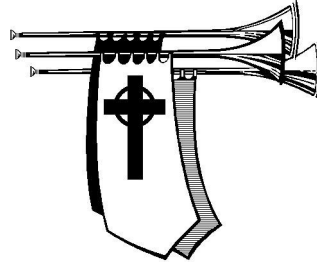




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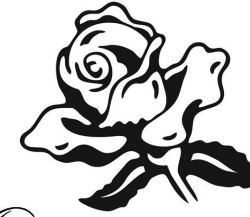


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 12: Doug Morton
 15: Melissa Graham
 20: Nathan Hunt
 21: Ryan Belke



Birthday Blessings

22: Cheryl Wegley
 23: Barry Kippen
 24: Cheryl McLaughlin
 25: Ashley Hash
 26: Georgia Quilici
 27: Kelly Sullivan
 29: Jana Richards
 30: Bob Kingsbury



The Mid-Week Lipreaders - a lay-led Bible study - has finished their study of the Book of James, and will begin a new book titled "Galatians through Colossians, and Philemon." All are welcome to a little mid-week conversation and coffee with the Apostle Paul.

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Seth's Message

We continue our series of articles about how our church works. Each month we will look at one of the ministry teams, who is on the team, what they do, and how often and when they meet.

Last month our focus was the Staff / Pastor-Parish Relations Committee. This month our attention is on the Committee on Trustees. The make-up of this team is the most detailed of all of the committees in the church. According to *The Book of Discipline* there can only be a maximum of nine members where 1/3 (3 people) of the membership is made up of lay women and 2/3 (6 people) have to be members of the church. It is the only committee that requires a quorum (a majority) to meet. The Trustees can still gather but no official decisions can be made unless a majority of the members of the Trustees are present.

The Committee on Trustees has such requirements because it is the incorporated body of the church and thus works with the Secretary of State to ensure that the congregation is current on all legal matters such as its incorporation and with its insurance. Think of the Trustees as the Board of Directors.

It is a misnomer that the Trustees only handle the property of the church. The Trustees are in charge of all assets of the congregation. These assets include the church's endowment, its finances, and the buildings and grounds that the congregation owns. A member of the Trustee's sits on the Endowment Committee and also on the Committee on Finance for this very reason.

Sermon Series

ON THE ROAD AGAIN ... This summer we follow the journey of a fellow pastor by the name of Thomas Hall. If you caught the series last year, Thomas was a United Methodist pastor, who in 2010 was appointed to Plains and Paradise. Almost as soon as he moved to our state he began a bike journey starting in Missoula, proceeding to Billings for Annual Conference, then dropped down to Wyoming where the wind forced him into northwest Nebraska. It was here where he met me and my family. He recommended that we follow his journey on his blog. This summer we have followed him from the panhandle of Nebraska to southwest Kansas and to his destination state of Texas where his goal has always been Del Rio, Texas.

We are not just following a pastor on a recumbent bike. ON THE ROAD AGAIN is also looking at the journey of the development of the early church. Each blog entry has a corresponding passage in Acts. It is remarkable how similar the journey of life mirrors what we find in scripture. Join us as we get back ON THE ROAD AGAIN



ON THE ROAD AGAIN

August 4th – “Faces of Texas”, looking at Acts 20.25-38

August 11th – “Storm”, looking at Acts 21.7-16

August 18th – “What I Would Do Differently”, looking at Acts 22.3-21

The Committee on Trustees works closely with the Staff/Pastor-Parish Relations Committee to ensure that the Parsonage meets all minimum standards set by the Mountain Sky Annual Conference. Three members (Bruce Schuelke, Deb Fisher, and Amy McNichols) make up one-half of this sub-committee.

Business meetings of the Trustees usually focus on property issues since it is the most visible asset. Meetings are typically held on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm and meet in the Conference Room.

Members of the Committee on Trustees are: Bruce Schuelke (chairperson), Check Kestle, Ronda Cherry, Bob Worley, Amy McNichols, Debbie Fisher, Karen “Sarge” Sargeant, and Ryan Belke. There is one vacancy.

Next month we will look at the ministry team known as the Committee on Finance and Memorials.

Seth



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Committees take a break from Coffee Hour during the summer.

Individuals will be able to sign up to host Coffee Hour.



Greetings:

Well, it is Summer, days are longer, it is unbearably hot and smoky, there are bugs everywhere, the air conditioning is on max, and for the first time in memory I am ready for winter. Early evenings, temperature I can control with coats, no smoke, no out of state tourists, no voracious bugs, no feeling that I am missing summer if I am not outside every minute.

I think most of all I would like a new season to my spiritual life. In all the noise of summer I lost track of who I served and with all the old problems, all the new problems, all the kids' problems, the work problems, and the church problems, I was too busy worrying and I lost track of what was really important.

Several years ago, when a service at Clark's Park was cancelled because of the weather, Pastor Matt invited the congregation to take an active part in the service, asking us to share where we saw Jesus in our day-to-day experience recently. Various members shared where they had seen Jesus and the members of the congregation who were present heard some incredible stories about where members had experienced Jesus's presence this summer. It was an amazing, blessed experience.

Afterwards I was thinking about the members and the stories we heard, and then I wondered about the members who were present who did not share an experience where they saw Jesus recently. Some members I know are afraid to speak in crowds, and some I know have been going through tough times, but what about the rest? So, then I wondered, how often do we miss seeing Jesus in our day to day lives because we simply aren't looking for his presence? We miss him because we are so busy with the mundane, we don't have time to look for the miraculous, and how sad is that?

I have been sick at the time of this writing for over 3 weeks, and I am afraid that I missed everything of beauty around me because I couldn't focus on anything but my own misery. This week I am resolved to take the time to look around and see where Jesus is, to see what he is doing, and to jump in and help, or reflect, or give, or work, or witness, or worship. Because I know when I don't see him, when I don't feel his presence, that not only is he still present, but that I am the one missing out. So, let us all start a new spiritual season, remember to look around and focus on what is truly important, confident that if we do so we will see his face. Amen.

Brad Belke

Copycat Drumstick Ice Cream Cone

Ingredients:

- 6 sugar ice cream cones
- 2 4-ounce bittersweet chocolate bars (60%), chopped and divided
- 3 Tbsp. coconut oil, divided
- 1/2 gal. vanilla ice cream
- 1/4 c. toasted slivered almonds, roughly chopped
- 1 Flaky sea salt, for sprinkling

Directions:

1. To ensure that the ice cream cones stand up in the freezer, tape an empty ice cream cone box closed. Using a paring knife, cut 6 evenly-spaced 1-inch X's into the front of the box. Stand the 6 cones upright in the holes.
2. In a microwave-safe glass measuring cup, combine 4 ounces of the chocolate with 1 tablespoon of the coconut oil. Microwave on 50% power for 1 to 2 minutes, stopping to stir every 15 seconds, until the chocolate is melted and smooth.
3. Using a spoon, coat the insides of the cones with chocolate, allowing some to pool at the bottom. Place the cones in their holding vessel and freeze for 30 minutes.
4. Using a spoon, scoop ice cream into each ice cream cone, filling them entirely to the top. Smooth the top until the ice cream is level with the top edge of the cones. Freeze for 30 minutes.
5. Using an ice cream scoop, scoop ice cream into rounds and place them on the leveled out cones. Freeze until firm, 1 to 2 hours.
6. Place the remaining 4 ounces of chocolate and the remaining 2 tablespoons of coconut oil in a microwave-safe glass measuring cup. Microwave on 50% power for 1 to 2 minutes, stopping to stir every 15 seconds, until the chocolate is melted and smooth.
7. Remove only one cone at a time from the freezer. Quickly dip the ice cream into the chocolate to coat and sprinkle with the almonds and salt. Immediately place the coated cones in the freezer for 15 minutes.
8. Once completely frozen, store in an airtight container for up to 1 month.

