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THIS WEEK

TODAY: Sunday School after Children's Time
MONDAY: "Knit-Wits" knitting class 3-5 p.m., Finance Committee 5:30 p.m.
THURSDAY: Bulletin announcement deadline 5:00 p.m.

Prayer Calendar for July 10

Salmon UMC asks for prayer for the 2011 theme; "Knowing the Heart of God." Pray also for Saturday nights in Salmon, and the opening of "LT's" which is a place for personal healing.

During the summer months, we are asking you to **sign up** to read liturgy, provide fellowship or assist in serving communion. Sign-up sheets are on the table by the office. Call Becky at 261-9205 if you have questions.

Our church is scheduled to help out with the Habitat House in Columbia Falls on July 23, from 8-12. We need volunteers. Please contact Chris Rankin if you can help. 406-291-2918.

Today's flowers are provided by Peggy Miller in honor of Tom and Mary Kennelly's 40th Anniversary!



There will be a Finance Committee meeting on Monday July 11th at 5:30 p.m. See you then!

The office hours will change for the summer season. Hours will be: **8:00 – 11:00 Monday, Tuesday & Thursday** and **9:00 – 1:00 on Wednesday and Fridays.** Have a wonderful summer!



Welcome to all the students, teachers and helpers of Vacation Bible School. Thank you for joining us today!

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The People of the United Methodist Church

The Whitefish United Methodist Church Welcomes You!

July 10, 2011 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost



Matthew 13: 1-9

The Parable of the Sower

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!'

Matthew 13: 18-23

The Parable of the Sower Explained

'Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'