



The Herald

Silverton UMC
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January 2019

Dear Friends,

In November, our 2018 Administrative Council, and some people who are coming on board to Administrative Council had an opportunity to meet and dream about all the ways we work together. Those of you who were at our Charge Conference in October, know that we have revised and honed- in our leadership structure a little further.

Our leadership works in three major work areas: Church Council (Ad Council), Committee on Nominations and Development, and Ministry Teams. All three of these areas work together to make our church fulfill its mission of making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world as we answer God’s call, grow in faith, and spread God’s love.

The Church Council meets monthly to keep the entire ministry of the congregation focused on the **mission** of the church. They work to set basic policies, budget, work with staff, and to establish goals for overall effectiveness of the congregation in fulfilling the mission. The entire council functions **TOGETHER** as **Trustees, Finance, and SPRC**. The people specifically elected in those areas of focus provide expertise, focus and information in their area of specialty, but **do not make decisions apart from the council** as a whole.



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*The Mission of the United Methodist Church is to
 “Make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World*

Church Council Members 2019

Church Council Voting Members

Area of Focus	Class of 2019	Class of 2020	Class of 2021
Staff-Parish	<u>Donna Eberle</u>	<u>Cindy Lampa</u>	<u>Marge Kemper</u>
Board of Trustees	Barbara Dettwyler	Floyd Lauber	<u>Jerry Hogue</u>
Finance	Cathy McMullin	Cindy Lampa	
Lay Leaders	Irene Blamire (Lay Leader)	Mike Long (Lay Member to Annual Conference)	Mike Wicks (Chairperson)

Pastor: Rev. Laura A. Beville

Ex-Officio Members:

Administrative Areas:

Membership Secretary(s) (¶ 234):	<u>Carol Suppa</u>	<u>Janilia Thurman</u>
Recording Secretary (¶ 247.4):	<u>Emily Flanagan</u>	
Treasurer (¶ 258.4b):	<u>Charles Flanagan</u>	
Financial Secretary(s) (¶ 249.4):	<u>Cathy McMullin</u>	<u>Carol Suppa</u>

The **Committee on Nominations and Development** is a committee required by The United Methodist Book of Discipline (¶ 258.1) and led by the Pastor and the Lay Leadership of our church. Our Lay Leaders are: Irene Blamire, Lay Leader, Mike Long, Lay Person assigned to Annual Conference, and Mike Wicks, Administrative Council Chairperson. Filling in this group is also Sylvia Long and Roger Blamire. This group works cooperatively with the Church Council and ministry teams or individuals in the congregation throughout the year to **identify, call, and equip leadership** for the mission of the congregation. This team invites people to positions of leadership, receives their responses, and provides training and support for these individuals.

Ministry Teams are the “bread and butter” of our congregation. A ministry may be a regular, ongoing program, an annual event, or even a single major event. We have so many places where people are already answering God’s call, growing in faith, and spreading God’s love! This is not a new category, but for our leadership’s ability to be able to name the leaders of these many varied groups, we are going to begin to identify leaders for each ministry team. This will largely be the work of the Committee on Nominations and Development, who will work with existing groups to identify the leadership structure already in place and working with each group to align their ministries with the goals established by the Church Council.

Through the start of Lent, we will be talking about hope-filled, God-sized dreams – both in worship and in our leadership meetings. Beginning with the Wise people who had a dream to follow a star, we will be exploring what it means to discern God’s purpose for your life. Kings and stars, doves and voices, water and wine, transfiguration – all things start with a dream for something different. Everyone – no matter what your age or station in life – has a dream! When we dare to dream, we can discern God’s dreams for our lives, and following those dreams will help us discover our God-purpose.

In this coming year, let us find our God-purpose and say, “YES!” to the hope God has for us and our congregations! My prayer for all of us is that we live out and

January 2019 Calendar

Tuesday Jan 1...Office closed. Happy New Year
 Thursday Jan. 3...9:30 Snack Sack, 6:30 Choir
 Friday Jan. 4...7:00pm First Friday Concert Series
 Sunday Jan 6...9:30 Worship
 Monday Jan. 7...10:30 Bible Study
 Wednesday Jan 9...10 am Messy Church Planning
 Thursday Jan 10...9:30 Snack Sack, 6:30 Choir
 Saturday Jan 12...10:00 Book Club
 Sunday Jan 13...9:30 Worship Service
 Monday Jan 14...10:30 Bible Study
 Tuesday Jan 15...Noon Sara Circle
 Thursday Jan 17...9:30 Snack Sack, 6:30 Choir
 Sunday Jan 20...Worship Service
 Monday Jan 21...**NO** Bible Study
 Thursday Jan 24...9:30 Snack Sack, 6:30 Choir
 Sunday Jan 27...Worship Service
 Monday Jan 28...5:00 pm General Conference Meeting
 Monday Jan 28...6:30 Ad Council



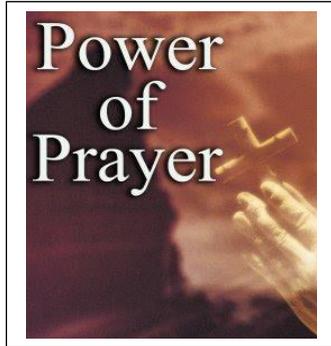
Happy January Birthday to:

Janelia Thurman...1-2	Betty Fisher...1-20	Arlene Fleck ...1-29
Nancy Wicks...1-26	Marge Kemper...1-30	Lawrence Fisher...1-29

In this coming year, let us find our God-purpose and say, "YES!" to the hope God has for us and our congregations! My prayer for all of us is that we live out and embody our vision as an individual congregation and as the Silverton Parish of SUMC and TLC by living faithfully, answering God's call, witnessing boldly, growing in faith, serving joyfully, spreading God's love, making disciples of Jesus Christ, and transforming the world.

Continued prayers for:

Donna Liechty, Arlene Fleck,
Martha Wertz, Barbara Dettwyler
and her family, MaryAnn Miles,
Bill and Ruth Rockwell,
Jody Debacon and her family



**There will be a Messy Church
planning meeting on Wednesday Jan.
9 @ 10 am.**



Would you be interested in participating in our **Micro-grant Community Garden** team? Please let Pastor Laura know as soon as possible.

Sara Circle News

The Main St. Bistro hosted our Christmas party this year and it was very lovely. A yummy taco bar with all the trimmings was provided. We did our usual righty / lefty pass the gift game which is always a lot of fun in somewhat controlled confusion. A very entertaining part of our party.

We are already looking forward to our next year Christmas party. However, in the meantime we have a lot of work to do and business to conduct. Starting in January we will have our regular business meeting on the 15th. We will discuss, among other things, how we can help the Silverton Sheltering Services. Also ladies, bring ideas for road trips this year.

Ladies of both the Silverton United Methodist Church and the Trinity Lutheran Church are welcome to join in our meetings at any time. Come, find out what we are all about and it's free. We are a Spirited Sisterhood Actively Engaged in Ministry. Hope to see you at the SUMC on the 15th of Jan. in the Fireside Room at noon. Bring a sack lunch and we provide the dessert and devotion.



To my wonderful church family

My sincere thanks for all the cards, calls, love and support you have shown me during Ted's illness and death.

A very special thank you to Barbara Dettwyler and special ladies and men who made everything so great.

To Pastor Laura, Carol Suppa, John Collison and Bill Long my grateful appreciation and thanks.

I am truly blessed and thankful to be a part of such a caring church family.

God bless you all.

Jody Debacon



The first of the First Friday Music series is Friday January 4 at 7:00 pm. The musicians this month are Marjory Lange, violin with music by Hansel, Wicks, and Dvorak. Please check on the bulletin board in the Narthex for the complete 2019 lineup. Donations are accepted but not required.



There is a letter from the California-Nevada Annual Conference posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. It is a thank-you letter for our gift of \$1000 for the Conference Disaster Fund. This \$1000 represents an "Above and Beyond" gift to the Relief fund. In November your Ad-Min Committee voted to send this money to help in the immediate needs as well as the long term recovery following a disaster. This is just one way that your UMCOR dollars help in lifting others!

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I look forward to seeing how the rubber hits the road this year as we continue in ministry together!

** You can see the full "Silverton UMC Governance Structure" and the full summary of the Administrative Council Retreat from November 2018 by requesting it in the office or emailing Pastor Laura at pastorlaura1976@gmail.com!

Upcoming Bible Study for 2019

Bible Study Meets Monday's at 10:30 a.m. and Wednesday's at 6:30 p.m.

Making a ... Methodist (January)

January 7-14-28 / 9-16-30 (note that we are skipping January 21/23 as Pastor Laura will be at a preaching conference that week!)

Making a Lutheran (February)

February 4-11-18 / 6-13-20

Special General Conference Information Session

The United Methodist Church, as many of you know, is at a crossroads. The Council of Bishops has called a Special Session of the General Conference of The United Methodist Church to be held February 23-26, 2019 in St. Louis, Missouri. The purpose will be to receive and act on a report from the Commission on a Way Forward based on the recommendations of the Council of Bishops. The 32-member Commission was authorized by General Conference 2016 and appointed by the Council of Bishops to examine paragraphs in The Book of Discipline concerning human sexuality and exploring options to strengthen the unity of the church.

For those interested in learning more about the upcoming special General Conference happening February 23-26, 2019, Pastor Laura will be hosting TWO information sessions in addition to hosting the live-streaming of the event at the parsonage on a drop-in basis. The information Sessions will be on **Monday, January 28 at 5:00 p.m.** in the Fireside Room (prior to Administrative Council Meeting and will include a simple soup supper) and **Sunday, February 3, at 4:00 p.m.** in the Fireside Room.

