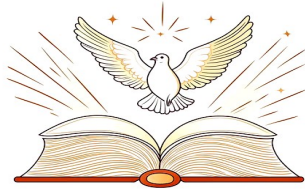


Celebration of Ministries - May 17, 2026

Scripture Readers Needed

Scripture Readers for Worship Service in May and June are needed. Sign up in the Main Street Entrance room for a date that works best.



First UMC Foundation is pleased to award a scholarship in the amount of \$2,625 to each of the following applicants: **Cameron Doucette, Madison Lightfield, Abby Slote, Delaney Slote, and Ella Slote**. Congratulations to all of these students as they continue their pursuit of post-education opportunities.



The next Foundation meeting will be held on November 16th at 7:00 p.m. Anyone interested is invited to attend. Foundation will award missions giving funds to successful applicants in November.

Pride Celebration Sponsorship!



Help us meet the First UMC thousand-dollar sponsorship fundraising goal by the June 1st Deadline. Designate your gift via check or Breeze for the "Pride Celebration."

We want Missoula to know us as the welcoming church that we are. Help us meet our Pride Celebration fundraising goal. Designate your donation through Breeze to "Pride Celebration" or just text the amount you want to give and the word Pride to: 406-998-1982.

Thank You! from your Mission & Outreach, Reconciling Ministries Team.

Please join us . . .

On May 24, we want to celebrate Leslie Lindley's 19 years of service as 1st UMC Treasurer. There will be fun, fellowship and cake to honor her dedication as a faithful steward of our church resources. At the same time, we will joyfully welcome our new Administrative Assistant, Catherine Thomsen, and new Church Treasurer, Greg Scanlon, to our congregation. Please come to share in these special moments next Sunday, May 24 @ 10 AM.





Fair Booth Time – Already!?

The Fair runs from July 31 through August 8th this year, and sign ups for helping with the Fair Booth are starting now! Don't know specific times you'll be available? Not a problem. Sign up today at the long table in the narthex to indicate you will be available at some point during Fair week. Thank you! Or contact Joe Loos

from Mission & Outreach: joeloos7245@gmail.com

Ruth Fellowship gets together each spring to put together pansies! Thanks to all who contributed.



Green Notes: Say Bingo! Join the Green Team Today!

We're giving everyone a brief extension on returning their Earth Month Bingo cards – until Sunday, May 31 – and you don't even need to return the actual card! Just seek out a Green Team member and let them know you completed the card, or email Sherry Devlin at sherrydevlin@gmail.com and let her know you completed a full line of challenges on the card. Horizontal. Vertical. Or Diagonal. Bingo!

During church on May 31, we will recognize everyone who successfully completed four climate actions – for example, donate to a climate charity, change to a green bank, divest from fossil fuels, call your local leaders; or peacefully protest, eat plant-based meals for 1 week, look into electrifying your home, take public transport instead of drive.

Even if you accept fewer challenges, you will have taken the first step toward standing up for planet Earth and its future as a livable home. Please join us!



We need volunteers to serve on First Church's Green Team! We meet briefly once a month by Zoom – it's eco-friendly – and host a variety of programs and events. Team members participate in as many, or as few, of our projects as they have time or interest to join.

Prayer List for May 17, 2026



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

- ◆ Joy that Phyllis W. and her daughter were able to join us in person for worship on Mother's Day.
- ◆ Continued healing for Rocky A's coccyx, and clarity on the best living option for her moving forward.
- ◆ Comfort for John F's cellist friend Jennifer and the rest of the family and friends of Jennifer's mom, Jonella, who passed away last week.
- ◆ Good outcomes and clear guidance concerning surgery from the tests being done on Linda J's daughter Nicole.
- ◆ Comfort for the family and friends of Jackie K ("hat Jackie"), who passed away in Houston last week.
- ◆ Thanksgiving for healing after hospitalization for a parishioner, hope that tests will show what happened, and guidance for securing a new job.

- ◆ Joy that Kay and Ira have acquired two full-time granddaughters, courtesy of their son-in-law, and a calm adjustment and healing comfort for the girls, who are now living full time with their dad due to the death of their mother.
- ◆ Gratitude for the comforting and intriguing conversation that Pastor John had with Rocky A. when he stopped by at Beehive.
- ◆ Prayers for safe travels for Catherine T. and her son Matthew L.



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