



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST) CASPER, WYOMING

THE CALL

July 2023



I AM AN AMERICAN

That's the way most of us put it—just matter of factly.

They are plain words, these four

You could write them on your thumbnail,

Or you could sweep them clear across this bright
summer sky,

BUT remember too that they are more than words.

They are a way of life,

So whenever you speak them, speak them firmly

Speak them proudly

Speak them gratefully.

I AM AN AMERICAN!!!

Church Staff:

Bryan Elliott: Lead Pastor

Kathy Winders, Secretary

Arlon Miller, Music Director

Megan Jones, Preschool Director

Alexus McKauly, Custodian

Donna Osterholt, Nursery

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

10:10 - Worship Service

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Preschool - M-F 9:00 - Noon

CLOSED JUNE-AUG.

Preschool Phone - 472-0649





From
Pastor
Bryan

Dear Church Family,

A truly great month is approaching us!! It is a time when vacations and bbq's and time with family abounds. What a great time to be outdoors and enjoy God's creation. Our Spiritual Growth Commission has reserved for us a spot on the mountain (same place we usually meet) for our Worship On the Mountain, July 30, 2023 at 11 AM. We will have the Chapel service at the church that day at 8:15 AM and then worship on the Mountain to follow. Please bring a chair and a sack lunch and we can make an afternoon of it. I will be bringing my side by side to travel the trails that day after a time of worship, fellowship and food. Hope you all can make it!

As you know, we have had several of our young people go to camp this summer and they had a wonderful time. It is a great commitment for our families as transportation is a large commitment. We are truly thankful for all of you that helped get our young people to camp.

I enjoyed my time in the Big Horns this past month as we fished and spent time in the Old Testament learning about the prophets and how they spoke into the spiritual and political issues of their day. John Hull (Caryn Yoast) was our facilitator and he did an outstanding job.

As a congregation, we have experienced some struggles this summer with health as well as the passing of saints in our church. Please remember your church family in your prayers this month and in the months to come. It is a good thing to have a church family to lean into in the good times as well as the difficult times. I know this is an overused cliché but we are truly stronger together. God is good and his enduring love brings us into his glorious presence each time we gather for worship, gather as small groups, and share our precious time together in fellowship. May your summer be a time of renewal and blessing for you and your family.

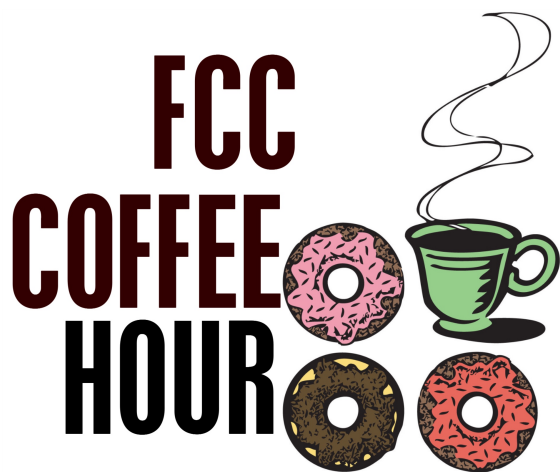
Have a great Summer and hope to see you in church between your vacation and other family outings. Blessings and see you soon!

Pastor Bryan



CIRCLE OF CARING GROUP

The Circle of Caring Group will NOT be meeting during July or August. We will meet in September to reassess the purpose of the group. If you have any questions, contact Robin Nelson.



FELLOWSHIP HOUR IS IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS TO BRING TREATS FOR THE 11:30 FELLOWSHIP AFTER THE 10:10 SERVICE. THE ENTIRE MONTH OF JULY IS AVAILABLE. THE SIGNUP SHEET IS ON THE BULLETIN BOARD OUTSIDE THE KITCHEN.

JUST A REMINDER

The following people signed up to pick up garbage weekly around the church and yard. If you find you are unavailable, please let Ted Grooms know.



June - Paul Hallock
July - Tom & Melanie Dowler
August - Carmen Goodman
September - Belle Stapleton
October - Ted Grooms

Thank you very much for signing up to help keep the church looking nice!

JULY DIACONATE

8:15 - Pat Seamands

10:10 - Mark Williams & Dale Gregory

Contact Pat Seamands @ 262-2921

to sign up if you haven't already.

OFFERING STEWARD

Larry Winders

VEGGIE TALES

June 18 - open

June 25 - open

July 2 - Maggie Grooms

July 9 - open

July 16 - Jennifer Grooms

July 23 - Jennifer Grooms

July 30 - Worship on the Mountain

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

June 18

June 25 - Trudy Woodard

Nobody has signed up for July

ELDERS

June 18 - Teresa both services

June 25 - Teresa both services

July 2 - 8:15 Robin 10:10 Nancy

July 9 - Teresa both services

July 16 - 8:15 Robin 10:10 Colin

July 23 8:15 Robin - 10:10 Nancy

July 30 - Teresa both services

(Also Worship on Mtn)



Sam Kingsolver

July 2

Belle Stapleton

July 16

Cooper Goodman

July 4

Wanda Hogan

July 19

Al Metz

July 9

Tom May

July 21

Ruth Jones

July 12

Jason Ireland

July 24

Emma Lackey

July 16

Rick Black

July 31



ANNIVERSIES

Brian & Jenny Black - July 2, 1988

Rick & Teri Black - July 14, 1990

Michael & Carol Braley - July 15, 1960

Scott & Jennifer Hawley - July 20, 1996

Tim & Katy Havasi - July 28, 2001

Spencer & Erika Stupak - July 31, 1999



UNCLAIMED
DISHES

There are some unclaimed dishes from dinners we've had at the church on the counter in the kitchen. Please check to see if some are yours and take them home. If go unclaimed, they will be disposed of.



Worship on the Mountain
July 30th @ 11:00 a.m.
Bring chair and sack lunch



Even though school is out and summer vacations begin, our sandwich ministry continues. Do you have a spare hour to help make sandwiches on Friday afternoons or package lunches on Saturday mornings (only on specific dates)? Please contact Annette Ambrosino at 259-2320 if you are willing to help us.

Since fleece blankets will not be made during the summer months (3rd Saturday of each month), our commission has partnered with DWM to make a few

blankets at the end of their summer month meetings (2nd Tuesdays of each month) as part of their service projects. This work is voluntary for those attending those meetings who wish to stay and help.

God Bless America





Preschool is closed until September on summer holiday. We have a few openings next year and continue to take registrations. Graduation and the programs were a big success and we wished Max Jacobson a happy retirement.

The door projects in the preschool should be completed by the end of June.

We look forward to seeing everyone in September! Have a great summer. Blessings.....Megan Jones, Director



AN IDEAL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY!!!

Volunteers are needed to sign up to help with our Veggie Tales summer program for children ages 3-grade 4. The sign up sheet is on the bulletin board outside the secretary's office. **Pick a Sunday of your choice!** You can also bring a helper with you if you choose. Schedule is as follows:

1. Attend church service through Children's time with Pastor Bryan
2. Class is in the board room which has a big TV and an air conditioner
3. Serve a snack (snacks provided)
4. Talk to the kids about their week. They like to share and it's fun
5. Show the Veggie Tales video.
6. If weather is nice and time permits, go out to the playground, sit on a bench and watch children play until church lets out. (If it's rainy - there are games for indoors.)

Contact Maggie Grooms or Michelle Elser if you have any questions about this excellent FUN-filled program.



DWM July Fellowship Meeting

Tuesday, July 11, 2023

1:00 p.m. - Fellowship Hall

Service Project - stay and help make a fleece blanket for the blanket ministry.

ALL WOMEN OF THE CHURCH ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!!





Alaska Mission Trip Fundraiser

July 9th, 11:20 after church in the Fellowship Hall

Michelle Elser, Kylee Stupak and Austin Lackey have an amazing opportunity to help out those in need, and serve God in Fairbanks Alaska this summer! The trip will be from August 5th-11th, and we are asking for support from our church family. We will be helping out those in need in Fairbanks through homeless ministries, community outreach, food pantries, sports ministry and prayer ministry. When we return, we will share with the congregation what we learned, and how we were able to help. In order to help offset the program and airfare costs, we are going to have a spaghetti fundraiser after church on July 9th. We would love for all of our church family to join us. There will not be a set cost, it will be by donation only. If you have any questions, or any dietary restrictions (GF, etc.), please let Michelle know at 307-259-1166.

If you can't make the fundraiser, and would like to make a tax deductible donation, please write a check to FCC with 'Alaska Mission' in the note portion. I have also attached my Venmo link for your convenience, but please be aware that any money sent via Venmo is NOT tax deductible. Thank you so much for everything, and we hope to see you on the 9th!

Michelle Elser

@swimchickmle



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July 2023

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