



# THE CALL

## FEB. 2023



Spiritual Growth Commission is planning an afternoon of food, fun and prizes. Join us after second service on February 5, 2023 for a variety of soups, bingo and prizes. February 5th is also Scout Sunday and all scouts and families are welcome. We are asking church members to bring a side dish, bread or crackers, and salad to share with everyone. There will be a sign up sheet on the bulletin board. Please sign up so Spiritual Growth can know how much soup to make to make sure everyone gets served. COME JOIN IN THE FUN!!

### Church Staff:

**Bryan Elliott:** Lead Pastor  
**Kathy Winders,** Secretary  
**Arlon Miller,** Music Director  
**Megan Jones,** Preschool Director  
**Alexus McKauly,** Custodian  
**Ministers: Every Member!**

### Office hours:

Mon.-Thurs.

9:30 AM - 2:00 PM

Fridays: CLOSED



### SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

8:15 Worship Service

9:00 Adult Sunday School

9:15 Youth Sunday School

10:10 - Worship Service

(307) 234-8964

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[fccasper@gmail.com](mailto:fccasper@gmail.com)

Preschool - M-F 9:00 - Noon

CLOSED JUNE-AUG.

Preschool Phone - 472-0649



### SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY

FEBRUARY 12, 2023 (actual Super Bowl)

The youth will be collecting money and canned goods from February 5 - February 19th. The donations will be going to the Wyoming Food Bank. Teams to be decided shortly!!



## Pastor Bryan's Page

Dear Church Family,

Awhile back I read an article about the power of a grateful heart. I am drawn to that now as I talk with so many people myself included, who get caught in ruts of thinking as well as behaving. A simple exercise can help us to get out of that rut

and get out on the open road, it is simply writing down three things you are thankful for when you get up in the morning and when you lay your head down at night, write down three things that your day gave you that caused you to be thankful. You can do this in a journal, or on your phones note section, it does not matter where, just that you write it down. Why write it? Because it makes you do something intentional and it helps you to look forward to the day and then when evening comes it helps you to reflect on your day and finish on a positive uplifting note. Try it, what do you have to loose?

Some things that I am looking forward to with a thankful and grateful heart: I enjoy the small groups that I am involved in: Tuesday's Sermon in the Round (Meets at 11 AM in the Boardroom); Men's Group that meets the second Saturday of each month (Meets at the Eastside Wendy's at 9 AM). We share scripture, talk about our lives, fellowship with one another and share a time of prayer. If you haven't come to this you are missing out on a good time of fellowship.

Boy Scout Troop 13 has been hosted by our church for over 100 Years. They have seen more than 75 young men become Eagle Scouts and at the 10:10 AM Worship on February 5th they will be presenting the flags at the beginning of our service in honor of Boy Scout Sunday and sharing their scouting experience with us. Come join us and celebrate this wonderful organization which has formed so many boys into men of honor and purpose; Another wonderful event that is happening this month is on Sunday, February 5th after our 10 AM Worship Service is the Spiritual Commissions 1st Fun, Food and Fellowship time after our church service. We will eat soup and enjoy side dishes as well as dessert, with Bingo and other games; As of this writing we are working on a time to celebrate Ash Wednesday on the 22nd. I will be gone the week of the 20th meeting our new granddaughter.

These and so many other events await us in the coming months. Please join us in these celebrations as well as our weekly Worship times on Sunday.

Blessings and Happy Valentines Day - remember to celebrate with those you love.

In His Service,  
Pastor Bryan



## Hello From the Board President

Thank you for all your support by electing me as your Board Chair 2023. I am excited for the upcoming year. At our January Board meeting we welcomed new members to the board--Erika Stupak as Vice-Chair, Max Jacobson as secretary, Kimberly Ireland as Spiritual Growth Chair, Ted Grooms as Stewardship Chair, Elane Burkhalter as Nominating Chair and Nancy Thomas as Elder Chair! Thank you all so much for stepping up. It is going to be a great year. Please know I am available to you if you have any questions, comments, concerns or ideas for the church. I can be reached via email at [dragonflyclg@yahoo.com](mailto:dragonflyclg@yahoo.com) or cell phone (307) 267-9892. Blessings to you all for a Happy 2023! Carmen Goodman, Chair

## Thank You from the Church Staff



Thank you to everyone for the gifts of candy, gift cards, beautiful handmade items, and other Christmas remembrances to the staff. They were greatly appreciated and enjoyed.

*HAPPY NEW YEAR! Bryan, Kathy, Arlon, Alexis & Trae*

“No one can go back in time to change what has happened. So work on your present to make yourself a wonderful future.”  
*Anonymous.*

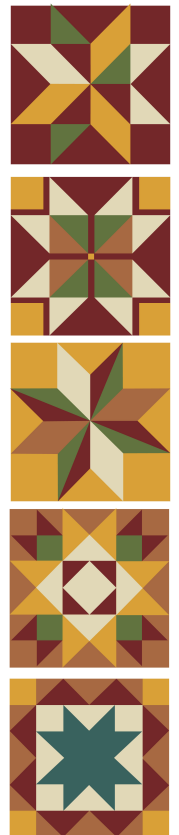


**Live Life Like a Quilt...**  
**Be soft when it's important,**  
**Be warm when it's cold,**  
**Be proud to show your true colors,**  
**and always scrap together when times are tough.**  
**WISH UPON A QUILT..Rena Geist**

Ten years ago a quilt store in town started making quilts for homeless graduating seniors. Many quilters helped with this by sorting, cutting, and piecing these quilts. A year ago the store closed and I've been thinking about these children, who would graduate this year without a quilt. I asked my quilt group if they wanted to take on this community service and they all said "YES!". I've had fabric donated and we have been making quilt kits.

I am so grateful for Disciples Women's Ministries, Spiritual Growth Commission and the Mission Commission for donating money for batting and backing. I'm hoping to have 30 quilts donated this year. My goal is \$700 and so far I have received \$550 in donations which is very much appreciated.

If anybody would like to give a donation to this worthwhile project. please contact- Jane Wallace @ 258-2063 or [happy\\_shears@yahoo.com](mailto:happy_shears@yahoo.com)



## FEBRUARY DIACONATE

8:15 - Pat Seamands

10:10 - Trisha Whitcomb & Trudy Woodard

Contact Pat Seamands @ 262-2921 to sign up if you haven't already.

### OFFERTORY STEWARD

Paul Hallock

### COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

2/5 - Stupaks & Spiritual Growth

Soup Luncheon with games

2/12 - Nicholas Grooms

2/19 - Jan Coey & Annette Ambrosino

2/26 - Nancy Thomas

### WORSHIP & WONDER

2/5 - Dennis Baker

2/12 - Maggie Grooms

2/19 - Debbie Mestas

2/26 - Annette Ambrosino

### ELDERS

2/5 - Robin Nelson & Nancy Thomas

2/12 - Teresa Elliott & Nancy Thomas

2/19 - Teresa Elliot (both services)

2/26 - Robin Nelson & 10:10 TBD.



Judy Potter	Feb. 5	Melanie Dowler	Feb. 17
Connor Goodman	Feb. 6	Payton Brown	Feb. 20
Jo Cox	Feb. 7	Ben Ambrosino	Feb. 21
Carson Johnson	Feb. 7	Mark Foster	Feb. 22
Jared Baker	Feb. 9	Stevy Kingsolver	Feb. 24
Pat Buck	Feb. 12	Jackie Tighe	Feb. 25
Michelle Elser	Feb. 16		

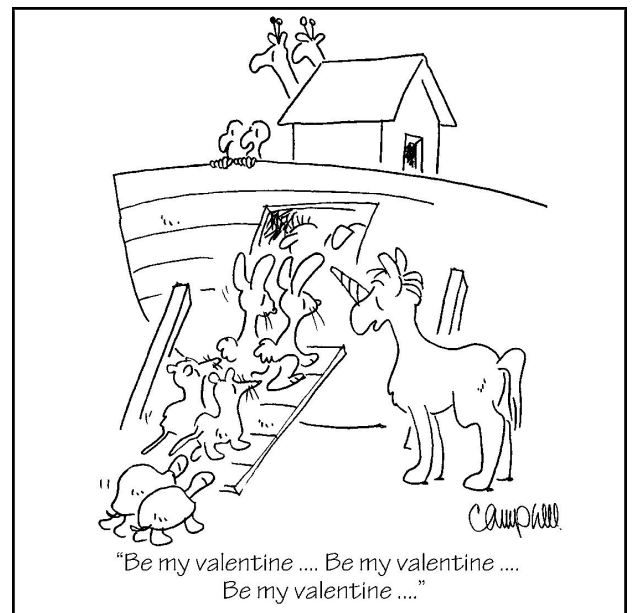
## ANNIVERSARY

Larry & Kathy Winders - Feb. 22, 1969



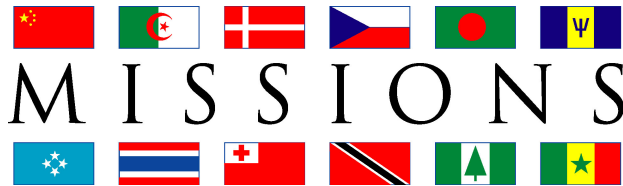
### CHRISTIAN SYMBOL

**DESCENDING DOVE**--A dove is a prominent symbol of the Holy Spirit. When the dove is shown flying downward, it reminds us of Jesus' baptism, when, the gospel writers tell us, the Spirit descended on him in the form of a dove. Doves also symbolize baptism in general. Doves are also commonly used as a sign of peace.



# Lent BEGINS

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WEDNESDAY  
FEBRUARY 22



The Mission Commission met and discussed the final distribution of the Faith Promise funds to the organizations approved by the Board and Congregation at the Congregational Meeting. Each organization will receive approximately \$1500. We are including a note of explanation to each recipient with their check. The mittens, hats, gloves collected on the DWM Christmas Tree were taken to Seton House and Interfaith. The Commission is also helping with expenses for the making of the quilts the At-Risk High School graduating seniors receive at graduation.

We welcome you to our meetings and any help you can give assisting with the blanket ministry and sandwich ministry. Contact Annette Ambrosino or Wanda Hogan if you have questions or for meeting times.



**NURSERY ATTENDANT NEEDED!!**

**We are in need of a Sunday nursery attendant. If you or you know of someone that might be interested in this job, please contact Pastor Bryan, Michelle Elser or the church office.**



The Spiritual Growth Commission is looking ahead to Easter, April 9th and need your help. They are asking for donations of small and medium size vases for the Easter Sunday flowers. They will have a box in Fellowship Hall by the end of the month for you to put your donations in. They can be plain, fancy, or whatever you have you wish to donate. If you have any questions, contact Kimberly Ireland @ 251-5868

# From the Elder Chair



TO FCC ELDERS.... There will be a meeting of all current elders on February 6 at 6:30 p.m. We will decide on the best time for future meetings, set up the serving schedule for the next few months, talk about what being an elder means to you and review the general responsibilities of an elder. I look forward to getting to know all of you and working with you this year. Feel free to contact me @ (307) 337-5245 (either phone or text). *Nancy Thomas, Chair*

## HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

We hope you all had a wonderful holiday season. The preschool staff enjoyed time with our families and some rest, but are so ready to finish out the school year with energy and enthusiasm.

Our entry and interior door project should begin in the next few weeks.. We are thankful for your patience as this has been a lengthy process. We are looking forward to having an entry door that works.

We are gearing up for pre registration. We will start registering our existing students next month and open our enrollment process up to the public in March. Please join us in praying for a full program next school year.

As always, a HUGE thank you for the church's continued support. Megan Jones, Director



DWM'S Monthly Fellowship Meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 14th Time: 1:00 p.m.

Read Mark 11. Service project is Seton House.

Please bring towels, twin sheets, kitchen ware & canned non-perishable food.

# February 2023

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:15 AM Worship</li> <li>9:00 AM Adult's Sunday School</li> <li>9:15 AM Young Adult School</li> <li>10:10 AM Worship</li> <li>11:30 AM Coffee Fellowship</li> <li>12:00 PM Choir Rehearsal</li> </ul>	<p>30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6:00 PM Cub Scouts (pack mtg)</li> <li>7:00 PM Boy Scouts</li> </ul>	<p>31</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11:00 AM Sermon in the Round</li> <li>7:00 PM AA</li> </ul>	<p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM QUILTERS</li> </ul>	<p>2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Groundhog Day</li> </ul>	<p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>OFFICE CLOSED</li> <li>10:00 AM Quilters</li> <li>3:00 PM Sandwich making</li> </ul>	<p>4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7:30 AM Men's BS</li> <li>8:15 AM SANDWICH MINISTRY</li> </ul>
<p>5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SCOUT SUNDAY</li> <li>8:00 AM Souper, Bowl collections</li> <li>8:15 AM Worship</li> <li>9:00 AM Adult's Sunday School</li> <li>9:15 AM Young Adult School</li> <li>10:10 AM Worship</li> <li>11:30 AM FOOD, FUN &amp; GAMES</li> <li>12:00 PM Choir Rehearsal</li> </ul>	<p>6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM Paper Piecing Quilters</li> <li>9:30 PM DWM Fellowship</li> <li>10:00 AM Circle Team Meeting</li> <li>2:00 PM Cub Scouts</li> <li>6:00 PM Club Scouts</li> <li>6:30 PM Elders meeting</li> <li>7:00 PM Boy Scouts</li> </ul>	<p>7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11:00 AM Sermon in the Round</li> <li>7:00 PM AA</li> </ul>	<p>8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM QUILTERS</li> </ul>	<p>9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>OFFICE CLOSED</li> <li>10:00 AM Quilters</li> <li>3:00 PM Sandwich making</li> </ul>	<p>10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>OFFICE CLOSED</li> <li>10:00 AM Quilters</li> <li>3:00 PM Sandwich making</li> </ul>	<p>11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7:30 AM Men's BS</li> <li>8:15 AM SANDWICH MINISTRY</li> <li>9:00 AM Men's Group</li> </ul>
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# Youth SUMMER Camp

**ATTENTION ALL FCC YOUTH AND PARENTS!**

All summer camps will be June 18-24th except for the Discovery Camp which will be June 23 & 24th at LaForet. All families with campers will be responsible for their own transportation down and back. Families are encouraged to work together to arrange transportation. The church will not be involved with transportation arrangements at all. There will also be no reimbursement of travel expenses. Any questions, please contact Erika Stupak.