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**Visit the Holy Spirit Rummage Sale this week!**

**Volunteer** any time during the week.

“Like it” and “Message” it on **Facebook**.

Check it out on **Craigslist**.

Visit the **Website**. All details posted here:

<http://holyspiritmissoula.org/parish-life/spring-rummage-sale/>.

**Shop:** Friday, May 3, from 8:30-3 and Saturday, May 4, from 9 -1. Special reduced prices from 12-1 on Saturday!

**Come** help clean up at 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 4.

**Help** make this year's sale the best! Thank you.

## Rummage Sale takes place on May 3 and 4: **Rummage Sale Week is almost here – time to think shopping!**

It was tempting to rename this year's sale a Treasure Sale, as donations have been anything but "rummage." Our generous Holy Spirit congregation has provided some of the most incredible items ever for this year's event. Thank you all. But now we ask that you be generous shoppers. Every cent you spend goes directly to the Holy Spirit coffers and helps with this year's budget deficit.

We're opening the sale a half-hour earlier on Friday, May 3 – at 8:30 a.m. If you've never been here at Friday's opening, it's a great moment to see and experience the enthusiasm the Holy Spirit Rummage Sale has garnered over

the years. Anytime you come shopping, however, is perfect. From 8:30 – 3:00 on Friday, May 3 or from 9:00 – 1:00 on Saturday, May 4. We promise you a delightful time. The boutique this year alone is worth the visit – featuring great items for men, too. Invite your neighbors, friends, family members, someone you've met at coffee hour or in the pews at church to come treasure shopping with you.

We still need volunteers on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 29-May 2 to prepare the merchandise (the treasures!) and to work during the sale itself on Friday

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## NEWSLETTER

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## A note from the Rector:

# Thank you for a blessed Holy Week

I want to offer thanks to everyone for their time and effort to make Holy Week a special and sacred time for all. So much of what is done to prepare is offered in advance and behind the scenes that we often don't realize just what is involved. My thanks to: all the Staff for all of the coordination to prepare the liturgies; the Choir for extra rehearsals; the Altar Guild (making palm crosses, polishing silver, and so much more); the Ushers for hospitality

and patience with varying services; our Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers; those who offered hospitality (Maundy Thursday, Easter Vigil, and Easter Day) receptions; and for the amazing flower arrangements (inside and out)! Last but not least, to all who gathered to pray, walk the journey, and celebrate the love of God in Christ our Lord.

– WITH MUCH GRATITUDE,  
TERRI+



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# Rummage Sale week is almost here

and Saturday. Sign-up sheets and folks to answer your questions will be in the parish hall on Sunday, April 28. Sunday, April 28 is also when we hold the famous Conga Line – when ALL items are brought from their waiting locations up into the sale area. A great way to offer your energy and have an early "see" of what's awaiting this year's shoppers.

Please plan to be involved in **all** the ways you can this year. We love to have newcomers join us, too – a perfect way to meet folks in our parish community and to enjoy the many treasures that are Holy Spirit.

– BETSY HOLMQUIST  
RUMMAGE SALE MINISTRY

## Church School 2019: Children at the altar rail

In May and June Church School will continue to experiment with their new pattern of gathering downstairs for a short children's time and then joining the second half of worship upstairs for Eucharist. This new format has enabled children as young as two years old to become more familiar with Communion. And more importantly, to begin to absorb the beauty and the mystery that happens there. As they watch adults silently gather at the rail, they understand something important is

happening. Through imitation they begin to *experience* the holy without having a single word to describe it—it's pure *experience*. I am witness as they are developing fine motor skills to hold that thin wafer. And as their tiny bodies walk away from the altar rail, I am reminded we are all—no matter our age—in the process of coming to understand what it means to participate in this Holy meal.

—REV. GRETCHEN STROHMAIER  
ASSISTANT PRIEST

## Here's what's happening in May and June in Church School!

Experiencing Eucharist with our church family and a church-wide Pentecost celebration are just a few of the activities in store for Church School. Here's what to expect in May and June:

### Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>

Lesson 9: *Saul to Paul*  
Upstairs for Eucharist

### Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup>

Lesson 10: *Peter & Tabitha*  
Upstairs for Eucharist

### Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>

Lesson 11: *Peter's Dream*  
Upstairs for Eucharist

### Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup>

No Church School  
*Memorial Day Weekend*

### Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>

Lesson 13: *Paul & Silas*  
Upstairs for Eucharist

### Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>

Kids help lead adult worship  
Church-wide Pentecost Party

Please join us! There's lots of wonderful things happening in Church School.

—REV. GRETCHEN STROHMAIER

# KIDS CAMP

## JUNE 17-21

For Kindergarten through  
Grade 5 / Fee: \$25

To register contact:  
[gretchen@holyspiritmissoula.org](mailto:gretchen@holyspiritmissoula.org)



## Formerly Vacation Bible School: Join us for Kids Camp June 17-21

This year we are collaborating with our friends at University Congregational Church to offer *Building on the Rock: Kids Camp 2019*. We'll have the features you have loved about our Vacation Bible School: Bible stories, music, games, arts and crafts, plus service projects. The camp—organized around building, building our faith and building community—will incorporate all things building block related with a heavy dose of Legos! Our field trips for service will include a Habitat for Humanity excursion, as well as a trip to the Missoula Food Bank. We'll wrap up the week with the giant inflatable slide. The one difference this year? We'll be meeting at UCC and mixing with UCC

kids, staff and volunteers! Kids Camp is Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon. It is for children entering Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. The cost is \$25, and financial assistance is available on an as-needed basis. Please let Gretchen know if your child is interested in attending.

We still have a variety of volunteer jobs for parishioners of all ages, whether you're 15, 55 or 75. Are you interested in providing snacks? Leading a craft? Helping with games? Telling a Bible story or being a chaperone? Please let Gretchen know:

[gretchen@holyspiritmissoula.org](mailto:gretchen@holyspiritmissoula.org).





## Explorations:

Opportunities  
to cultivate,  
challenge  
and live our  
faith

## Some thoughts for summer reading

Are you starting to plan your summer reading list? If so, consider *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City* by Matthew Desmond. This book, which won the 2017 Pulitzer Prize, captured the attention and the hearts of a group of our parishioners. It is timely as Missoula Interfaith Collaborative and the city of Missoula take up the issue of affordable housing.

Get up to speed on the issues and give this book a read this summer.

You might also consider *Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End* by Atul Gawande. Dr. Sally Scott, an oncologist and a member of our parish, will lead three sessions based on this book in the fall. Relax your pace this fall by reading it over the summer.

Women's Retreat set for October 25-27  
at Camp Marshall:

## Women's Retreat 2019 – save the date!

Women of Holy Spirit, please plan now to take some time away. We'll gather October 25-27 at Camp Marshall on Flathead Lake. Valerie Hess, a new member of our parish, has agreed to lead the retreat. Valerie was the coordinator of music ministries for Trinity Lutheran Church in Boulder, CO

and an instructor in the Master of Arts in Spiritual Formation and Leadership at Spring Arbor University. She is the co-author of the book, *The Life of the Body: Physical Well-Being and Spiritual Formation*.

Join us for Compline on May 5 at 8 p.m. in the church:  
**Come enjoy Compline in spring's waning light – May 5 at 8 p.m.**

*"All will be well and all matter of thing will be well" (Julian of Norwich)*

On May 5<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m. we will hold the next to the last choral Compline service of the season.

We will use the words of Julian of Norwich to form meditations interspersed throughout the service. Julian was a fourteenth century anchoress, a type of religious hermit. Her *Reflections of Divine Love* contain contemplations on sixteen mystical visions.

Sunset that evening will occur at 8:51, so the beautiful reds and blues of the church's stained glass should be aglow with the evening light. Come sit in the quiet stillness as evening descends and the choir sings in celebration of Christ's redemption of this world.

– KEITH KUHN, COMPLINE COORDINATOR





## Community Ministries: Awareness, opportunities springing forth

*Lord, may we pray, speak, and move as people on a journey to better know and love you and neighbor...*

This prayer rose up in my diaconal discernment, and our ministries with Hellgate High School, The Parenting Place (PP) and the Missoula Interfaith Collaborative (MIC) give it such life. Our Warm Spirit Project team, A'Lisa Scott and Hellgate's Tracy Ledyard have shared stories and needs and continue to invite us into the lives of students through gifts of toiletries, time, teaching, loads of laundry and a good haircut. PP's Teresa Nygaard and advocates have challenged us to be a part of a more trauma-responsive community, through understanding the brain science behind Adverse

Childhood Experiences and walking alongside children and families as we learn and help meet basic needs together. We have joined our MIC brothers and sisters in advocacy efforts in Missoula, Helena, and with other Episcopalians across the Diocese. Thank you for responding generously to our Community Ministries Sundays and personal invitations for involvement! To join in helping good things to spring forth in the coming months, please contact A'Lisa Scott (for Hellgate) or me. May we pray, speak and move in even deeper ways within these ministries!

— THE REV. DORCIE DVARISHKIS  
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## A new Education for Ministry group is forming for the fall

EfM (Education for Ministry) is taking registrations for the fall course which will start in September and go through May and meets each Monday from 12:30-3 p.m. EfM is a small group of people coming together to develop habits of heart and mind and ways of seeing God's mystery and presence in our lives.

The following are some comments from current and past participants:

*I love the camaraderie with people getting to know each other over the year and learning about the Bible in ways I had not thought of before. I love meeting each week in a small community, and I love the challenge of learning about my faith. This group is the community I didn't know I needed. I know I am a little bit different in my life because of my experience in EfM. EfM is a loving, supportive group.*

If you would like to know more or to register, please email Julie Benson at [teambenson@yahoo.com](mailto:teambenson@yahoo.com).



**Join us for a church picnic in August; be sure to save the date!**

We are beginning to make plans for the summer picnic. Can you blame us? We need something to look forward to during these rainy (and snowy?!) days of spring. Mark Sunday, August 18 on your calendar. We are gathering cooks, musicians, game organizers, ice cream makers and new ideas. We would love your suggestions, and your help. If you are game to pitch in or would like to float a new idea, please contact Jari Davis at [jcdavis6234@gmail.com](mailto:jcdavis6234@gmail.com).



### Baptism date announced

The remaining date for baptism for 2019 is the Sunday after All Saints' Day, November 3. Baptism will take place at the 10:15 a.m. service on that Sunday.



## It's time to register for church camp at Camp Marshall!

Register online at  
<https://diomontana.com/>

### JUNIOR MIDDLE SESSIONS

#### Jr. Middler I - \$380

Sunday, June 23 - Friday, June 28

#### Jr. Middler II - \$380

Sunday, July 7 - Friday, July 12

- For rising 3rd – 8th graders

### SENIOR HIGH - \$400

Sunday, July 14 – Saturday, July 20

- For rising 9th – 12th graders

### ADVENTURE WEEK - \$400

Sunday, June 30 - Friday, July 5

- A week of off-site excursions for campers entering grades 8-12

### FAMILY CAMP - \$600/cabin

Sunday, June 30 - Friday, July 5

- Families of all configurations are welcome to participate in a week of camp activities.

## Join us for Camp Marshall Sunday on May 5

Join us for s'mores and songs after the 10:15 service

Join us to hear stories about the joys and significance of Camp Marshall. Relive your camping experiences. Learn about how your child or family can spend time at camp on Flathead Lake this summer. Coordinate with other families who are registering their children. A cohort of middle school girls have already signed up for Junior-Middler I at the end of June. Donate to

help support the many children from our parish who will attend this year. And of course, make a s'more in the courtyard and join others in singing camp songs around the fire. You can always learn more about camp by visiting

<https://www.campmarshallmontana.org/camp-programs>.

## Help us fill backpacks for Grace Camp this month

Grace Camp is for children with an incarcerated parent

Summer is right around the corner which means it's time for Grace Camp backpacks! Throughout May we will be collecting materials and monetary donations for Grace Camp at Camp Marshall. Grace Camp is a free camp for kids in 3<sup>rd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grades who have an incarcerated parent. Every year Holy Spirit has supported Grace Camp by building backpacks filled with socks, notebooks, toiletries and other various necessities and giving

one to each camper. **The items we will be collecting are toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, sunscreen, Chapstick, notebooks, pencils, socks, and water bottles.** We're looking to fill 35 backpacks, so any help is appreciated. If you would like to donate materials or make a monetary donation, you can drop donations off at the church office; or you can contact PJ Willett at [PJ@holyspiritmissoula.org](mailto:PJ@holyspiritmissoula.org) or (406) 661-3359.





## Back-to-School Bash: Help us share the joy of reading with needy kids

Are you someone who believes that every child, regardless of family income or circumstances, deserves to pick out and keep a book that he or she is excited to read and reread? If so, have we got a deal for you!

Once again, Holy Spirit Parish is spearheading the interfaith drive to collect new and gently used books for readers preschool through senior in high school. The books will be displayed for children to make their special selections at this year's Back to School Bash, scheduled to be held on Thursday, August 15. The event, which is coordinated by the Missoula Corps of The Salvation Army and United Way of Missoula County, provides free backpacks stuffed with school supplies to about 1,200 local students referred by a variety of social service agencies. We need to collect more than 2,000 books to insure that every child who attends the bash finds a book or two that matches his or her interest and reading level. (Please, no Bibles, books of Bible stories, or other books focused on a single religion as this is an event directed at children who attend the Missoula County Public Schools. Books about world religions and all religious customs are fine.) And though this event is aimed at elementary, middle, and high school students, we have found that babies, toddlers and preschool siblings in tow enjoy having a book of their own to clutch and sometimes chew!

A plastic bin to collect your donations will be set up in the church vestibule on Sunday, May 12, and Sunday, May 19. This way, we hope that more Church School children and their families will be able to participate. We'll take a short break, then return the bin in July for a steady month of book collecting before the mid-August event. At that time, we also shall be accepting cash donations and book credit under a special book drive account at The Book Exchange. The cash and book credit enable us to purchase books for age groups where the donations fall short and series that we can never keep in stock, such as Magic Tree House, Harry Potter and the Hunger Games.

Last year, nearly a dozen faith communities, along with Fact and Fiction, The Book Exchange, Mountain Press, the Missoula County Public Schools, and Adventure Cycling Association, joined Holy Spirit in its effort to donate some really wonderful books. If in addition, you would like to help out the day of the event by loading and unloading books, setting up the displays and/or helping children make their selections, please contact Lucia Solorzano Work at [lucia.solowork@gmail.com](mailto:lucia.solowork@gmail.com). Thank you!

— LUCIA SOLORZANO WORK  
SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE



### Join us for our celebration of Pentecost on June 9

June 9<sup>th</sup> is the Day of Pentecost this year, the day of our namesake the Holy Spirit. Holy Spirit has the custom of reading the lesson from Acts in as many languages as possible on Pentecost. The sound of many languages recalls for us the experience of the disciples and the crowd on that first Pentecost following the Resurrection. We invite anyone who knows a language other than English to read the lesson in that language at the 10:15 a.m. service on Sunday, June 9. Even if you are a bit shy or not overly confident of your pronunciation, you can add your voice to the mix! If you are interested in participating, please contact Rev. Terri at the church office, 542-2167 or [revterri@holyspiritmissoula.org](mailto:revterri@holyspiritmissoula.org). Translations of the Bible text (Acts 2:1-21) in many languages are available at <http://bibledatabase.net/>.

Please wear something red on that day as a sign that we are all touched by the flame of the Holy Spirit. We also celebrate following the 10:15 a.m. service with our Pentecost Coffee Hour of strawberries and ice cream in the church courtyard (weather-permitting). Please join us. Thank you for helping us celebrate this festival of the Holy Spirit!



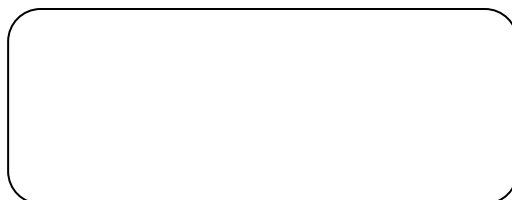
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