

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

January study opportunities:

After the meeting following service on the 17th, the Christian Education Committee has decided to begin the book study classes with an email format. This means each group class will have an email thread. This is a less structured format than the class being led by Pastor Pat. For both classes an email will be sent with chapters to read, questions to think about, etc. Once you have read that original email and the indicated chapters please “Reply All” to begin a thread to share your thoughts and reflections about that specific reading for that specific week. By doing so, a conversation should naturally take shape.

Every Monday Paula (and Pastor Pat sometime during the week) will start a new thread for her (and his) book study group, in order to give some order to each week's discussion.

IF you want to be involved in any of the book studies and aren’t getting the emails please let us know in the church office and we’ll get you connected.

Questions? Ask C.E. Elders Lejean Mitchell or Patty Brus.

E & M: BAKING FOR BLUE: *Bagging for Blue*

We are asking for more donations for our Bagging for Blue. There will be a metal bin in the church office for collecting items. Remember that it is pre-packaged snacks, please. Bagging will be after service on February 7th in Buswell Hall. If you have questions please contact Betheny Nieters or Jonene Geile or the church office.

DEACONS: *More Meals Please*

The Deacons kindly ask the congregation for **more meals** to deliver to our shut-ins and those in need. Please also feel free to bake cookies (or some other dessert) that freeze and thaw well. Please label those with contents and date and place them in the Deacon freezer which is in the closet in Buswell Hall.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN (PW): *Circle Meeting for February*

PW’s February meeting will be Wednesday, February 10 at noon in Buswell Hall. We will celebrate our annual Love Fest with lunch (*served to you cafeteria style*) and our Bible lesson is the story of sisters Martha and Mary. In preparation for the lesson please read: Luke 10: 38-42, John 11: 1-44, and John 12: 1-3. Wear your mask and we will social distance.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN (PW): *Scholarship*

All Cody First Presbyterian Church High School Seniors and College Students may apply. Student must be an active participant in the church. Applications are available in the PW mailbox outside the church office. Place your *completed* application in the PW mailbox outside the church office or mail to 2025 23rd Street, Cody, WY 82414. **Application deadline: March 15, 2021.** Any questions please contact Sandy Klomparens at 307-272-0350.

Welcome Visitors!

We are glad that you are here this morning.

Worshipping with children: Children are always welcome in worship. No nursery care is available at this time.

Listening Devices: If you need an assisted listening device, please ask one of the ushers and they will be happy to help you.

2021 ELDERS : :

Building & Grounds	Doug Williams (21)
Clerk of Session	Cathy Aardema
Congregational Life	Nancy Horn (23)
Education	Lejean Mitchell (22) Patty Brus (22)
Evangelism and Mission	Lisa Heimer (21) Betheny Nieters (23)
Stewardship, Budget & Personnel	Dave Bensink (21) Michael Thomas (23)
Worship	Jennifer Chanley (22) Jack Atkins (23)
2020 Board of Deacons	Roger Kearns (22) Quincy Sondeno (22) Bonnie Johnsey (23) Julie Wilson (23) Sandi Yager (23)

TRUSTEE OFFICERS (2021)

President, Dave Bensink
Vice President, Mike Schnee
Secretary, Patty Brus

First Presbyterian Church, Cody Wyoming

Sunday Worship Service: 9:30 am

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Office hours: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:00 am-3:00 pm



JANUARY 24, 2021

3rd Sunday *after* Epiphany

————— *Please turn off cell phones* —————
(*You can also listen in your vehicle in the parking lot: 107.9FM*)

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN “My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less”
(*remember to hummmmm*)

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

For God alone our souls wait in silence.
Our hope is from God, our fortress.

God is our rock and our salvation.

God is our refuge and our deliverance.

Trust in God at all times, in all places.

Pour out your hearts to the One who hears.

All people are valuable in God’s sight.

No one is more important than another.

Worship God, who is ready to speak to us.

Open your lives to God’s steadfast love.

All power in the universe belongs to God.

Yet God depends on our faithful service.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Sovereign God, we reluctantly confess that we have installed our own gods in our lives. They take our time. They use our resources. They exact from us care and devotion. We do not like to hear that our way of life is endangered. Yet we sometimes realize that innocent steps into self-indulgence are really deliberate strides away from you. We hear distant echoes of warning and judgment. O God, we want to return to you before it is too late. We repent of everything in our lives that cuts us off from you. Hear our prayer. Amen.

AFFIRMATION OF PARDON

GLORIA PATRI (Hymnal #579)
*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be; world without end. Amen.*

SPECIAL MUSIC OFFERING:
“I Have Decided to Follow Jesus / I Will Arise and Go To Jesus”
– Roger Kearns, Jim McNeill, Jonene Geile, and Jennifer Chanley –

OFFERING PRESENTATION (*plates outside of sanctuary doors*)

DOXOLOGY

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE
Psalm 62:1-8 (*NIV*) Unison Reading – see insert Page 898
Jonah 3:1-10 (*NIV*) Page 1438

MESSAGE “The Joke’s on You”

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD’S PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN “Trust and Obey”
(remember to hummmmm)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE



WORSHIP LEADERS: Jonene Geile & Wendy Corr
MUSIC ACCOMPANIST: Tim Schoessler
MESSAGE: Pastor Pat Montgomery

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
BOOK STUDY:
Church History in Plain Language

Led by Pastor Pat Montgomery

A QUOTE FROM our “Church History in Plain Language” book, just to whet your appetites. The opening words to Chapter 35 read,

On July 4, 1776, Benjamin Franklin, John Adams, and Thomas Jefferson were appointed as a committee to prepare a Seal of the United States of America.

Various suggestions were offered. Franklin wanted a design featuring Moses. In the background, the troops of Pharaoh would be seen drowning in the Red Sea and the message would read,

“Rebellion to tyrants is obedience to God.” Jefferson suggested that the Seal show that the children of Israel in the wilderness were “led by a cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night.”



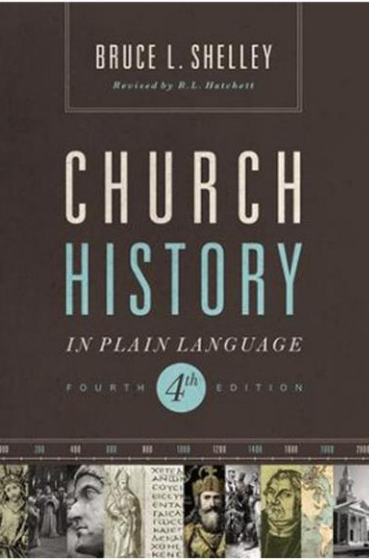
By the time of final adoption, the biblical content nearly evaporated, but it is significant that these American patriots, themselves distant to their Jewish-Christian heritage, found in the Bible, those symbols that would unite and interpret their people’s experience. The Latin on the Seal, found today on United States currency, reads,

E PLURIBUS UNUM – ANNUIT
COEPTIS – MDCCLXXVI – NOVUS
ORDO SECLORUM

A rough translation would be: one out of many – (God) has smiled on our undertakings – 1776 – a new order of (or for) the ages.

No one knows all that these patriots meant by “a new order of the ages.” It is the rhetoric of a revolution.

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Church History in Plain Language, 4th Edition by Bruce L. Shelley. Available in e-book or hardcopy on Amazon. And, other booksellers.

PLEASE INCLUDE THE PERSONS
LISTED BELOW IN YOUR PRAYERS
(Please notify us if specific prayer concerns need to be extended beyond two weeks)

Shirley Murphy
Helen Harke
Family of Freeman McCall
Family of Julie Wilson

CALENDAR

Sunday, January 24
9:30 am Worship Service
: : : : *Please remember* to check your emails and read your chapters if you are in one of the group book studies.

Sunday, January 31
9:30 am Worship Service
: : : : *Please remember* to check your emails and read your chapters if you are in one of the group book studies.

Sunday, February 7
9:30 am Worship Service *including* Communion
: : : : *Please remember* to check your emails and read your chapters if you are in one of the group book studies.

Wednesday, February 10
12-noon PW *Love Fest* and Circle Meeting in Buswell Hall

Sunday, February 14
9:30 am Worship Service
10:45 am Annual Congregational Meeting

WORSHIP COMMITTEE: *Call for Volunteers to Usher*
If you would be interested in ushering please contact Cathy Aardema, 307.578.7170, or the church office, 307.587.2647.

WORSHIP COMMITTEE: *Call for Scripture Readers*
If you would be interested in reading scripture on Sundays for worship please contact Jonene Geile or the church office 307.587.2647.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE / SERVICE: *Susie McCall*
There are **no** services planned for Susie McCall at this time. If you would like to mail a note of sympathy:

Freeman McCall Julie Wilson
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