

## Celebration of Ministries February 11, 2024

Please join us for **Ash Wednesday Service at 6:15 on February 14.** There will also be a **soup supper** provided by the United Women of Faith at **5:30 p.m. in the Clara Smith room.**

**Please note that 5:30 is the correct time for the dinner.** There will delicious soups and Valentine goodies available for purchase. Please join us for good food and good fellowship before the service!

**GEMS:** Thurs., Feb. 15 in the KDM Library at 6 pm, to work on a project and discuss plans for the coming year. Women who are busy during the day, are always welcome to this evening group. Call Lisa at 406-552-2936.

**Correction: Vespers** will meet **Wednesday, February 21,** at 1:00 p.m. in the KDM Library and not February 14 as stated in Tower Tidings. Please call Patsy Hodges with questions at 406-493-0961.

**Free Virtual Winter Mission u Adult Study** -- Sunday Afternoons  
**Dates/Times:** February 4, 11, 18, 25 – 2:00 to 4:30 p.m. (MST)  
A time for informal conversation will be offered from 1:45 to 2:00 p.m., just prior to each study session.

**Study:** *Finding and Building Peace in Anxious Times* - This study will offer spiritual tools and actions we can take to calm anxieties and to employ our faith to serve as peacemakers in anxious times.

**Study Leader:** The Rev. Su DeBree

To access the online registration form, please click on this link: [online registration](#).

**Note:** The “recommended readings list” on the registration form is only a suggestion. It is okay to not read any of the suggested reading; just come prepared to learn and share! **Questions?** Contact Belinda Alkula at [Belinda.Alkula@gmail.com](mailto:Belinda.Alkula@gmail.com)



Dan Fox Therapeutic Foster Care **Spring 2024** Training

Family Orientation and Foster Parent Panel  
**April 9th, 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. (Zoom)**

Family Systems and Attachment  
**April 11th, 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. (Zoom)**

Support Systems and Transitions -  
**May 16th, 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. (Zoom)**

Contact Bianey Ambriz at [bambriz@youthhomesmt.org](mailto:bambriz@youthhomesmt.org)  
or at (406) 541-1663 for more details

**Facebook Lives “Explained with Bianey:”**

Guidelines for Therapeutic Foster Care  
**February 2nd, 10 a.m.-11 am**

Youths Rights in Foster Care  
**March 1st, 10 a.m.-11 a.m.**

The Journey to Adoption  
**April 5th, 10 a.m.-11 a.m.**

Scan below to access **Youth Homes Facebook Live**



Scan below to access **Youth Homes Instagram**



When sending mail to the church, please use the PO Box. We have noticed a lot of mail being returned that has our street address on it! Our P.O. Box is 7646, Missoula, MT 59807.

### YWCA Women’s Shelter Health Kits

Ruth Fellowship will assemble health kits for the YWCA. Please consider donating the following items and bringing them to the church. There is a box in the Narthex or you are welcome to drop the items in the church office. Items needed are sample sizes of shampoo, conditioner, lotion, deodorant, soap, washcloths, and towels, toothpaste, tooth brushes, dental floss, notepads and pens. Thank-you!



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### Green Notes: Green Lending Library Opens in Narthex

First UMC's Green Team is expanding our education and outreach this weekend, with the start of a lending library in our Narthex. Led by Carole Addis, the project will provide books and other reading material on environmental topics – all on loan.

You can participate not only by checking out a book, but by offering one of your own for loan. All books must be on environmental topics – climate change, renewable energy and the like. These are books we've read, enjoyed and believe others could learn from as well.

Carole will provide an introduction to the library during a brief Green Moment during this Sunday's (Feb. 11) worship service, and will be available with other Green Team members before and after church.

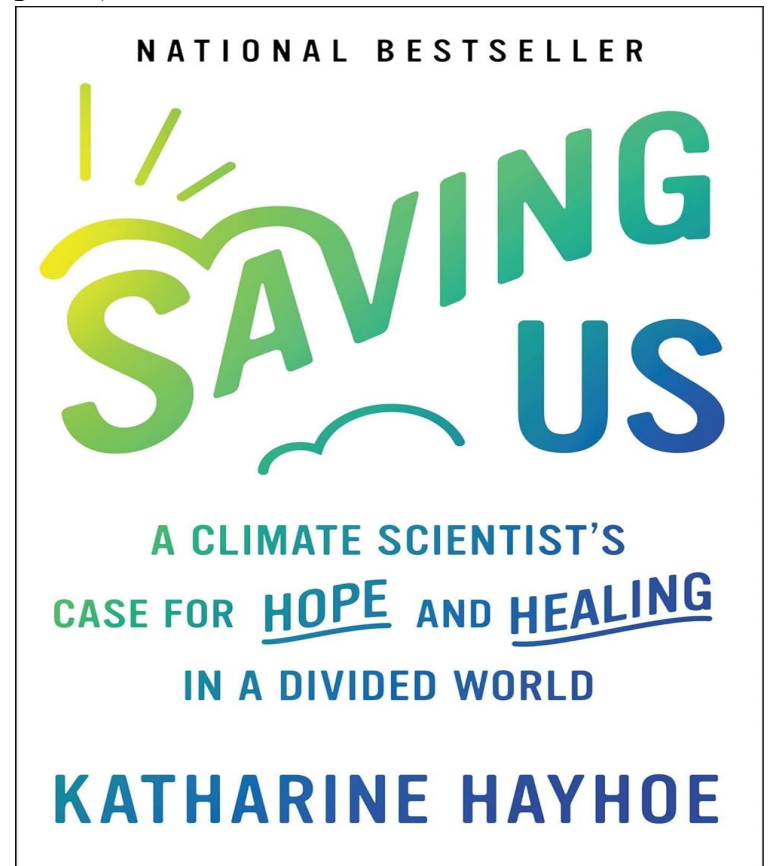
### Can you help with our recycling collection?

The Green Team is also soliciting volunteers from our congregation to help with our weekly collection of recyclables from the Clara Smith Room (next to the kitchen) and at other small collection areas in the Narthex and several meeting rooms.

The Missoula contractor that was collecting cardboard each week from alongside the kitchen – Garden City Recycling – is no longer able to provide that service. So we need to do the work ourselves. Four Green Team members are already taking a once-a-month spot on the rotation. If we can add four other folks to each take a week, then we can spread out the rotation over two months. That would be a great help!

The work soon will be easier, as we've ordered an indoor recycling collection bin (for the flattened cardboard) that is on wheels. So it will be easier to roll up the ramp, into the elevator and out the back door of the church to your waiting car.

If you can help collect cardboard and a few tin cans from the Clara Smith Room on a once-monthly basis or every-other-month basis, please email Sherry Devlin at [sherrydevlin@gmail.com](mailto:sherrydevlin@gmail.com) and we'll get you on the schedule. Your help in this effort is greatly appreciated.



# Prayer List for February 11, 2024



- ◆ Prayers of joy for the scouts that put on a nice potluck and joined us in service last Sunday.
- ◆ Prayers of birthday celebrations for our congregants Cheryl, Donalee, and Marie. Happy Birthday!!
- ◆ Prayers for a stable home for those struggling with housing.
- ◆ Prayers for a rapid recovery for Kathie S.'s granddaughter Nora, who has tonsillitis.
- ◆ Prayers for quick healing for John T. who is sick.
- ◆ Prayers healing for Justin, a family friend of the Bauers, who had open-heart surgery to have the lining of his heart removed.
- ◆ Continued prayers of healing and recovery for Bob M. who had his heart surgery. He is home and recuperating well.
- ◆ Prayers for successful prostate cancer treatment for Randy M., Kay R.'s younger brother.
- ◆ Prayers of peace and safety for the people in Gaza and Israel.



*Lord in your Mercy...Hear our Prayers...*

**Please send your prayer requests in!** E-mail Kathie Snodgrass at [kathiewearsgreen@yahoo.com](mailto:kathiewearsgreen@yahoo.com) with your prayer requests. You can also email or call the office at 549-6118.