was from Isaiah 43:19 where it states “I am about to do a new thing...” as prophecy from God. This of course was meant to talk about God being active in the time of Israel returning from exile, but I believe God is always at work to “do a new thing.” It was through Christ that the world got changed, through his ministry we were and are reminded of how God wants us to act towards each other and be in relationship with God. It is through the Holy Spirit that God is working to do new things in each of our lives every day. Each day we wake up with the opportunity to make a difference in someones life.

This is the same for our congregation, every day, every year, God is at work to “do a new thing.” But what is God calling us to do now? Are we taking time in our lives to listen to God and see the guidance we are given as we navigate the world we live in? As we enter into a New Year, with the HOPE, PEACE, JOY & LOVE of Christmas in our hearts, let us prepare for the work of Christmas for the rest of the year. This ministry is our ministry, together. Where is the spirit on fire in you for doing a new thing through God and Jesus this year?

Love, Pastor Mat

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