

THE FLOWERS today are given to the glory of God in honor of Maia and Dustin Anderson's 17th wedding anniversary by Hailey, Kelcey and Linda Anderson and Judi Weatherwax. The flowers are also given today to the glory of God by Pete & Joan Dana in honor of Joan's birthday.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING for teachers and anyone interested in being a teacher for the 2013 / 2014 school year is **today** at 10:30 a.m. in the Dahl Chapel. We still need a couple more teachers next year. If you are interested, or have questions, please come to the meeting today or contact Lindsay Conyers at [yankeebeautiful@yahoo.com](mailto:yankeebeautiful@yahoo.com) or 399-4185. Please consider this ministry opportunity through the summer and let Lindsay know.

OPEN HOUSE FOR NORM & MARY JOHNSON: Come and help us celebrate our 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on **Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup>** @ 1:00 p.m. at the Train Depot. A light lunch will be served and all are welcome!

IT'S TRINITY'S TURN to volunteer in the Laramie Soup Kitchen. Our week is August 26-29<sup>th</sup>. This is usually a 2-2 1/2 hour commitment and different time slots are available each day during the week. If you would like to help out in this valuable ministry, there is a sign-up sheet posted in the Gruver Room, starting. Thank you!

A COFFEE PERSON is needed for setting up and getting the coffee started for our Fellowship Time on Sundays. We are suggesting that you sign up for a month at a time. There is a sign-up sheet in the Gruver Room. If this is something you might be interested in, please contact Cheryl Wilson @ 760-8731. Individuals and families are still asked to provide goodies on Sundays and this sign-up sheet is still posted on the pole in the Gruver Room.

RIDE MINISTRY: Since there are now several people at church who need rides to worship, we are forming a Ride Ministry. If you are interested in helping out please call the church office @ 745-4222 or talk with Lois Hiller, 742-6455.

THE WEDS. WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP will be taking a break until after Labor Day. They have finished their latest book and have decided to wait a while during Trinity's time of change before they begin a new study.

A NOTE OF THANKS from Seth & Jen Nelson is posted on the pole in the Gruver Room.

MISSING: Has anyone seen the "Guest Book" that sits just outside the south doors of the Sanctuary on the stand? If so, please let the Church Secretary know. Thank you!

STEP UP FOR CAMPUS MINISTRY & YOUTH ACTIVITIES: Youth activities for which leadership is needed include the college student group, high school (SHY), junior high (JHY), and F<sup>3</sup>. We are considering options for how to carry on these activities in the absence of an intern, including but not limited to hiring a parish assistant, hiring a college student part time, and/or recruiting volunteers from the congregation. If you would be willing to serve on this committee or to volunteer to help with any of these groups, please contact Terri at [tritt@uwyo.edu](mailto:tritt@uwyo.edu) or 307-343-2540. Young people are our future, so please consider how you might be involved.

MEMORY / MEDITATION GARDEN: The Church Council is establishing a committee to install a Memory / Meditation Garden in the northwest corner of the church grounds. If you are interested in being a member of this committee, or wish to contribute physical, monetary, or materials assistance, contact one of the following Council members: Steve Boss, Lindsay Conyers, Jennifer Lyford or Jennie Lawrence.

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS: The nursery committee is looking for additional team members to attend the nursery during worship services. Nursery attendants will be assigned not only to Sunday morning services but also all other official services, such as Wednesday night Lenten services and Christmas Eve services. Any interested 8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grader is urged to contact either Lindsay Conyers (399-4185 / [yankeebeautiful@yahoo.com](mailto:yankeebeautiful@yahoo.com)) or Lexi Dockter to join in this fulfilling and fun service opportunity. You would be compensated for your time and efforts.

SOCIAL MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The purpose of this committee is to "extend Christian compassion & helpfulness to the ill, the aged, the orphaned, the under-privileged, the imprisoned, and in general, to persons of all ages in need of aid in body or soul." The projects we currently support include: The Soup Kitchen, Interfaith, Operation Christmas Child, as well as others. I would like to form a committee that would reach out to the community. If you would like to serve on this committee please contact Jennie Lawrence at [Missjennae@yahoo.com](mailto:Missjennae@yahoo.com) (preferred method of contact) or call 761-1085.

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THE TRINITY QUILTERS GROUP would love to have more members. This group of ladies has shrunk down to 3. They meet on Tuesday mornings from 9-11ish and break for Coffee at 10:30 a.m. Their projects include quilts for the Cancer Center (here in Laramie), the VA Hospital (in Cheyenne) and of course, those in emergency situations here in town. If you are interested in this group, come on in on Tuesday morning –they would love to have you join them!

QUARTERLY REPORTS for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2013 are now available on the table in the north lobby area. Please pick yours up today.

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PREPARATION FOR NEXT WEEK: 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost: Isaiah 58:9b-14; Psalm 103:1-8; Hebrews 12:18-29; Luke 13:10-17

Serving the Church

	<u>TODAY (8/18)</u>	<u>NEXT SUNDAY (8/25)</u>
Lector:	9:00 a.m. Andrea Toven	9:00 a.m. Diane Fiedler
Acolyte:	9:00 a.m. Derk Lyford	9:00 a.m. Philip Henry
Ushers:	9:00 a.m. Mark Rehwaldt Jennie Lawrence	9:00 a.m. Mike Smith
Greeters:	9:00 a.m. Bob Middleton Doris Eystone	9:00 a.m. Jason & Teresa Sherwood
Nursery:	9:00 a.m. Roz Kidwell	9:00 a.m. Lexi Dockter
Stewards:	L. Conyers and J. Lawrence	Altar Guild: Cheryl Wilson

Coffee Fellowship: Judi Weatherwax

This Week at Trinity

Sunday, Aug. 18	9:00 a.m.	Worship (HC)
	10:00 a.m.	Pastor Prekker’s Welcome
Tuesday, Aug. 20	9:00 a.m.	Quilters



I have come to set the earth on fire ...  
LK.12:49

WE ARE HAPPY to have you with us today. We hope that our worship service has meaning for you and that you will come back and worship with us again soon. Everyone is invited to receive Holy Communion. If you are unable to approach the communion rail and would like to receive communion, please let one of the ushers know and we will come to you. Grape juice (yellow) is available in the center of each tray. For those who wish, a nursery is provided during the worship service just off the South Lobby area, for children ages 5 and younger.

PRAYER REQUEST CARDS are found in the back of the pew in front of you. If you wish, please fill them out and hand them to the usher during the hymn after the sermon. PEW PADS are found at the inside end of each pew. Please fill them out, pass them down to the end, and then return them to the center.

PLEASE RECYCLE THE BULLETINS: You are encouraged to take home any part of the bulletin that you would like. Please recycle the pieces that you do not choose to keep by putting them at either end of the pews at the back of the church. Help us save some trees! Thanks.

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INTERIM’S WELCOME: Today we will be welcoming into our midst Interim Pastor Keith Prekker. We will be having a cake during the Coffee Fellowship time in his honor. Come and say “Hello” and join us for a cup of coffee and a piece of cake.

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Shadow McKim, (Aug. 18); Ashtyn Witte, (Aug. 18); Norm Bock, (Aug. 19); Joan Dana, (Aug. 19); Niki Burke, (Aug. 21) and Liv Burke, (Aug. 24). Happy Birthday!

TODAY’S HYMNS were chosen by the Schimeks.  
*.Announcements continue on the inside*

<sup>23</sup>Am I a God near by, says the LORD, and not a God far off? <sup>24</sup>Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. <sup>25</sup>I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" <sup>26</sup>How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back — those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? <sup>27</sup>They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. <sup>28</sup>Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. <sup>29</sup>Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

# PSALM: Psalm 82

<sup>1</sup>God stands to charge the divine council assembled,  
giving judgment in the midst of the gods:  
<sup>2</sup>"How long will you judge unjustly,  
and show favor to the wicked?  
<sup>3</sup>Save the weak and the orphan;  
defend the humble and needy;  
<sup>4</sup>rescue the weak and the poor;  
deliver them from the power of the wicked.  
<sup>5</sup>They do not know, neither do they understand;  
they wander about in darkness;  
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.  
<sup>6</sup>Now I say to you, 'You are gods,  
and all of you children of the Most High;  
<sup>7</sup>nevertheless, you shall die like mortals,  
and fall like any prince."  
<sup>8</sup>Arise, O God, and rule the earth,  
for you shall take all nations for your own.  
  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son:  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be:  
world without end. Amen.

## SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 11:29—12:2

*The author of Hebrews presents us with rich stories of faith. In a long list of biblical heroes, we find examples of trust in God that enabled them to face the trials of life faithfully. In addition to this "cloud of witnesses," we have Jesus, the perfect model of faithful endurance.*

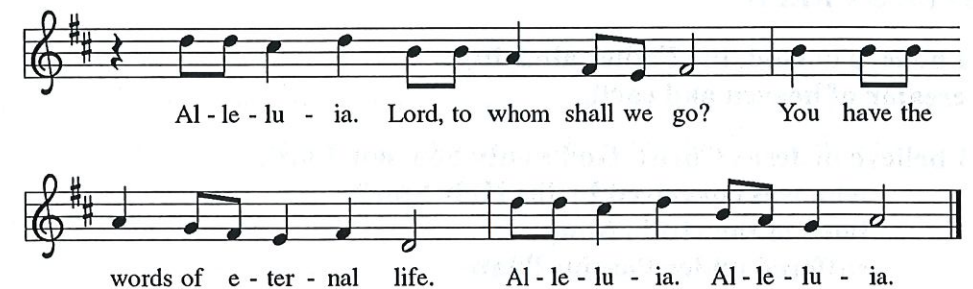
<sup>29</sup>By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. <sup>30</sup>By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. <sup>31</sup>By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

<sup>32</sup>And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets — <sup>33</sup>who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, <sup>34</sup>quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. <sup>35</sup>Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. <sup>36</sup>Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. <sup>37</sup>They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented — <sup>38</sup>of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

<sup>39</sup>Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, <sup>40</sup>since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

## \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:



## \*GOSPEL READING: Luke 12:49–56

Glory to you, O Lord.

*Jesus delivers harsh words about the purifying and potentially divisive effects of obedience to God's call. The way of the cross often leads followers to encounter hostility and rejection, even from those they love.*

\*POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

\*BLESSING:

PARISH SHARING TIME:

\*HYMN: "Praise Ye the Lord" #872

\*EXTINGUISHING OF CANDLES . . . HYMN CHIME:

\*SENDING:

\*POSTLUDE: "Toccata" by Jan Pieter Sweelinck

COMMEMORATIONS FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday, August 20, 2013 - Bernard, Abbot of Clairvaux, died 1153

Bernard was a Cistercian monk who became an abbot of great spiritual depth. He was a mystical writer deeply devoted to the humanity of Christ who emphasized the inner human experience of prayer and contemplation. He was critical of one of the foremost theologians of the day, Peter Abelard, because he believed Abelard's approach to faith was too rational and did not provide sufficient room for mystery. Bernard's devotional writings are still read today. His sermon on the Song of Solomon treats that Old Testament book as an allegory of Christ's love for humanity. Bernard wrote several hymns that are still sung today in translation, including "Jesus, the Very Thought of You" (ELW 754).

Saturday, August 24 - Bartholomew, Apostle

Bartholomew is mentioned as one of Jesus' disciples in Matthew, Mark, and Luke. The list in John does not include him but rather Nathanael. These two are therefore often assumed to be the same person. Except for his name on these lists of the Twelve, little is known. Some traditions say Bartholomew preached in India or Armenia following the resurrection. In art, Bartholomew is pictured holding a flaying knife to indicate the manner in which he was killed.

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