

First Presbyterian Church (EPC)
804 South Wolcott Street
Casper, WY 82601

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THE MESSENGER

FEBRUARY 2017

Dorcas Comfort Ministry

The story of Dorcas in the Bible takes place in Acts 9, the same chapter in which Saul is converted and begins to travel with the name Paul, preaching the Word of Jesus.

Acts 9:32-43 "At Joppa there was a certain disciple named Tabitha, which is translated Dorcas. This woman was full of good works and charitable deeds which she did. ³⁷But it happened in those days that she became sick and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in an upper room. ³⁸And since Lydda was near Joppa, and the disciples had heard that Peter was there, they sent two men to him, imploring him not to delay in coming to them. ³⁹Then Peter arose and went with them. When he had come, they brought him to the upper room. And all the widows stood by him weeping, showing the tunics and garments which Dorcas had made while she was with them. ⁴⁰But Peter put them all out, and knelt down and prayed. And turning to the body he said, "Tabitha, arise." And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter she sat up. ⁴¹Then he gave her his hand and lifted her up; and when he had called the saints and widows, he presented her alive. ⁴²And it became known throughout all Joppa, and many believed on the Lord. ⁴³So it was that he stayed many days in Joppa with Simon, a tanner." (continued on p. 3)

From the Treasurer



December 2016 Treasurer's Report

DECEMBER

Balance on Hand	\$ -9,000.42
December Congregational Giving	16,402.99
December Income (Savings/Other)	17,795.30
December Expenses	<u>20,592.71</u>
Income/Expenses	\$13,605.58

December 31, 2016 **\$4,605.16**

YEAR TO DATE

January 1, 2016	\$4,281.15
Congregational Giving	179,837.60
Income (Savings/Other)	43,146.25
Expenses to Date	<u>222,659.84</u>
Income/Expense	\$ 324.01

December 31, 2016 **\$ 4,605.16**

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Regular Office Hours
 Tuesday: noon-4:00 P.M.
 Wednesday: 9:00 A.M.-noon
 Thursday: 9:00 A.M.-noon

THE OFFICE WILL BE
 CLOSED FEB. 7-9.

Lord's Warehouse Needs

- Twin and full sheets
- Blankets all sizes
- Dish sets
- Coat hangers for ladies
- Sturdy coat hangers for curtain display
- Apartment furniture—all kinds

Church Officers and Staff - 2017

The Board of Deacons

Moderator: Grace Ward

Secretary:

Class of 2017

Nita Christensen	1319 Yorkshire Ave. 82609	265-1955	dnchris57@gmail.com
	(Parish Life)		
Phyllis Karns	1440 Kingsbury 82609	315-7346	phyllis.karns@yahoo.com
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Class of 2018

Patti Christensen	3900 E. 19th 82602	577-1192	chriskanspatti@aol.com
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Class of 2019

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Bill Specht	2626 E. 7th 82609	234-6823	wspecht3@msn.com
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Church Staff (cont.)

Choirmaster - Zach Vreeman	4043 Kent 82609.....	(402) 613-2094
Organist - Marilyn Fry	808 E. 13th St. 82601.....	(307) 259-3568

Church Officers and Staff - 2017

Session

Moderator: Rev. Mark Tippin Clerk of Session: Debbie Hutchins Treasurer: Leith Culver

Class of 2017

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Brian Christensen 3900 E. 19th 82602 577-1192 chriswyo@aol.com
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Church Staff

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Pastor - Rev. Mark Tippin 172 Forget-Me-Not 82604..... (724) 651-7960
Bookkeeper - Wendy Campbell 1201 Beaumont Dr. 82601..... (307) 472-2069
Administrative Assistant - Barb Martin 6961 Columbia River Road 82604..... (307) 359-1571

Dorcas Comfort Ministry (cont.)

FPC's Dorcas Comfort Ministry was formed in 2006 for the purpose of making comforting gifts for our congregational members who were sick, grieving, or celebrating a life event. From there it expanded to gifts for the Transformation Center, gifts for others in the community, and gifts for True Care's Pregnancy Resource Center babies. Please let Patti or MH know if you can attend a monthly meeting of FPC's Dorcas Prayer Shawl Ministry!



Meeting days/times can be adjusted to the majority's needs. The group welcomes your new ideas/specialty creations for those we reach out to!

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SaveOne Recovery Group for Women who have experienced abortion: begins Thursday, Feb 16, from 6:30 to 8:30pm at True Care Women's Resource Center. Women from all church backgrounds are welcome. SaveOne will give you the necessary tools to assist in rebuilding your lives. You can begin again! For more information and to register, contact Terry at True Care Women's Resource Center (473-2275), Judy at (307) 251-5644, or visit saveone.org.

Dorcas Comfort Ministry (cont.)

- What the group does:
- Makes soft comfort gifts for our members
 - Makes fleece blankets for the women and kids at the Transformation Center (fleece provided by FPC)
 - Knits slippers for the women and kids at the

Transformation Center
(yarn provided)
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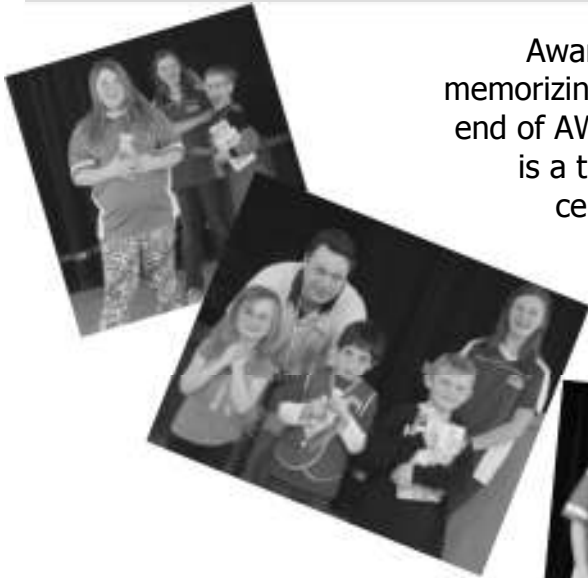


- Feb. 2nd Betty Sanford
- Feb. 5th Linda Christensen
- Feb. 17th Claire Crone
- Feb. 18th James Traylor

February Ministry/ Committee Meetings

Parish Life	Feb. 6, 2:00 P.M.
Evangelism	Feb. 13, 5:30 P.M.
Stewardship	Feb. 13, 7:00 P.M.
Board of Deacons	Feb. 20, 6:00 P.M.
Session	Feb. 20, 7:00 P.M.
Facilities	Feb. 27, 5:30 P.M.

Awana



Awards time for memorizing scripture at the end of AWANA each week is a time of great celebration!

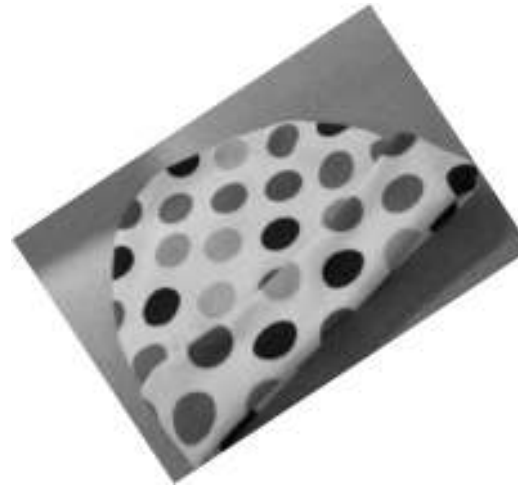


Have you seen the new carpet in the recently restored AWANA room? And that now it's also the Adult Sunday School Room? AND that soon it will become the Choir Room again? Multi-purpose for sure!



Dorcas Comfort Ministry (cont.)

- Sews soft baby caps, bibs, flannel blankets, and baby quilts for the new babies at True Care Pregnancy Resource Center.
- Makes prayer/scripture tags for all of the gifts.
- PRAYS for each and every one of the above while the gift is being made!



Let Patti or MH know if you feel called to be a part of any of these ministries... Learning how is part of the process (or teaching the others something new!)

Dorcas also gratefully accepts gifts of clean old T shirts (for baby caps) and cotton/poly or flannel yardage for the baby gifts.

MISSION STATEMENT

Out of humble gratitude for the free and undeserved gift of grace we have received through Christ, the mission of First Presbyterian Church (EPC) is:

To proclaim, with boldness, God's glory, truth, and love revealed to us in his Word through the Holy Spirit. We seek to worship him with our entire lives, being continually reformed to Scripture, our only guide in faith and practice.

February 2017

By reading the four scripture selections each day of the year, you will have read the entire Bible at the end of a year! If you go to www.oneyearbibleonline.com, you also have the option of reading the Bible through chronologically in a year, as you would read a story in the order things happened.



01 Exodus 13:17-15:18 Matthew 21:23-46 Psalm 26:1-12 Proverbs 6:16-19	02 Exodus 15:19-17:7 Matthew 22:1-33 Psalm 27:1-6 Proverbs 6:20-26	03 Exodus 17:8-19:15 Matthew 22:34-23:12 Psalm 27:7-14 Proverbs 6:27-35
04 Exodus 19:16-21:21 Matthew 23:13-39 Psalm 28:1-9 Proverbs 7:1-5	05 Exodus 21:22-23:13 Matthew 24:1-28 Psalm 29:1-11 Proverbs 7:6-23	06 Exodus 23:14-25:40 Matthew 24:29-51 Psalm 30:1-12 Proverbs 7:24-27
07 Exodus 26:1-27:21 Matthew 25:1-30 Psalm 31:1-8 Proverbs 8:1-11	08 Exodus 28:1-43 Matthew 25:31-26:13 Psalm 31:9-18 Proverbs 8:12-13	09 Exodus 29:1-30:10 Matthew 26:14-46 Psalm 31:19-24 Proverbs 8:14-26
10 Exodus 30:11-31:18 Matthew 26:47-68 Psalm 32:1-11 Proverbs 8:27-32	11 Exodus 32:1-33:23 Matthew 26:69-27:14 Psalm 33:1-11 Proverbs 8:33-36	12 Exodus 34:1-35:9 Matthew 27:15-31 Psalm 33:12-22 Proverbs 9:1-6

13 Exodus 35:10-36:38 Matthew 27:32-66 Psalm 34:1-10 Proverbs 9:7-8	14 Exodus 37:1-38:31 Matthew 28:1-20 Psalm 34:11-22 Proverbs 9:9-10	15 Exodus 39:1-40:38 Mark 1:1-28 Psalm 35:1-16 Proverbs 9:11-12
16 Leviticus 1:1-3:17 Mark 1:29-2:12 Psalm 35:17-28 Proverbs 9:13-18	17 Leviticus 4:1-5:19 Mark 2:13-3:6 Psalm 36:1-12 Proverbs 10:1-2	18 Leviticus 6:1-7:27 Mark 3:7-30 Psalm 37:1-11 Proverbs 10:3-4
19 Leviticus 7:28-9:6 Mark 3:31-4:25 Psalm 37:12-29 Proverbs 10:5	20 Leviticus 9:7-10:20 Mark 4:26-5:20 Psalm 37:30-40 Proverbs 10:6-7	21 Leviticus 11:1-12:8 Mark 5:21-43 Psalm 38:1-22 Proverbs 10:8-9
22 Leviticus 13:1-59 Mark 6:1-29 Psalm 39:1-13 Proverbs 10:10	23 Leviticus 14:1-57 Mark 6:30-56 Psalm 40:1-10 Proverbs 10:11-12	24 Leviticus 15:1-16:28 Mark 7:1-23 Psalm 40:11-17 Proverbs 10:13-14
25 Leviticus 16:29-18:30 Mark 7:24-8:10 Psalm 41:1-13 Proverbs 10:15-16	26 Leviticus 19:1-20:21 Mark 8:11-38 Psalm 42:1-11 Proverbs 10:17	27 Leviticus 20:22-22:16 Mark 9:1-29 Psalm 43:1-5 Proverbs 10:18
28 Leviticus 22:17-23:44 Mark 9:30-10:12 Psalm 44:1-8 Proverbs 10:19		