

Celebration of Ministries - August 10, 2025

Common Good Missoula

Common Good has teamed up with our friends at Grace United Methodist and First United Methodist to serve up burgers, fries, corndogs, and homemade pie out of the white food buildings (we're on the opposite end from All Nations, where you should absolutely swing by for fry bread too).

📍 **Stop by the booth while you're at the fair!**

Bring friends, eat good food, and tell folks about our work.
Let's make this the best fair yet!

🔗 **Why this matters:**

This is likely our biggest opportunity all year to raise hard dollars from the broader community. With recent federal spending cuts, we lost a few contracts we were counting on. Every burger flipped and pie slice sold helps us build the war chest we need to keep organizing and winning.

📅 There are a few spots left, whether you're a grill master or a pie server, we've got a spot for you.

👉 **SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER IN THE FUMC NARTHEX**
(Mainstreet Entryway)

<https://www.commongoodmissoula.org/>



Volunteers Needed!

Volunteers needed this Summer to serve communion.

If you'd like to participate, please sign up,
or contact Marilyn: qltme@msn.com

The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex. **(Main Street Entrance)**

Sunday School Begins August 31

Sunday School needs Teachers and Assistant Teachers. We are short 2 Teachers and 1 Assistant.

When fully staffed, our Teachers and Assistant Teachers work once a month. Please consider helping out in Sunday School.
If you're interested, contact Cindy Ekstrand at 775-560-3381 or call the church office at 406-549-6118. Thank You!

All of our adults who work with children will need to complete Safe Gatherings training.



Become a Scripture Reader

We are looking for Scripture Readers for worship services in the months of July and August. Please sign up in the Main Street Entrance room for the date that works best for you. Enter the date you'd like to read and the scripture will be sent to your email. No email? There's also a printed copy.

SACK LUNCHES There are many opportunities to sign up to make sack lunches for the Pov through the summer. There are slots available through the end of August. Contact Lorraine Carlson: madamecarlson@gmail.com
Or Carole Addis: cjeanaaddis51@gmail.com **Thank you!**

When leaving notes in the Church office on Sunday, please include your name and contact information so the Church Secretary knows who is making the request.

We've Got a New Roof! Donations Needed!

Our building needs your help! As you know, there were some leaks during this spring's rainy days, which prompted a roof inspection, which revealed the need for a major re-roofing project.

The shingling work by successful bidder Glacier Roofing began earlier this month, and detected sheathing damage beneath the existing shingles that left our building out of compliance with city codes. So the project became even more expensive.

Thus, this call for contributions from our faithful members and friends.

We need your help to pay for this roofing work, which is critical to the preservation of our historic downtown building. If you are able, please make an additional contribution to First Church this month, **marked "roofing" in the message line.**

The total project cost is \$36,600. That's a bundle – more than our annual budget can absorb. Your help is much needed, and truly appreciated.

Again, as Glacier Roofing began removing the asphalt roofs on the different areas of our church building, we discovered that several of our roofs are not to code. Specifically, they do not have the required plywood decking. The additional charge to remedy the code compliance problem is \$9,600. That brought our total roofing debt to the \$36,600 figure. The city inspected the roof on Tuesday, and verified compliance with the new plywood decking, enabling the shingling to commence. They inspected it again this week, to certify that the overall roofing work was top notch and in compliance with all codes.

In addition, our great contractor SBS Solar has re-installed the solar panels that had to be temporarily removed during the re-roofing. They are back in place, generating electricity from our sunny summer skies!

We are very appreciative of anything you can contribute to this necessary work. The trustees have established an ambitious and critical schedule for maintenance and repair work this summer, including projects both at our church building and next door at our rental property, now home to a new renter, Empower Montana. Thank you to all who are able to contribute to the roofing work. We appreciate your generosity in helping to protect our historic presence in downtown Missoula.



*Together,
we make a
Difference*



FUMC Does It's Part to Save the Planet

Did you know that 7 individuals or families chose alternative transportation instead of driving their car this summer, for an approximate total of 24+ trips this summer? At least one of our members used alternative transportation 4 times per week all summer!

Did you know that at least 16 individuals or families consistently recycle?

Did you know that at least 13 individuals or families consistently compost?

Did you know that at least 7 individuals or families have had at least 1 meat free day this summer and many of these people have a meat free day every week?

Way to go, FUMC! Every action you take to support Planet Earth makes a difference! We challenge you all to check out the yellow poster in the Narthex and add your name!

Join Us for Hospitality Ministry Launch Sunday Aug. 24

First UMC has a new Hospitality ministry team that will coordinate efforts to welcome new people to our congregation – we are called as followers of Jesus to “show hospitality to strangers.” If you have a heart for hospitality, you’re invited to join us in the library after worship on Sunday, August 24, to learn more and offer your suggestions – especially if you started attending recently. Coffee Hosts, Welcomers, Social Media, and Marketing committee members will be there.

New to FUMC?

In August you can:

Sign up to make sandwiches

Contact Lorraine Carlson

madamecarlson@gmail.com or

Carole Addis: cjeanaddis51@gmail.com.

Teach Sunday School,

Contact Cindy Ekstrand at 775-560-3381

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here.**

Prayer List for August 10, 2025



- ♦ Prayers for comfort and peace for Maxine N. who passed away on Thursday morning, strength and comfort for her family.
- ♦ Prayers of strength and support for Candy's son, who is a single father or two.
- ♦ Prayers for healing for Theresa's cousin-in-law, Kathy, who had heart valve replacement surgery on Tuesday.
- ♦ Prayers of healing for Linda J's brother-in-law Ron, who has heart issues.
- ♦ Prayers of comfort for Larry and Ginger in the passing of Larry's father.
- ♦ Continued recovery for Mike G's daughter-in-law, Karen, who is now out of the ICU but still has a long way to go in recovery from leukemia and a staff infection.
- ♦ Joy that baby Sonja's hernia was successfully repaired this week and thanksgiving for the doctors and medical staff who were so kind.



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

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.