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## Stewardship Ingathering is November 4

Please bring your pledge card to church with you on Sunday, November 4, and place it in the offering plate at either service. Extra pledge cards will be available in the bulletin that Sunday if you have misplaced yours. If you can't be there that Sunday, you may also return your pledge card by mailing it to the church office in the envelope that was provided.

If you don't want to wait until Stewardship Sunday to make your pledge, you can call the church office at 542-2167 to pledge.

## Hellgate High School Community Ministry November 11 is Hellgate Sunday at Holy Spirit – let's learn and celebrate!

Our relationship with the Hellgate High School community continues to grow, as we uncover more ways to give of ourselves and learn more about the joys and challenges of the students and staff. Tracy Ledyard is Hellgate's Family Resource Center Coordinator, and she shared that last year:

- 72 Hellgate students identified as homeless (McKinney Vento Act);
  - One-third of the student body qualifies for free and reduced meals;
  - A growing number of refugee students are a part of the Hellgate school community.
- Holy Spirit will host Hellgate Sunday on November 11, where we will hear from Tracy and be able to sign up to lend a hand to:
- Shop once monthly for toiletry needs and snacks for the Family Resource Center (FRC)
  - Volunteer as an FRC aide to help Tracy with FRC needs
  - Participate in M.A.D. Mondays (Make A Difference Mondays) to supplement Hellgate's food pantry for students in need by dropping off a non-perishable, student-

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## NEWSLETTER

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## November 11 is Hellgate Sunday at Holy Spirit

- friendly item on Mondays at the front office
- Volunteer with Missoula Writing Collaborative to help with writing in the classroom
- Be a tutor or program participant in Hellgate's Flagship program – contact Emily Sandersfeld at 728-2400 ext. 6071 or [hhsflagship@mcps.k12.mt.us](mailto:hhsflagship@mcps.k12.mt.us)
- Contribute to the church for the Sparkle laundry or haircut ministry
- Donate gas cards for FRC student distribution
- Supply snacks for special student testing days in the Parish Hall
- Join Missoula Interfaith Collaborative's Research Action Team focused on strengthening access to mental health resources for children and families (see me for details!)

Holy Spirit Hellgate ministry coordinator at [adfams@montana.com](mailto:adfams@montana.com). A'Lisa, Tracy and I will see you November 11!

– THANKFUL TO AND FOR YOU,  
THE REV. DORCIE DVARISHKIS  
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Our thanks to A'Lisa Scott, our

## The Warm Spirit Project girls are gearing up for a new project

This powerhouse group of 5<sup>th</sup> through 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls are back at it. They recently gathered and discussed the difficulties kids face in our community. After much thought they identified four areas of focus: access to plenty of healthy food, support for education, getting good healthcare, and resources to adequately care for pets. They decided to focus their efforts this fall on support for education. They are planning a "field trip" to the Family

Resource Center at Hellgate High School to learn about how students are supported through the center and to research specific needs that the girls might be able to address. These girls also discussed ways they could leverage support from their church family to make a bigger impact in the community. Watch out! The Warm Spirit Project girls are coming your way soon!

## Church School 2018 – God's Hands

**Church School kids work as God's hands in the world**

The Church School children continue to think about God's hands and how we find comfort in God's presence, but also how God works through our hands in the world. Recently the children identified that using their hands to work together provided much more strength and certainty in accomplishing tasks. In November the children will have an opportunity to work together on

a service project. Keep an eye out because they will most likely be inviting you, their church family, to join in the effort to seek and serve Christ in all others.

– THE REV. GRETCHEN  
STROHMAIER  
DIRECTOR OF SPIRITUAL  
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# Advent Crafts & Soup

Sunday, December 2  
following the 10:15 a.m. service

Suggested donation of \$10 for supplies

**Join us for a very special Sunday on December 2**

The first Sunday in Advent, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, will be a special day. Children will assist in worship as we enter this new season. Then plan to stay after church that day for a soup and bread lunch immediately following the 10:15 service. Set the tone for the Advent season. Make an Advent wreath to use at home. Visit

with others over lunch and try your hand at several other craft stations. Perhaps make some gifts to share with others. Enjoy one of the best things about church—community life.

– THE REV. GRETCHEN  
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*Join us in the parish hall for Advent Crafts & Soup on December 2  
immediately following the 10:15 a.m. service*

**Here's what's happening in Church School in November****Sunday, November 4**

Abbreviated children's worship & no activity station  
Children join adult worship in progress for baptism and stewardship, All Saints.

**Sunday, November 11**

Regular children's worship & activity station  
Bible story: Daniel & the Lion's Den

**Sunday, November 18**

Regular children's worship & activity station  
Bible story: Psalms of Thanksgiving

**Sunday, November 25**

Regular children's worship & activity station  
Bible story: Jonah & the Big Fish

**Coming in December –****Sunday, December 2**

Advent Crafts & Soup  
immediately following the 10:15 a.m. service in the parish hall

**Baptism date announced**

The next date for baptism at Holy Spirit will be Sunday, January 13, at the 10:15 a.m. service. If you are interested in baptism at that time, either for yourself or for your child, please contact Rev. Terri at 542-2167. Baptism preparation has to take place, so she needs to hear from you soon! If you wish to have baptism at the January 13 service, Rev. Terri needs to hear from you by Sunday, December 9. Thank you!



## Explorations:

Opportunities  
to cultivate,  
challenge  
and live our  
faith

## Join us for a new Sunday Morning Study: **Different but not divided – a Sunday morning class for adults**

Join facilitator Glenn Hladek to watch this six-week video series, produced by The Work of the People. Come between services on Sunday mornings, starting in November, to

watch a film and then discuss how the Church can be different—but not divided. Learn about practicing a “third way.” Watch the *Spirited Times* for more details about this class.

*Please join us on Sunday mornings starting in November  
at 9 a.m. in the Guild Room*



## Join us for Compline

On the first Sunday of each month at 8 p.m. you are invited to a candlelit presentation of Compline, a short and beautiful service rooted in the last hour of the monastic day. The Holy Spirit Compline Choir will chant the psalm appointed for the day as well as music and hymns appropriate for the church season. We hope you will join us for the quiet contemplative service.

### *November 4: Praying our good-byes*

On Sunday evening, November 4, at 8 p.m. we will hold a special Compline service to pray our good-byes to those we have lost over the past year. We will name aloud those parishioners who have died and invite anyone present to light a candle and recite the names of others important to them that have recently passed away.

### *December 2: We wait in Advent's darkness*

Perhaps there is no better place to begin Advent's waiting than in the candlelit darkness of Compline on Sunday evening, December 2, at 8 p.m. with the sparseness of plainchant and an opportunity for quiet prayer.

— KEITH KUHN, COMPLINE COORDINATOR

## The Service of COMPLINE

*The ancient service of plainchant and contemplative prayer*



First Sunday of Each Month  
(October ~ May)

8 p.m. ~ All are welcome!

The Wider Church:

## Church backs new Lakota translation of Prayer Book as tribes seek to preserve language

Our recent 79th General Convention authorized the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music to create new translations of the Book of Common Prayer 1979 into Spanish, French and Haitian Creole and budgeted \$201,000 to carry out this work.

Further recognition of the important connection between language and preservation of culture has recently been demonstrated by the United Thank Offering's grant of \$45,000 to the Diocese of South Dakota to support a new Lakota translation of the Book of Common Prayer. Last year a similar grant to support a translation into Gwich'in, the language of many Native Alaskans was made to the Diocese of Alaska. It has been noted, regretfully, that The Episcopal Church, through its historical missionary work with

indigenous populations, was partly complicit in the U.S. government's efforts to assimilate Native Americans into its majority white culture while attempting to erase their culture and language. Now, with the support of Presiding Bishop Michael Curry and House of Deputies president Gay Clark Jennings, and aware of the Church's historical actions toward Native Americans, efforts toward cultural preservation are being attempted. In order to develop these projects teams of elders, theologians and fluent Native speakers will be recruited to meet and discuss the linguistic, theological, and cultural factors necessary to produce accurate and accessible texts.

— PRU RANDALL

Learn more about KIVA and the loans that change lives:

## Donor loans just keep on giving and giving and giving

Many thanks to the Social Concerns Committee, which just allocated \$300 of its disposable charity funds to KIVA, the philanthropic organization that funnels donor loans to people across the developing world, who use them to start or build up businesses to climb out of poverty. Gretchen Strohmaier, Bonnie Lee, and Carla Mettling have been investing and reinvesting the funds given by HSP participants in the book study of *Half the Sky* 4 years ago. Single mother farmers in Africa, a seamstress in the Middle East, a street food vendor in Central America—all have received, used, and paid back our loans, which then get loaned to someone else.

Short introductory paragraphs, which describe the person requesting the loan and his or her business, are on the KIVA webpage for prospective lenders to review. If you wish to become a lender yourself, the webpage is at <https://www.kiva.org>.

— CARLA METTLING

### MAC CONNECT 2018



### Christian Action Compelled by Faith

*Do you see something in your city or state you would like to change? Learn how to share your moral message through media, how to communicate with lawmakers and be inspired to work for justice.*

**Saturday, November 10  
10 am to 3 pm**

The Montana Association of Christians is pleased to announce our annual event **MAC Connect, November 10, 10 am-3 pm in Helena, MT, at the First Christian Church, 311 Power Street.** The event will include inspiring speakers, informative workshops and a look-ahead to our core legislative issues based on Matthew 25:31-45 at the 2019 session of the Montana legislature. Register online at <http://www.macmt.org/event—mac-connect.html>.



**Check the schedule for what's happening at Holiday Market 2018!**

Donations being accepted now through **Tuesday, November 6, at 2 p.m.** (Please leave donations outside the Guild Room by coatracks.)

Sunday, November 4: Conga line after 10:15 service. Volunteer Sign Up, Raffle Ticket Sales, Silent Auction Bidding.

Monday and Tuesday, November 5 and 6: Bring donations, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Monday – Thursday, November 5-8: Market set up and pricing, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

**Friday, November 9: Holiday Market Sale Day**, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.; Luncheon served 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. **Again this year:** The sanctuary will be open for a couple of hours for viewing and quiet reflection on Friday, November 9. Organ music will be played (specific times to be announced).

**Saturday, November 10: Holiday Market Sale Day**, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.; Clean-up begins at 1:30 p.m. (Strong men are needed for the clean-up!)

Sunday, November 11: Raffle tickets will be sold, and Silent Auction bids will be taken after both Sunday services. The Silent Auction and Raffle drawing winners will be chosen at noon.



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## The Holiday Market is just around the corner! Can you help?

We hope you are getting ready for one of Fall's best weeks at Holy Spirit! Holiday Market Week 2018 is right around the corner. Please plan to help out on **Sunday, November 4**, with the conga line, bringing up displays and items for the sale. It's the perfect Sunday, too, for buying your winning raffle tickets, bringing your donations, and signing up to volunteer for the days ahead. Raffle tickets, Silent Auction bid sheets, and sign-up sheets for volunteering during Market Week will also be available in the parish hall on the two Sundays prior to November 4.

**What to donate:** Jewelry. Griz items. Handmade crafts of all kinds. Antiques. Vintage and new or nearly-new re-giftable items. Fine art. Holiday decorations. (Please save **all** clothing, books, toys, and rummage items for our spring event.) Bring your donations to Holy Spirit through 2 p.m. Tuesday, November 6, leaving them outside the Guild Room near the coatracks prior to Market Week.

**Volunteer Opportunities include:** setting up the market, pricing, and providing lunch for volunteers on Monday – Thursday, November 5-9. On Friday and Saturday—Holiday Market Sales Days—your help is needed with cashiering, bagging, and hosting, and for clean-up on Saturday at 1:30 p.m.

You might also enjoy volunteering to help with Friday's luncheon. Guys—we need you, too, at every step of the way.

**Shopping:** You and your shopping companions are promised the finest selection of items ever at this year's Holiday Market! Surprises in every department. Unbelievable prices. Variety no other Missoula shop or bazaar could even imagine. Come early. Come often! From 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. on Friday and from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. on Saturday, with a delicious lunch available on Friday from 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. Raffle tickets and Silent Auction bidding sheets will also be available during these times. Great parking in our lot across the street. Something special for everyone on your *and* Santa's lists.

**Raffle and Auction Results:** At noon on Sunday, November 11, winning raffle tickets and auction bids will be announced. Like this year's Holiday Market offerings, this year's raffle and auction items promise to delight, too. In the spirit of all that's Holy Spirit, plan to participate in and enjoy this year's special Holiday Market.

— BETSY HOLMQUIST  
HOLIDAY MARKET COMMITTEE

## Here's what we learned from the Parent Summits

Parents, grandparents, and volunteers who work with our kids here at Holy Spirit were invited to gather in June and then again in October to share feedback about our programs for children and youth. We asked them what they value most at church for their children.

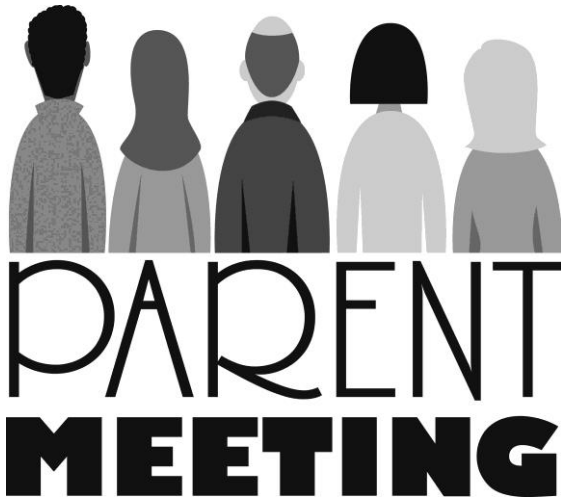
We heard about the importance of **integration**. Some families talked about the value of having their children participate more frequently within the wider life of the congregation, perhaps worshipping together more frequently, or

practice serving others. They told us that they make a special effort to attend when they know service opportunities are available.

In an effort to dig into these issues I spent time over the summer interviewing leaders at other churches in Missoula and around the diocese, learning about their ministries to children, youth and families. What I learned was:

- Churches across the board, regardless of denomination or location are struggling with this ministry area. Families are overwhelmed by the pace of life and number of extracurricular commitments. Church attendance by this demographic has declined greatly.
- Churches are trying different things. Some have discontinued the traditional Sunday School model and are doing intergenerational classes, or small group meetings for kids after school or during a weeknight evening.
- Service seems to be important for families. Many churches are offering more regular opportunities for service.
- Churches are working to include kids in adult worship, by finding special roles for them to play.
- Churches are using paid staff to run programs for children and youth, rather than purely volunteer-led programs.

— THE REV. GRETCHEN STROHMAIER  
DIRECTOR OF SPIRITUAL FORMATION



sharing parts of the worship service together more often, rather than always worshipping in separate spaces. We also heard that other members of the congregation are interested in knowing our children and learning their names.

A key part of integration, it seems, is **participation**. Parents spoke about valuing opportunities for their children to participate at church, be it reading in worship, or having a class to attend. They need not only a place to be, but also a role to play. Several participants shared examples from their own lives about how the church fostered their participation as a young person and how that nurtured their connection to faith in their adult years.

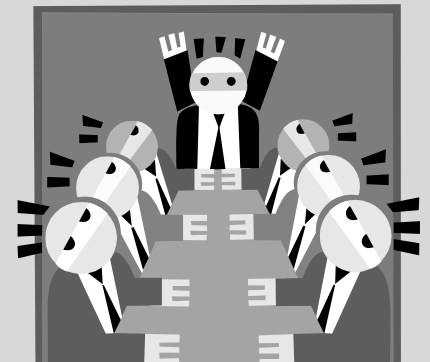
We also learned that families value **service** and that they seek out opportunities for their children to

### Nominees needed to fill Vestry vacancies

It is time once again to produce nominees for the Vestry. If the time is right for you to lend your expertise to help guide our growing parish, please let Rev. Terri know by November 21. Interested parishioners are invited to submit letters of interest containing a one-paragraph description of their experience in church life.

Here are the requirements to serve as a Vestry member:

- Be confirmed or received in The Episcopal Church
- Have a demonstrated history of participation in the life of the church
- Be a regular communicant
- Contribute to the financial support of the church
- Have been an Episcopalian for at least two years
- Be willing to attend monthly Vestry meetings and special meetings as required
- Be prepared to serve on Vestry ministries
- Be prepared to count Sunday offerings periodically





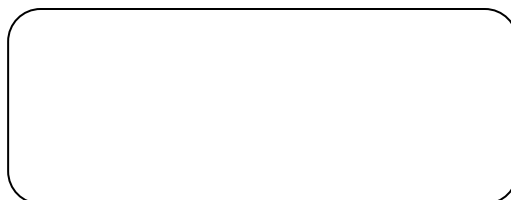
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