

We enter the sanctuary in quiet meditation as we prepare our hearts and minds for worship



HYMNS BY REQUEST

GREETING

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

May the Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

***OPENING SONGS** “We’ve a Story to Tell to the Nations” No. 569
“Seek Ye First” No. 405

CHILDREN’S TIME

PSALM 105 No. 828

SPECIAL MUSIC Bob Sapp

TIME OF PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

“Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day, our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

You are invited to come to the sand table during worship to light a candle or kneel in prayer as the Spirit leads you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY** “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” No. 94

***HYMN** “Tell Me the Stories of Jesus” No.277

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 13: 31-33; 44-52

MESSAGE “Persuasive Story” Deborah Schmidt

***CLOSING HYMN** “In the Midst of New Dimensions” No. 2238

***BENEDICTION**

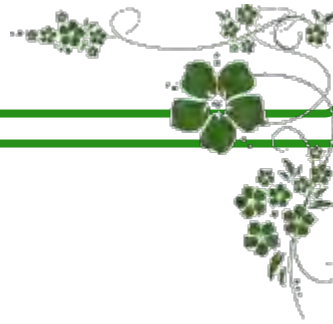
***POSTLUDE MUSIC**

*Please stand as the Spirit leads you, or sit if you are more comfortable. Hearing assistance devices are available – please ask an usher for one.

If you must leave the sanctuary during worship, please exit through the side doors as they are much quieter. Thank you!

Liturgist: Alita Phelps

Fellowship: Marie Hedman,
Jeanne Marcure, Anna Ham



THIS WEEK

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

"Bike and Build" a non-profit organization which organizes cross-country cycling trips to benefit the affordable housing cause in the United States is coming to the Flathead!

Participants on Bike & Build trips are ages 18–25, and may or may not have previous cycling or volunteer experience. Rides take 8–11 weeks to travel across the United States. Bike and Build riders spend 8–10 days en route building houses. They will be at the Presbyterian Church in Whitefish on Sunday, August 14th and need transportation to Columbia Falls on Monday, August 15th, lunch, (*which people could bring loaves of bread, peanut butter, lunch meats, fruit and veggies*) and then a pot luck dinner at WUMC the evening of the 15th.

If you would like to help or need more information please contact Tom Muri at 862-9966.

Prayer Calendar for July 24

Ruby Valley Parish (Twin Bridges and Sheridan) request prayer as they continue to reach out to the youth of their valley from Waterloo to Virginia City. They hope to build a presence in Virginia City.

There will be a memorial service for Edna Conn on August 12th at WUMC.

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!

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.

Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors
The People of the United Methodist Church

The Whitefish United Methodist Church
Welcomes You!

July 24, 2011 Sixth Sunday after Pentecost



Matthew 13: 31-33

The Parable of the Mustard Seed

He put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.'

The Parable of the Yeast

He told them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.'

Matthew 13: 44-52

Three Parables

'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Treasures New and Old

'Have you understood all this?' They answered, 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.'