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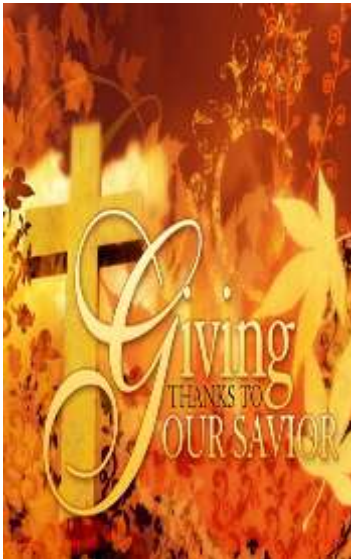
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## **SPECIAL DATES**

November	2:	9:30 am - Sojourners
November	5:	11:00 am – Deacons Meeting
November	12:	11:00 am – Session Meeting
November	16:	9:30 am - Sojourners meet
November	19:	Memorial Sunday Congregational Meeting 4:00 pm - Thanksgiving Dinner
November	21:	NO Bible Study
November	22-24:	Church Office Closed
November	26:	11:00 am - Decorate Church for Christmas/Chili Feed
November	28:	Festival of Trees meets in Helena

# **SUNRISE VISITOR**

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**Sunrise Presbyterian Church  
Great Falls, Montana**

***November, 2017***

## **CHURCH LIFE**



**Faith Adventures had an A-maze-ing time...  
without any corn-undrums.**

**See inside for more about their adventure!**



Thank you, Sunrise, for your generosity!

On Nov. 8, Brookdale Retirement Home – 1104 6 Ave N- has selected FISH to receive the free will offering from the buffet breakfast served at 8:30 am. Come early to get a seat. Last time FISH got about \$450 again matched by Town Pump. Best to make reservations by calling 727-0447.

**FISH's Family Statistics for September 2017**

	Sep 16	2016 YTD	Sep 17	2017 YTD
Families (non-singles)	79	742	67	640
Singles	75	630	64	595
Adults	211	1,952	186	1,790
Children	157	952	63	705
Meals	5,520	43,560	3,735	37,425
Lbs of Food	9,138	82,359	8,053	74,509



**A REMINDER!! We will be on board to work at FISH November 6-10**

**In Christ's love,**

**Joyce Newman (453-6872) Mary Kraft (761-4648)**

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## Poinsettias



I am planning on once again offering the opportunity to purchase poinsettias in memory or honor of loved ones, and hope to have them decorate the sanctuary on December 17 and both services Christmas Eve (morning and



evening). I do not have prices yet...stay tuned for more information!

Pam Kampfer



November	5: Barb Brewer and Kathy Schlimgen
November	12: Dave and Claire Roehm
November	19: Marcia and Norman Anderson
November	26: OPEN

**Coffee hour is for fellowship!!! Please do not hesitate about offering to be hosts. Remember that this is Coffee Hour. Goodies are at your discretion, but not mandatory.**

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**DEACONS ON CALL: Arlie Grenfell and Sandy Lambert**

**HEAD USHERS FOR NOVEMBER: Howard and Margaret Enloe**  
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**Sunrise has been so gracious in supporting students at Paris for the past seven years. So when Pam Kampfer informed me that the church would be giving a donation to Paris, I was so grateful. Pam asked me how to make out the check, wondering if Sandy's Kids would work. I said it would be fine.**

**When the check arrived, I realized it was probably not the best to have the check made out to Sandy's Kids - it's not a corporation or a specific group, but being a person of faith, I**

**decided to go to my bank, information and ID's in hand. I found my driver's license but could not find my school ID but I know it's in my purse somewhere.**

**I approached the teller line, head down, still digging for that school ID. I said to the teller, "I'm Sandy Lambert and I have a check to cash but it's made out to Sandy's Kids." A sweet voice said, "I know." I looked up and it was one of Sandy's Kids...YOUR KIDS! She has finished her associates' degree. From what I can remember, this fund bought her books for college. She is working full time. Her child is four now. Her life is solid and she has choices in part because of the gift given from this fund.**

**Sandy's Kids...your kids...they are here. You meet them every day. Your gift changes lives.**

**Thank you.....**

**Sandy Lambert**



# SUNRISE REGULAR SCHEDULE

**Sundays @ 9:30 AM: Worship**

**Sundays @ 10:30 AM: Fellowship**

**Sundays @ 11:00 AM: Church School**

**Sundays @ 5:30pm: Faith Adventures**

**Mondays @ 7:45 AM: Men's Fellowship**

**Tuesdays @ 7:00 PM: Bible Study**

**Wednesdays @ 11:30 AM: Lunch Bunch**

**Wednesdays @ 7:00 PM: Choir Rehearsals**

**Thursdays, November 2, 16 @ 9:30 AM: *Sojourners***



**- JOIN US!**



**Thank you is not enough to tell the Lord how grateful we are for all the blessings He gave. We invite you to dine with us on our Thanksgiving Dinner on Sunday, November 19 @ 4:00 pm. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Narthex!**



## **The Choir Sings....**

...our songs of gratefulness. We are looking forward to Thanksgiving and thanking the Lord for all our blessings!

*"Sing to Him, sing praises to Him. Speak of all His wonders."*

*1 Chronicles 16:9*

**SING  
UNTO THE LORD!**

The Choir will not have rehearsal on Wednesday November 22<sup>nd</sup>.

*Arlie*

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**We will decorate the halls and trim the tree, then afterwards gather for a big bowl of chili. Sunday, November 28 at 11:00!**



# SUNRISE JOYS AND CONCERNS

It is early November as I sit in my kitchen cradling a hot cup of coffee. The sun's rays are warm and bright, and several windless days of snow falling has created beautiful sculptures on my deck. The sun glistens on the snow and reflects through the window into the kitchen, and the warmth of the sun now cradles me. Thoughts of family and friends wander through my head, and as if on cue, the phone rings. How good it is to hear the voice of Ilene Casey, part of our Sunrise Family, from the snowy Gallatin Valley, with a cheery, "Good morning, Tana, How are you?" And I am reminded of the many blessings that being part of the family of God, especially here at Sunrise, that I have been afforded. I couldn't help but think of the words of Lord from Isaiah 43, "I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you...." God reaches out to all of us and calls us by name in our joys, in our struggles, in our sorrows, sometimes just through a call from a friend, a note in the mail or a hug on Sunday. And we are grateful that He knows us by name when the sunlight warms our backs as well as when the clouds obscure the light.

We are grateful for the lives of friends and family who have passed from our midst and gone to eternal life. Our prayers go this month to Wally Schedel who lost a brother and to Don and Dave Roehm, and Fran Lindstrand and families on the loss of a nephew.

Many members of our congregation have had falls or surgery this month, but through the caring hands of our medical professionals they are recovering and are either already back with us or will be soon. Ben Forsyth had emergency hernia surgery but was quickly up and ready to transport Gail to church on Sunday. Jana Pfeifle is recovering from successful surgery as is Jerry Miller who had a partial knee replacement and served as an usher the next week. Barb Hickey's mother is recovering from hip surgery as is Lois Gustafson, now in therapy at the Grandview. We are delighted that Fran Lindstrand is now back at home and making preparations to move to assisted living. Leah Zins will be preparing for surgery and our prayers go with her. Joyce Newman's son is on the long road of patience as he waits for a collarbone and ribs to heal after a fall. We especially hold in our hearts, and call by name, Bob Gentry, who is undergoing tests for some serious medical issues. Thoughts for both Bob and Peggy as they wait for results.

Thanksgiving for God's hand in the lives of Budd and Sharon Hovey who celebrated 50 years of marriage as well as Jim and Ember Woods celebrating 55 years. Pastor Tim took some time to renew and recharge and we were blessed to have Bill Salonen from the Cameron Family Center as well as Terry Cheney from Intermountain fill the pulpit. Thanks to Pam Kampfer for the wonderful job she does filling the pulpit.

As we enter this season of Thanksgiving and the reminder that we should be thankful for all things in our life, I am especially grateful for our family here at Sunrise and the opportunities we have to worship God together and support each other. Psalm 100:3 says, "Know that the Lord is God. It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture." He has called us by name. Listen and you will hear.

Gratefully yours in the sunshine on the snow, Tana







# Advent Candle Lighting Ceremony

On November 29, 2015 (which was the first Sunday in Advent that year), Fran Lindstrand and her brother Don Roehm led the Advent Wreath Candle Lighting Ceremony. They were chosen for that task because they were the two people who had been members of Sunrise continuously for the longest period of time. (Fran is a charter member.) Throughout the remainder of Advent that year, as well as Advent in 2016, we continued with the sequence of asking members to lead the ceremony based on how long they have been a member of Sunrise. We are going to continue that process this year. I will be contacting people within the next few weeks to ask for your participation, based on how long you have been a member of Sunrise. You always have the right to say “no”, but I hope you will consider answering the call! The Sundays in Advent are December 3, 10, 17 and 24 (morning and evening services.) I will have everything you need to read prepared for you!

Below is a list of the people who have already led the litany, along with the dates they joined Sunrise. Check it out – it is interesting!

## 2015

**November 29** – Fran Lindstrand (Charter Member) **10-28-1956**

Don Roehm **4-14-1957**

**December 6** – Jim & Doris Pascal **1-4-1959**

**December 13** – Ruth Hickey **11-6-1966**

Marilu Dougherty **6-1-1969**

Lee Hickey **9-7-1969**

**December 20** - Don & Gloria Bedker **3-5-1970**

**December 24** - Bill & Tana Harp **2-7-1971**

## 2016

**November 27**- Mary Kraft **9-20-1970**

Barb Brewer **12/6/1970**

Maribeth Doan **9/29/1974**

**December 4** – Joyce Newman **3/27/1960**

Bob Kampfer **5/9/1976**

Loren Smith **3/5/1978**

**December 11** – Ben & Janette Forsyth **12/2/1973**

Gail Bucko **11/5/1978**

**December 18** – Jim & Ember Woods **10/31/1982**

**December 24** - Howard & Margaret Enloe **10/13/1984**



# Faith Adventure Has Busy October

*Faith Adventure, our shared youth program with First Presbyterian Church, had a busy and fun October. Dan and Vickie O'Fallon helped lead our October 8, where we learned about the Cascade County Detention Facility. Dan provided us with an overview of how the spiritual needs of the inmates and the detention facility staff are met, as well as talking about his work in running the facility. Following Dan's talk, we were given a tour of the facility and learned about the challenges of dealing with so many different types of people. I for one will always think of Dan and our tour when I read Matthew 25.36: "I was in prison and you visited me."*



*Other Sundays in October included a fun movie night on October 29 and a trip to the Corn Maze on October 15. Since the corn was so short, the maze wasn't very "maze-y," but it was fun to wander through and find ears of corn to feed to the pigs, sheep, and goats afterwards. We jumped on hay bales, rode the corn train, and played human foosball — an activity that was so much fun we might build a similar set-up for ourselves!*

*We are planning a trip to see the Great Falls High production of the Little Mermaid this month. Then, with a few weeks off for Thanksgiving, our adventures will resume again in December. Mark your calendars now for December 3, 10, and 17 as we get ready to learn about the Bible's story of Christmas and make some special gifts for the people in our churches and in our community who are in need.*



*I want to thank everyone who has helped support this program — from their generous donations to their willingness to help chaperone our events. This special endeavor would not be possible without you!*

*Submitted by Tim Lanham*





*"...For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me..." (Matthew 25:35)*

*As we celebrate our many blessings in this month of Thanksgiving, I am especially grateful to those from our family at Sunrise who heeded those words of Jesus in our recent opportunity to serve the families of Family Promise. We served three families, totaling 10 people, during a week in October in conjunction with the Episcopal Church, AME and the Quakers. It was a joy to welcome these families and share time and meals with them. Our opportunity was to provide meals and hospitality for two nights and one overnight stay.*

*For those who so readily said, "Yes" , when asked to help, "Thank You." Beth and Joe Hoseck, Don and Gloria Bedker, Bill and Tana Harp, Trisha and Cole Gardner and Ruth Hickey were there to help prepare and serve the food and welcome our guests. In addition to the parents, we had some delightful preschoolers as well as some teens. All were grateful for the hospitality. Others provided food or drink or financial resources to purchase items we needed, and for that we thank Roba Strandell, Ann Crawford, Doris Pascal, Barb Brewer, Marilu Dougherty, Ember Woods, Ruth Hickey, Gloria Bedker, Beth Hoseck and Tana Harp. Beth Hoseck and Trisha Gardner are our loyal overnight chaperones. And once again we thank Scott Shull for taking on the task of the laundry from our week.*

*We will have the blessing of serving Family Promise again during January and I would invite you to offer your time or food to be a part of this ministry in our community. We are making a difference in the lives of families who are struggling. The Sojourners will once again be making some wonderful soup in January to be used for one of our meals. Pastor Tim so graciously donates in memory of his mother for us to provide the ingredients for the soup.*

*Think of the times when someone has welcomed you into their home with a warm bowl of soup on a cold winter's evening and know that by doing the same for the families of Family Promise you will be warming their hearts and souls as well as nourishing their bodies.*

*In Christ's ministry, Tana Harp*

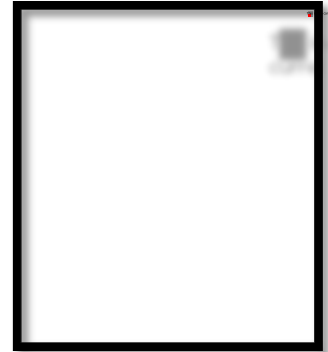
# SOJOURNERS



*At the October 19th meeting Sojourners learned that the only volunteer organization that empowers citizens to speak on behalf of neglected and abused children are advocates of CASA-CAN. Lisa Goff, Executive Director, spoke to the group about Court Appointed Special Advocates, appointed by a local judge to be the voice of these children. Every child has a guardian ad litem because there is no one else to speak for the child.*

*Member Kathy Schlimgen, after undergoing pre-service training, participating in a mock trial, and court appointed, is now a CASA*

*advocate. Currently there are over 600 children in the local program with less than one hundred CASA-CAN volunteers serving these vulnerable children.*



**Those interested in becoming volunteers are urged to contact CASA-CAN.**



*Officer Dan O'Fallon, Detention Center Commander, spoke to Sojourners at the November 2nd meeting on the topic of Scams and Scamming, currently a serious issue. He admitted that when planning his talk, his first thought was his talk would last about 30 seconds because the best advice is "Just say, NO".*

*Several subjects were discussed: refusing telemarketer calls, door to door solicitors, cyber security, sex offenders living in residential areas, safety rules and reminders, epidemic substance abuse and escalating increase of crime in our area ( jail population ), and the prevalence of guns in the community.*

*A lengthy question and answer period followed Officer O'Fallon's remarks with members leaving much wiser and better armed with safety precaution reminders.*

# SUNRISE FESTIVAL OF TREES COMMITTEE



You know when up in the narthex at November; it must Intermountain's Our Sunrise committee has brainstorming for this year's

"Christmas in New York." large revamping last week, product is pictured here.

Our tree's title is **"Where Apple Meets the Big Sky"**. and items on the left side New York; those on the right Montana. **Accompanying our is the chance for four people trip with Loren Smith from Great Falls to Seeley Lake to Lindey's Prime Steak House.**

**We are most appreciative of willingness to be part of our year by agreeing to provide the as is the norm, Howard Enloe went by putting many hours into this project. We the last moment – but we are very grateful for Howard's work and endless patience!** We are also thankful to Pastor Tim's sister Susan Nettleton, who sent us balsam pillows; Lora Huestis for donating the large glass bowl on the New York side, representative of the Plaza Hotel; and Marcy Senard, of Europa in Indiana, Pennsylvania, for donating all of the ribbon and bows used on the tree. We will be traveling to Helena

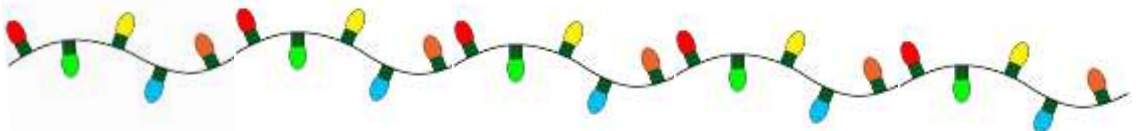
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you see a Christmas tree the beginning of be time for Festival of Trees! FOT been all year to plan theme: After a rather our finished

**the Big** The pictures represent represent tree this year to fly round Helena or have dinner at



**Loren Smith's "package" this airplane trip! AND, beyond the call of duty had to change our plans at**



on November 28 to set up and decorate our tree in the Helena Civic Center, where it will be auctioned off on December 1<sup>st</sup>, as part of the 30<sup>th</sup> annual Intermountain Festival of Trees. As always, we appreciate all of the kind words of encouragement we have received from Sunrise! One point of clarification: No money from the Sunrise budget is used for our FOT trees. Other than the contributions mentioned above by Loren, Lora, Susan, and Marcy, everything else is paid for by members of the FOT committee, or from funds that have been donated specifically to the FOT committee.

Pam Kampfer  
Howard & Margaret Enloe  
Peggy & Bob Gentry  
Tim Lanham

Chick Schedel  
Kathy Schlimgen  
Millie Sivak  
Luana Sturtz



**Nov 28: FOT to Helena 7:30 AM**

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## Memorial Sunday



On Sunday, November 19, we will honor those Sunrise members and family members who died since Memorial Sunday 2016, which was November 20, 2016. The three people we will honor this year are Jerry Hall, (our neighbor directly to the west of Sunrise), Eileen Marker (Shirley Roehm's daughter), and Jim Pascal, Sr.

We will also recognize purchases that have been made from Memorial funds during that time period.