

Moscow First Presbyterian Church



Our Mission: First Presbyterian Church of Moscow strives to be a welcoming, caring family of faith, called to love the Lord and our neighbors. We are growing in Jesus Christ through worship, teaching, fellowship, and service to others.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

TUESDAY

Noon – Tuesday Sisters Group (Chapel Room)
6:30 P.M. – Scouts BSA Troops 333 (girls) and 344 (boys)

WEDNESDAY

10:30 A.M. – Men's Bible Project via zoom
12:00 P.M. – FOON

THURSDAY

6:00 P.M. – Praise Team

SUNDAY

10:30 A.M.- Sunday Worship and Children's Church

For more information, contact the church office.

Office Hours: Monday – Thursday: 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

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Birthdays this Week: Edward Schaper, Betty Corey, Geoff Billin

In Our Prayers: De Bush, Shay Connell, Kelli Madlin

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 8

DEACONS' BENEVOLENCE OFFERING FOR MAY

The Deacons have chosen Sojourners' Alliance for their 1st Sunday Benevolence Offering for May. Its brochure states: "Sojourners' offers transitional and affordable housing for homeless men, women, and families. Transitional housing differs from emergency shelter in that participants can stay up to 6 months. After the 6 months, continuation of the program is evaluated on a case-by-case basis, allowing those who need it the extra time to get back on their feet. Participants are required to attend weekly case management meetings. Through these meetings participants take a hard look at the root causes that led to their being homeless. Often these meetings involve conversations about career goals, money management, and debt reduction. Sojourners also offers counseling services, and referrals to other professionals and agencies as needed." Our congregation can donate money for various needs such as hygiene products and new twin sheets and new pillows which Sojourners provides for each new resident. Please remember Sojourners' Alliance for the month of May. Checks can be made out to First Presbyterian Church with Sojourners' Alliance written on the memo line.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The monthly Prayer Shawl Ministry has begun meeting in person. We meet the 3rd Tuesday of each month. The next gathering will be Tuesday, May 17th from 3:30-5:00 in the church Library. Please join this wonderful ministry. If you have any questions you may call, Ellen Johansen 208-301-1931.

MAY FOON UPDATE

Thank you for your generous FOON donations! Word of mouth at the high school has reached a pivotal level, and there are new kids showing up for pizza each week. The number of kids we serve has doubled over the last couple of weeks. We increased our pizza order significantly at the end of April. Naturally, this means that we need your continued support.

There are several ways you can contribute to this ministry. We are flying through paper plates, so we definitely need more of them. The cheapest kind are fine. Double the kids means we are going through double the drinks and treats as well. Cases of soda can be dropped off at my office. You can designate a gift for FOON in the offering, and mail or drop off a donation at the church. Contact me at familyministryjulie@gmail.com if you have questions about what we need. And remember that you can always pray for the students who come for pizza.

Thank you for participating in our FOON ministry and our outreach of caring to high school kids.

MAY NEWS & VIEWS

-contains information about Pastor Norman's upcoming sabbatical, an introduction to our temporary summer pastor, and other important news about May events and activities. Pick up a copy in the narthex, or read it online at fpcmoscow.org.

“AND I WILL GIVE YOU REST”

Pastor Norman recently received good news that the PC(USA) Board of Pensions (BOP) awarded him a \$4,000 grant toward a well-deserved “Sabbath Sabbatical” for the period of May 25-August 15. His condensed statement of purpose for the sabbatical is “to provide for renewal and regeneration of vision and vitality of my faith and of my leadership in the church.”

The BOP grant, added to Pastor Norman’s Continuing Education and Study funds will cover about 75 percent of the projected expenses. With thanksgiving and appreciation for his ongoing leadership and faithfulness, we invite you to make a designated financial gift toward the remaining \$3,500 needed to round out the \$13,800 sabbatical budget approved by Session. In addition to direct sabbatical expenses, the budget includes providing for temporary pastoral leadership in Norman’s absence

We also invite you to contribute your prayers and encouragement for Norman during this time of restoration and as we all look forward to new insights and his continued ministry.

To make a financial gift toward the balance of the Sabbatical budget, we can place a check or cash in the offering plate designated for “Pastor Sabbatical”. As with all our offerings, we can also contribute online through [Tithely](#) or mail your gift to Moscow FPC, 405 S. Van Buren, Moscow, Idaho, 83843.

Thank you for supporting Pastor Norman’s leadership and compassionate care of Moscow First Presbyterian Church through any or all of these opportunities.

LANDSCAPE FUND

Spring is here! The Pandemic is ending! The "Patio Project" needs your donations to the Landscape Fund! It seems so long ago that the huge juniper shrub was covering the hillside to the right of the front entrance. It took many man hours to remove the "shrub," tree trunk and roots. Dan Crimmins drew up a plan to remove dirt, install a short retaining wall and make a level space for a patio area. The Garden Group envisions a small patio table and chairs to invite us to take a break, snack, meditate or visit. The initial bid was for \$3400 but we plan to get other bids, we need your donations to the Landscape Fund to make this happen this spring or summer. If you have questions, contact Sally Amador or Dan Crimmins. Mark your donation for "Landscape Fund".

PENTECOST OFFERING

The Pentecost Offering supports several programs that provide opportunities for children, youth, and young adults to build a life of faith in Christ. This special offering of the Presbyterian Church (USA) goes towards Young Adult Volunteers mission opportunities, ministries with and for youth, and child advocacy. Part of the offering (40%) remains with our church for local youth projects. Look for the special offering envelope in the pew rack, give via [Tithely](#), or mail a check to the church office (memo: Pentecost Offering). Find out more in the church’s [May newsletter](#) or [pcusa.org](#).

You’re Invited to Vacation Bible School!

Location: First Presbyterian Church

Dates: June 20-24

Time: 9:00-11:30 a.m.

Ages: 4 years thru entering 5th Grade



We need volunteers to make VBS a success!

There are many tasks to do before, during, and after VBS. Prayerfully consider how you can support the children of this congregation and the local community. Check the boxes you’re interested in below, drop the form in the offering plate or leave it in the office, and we will contact you with more information. Thank you!

Questions? Contact Julie Hopper at familyministryjulie@gmail.com or 208-882-0700.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Worship Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Decorate |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drama Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Prepare snacks |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drama participant | <input type="checkbox"/> Prepare arts and crafts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Music Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Setup |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Technology Coordinator | <input type="checkbox"/> Cleanup |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bible Beach Leader (Bible) | <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity/photography |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Creator’s Canyon Leader (art and science activities) | <input type="checkbox"/> Help as needed |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Move-It Mountain Leader (games) | |

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