

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

SUNDAY, September 17th

9:15 a.m.- Sunday School
10:30 a.m. – Sunday Worship

MONDAY, September 18th

7:00 p.m.- Deacons

TUESDAY, September 19th

12:00 p.m.- Tuesday Sisters Group
3:30 p.m.- Prayer Shawl Meeting
7:00 p.m.- Scouts

WEDNESDAY, September 20th

10:00 a.m.- Men's Bible Project in the Library
12:00 p.m.- FOON
6:00 p.m.- Wednesday Supper Fellowship
6:00 p.m.- Youth Group

THURSDAY, September 21st

7:00 p.m.- Praise Team Rehearsal

SUNDAY, September 24th

9:15 a.m. – Sunday School
10:30 a.m. – Sunday Worship

For more information, contact the church office.

Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

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Birthdays this Week: *Jeanne Gayler, Nicole Dossey, Mike Scott, Susan Billin*

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 17th

FOON Starts THIS Wednesday, September 20th!

Family Ministry's Weekly outreach to the Moscow High students will be revving back up this week on Wednesday, September 20th at 12:00 p.m. For more information or to sign-up to be a volunteer, or to bring treats, contact Julie Everest by email: familyministryjulie@gmail.com or by phone 208-882-0700.

Wednesday Supper Fellowship THIS Wednesday!

Our first Wednesday Supper Fellowship of the Fall will be September 20 at 6 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. We will take the opportunity to celebrate the ten years that Family Promise of the Palouse has been serving the Moscow-Pullman community, providing housing and resources for maintaining housing. We will celebrate our volunteers from both FPC and Quail Run Ward and provide information and answer questions about the program. Please join us for a ham and potato salad dinner and learn how you can participate in this valuable mission in our community.

Our second WSF on Sept 27 at 6 p.m. will be hosted by the Tuesday Sisters, a women's study group that has met for over ten years. The menu will be Sloppy Joe's and salad.

September Benevolence Offering

The Deacon's Benevolence Offering for the month of September will go to the Moscow Food Bank. While you are shopping for the week, or your next BBQ, please add a can of beans, a package of rice, or a jar of peanut butter to your cart. The demand at food banks and pantries is growing. A can or jar from everyone could prevent empty shelves! The Moscow Food Bank has been open to all in need since 1981. It is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit, 100% volunteer-operated, and receives the entirety of its support from the generosity of the private citizens of the Moscow-Pullman community. Thank you for helping with this important work through your September benevolence giving. Offerings may be put in the offering plate or mailed to First Presbyterian Church (marked September Benevolence) or give online using the Tithe.ly app or the "Give" button on our website at fpcmoscow.org.

Christian Education Opportunities This Fall

Starting Sept 10, an adult ed class will meet on Sunday mornings at 9:15 am to study The Gift of Empathy. This book presents “a fresh approach to a familiar topic ... that equips readers to relate in empathetic ways” to Build a More Caring World. If you might be interested, please sign up on the sign in the narthex. If you aren't available on Sunday mornings, but are interested in studying this book, please sign up on the sheet with evenings that would work for you (not Tuesdays). Questions? Contact Celeste Brown (bioinfomom@roadrunner.com).

U of I International Programs Office has a couple opportunities for community members to engage with international students.

The first program is the English Conversation Partner program, connecting international students with the community to provide an hour a month as an English conversation partner. You and the student choose a location. You might consider meeting over a cup of coffee at The Center, and The Center would provide temporary parking passes for individuals to use in the Center lot. The contact email is uidaho.edu/conversationpartner.

The second program is the Friendship Family Program. This is a once a semester commitment to spend time supporting an international student by inviting them over for dinner and being a community contact to help them navigate their time here on the Palouse. The International programs office has around 30 international students signed up for the program and only 15 hosts. This program is a little more involved as it includes a registration process, but is an excellent opportunity to bless the international students through a home cooked meal and some well needed community. The contact email is uidaho.edu/friendshipfamily.

Family Promise Host Week

Family Promise is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to empower families experiencing homelessness to achieve sustainable independence for a more promising future. One factor that helps these families succeed is the relationships they develop with Family Promise volunteers.

First Presbyterian Church and our friends from Quail Run Ward are hosting Family Promise guests and September 30-October 8. Our hosting duties include preparing and taking down guest bedrooms, providing, and hosting evening meals and hosting our guests overnight on Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday. If you are interested in volunteering, there will be sign-up sheets in the narthex, an online Sign-Up, or please contact Celeste Brown at bioinfomom@roadrunner.com.

RE-USE, RECYCLE

Clean, single use plastic bags are put to good use at Moscow Food Bank! As more people come for food supplies, carry out bags are in short supply. 12-egg cartons too. Pastas, beans, rice, tomato sauce, cream soups, and peanut butter are staples most often requested. Thanks, all!

Dinner Together

Join together for a meal and fellowship with members and friends of FPC this fall through October 1st. Sign up to be placed into a group of 5-6 others (singles and couples are welcome!). Each group will gather approximately once a month. How and where to meet is up to each group, with meeting at the church building always being an option. Get to know others in our faith community in new ways by sharing a meal. Please let us know your interest either by signing up with your name and best contact information at the church office window or via email moscowpresby@gmail.com.

Peace & Global Witness Offering

September 3rd- October 1st

The Special Offerings of the Presbyterian Church USA connect us with other Presbyterians in every corner of our nation and the world through prayer and effort. As a Mathew 25 congregation we are called to actively engage in the world around us. Through our gifts we connect with God's most vulnerable children. Gifts help active peacemakers and provide education and interaction with those that can show us how to do this work: 50% advocating for Christ's peace and justice in cultures of violence, including our own, through collaborative initiatives; 25% links congregations in ministries in peacemaking, and 25% is designated for building peace in our local community. 25% of the funds designated for our community will be donated to Inland Oasis.

Moscow Food Bank

As we move toward fall, soups, chili, pasta, rice, tomato sauce, and canned or packaged beans are in demand. Empty single-dozen egg cartons and single-use plastic grocery bags are also welcomed. Church drop-off is a large brown box just past the church office.

Wildfire Response

Presbytery has reached out with PIN funds to both the Gray Lake (Medical Lake) and Oregon Rd (Elk) fires. **Colbert Church's** New Hope Resource Center /North County Food Pantry **will be a primary distribution center.** (<http://www.newhoperesource.org/>)

If you would like to respond here are some ways to stand in the GAP-

Give: Financial support: New Hope Resource Center / North County Food Pantry

Act: Donate food to the North County Food Pantry (Mon: 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Wed: 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.), donate clothing/household items to the New Hope Resource Center (Tuesdays and Thursdays 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.)

Pray: Pray for the survivors who must rebuild their homes and their lives, first responders, and those volunteers/leaders of long term recovery efforts.