



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST) CASPER, WYOMING

# THE CALL



Do You Carrot All For Me?

Author Unknown

Do you carrot all for me?  
My heart beets for you,  
With your turnip nose  
And your radish face,  
You are a peach?  
If we cantaloupe,  
Lettuce marry:  
Weed make a swell pear.

*Happy Valentine's Day*



## Church Staff:

**Bryan Elliott:** Lead Pastor  
**Kathy Winders,** Secretary  
**Daniel Galbreath,** Music Director  
**Teresa Elliott & Shannon Jerding,** Directors  
**Donna Osterholt,** Nursery  
**Michelle Griebel,** 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  
10:10 - Worship Service  
11:30 - Coffee Fellowship

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**Preschool - M-F 8:30 - 5:30 P.M.**

**CLOSED JUNE-AUG.**

**Preschool Phone - 472-0649**

For God so loVed the world  
thAt He gave His  
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thaT whoever  
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iN Him should not perish  
but havE everlasting life.

(John 3:16, NKJV)

# Pastor's Post

Dear Church Family,

As you know, I am preaching a sermon series on the Lord's Prayer that began in January and will be wrapped up sometime in early March. In this journey we have pondered the questions that this template prayer offers us. I say template because in it Jesus talks about the intimacy of our papa God. He talks about bringing the peace and rightness of heaven here on earth. He speaks of our struggles to make ends meet. He also talks about how we suffer and struggle in life from outside sources that work to destroy us and those we love. But that God can overcome those forces and lead us towards God's glorious future for us, His people. I find hope in this powerful prayer. It is not a prescription - do this and that will happen. It is not magic - say these words three times fast or slow and you will get whatever you wish. It is relationship - talking, listening, learning, loving. My hope in this month that contains Valentine's Day is that we lean into God's love in such a way that it becomes our light that others may find warmth through. **Valentine's Day falls on Wednesday the 14th this year. That date is also the beginning of Lent and we will celebrate Ash Wednesday at the church from 8 AM to 10 AM, I will be in the sanctuary and will be offering a devotion from our Lenten Devotional book and a prayer and if you so wish, ashes. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of a remembrance of the 40 days that Jesus was tempted in the wilderness (excluding Sundays).** Often people forgo something in this season. You may also take something on - a devotional time in the morning, evening or another time in your day; do some service for another through a food pantry, or a random act of kindness. But honor those days and see what insights God gives you into this life we live for God and with others.

During this time we will have a couple other speakers who will grace our presence in February: Dennis Baker and our Interim Regional Minister, Reverend Dale Matherly. It is exciting to hear from others about their relationship with the God of creation and hear their hearts. I will be out of town on February 11th (when Dennis preaches) for our youngest granddaughters 1st Birthday. She won't remember my presence but that doesn't matter, honoring life does not have to be remembered as much as it has to be done. In this season of winter, do some honoring of others and in so doing make Jesus smile.

In His Loving Embrace,

Pastor Bryan



# Members At Large



## WHAT IS A MEMBER AT LARGE??????

FCC has two members at large that sit on the Board of the church. They are basically the eyes and ears to comments suggestions, recommendations, and kudos which members of the congregation wish to have reported to the Executive Board. You can visit with them and remain anonymous if you so desire. They will bring your concerns to the Board and they will be discussed or

turned over to the proper person or commission for them to review. Your representatives this year are Jane Wallace Perez and Elaine Gross.

There is also a box on the railing to downstairs that says "Members-At-Large" on it that and you can write your comments on a piece of paper and place it in the box.



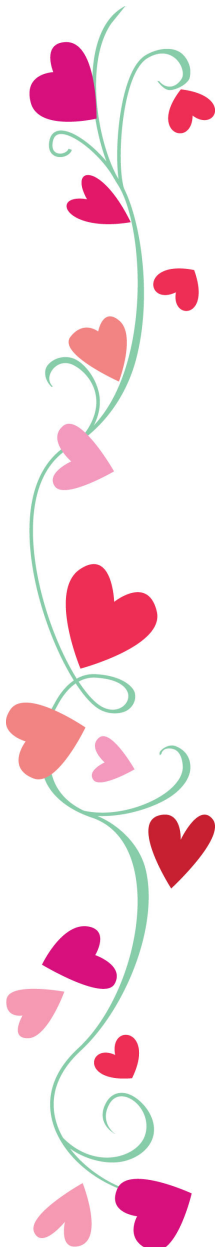
**Please join the women of DWM on February 13,  
Tuesday, at 1:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall**

Please read the **second chapter of Ephesians.**

**Wrapped chocolate Valentine's Day Hearts**

will be a special treat  
for the Wyoming Rescue Mission.  
Please bring some!

**Please bring Valentine's Day Greeting Cards  
to church on February 4th.** There will be a basket  
on the table by the entry to the sanctuary. They will be  
addressed and ready to go when we sign them on  
February 13, and will be mailed that day,



## FEBRUARY DIACONATE

8:15 -Nina Hytrek

10:10 - Spencer Stupak & Marcus Hayden  
Contact Trudy Woodard @ 259-4370  
to sign up if you haven't already.

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OFFERING STEWARD  
Randisue Davis

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YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL  
Jennifer Grooms

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ELDERS  
JANUARY

Jan. 21 - Teresa Elliott & Nancy Thomas

Jan. 28 - Teresa Elliott (both)

## FEBRUARY

Feb. 4th - Dewey Smith - Erika Stupak

Feb. 11th - Nancy Thomas (both services)

February 18th - Teresa Elliott - Dennis Baker

February 25th - Teresa Elliott (both services)



Judy Potter	Feb. 5
Connor Goodman	Feb. 6
Jo Cox	Feb. 7
Jared Baker	Feb. 9
Pat Buck	Feb. 12
Michelle Elser	Feb. 16
Russ Black	Feb. 17
Melanie Dowler	Feb. 17
Ben Ambrosino	Feb. 21



Larry & Kathy Winders  
February 22, 1969



## *Address Change*

**Rev. Bob and Joan McNamara**

1205 Yodel Lane  
Longmont, CO 80503

**Floyd Field**

Primrose  
1865 S, Beverly #211  
Casper, WY. 82609



We received notice that **Fran Wroble**, former member of FCC, passes away on January 8, 2024 at the age of 95 in Littleton, CO. Fran had moved to Colorado several years ago to be closer to her children.

**Dr. Thomas Norman, former FCC pastor**, passed away May, 2023. We were just informed of his passing.

*Introducing...*  
**New Members**

Stan & Dana Fox — 4056 East 12th — Casper, WY 82609  
Stan (C) 970-326-7160 — Dana (C) 970-326-7869  
Email: sdfox2017@yahoo.com





The Mission Commission will be purchasing items for the Project Homeless Connect which will be at the Eagles January 26th from 8-5. If anyone would like to donate to the cause they can take items to 140 East K Street by Wednesday, January 24th. They are in need of:

Adult size warm socks; stick deodorant; bar soap, women's hygiene produces, disposable razors, brushes/combs; fingernail clippers; toothbrush/paste; sunscreen; chapstick; shampoo/conditioner. Other items: sleeping bags, blankets, backpacks, warm hats/gloves/scarves; first aid kits; flashlight, headlamps (rechargeable preferred); charging cords/wall blocks and hand/foot warmers.

The Sandwich Ministry is now making 75 lunches per week. Everyone is welcome participate in making sandwiches on Fridays at 1:00 at FCC or put lunches together on Saturday mornings and 8:15.. Please check with Annette or Wanda as to the Saturdays FCC prepares lunches since there are several other churches participating in our program with us.



*FCC CELEBRATES  
8 YEARS  
OF THE  
BLANKET MINISTRY*

**On January 30th the blanket ministry marks the 8th year anniversary of making blankets. The goal is to hit 2,000 blankets when they meet on January 20th to cut and tie blankets. COME JOIN THEM ON THE 20TH FROM 10:00 - 2:00 P.M. AND HELP THEM MEET THEIR GOAL!!!!**

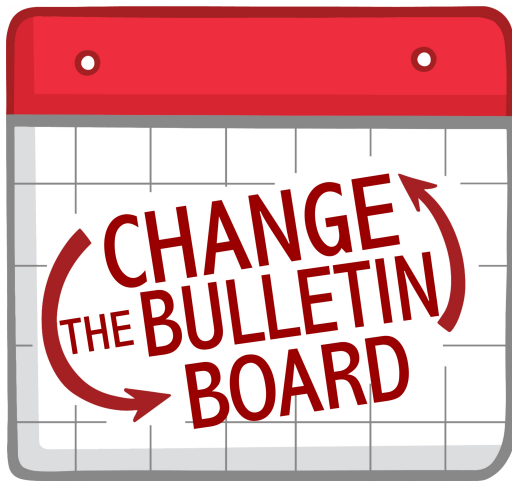


FCC Preschool has had a few changes to being 2024. We only have 2 classes now. Shannan has 3 four year olds and 6 Pre-K children for a total of 9. Teresa has four 2 year olds and 5 three year olds for a total of 9. Which gives us a total of 18 children in our preschool.

February will find us studying the letters N, O, P, Q, and R. We will have fun celebrating Valentine's Day in our classes on February 14th! We love our music classes on Thursdays. Mr. Dylan from Vibes is great at teaching us songs, bringing new instruments to try, and having us move and dance to the music.

Our thanks for the church for supporting the preschool during our transition

**Blessings, Shannan and Teresa**



### TIME FOR A CHANGE? YES IT WAS!!!

Thank you to the Youth Sunday School classes for taking on the task of redoing the bulletin board under the guidance of Jennifer Grooms. It is soooooo appreciated and we are so excited to see their creativity. Thank you Jennifer for doing this project with our youth.



*Lend a  
helping  
hand  
Leave  
No  
Trace*

### Leave no trace!!!

**PLEASE CHECK YOUR PEW BEFORE YOU LEAVE TO MAKE SURE YOU CLEAN UP I.E. DIRTY KLEENEX, COMMUNION CUPS, BULLETINS, ETC. It's cold, flu and Covid season so please be considerate of the staff and custodian.**



We will celebrate Ash Wednesday at the church from 8 AM to 10 AM on Wednesday, February 14th. Pastor Bryan will be in the sanctuary and will be offering a devotion from our Lenten Devotional book and a prayer and if you so wish, ashes. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of a remembrance of the 40 days that Jesus was tempted in the wilderness (excluding Sundays).



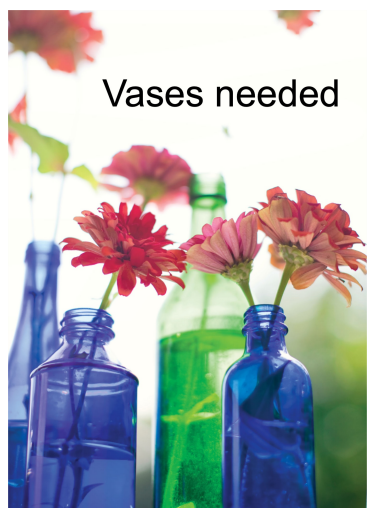
## Spiritual Growth

Anyone in the church is welcome to join the Spiritual Growth Commission. They meet monthly on the second Monday at 7:00 p.m. in the inner room. They focus on membership and helping with worship planning. They also do the decorating of the church for holidays and seasonal program planning, special meal and event planning, and evangelism support. Kimberly Ireland is the Chairperson of this commission. If you are interested in becoming a member of this commission please contact Kimberly @ 251-5868 or [jkireland923@gmail.com](mailto:jkireland923@gmail.com)

They have several events coming up in February and March which are:

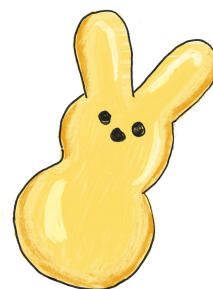


**SCOUT SUNDAY** is scheduled for Sunday, February 4th. Spiritual Growth will be have a family fun afternoon in fellowship hall after the 10:10 service. They will provide soup, rolls, crackers, corn bread, and everyone is asked to bring a dessert or side item. (Sign up sheet will be on the bulletin board). They will be playing Bingo and having prizes. Please invite your friends and family to join us for the afternoon of family fun and food!



Vases needed

Easter will soon be upon on us (March 31st) and Spiritual Growth is in need of medium size vases, or canning jars work well too, again this year for the flowers for Easter Sunday. If you have any vases you would like to donate, there will be a box placed in the Fellowship Hall labeled "Vases" for you to drop them off. Any questions, contact Kimberly Ireland.



# February 2024

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## FCC CASPER CALL

## FEBRUARY 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div><div>8:15AM Worship</div><div>9:00AM Adult's Sunday School</div><div>10:10AM Worship</div><div>11:30AM Coffee Fellowship</div><div>11:40AM CHOIR PRACTICE</div></div> <div>28</div>	<div><div>6:00PM Cub Scouts</div><div>7:00PM Boy Scouts</div></div> <div>29</div>	<div><div>11:00AM Sermon in the Round</div><div>5:30PM Casper Cycle Club</div><div>7:00PM AA</div></div> <div>30</div>	<div><div>9:00AM QUILTERS</div></div> <div>31</div>	<div><div>5:30PM Casper Cycle Club</div></div> <div>1</div>	<div><div>OFFICE CLOSED</div><div>Groundhog Day</div><div>10:00AM Quilters</div><div>1:00PM Sandwich making</div></div> <div>2</div>	<div><div>7:30AM Men's BS</div><div>8:15AM SANDWICH MINISTRY</div><div>9:00AM Casper Cycle Club</div></div> <div>3</div>
<div><div>SCOUT SUNDAY</div><div>8:15AM Worship</div><div>9:00AM Adult's Sunday School</div><div>10:10AM Worship</div><div>11:30AM Family Fun meal &amp; games</div><div>11:40AM CHOIR PRACTICE</div></div> <div>4</div>	<div><div>9:00AM Paper Piecing Quilters</div><div>1:00PM DWM Team Meeting</div><div>6:00PM Cub Scouts</div><div>6:30PM Elders meeting</div><div>7:00PM Boy Scouts</div></div> <div>5</div>	<div><div>11:00AM Sermon in the Round</div><div>5:30PM Casper Cycle Club</div><div>7:00PM AA</div></div> <div>6</div>	<div><div>9:00AM QUILTERS</div></div> <div>7</div>	<div><div>5:30PM Casper Cycle Club</div></div> <div>8</div>	<div><div>OFFICE CLOSED</div><div>10:00AM Quilters</div><div>1:00PM Sandwich making</div></div> <div>9</div>	<div><div>Lunar New Year</div><div>7:30AM Men's BS</div><div>8:15AM SANDWICH MINISTRY</div><div>9:00AM Casper Cycle Club</div><div>1:00PM BSP MTG. FELLOWSHIP HALL</div></div> <div>10</div>
<div><div>Pastor Bryan veta</div><div>Pulpit Guest-Dennis Baker</div><div>8:15AM Worship</div><div>9:00AM Adult's Sunday School</div><div>10:10AM Worship</div><div>11:30AM Coffee Fellowship</div><div>11:40AM CHOIR PRACTICE</div><div>3:00PM Primrose Service</div></div> <div>11</div>	<div><div>6:00PM Cub Scouts</div><div>7:00PM Boy Scouts</div></div> <div>12</div>	<div><div>1:00PM DWM Fellowship</div><div>5:30PM Casper Cycle Club</div><div>7:00PM AA</div></div> <div>13</div>	<div><div>Ash Wednesday</div><div>Valentine's Day</div><div>8:00AM ASH WEDNESDAY</div><div>9:00AM QUILTERS</div></div> <div>14</div>	<div><div>5:30PM Casper Cycle Club</div></div> <div>15</div>	<div><div>MidWinter Retreat</div><div>OFFICE CLOSED</div><div>10:00AM Quilters</div><div>1:00PM Sandwich making</div></div> <div>16</div>	<div><div>7:30AM Men's BS</div><div>8:15AM SANDWICH MINISTRY</div><div>9:00AM Casper Cycle Club</div><div>9:00AM 3 D's quilters</div><div>9:00AM Men's Group</div><div>10:00AM Blanket Ministry</div></div> <div>17</div>
<div><div>MidWinter Retreat</div><div>Guest Preacher</div><div>8:15AM Worship</div><div>9:00AM Adult's Sunday School</div><div>10:10AM Worship</div><div>11:30AM Coffee Fellowship</div><div>11:40AM CHOIR PRACTICE</div></div> <div>18</div>	<div><div>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</div><div>Presidents' Day</div><div>12:00PM CALL deadline</div><div>6:00PM Cub Scouts</div><div>7:00PM Boy Scouts</div></div> <div>19</div>	<div><div>11:00AM Sermon in the Round</div><div>5:30PM Casper Cycle Club</div><div>7:00PM AA</div></div> <div>20</div>	<div><div>9:00AM QUILTERS</div></div> <div>21</div>	<div><div>5:30PM Casper Cycle Club</div></div> <div>22</div>	<div><div>OFFICE CLOSED</div><div>10:00AM Quilters</div><div>1:00PM Sandwich making</div><div>5:00PM Mission Meal</div></div> <div>23</div>	<div><div>7:30AM Men's BS</div><div>8:15AM SANDWICH MINISTRY</div><div>9:00AM Casper Cycle Club</div></div> <div>24</div>
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## 2024 CRMR REGIONAL ASSEMBLY

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 25TH, 26TH AND 27TH TO ATTEND CRMR REGIONAL ASSEMBLY. THIS YEAR FCC CHEYENNE, WY WILL BE THE HOST!! More information to come.**



Christian Education will again be collecting food donations of non-perishable food items for **SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY**. Actual Super Bowl will be played on Sunday, February 11th. There will be a table set up in Fellowship Hall that will be divided in half for each team playing in the Super Bowl. Place your donation on the team side you hope will win. Collection Sundays are February 4, 11, and the 18th. Monetary donations will be collected on February 11th. Food and donations will go to Wyoming Food Bank. If you have any questions, contact Michelle Elser, Chair of the Education Commission.