



# Jason's Journal

Rev. Patti Money, Pastor

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**The purpose of Jason Lee Memorial  
United Methodist Church is to  
CONNECT people to Christ  
Help people GROW in Christ and  
Help people SERVE Christ**



*Jason's Journal* is a monthly newsletter of Jason Lee Memorial United Methodist Church,  
168 S. University, Blackfoot, ID 83221

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All persons are welcome to worship each Sunday:

Worship at 10:30 a.m. with communion celebrated the first Sunday of each month

Free child care is provided

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DATE	ACOLYTE	LITURGIST	USHERS & GREETERS	FELLOWSHIP	FLOWERS	Nursery
Sunday Feb. 4 2018	Susanna Money	Louise Johnston	Jim & Gayle Elison	Kim & Stan Buck and Jim & Tammy Dalley	The Flower Shoppe Etc.	Jordyn Garrett
Sunday Feb. 11	Gracie Fitzgerald	Cindy Bewley	Pete Fitzgerald family	Lola Brower, Rita Jennings, Louise Johnston	The Flower Shoppe Etc.	Jordyn Garrett
Sunday Feb. 18	Durin Savage	Alan Hennebold	Tom & Bobbie Drysdale	Peggy & John Kie and Mike & Kathy Torgerson	Debbie Reid- Oleson & George Oleson	Jordyn Garrett
Sunday Feb. 25	Liam Martin	Rebecca Stewart	Jim & Tammy Dalley	Jodee Lake and Tony & Janet Martin	The Flower Shoppe Etc.	Jordyn Garrett

If you are not going to be able to volunteer then please let the office know ahead of time

## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

February 04 Davyn Czepkowski  
 February 05 Frank Tominaga (97)  
 February 06 Gayle Elison  
 February 09 James Breitweg  
 February 09 Robert Colson  
 February 09 Gregory Money  
 February 11 Paul Fankhauser  
                   Floyd Herrman  
 February 19 Riggin Oleson  
 February 22 Chase Adams  
                   Marilyn Colson  
 February 26 Dylan Fuller  
 February 27 Alec Carlson  
 February 28 Shelby Bewley  
 February 29 Gerald (Ike) Ikard (90)

## FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

February 14  
 Chris & Lynda Nowacki  
  
 February 18  
 Debbie Reid-Oleson & George Oleson  
  
 February 25  
 Bob & Barb Parris



Friends,

I spent last week in Salt Lake City on our annual mission trip to the UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) West Depot. There were 12 of us, which I believe is the largest group we have ever sent. In addition to myself, the following people participated: Elizabeth Fields, Pete Fitzgerald, Louise Johnston, Dixie Jacky, Dick Kaiser, Randi Lemieux, Jan Simpson, Dick Stroh, Kathy Torgerson, and Dick & Lenna Wood.

During the day, we worked hard, focusing on building hygiene kits to be sent to those in need. First, we placed 23,000 tubes of toothpaste in a Ziploc bags, eight (8) tubes to a bag. That took 2 ½ days. Next, we assembled hygiene kits, each of which consists of: a hand towel, a washcloth, six (6) Band-Aids, comb, fingernail clippers, bar of soap, and a toothbrush. Each kit was carefully folded and placed in a Ziploc bag, and then placed in a box, each of which contained 24 kits. On top of those, we placed three bags containing the toothpaste we had assembled earlier. Over the course of several days, we completed at least five pallets.

As we worked, we talked (about anything and everything), joked, and laughed. I don't think I've laughed that much in years! Our sense of community continued by sharing a house (and rooms), sharing devotions each morning, cooking and eating meals together, and playing games at night. We concluded our time together with a Communion service, led by Rev. Brian Diggs, the director of UMCOR West.

This time reminded me not only of the importance of service, but also the necessity of community to the Christian faith. As the week progressed and we served God together, our group grew closer and relationships were deepened. This growth will continue, even as we have returned to "normal" life.

Not all of us are able to go on mission trips. However, each of us can, and should, be intentional about regularly participating in Christian community beyond Sunday morning. Join a Bible study (we currently have 3), a UMW circle, or consider starting a new group. An additional option is to gather with two or more Christian friends on a regular basis for prayer and conversation. I encourage each of us to make this a priority in our spiritual lives.

Joy and peace,  
Pastor Patti



# FEBRUARY HAPPENINGS

Sunday 9:00 am AA

Sunday 10:30 am Worship and Sunday School

Sunday 11:30 am Fellowship Hour

Monday – 10:00 am Women’s Bible Study

Monday, Feb. 5 - 6:30 pm Bible Study “A Hop, Skip, and a Jump...Bible” (final class)

Tuesday – 5:00 to 6:30 pm Community Dinner Table

Wednesday – 10:00 am “Jesus – A Study” class

Wednesday – 11:00 am Knit Wits

Thursday – 6:15 pm Bell Choir practice, 7:00 pm Choir practice

Feb. 1 – 11:00 am – UMW Make Valentines Cards

Feb. 1 – noon - UMW monthly meeting – Fellowship Hall

Feb. 13 – 5:00 to 6:30 pm – Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper for CDT

Feb. 14 – 5:30 p.m. Crepe Dinner

Feb. 14 – 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service

Feb. 16 – Deadline to register for Bingham’s Got Talent

Feb. 21 – 6:15 pm Finance Committee Meeting

Feb. 24 – 7:00 pm Bingham’s Got Talent – 9<sup>th</sup> annual talent show for Relay for Life

## SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER

Our church will serve the Community Dinner Table / Pancake Supper on Shrove Tuesday, **February 13**, from 5:00-6:30. We are asking for monetary donations to buy the food. Any money we don’t use for the dinner will be given to Enough For All and the Pastor’s Transient Fund. We need volunteers to come in at 3:00 to do the cooking. We also need volunteers for all the other jobs---some to come in at 3:00 to set up, some at 4:30 to serve/ greet/ assist guests/ and bus tables and others at 6:30 to clean up. There’s a job for everybody! It’s a great time for fun and fellowship. Look for the sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall.

# FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The committee met on January 17, 2018 at 6:15 pm. In attendance were: Alan Hennebold, Pastor Patti, Diane Colson, Mike Torgerson, Shirley Brumfield, Debbie Reid-Oleson; and Dorothy Hunter.

We reviewed the giving and expenses for 2017 and were pleased to see that the year finished in good standing. Anyone interested in looking at financial details, let me know and I will share this information with you. Over the past four years our church has grown in numbers as well as giving.

The committee agreed to send in 10% of giving for our apportionments for the month of December. Our 2017 apportionment giving reflected an increase of 15% from 2016.

As chairman of the finance committee I would like to thank you for your generous giving.

Blessings,

Dorothy Hunter

## PRAYER CONCERNS

Glena Davis, Kathy Eisenbarth, Debbie Hammett, Mary Jones, Charles Kennedy, Rev. Davey Lefler, Pat Miller, Randy Shiosaki, Frank Tominaga, Jack Tominaga, Kimi Tominaga, family of Kiyoharu Umezaki, members of the Armed Forces serving in harm's way, victims of violence, victims of natural disasters

## WORSHIP FEBRUARY 2018

February 4 – John 6:35-58; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 - Communion

February 11 – Mark 9:2-9; Ephesians 2:8-9 - Transforming Grace

February 14 – Joel 2:1-2, 12-17; Psalm 139:23-24 – A Heart Examination  
Ash Wednesday

February 18 – 2 Chronicles 15:12-15 – EKG: Our Heart Beats For...

February 25 – Matthew 22:34-40 – Echocardiogram: Our Blood Flow



## METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

Methodist Youth Fellowship (MYF) will be assisting with the CDT Pancake Supper on Tuesday, February 13. MYF is for all youth 7<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Our year-long theme will be "A Year of Mission and Service".

# FELLOWSHIP HOUR FEBRUARY 2018

February 4 – Kim & Stan Buck and Jim & Tammy Dalley

February 11 – Lola Brower, Rita Jennings, Louise Johnston

February 18 – Peggy & John Kie and Mike & Kathy Torgerson

February 25 – Jodee Lake and Tony & Janet Martin



## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Our Unit meeting was held January 11. Circle 3 provided the delicious luncheon. The circle chairs reported on their Christmas parties. The traditional mailing of Valentines Boxes to our college students and military members was discussed. It was decided that this year the \$125 that usually goes to postage will be supplemented by monetary donations (instead of buying candy and trinkets). Gift cards will be purchased and mailed to our students and military personnel. The new UMW booklets were given out. The Christmas Tree in the Fellowship Hall was discussed. The love gift offering taken at the Christmas Luncheon was designated towards buying a new tree for the church.

National convention will be held in Columbus, Ohio, on May 18-20. Lola Brower and Chelta Arens are planning on going. There is \$3,947.81 in the money market fund that is designated for the convention. Chelta is checking on the cost of room and airfare. The registrations need to be sent in soon. Jan mentioned there will be a Northwest Leadership training for the church on March 7-9 in Boise. She is going and it is open to everyone. Ann Groutage gave the program explaining the reading program and she gave a short description of the new books she has ordered.

The next meeting will be Feb. 1, at 12:00. Circle 5 will be the Hostess. We will meet at 11:00 am to make Valentines Cards. We will make cards to send to our college students. In addition, members can make up to five cards for their personal use

## CAN YOU HELP?

We are in need of people who can Hostess the Tuesday night dinners. This means, most simply, that you would need to be at the church about 3:30 and not leave until the last person leaves, which is about 7:30. There is a complete list of what you would need to do near the sign-up sheet. This is an opportunity of hospitality and we want people from Jason Lee to serve as host. We hope you will feel the same and take a turn at it! Either sign the sheet or see Linda Perry. Thank you so much.

# CAKE AUCTION and POTATO BAR

Our church's Relay for Life Team is having a cake auction and potato bar on Friday March 9th. The potato bar will start at 5:30 and is \$5 per person. It will include a baked potato with toppings of beef stroganoff and chili, tossed salad, dessert and beverage.

The highlight of the evening will be a cake auction at 6:15, with professional auctioneer Arnold Callison. Bid against others for all kinds of delicious cakes. If you would like to make and donate a cake for the auction, please contact Lola Brower at 208-684-4078.

Please come and enjoy dinner with friends, have a fun time at the auction, and support the American Cancer Society at the same time!

## THANK YOU FROM THE UMCOR TEAM

January 21-26, 12 people from our congregation went to the UMCOR Depot in Salt Lake City. Thanks to the generous giving from the congregation of JLMUMC, this year we were able to contribute \$780.52 to UMCOR! Our UMCOR team also thanks you for your prayers and support of our mission trip by helping at the potato bar, providing food and snacks for our meals, sewing jackets and nightgowns, donating fabric and school supplies, and many other thoughtful gestures. Working together, we assembled five pallets worth of hygiene kits. We hope that many of you will join us next year for the UMCOR Mission Trip!

UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) is the not-for-profit global humanitarian aid organization of the United Methodist Church. UMCOR is working in more than 80 countries worldwide, including the United States. Our mission, grounded in the teachings of Jesus, is to alleviate human suffering—whether caused by war, conflict or natural disaster, with open hearts and minds to all people. UMCOR responds to natural or civil disasters that are interruptions of such magnitude that they overwhelm a community's ability to recover on its own.

Your UMCOR Mission Team

## ENOUGH FOR ALL

**“No one can help everyone, but everyone can help someone.”** Unknown

Enough For All is our fund that helps meet needs in the community. Donations to this fund can be made at any time, but are also collected on the first Sunday of the month during Fellowship Hour. Thank you for your generous support of this valuable ministry. Becca Freeburne, Enough for All Coordinator, 208-244-1843

# BINGHAM'S GOT TALENT

The 9<sup>th</sup> annual talent show --Bingham's Got Talent-- is Saturday, **February 24th** at 7:00 pm at the Blackfoot Performing Arts Center, with Karole Honas acting as emcee. The admission will be \$6 for adults and \$4 for children. The talent show is for any person or group to show off their talent in the area of singing, dancing, playing an instrument, juggling, doing magic, giving a comedy or drama routine, or anything else. It is for people of all ages and is not limited to Bingham County residents. The deadline to register is **February 16th** at 4 pm. The registration fee is \$25 per act. Prizes totaling \$250 will be awarded. Tell your family and friends about it, so they can enter. Our own bell choir is competing, so be there to support them. Lyle Albertson and his Strait Country Band will perform from 6-7:00, before the competition starts. Contact Tom Drysdale, event chairman, at 208-785-3183 if you have questions.

This is one of several fund-raising events that our church's Relay for Life team, called Angels Among Us, sponsors. If you are interested in being a part of this fun team, contact Shirley Brumfield, team captain, at 208-317-7617. We welcome new people.

## THE WESLEY HOUSE NEWSLETTER

Our students enjoyed a much-needed winter break, though I think they were all as excited to get back to the Wesley house as I was. One of the many blessings of being involved with the Wesley house is that you become a part of a second family. It was wonderful to hear about how God worked in one of our students lives over the holidays. God cares about the big stuff and even the little stuff in our lives. Thanks to so many wonderful folks who purchased wreaths from our students, we have some updating that we will be able to do on the Wesley house. We had a paint party on January 27 and will continue to make improvements to the house. If you would like to be a part of ministering to the students and staff at ISU contact Amy Scarlett at 208-232-1353 or [Amyj.scarlett@gmail.com](mailto:Amyj.scarlett@gmail.com).

Love, Amy and the Wesley House Crew