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**A Summer Blessing**  
 May you walk with God this summer in whatever you do and wherever you go. May you talk to God this summer and every day and in every situation. May you talk with God every day.



Sent with a prayer to:



**MAY, JUNE & JULY 2026**



**May 2026:**

- 7- Russ Howe  
Gregg Scott
- 9- (ANNIV) David Skipper &  
Carolyn Winter
- 11- Chuck Burger
- 13- Jeff Hazen
- 18- Linda Talkington
- 21- Ellen Jaeckel
- 29- Shari McWilliams

**June 2026:**

- 1- Janet Cutler  
Duke Deitz  
Sheryl Lawrence
- 4- Elaine Lamb
- 8- Mary Hart
- 9- (ANNIV) Rick & Bernadine  
Woods
- 10- Jodie Miller
- 28- (ANNIV) Gene & Elaine Lamb
- 29- Terry Vore
- 30- Bernadine Woods

**July 2026:**

- 1- Chris Bammerlin
- 16- Karen Lee
- 18- Tawn Howe
- 24- Jeff Hildreth  
Darlene Seward
- 26- Chris Bunch
- 28- Ron Vore  
Lindsey Winter
- 30- Connie Fournier



**August 2026:**

- 2- Linda Arioso  
Erin O'Neill
- 6- (ANNIV) Damon & Mary Hart
- 13- Karen Staples
- 30- (ANNIV) Dan & Tonya Skeen





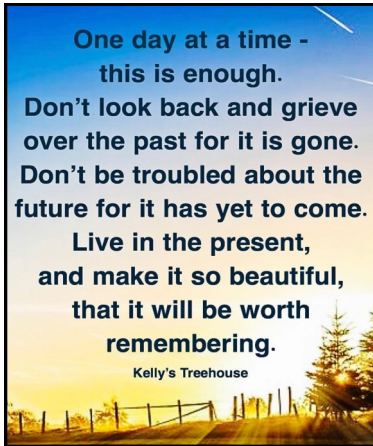
# Seeds of Faith Faith United Methodist Church May-June-July 2026

**The Vision of Faith United Methodist Church** is to empower all people to seek the fullness and assurance of God's Love.

**The Mission of Faith United Methodist Church** is to invite everyone into a loving community, explore the Good News of God's Love, and serve God and our neighbor throughout the world.

Pentecost, Summertime, and the 250th anniversary of our nation is in our 3 month newsletter for Faith UMC! We start out the late spring and early summer with a chill in the air and snow! Season cycles are not what they used to be! I am reminded of the changes in our own lives. I reminisce with my mother on how things used to be when I was younger. Then she takes me back even further to her time as a young girl. It is good to think back.

At the same time the Spirit guides us to move forward, planting seeds of faith as we go. Faith nurtures us and rises us to new heights in discipleship wherever we may be, always growing from a foundation of solid roots. Sometimes we have dry seasons and some-



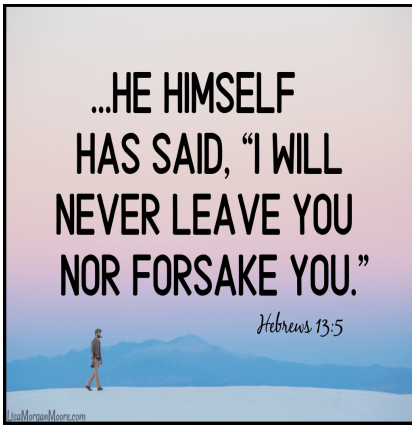
times our seasons are fully hydrated. We must learn to thrive in both climates.

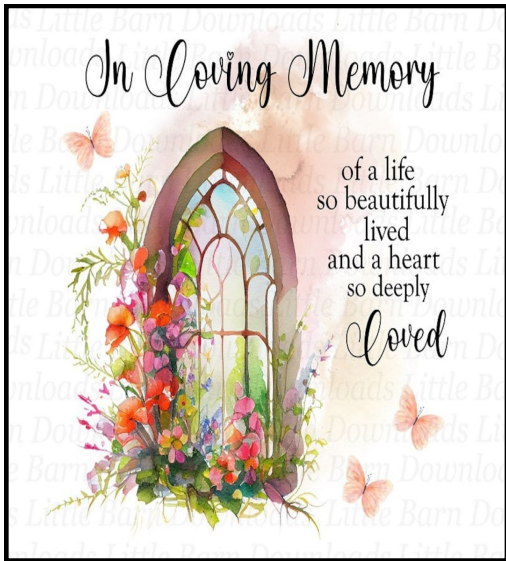
**God planted a seed of faith in our hearts, so all we had to do is water it with prayers, fertilize it with words of God and cultivate it with lots of love.**

God covers us in any season we have. He is our shade and our green pasture in moments of dryness. He is also our light and warm sunshine when we are saturated with excessive rain in our lives and too many showers. Our faith has taught us to go to the Rock that is higher than us for total protection and holy assurance that is steady in its promise.

So for the next three months, think about how God covers us. Take time to be in the moment, because that is where the Spirit is. I say three months because we don't want to bite off more than we can chew, so to speak. Don't look too far ahead for the outcome. That is too distant. Instead, replenish the well with the love of Jesus and his words of assurance that he will never leave us nor forsake us, even to our own demise. Our faith in Him is the safety net every time. We **ALL**, are worthy of His love.

In Jesus' name, Amen  
Pastor Virgie





With Heartfelt Sympathy to his family in the passing of our long time member, friend and mentor:

**Bernard B. Newland**  
July 17, 1931 - April 7, 2026

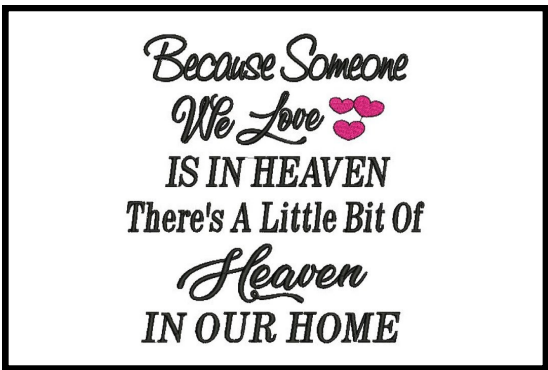
Although Bernie's physical presence may no longer grace our lives, his spirit will continue to inspire and uplift us. May his memory be a blessing, and may we carry forth his legacy of love and compassion in all that we do.

He will be missed beyond measure by his family and the many friends whose lives he touched. He is free of pain and praising his Lord at the foot of the Throne with many dear ones who met him there.



Our sympathy goes out to **Nathan Kissack's** family, who went to be with Jesus on May 2nd, after battling cancer five times since 2018. We rejoice that he is no longer in pain, and is with **Grandpa Ken** in Heaven.

Please keep the Kissack and Merklin families in your prayers.



## It's Baby Bottle Season!



Every year over 60 local churches and business in southeast Wyoming help distribute Change for Life bottles. Individuals are encouraged to take a bottle and fill it with coins, cash and checks (made payable to LifeChoice) between Mother's Day and Father's Day. Your donation, in partnership with LifeChoice becomes something much greater ... a way to support local families as they navigate pregnancy and parenthood. If you have questions, please contact Lois Hansen. Thank you for helping CHANGE A LIFE!

### Thirty Pieces of Silver Lenten Offering

**\$457.51** was collected  
to support **Unaccompanied  
Students Initiative**

**Thank you for your generous  
and symbolic donation!**



\$215.00 was collected for the United Methodist Committee on Relief. Gifts given on UMCOR Sunday strengthen the church's global humanitarian response by underwriting UMCOR's administrative costs. This allows UMCOR to use 100% of additional funds for specific programs like U.S. disaster response, international disaster response, and global migration. Thank you for your generous support of our global mission.



**Thank you  
Liz Schissler  
for making  
and sharing  
this beautiful  
Easter banner.**

## Congregational Meeting Highlights from May 3, 2026

Thank you to everyone who was able to join us for our Congregational Meeting and shared in a wonderful potluck and fellowship time together.

We shared several important updates, including pastoral appointments within the Wyoming District, Pastor Virgie's continued Course of Study progress, and upcoming Mountain Sky Annual Conference plans.

We also reviewed church improvement projects. Completed items include tree removal, drainage work on the southeast corner, and widening the restroom door for improved accessibility. Current projects include the "Shingles As We Go" roof campaign and replacement of the storm window protecting the stained glass window. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

Attendees were invited to complete ministry interest forms to help identify gifts and talents for service opportunities at Faith UMC. New areas of need include Homebound Communion ministry, Safety Team planning, and recording the worship service.

The votes for 2026 mission support were cast. The top eight selected missions will each receive funding from our annual mission budget.

Thank you for being a church that loves boldly, serves joyfully, and leads courageously.

Contact Wendy Wall at [cheyennefaithumc@gmail.com](mailto:cheyennefaithumc@gmail.com) to request a copy of the full minutes.

## Mission Support for 2026

Attendees at the Congregational Meeting cast their heart beads to support the these missions:

\$125.00 each - CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) of Laramie County; Dad's Making a Difference at Workforce Services; Friday Food Bag; Guatemala Mission Team; Needs, Inc.; and UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) \$62.50 each (there was a four way tie for 7 and 8) - Family Promise of Cheyenne; Safehouse Services; St. Joseph's Food Pantry; and Veteran's Rock.



The mission of the United Women in Faith is to connect and nurture women so that we can inspire, influence, and impact local and global communities.

Our next meeting: **Wednesday, May 27th at 6:30 pm** in the Upper Fellowship Room. We are taking a break for the summer and our next meeting will be **September 23rd**. All ladies are invited to join us.

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## Administrative Board Meeting

May 31, 2026 - 12:30 p.m.

All who attend Faith UMC are welcome and encouraged to attend.



A special thank you to Walker Howe and Russ Howe for spending the week of April 27 remodeling the restroom. They widened and replaced the door, moved the light switch to the inside wall, sheetrocked the hall wall, painted, added a lever handle, installed a low-profile threshold, and completed all the finishing work.

The craftsmanship is truly top professional level and reflects the care and heart they put into this project. While the restroom is not technically handicap accessible, it is now much easier to navigate with a walker.

Thank you both for sharing your time, talent, and problem-solving abilities. Your efforts are deeply appreciated!

**Church Work Day**  
**June 6, 2026**  
**beginning at 9:00 am**

**Please plan to come help with some tasks around the church. Many hands make light work.**



**Please pray for our Mountain Sky Annual Conference as clergy and laity gather for the business of the Church June 10-13, 2026, at the Billings Hotel & Convention Center in Billings, Montana.**

**Pray for wisdom, discernment, unity, and the guidance of the Holy Spirit as important decisions are made for our ministry together.**



**Saturday, August 29**  
**9:00 am to 2:00 pm**

**All items with resale value are accepted and appreciated - leave items in the collection room (across from the downstairs bathroom) between now and Sunday, August 23**  
**Contact Karen Staples with questions**