



Chewelah United Church of Christ CREEKSIDE GAZETTE

No matter WHO you are or
WHERE you are on life's journey,
You are WELCOME here!!!!

Sunday Worship Service: 10:30 A.M. Sunday Children's Christian Education: 10:30 A.M.

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Mission Statement:

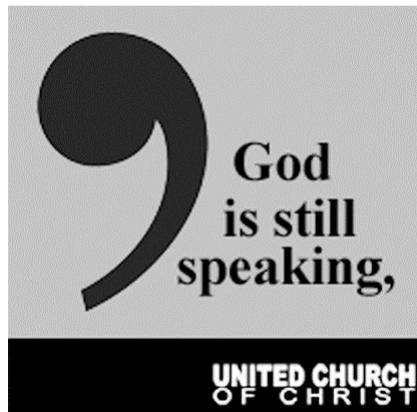
"As children of God, united in our belief in Christ,
we are called to love one another as God loves us:
helping each other to live as givers, to be as doers,
to pray as believers, and always to serve."

September 2018

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Christian Education
September 2018

Hello to everyone in our UCC church family. We hope that you enjoyed your summer despite the smoke. Your Christian Education “crew” was busy wrapping up the last Sunday school term in June and working on summer activities for the kids. Thank you to those who helped with the summer events.

Summer vacation is now over and it is time to begin the 2018-19 church school year. The September schedule is as follows: September 2, students in church with their families; September 9 an activity with the students takes place after the children’s sermon; September 16 church will be in Colville with the Colville congregation; September 23 is “Kick-Off Sunday and Sunday school classes begin.

The “Whole People of God” materials from Wood Lake Publishing will be the primary source of the teaching materials. Classes will be determined by the number of students. There is a core group of five students and it is workable to have one class for them. If more kids begin to participate then we can expand to two classes. Other activities that will take place this year are some planned youth activities and the Christmas program in December.

Let DaVee, Carmen, or Rachel know if you want to help with Sunday school, have ideas to share, or have questions. We look forward to hearing from you and to working with our UCC kids this year.

Rachel Kristianson
Co-Coordinator of Christian Ed.

TRUSTEES

Thank you, Laurel for your years of service. Thank you Kathy and Judy for cleaning during Laurel’s absence. Bryan and Skye Maverick have taken over the custodian’s position. The parsonage gutters have been installed and shortly Curtis Frace will do pipe repairs in the basement. Thank you Roger for installing Steve’s air conditioners. We have decided to put a hold on the sewer cleanout for the East Wing. The fire extinguishers will be serviced the week of the 20th and the 2 boilers will be serviced on Sept. 12. Thank you Bev for taking over the freezer repair.

N-Sid-Sen Church Retreat: Registration is now open for the exciting Westminster/Chewelah/Colville/Newport retreat Sept 7-9, 2018 at N-Sid-Sen. The link <https://www.ultracamp.com/info/sessionDetail.aspx?idCamp=367&idSession=192674&campCode=nss>

The rates are:

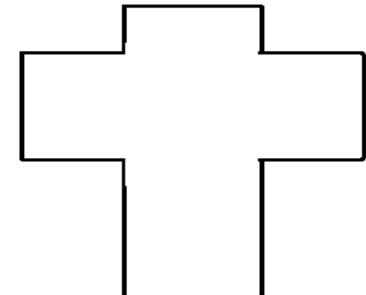
Adults/Teens Lodges = \$98.00	Adults/Teens Cabins = \$88.75
Seniors (62+) Lodges = \$94.25	Seniors (62+) Cabins = \$84.50
Youth 8-12 Lodges = \$88.75	Youth 8-12 Cabins = \$80.00
Child 3-7 Lodges = \$74.50	Child 3-7 Cabins = \$68.00

Bible Word Search

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Open letter to the Chewelah UCC

As the custodian of the Chewelah UCC I have encountered many "other" facets of our church's outreach. I would like to say a special thank-you to Holly Peterson for always answering my calls. Whether it has been for people needing food from the food pantry, needing assistance with gas, or any other information that I didn't readily have. I have greatly appreciated her willingness to help not only myself, but others, too. A huge thank-you to Mary Ann Lachiewicz for her assistance with all things that the trustees do! Mary Ann has been unstinting in her willingness to help with 'trustee' business but also to me personally. Thank you to Roger West for giving me pointers on custodial work, what may work better, or how to do a certain job. Also, for giving me a laugh with his jokes! To Joan Blubaugh for always being willing to help. Whether its been for the prayer chain, cookies for the Wounded Women Warrior Retreat, or for helping to clean and disinfect the recent disaster with the freezer!

These people stand out to me for their caring, willing and helpful manner—which is what our church family should consist of.

Thank you SO much and please know that I deeply appreciate you.

I will miss my time spent as custodian. (Not necessarily the physical labor!) But being in the church when no one else usually was. This gave me time to reflect, have a seat in the chapel and say a prayer, or sit in the sanctuary and look to the cross while handing troubles over to a higher being. There is a peace in the silence that we all need to heed and embrace.

May God, The Great Spirit, be with you.

Sincerely,

Laurel Shelton



From Reader's Digest May 2011



As church secretary, I prepare the bulletin for each week's services.

One Sunday morning, I heard snickering from the pews. Quickly grabbing the bulletin, I found the cause. The sermon title for that day was: "What Makes God Sick: Pastor Joe Smith."

Deanne Bland, Cape Girardeau, Missouri

United Church of Christ Council Minutes, August 7th, 2018

Judy opened. There were 14 present: Judy, Kathy, Rich, Holly, Ron, Mary Ann, Chris, Lynn, Patty, Bev, Sandy, Laura, Dave, Pastor Steve.

Judy opened. Steve offered a prayer. Minutes of July meeting were approved as written.

Financial Report: Rich reported total income of \$7128, a good month. Loan paperwork is mostly done. Money is in escrow until all signatures have been completed. Kim prepared a worksheet on the loan balance. We will need to be frugal and thoughtful. See separate reports.

Pastor's Report: Steve reported the transition team will be talking about covenant. He also wanted to thank Mary Ann for all the work on improvements at the parsonage while he was gone.

Business: The communication/tech committee is meeting frequently and is open to anyone who wants to attend. Tweaks have been made to the website with more to come.

Consent forms must be turned in to get communications from the church.

Holly reported there are two more TASTY distributions. They have received a check for \$5500 from the Chewelah Economic Alliance.

Directors and Officers insurance: Judy gave us information to read and think about. Rich moved to table any action for a year. Seconded and passed.

Custodian position: We have received a letter of resignation from Laurel. Job description has been reviewed. Laura moved to advertise for contract custodial services first within the church and then in the Independent and on the web site. Seconded and passed.

The freezer computer board is out. A new board will be \$268. Bev is following up on this.

Semi-annual meeting will be on Sept. 23.

Diaconate: Ron thanked everyone for coverage while Steve was gone.

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(continued from page 3) Pastoral Relations: They will be meeting on Aug. 14.

Christian Ed: Laura reported they would like to move the kick-off date for Sunday School to Sept. 23.

Mission and Stewardship: Laura reported they are collecting school supplies this month. They are looking ahead to stewardship and the NIN offering.

Trustees: Mary Ann requested \$1882 for repairs and maintenance that were not budgeted for. These include gutters and two leaky pipes at the parsonage, service for the boiler, and the freezer computer board. Rich moved to approve the expenditure of \$1882 to make these repairs. Seconded and passed.

House: Mary Ann reported the girl scouts have scheduled a Halloween party on Oct. 28 and a Christmas party on Dec. 8, using the kitchen and fellowship hall.

Music: Ron reported we have had special music most every Sunday this summer. Choir practice will begin on Sept. 9.

Campership: Laura reported that we are still looking for donations of about \$200 to cover half of the cost of the kids attending camp this summer.

Good Intent: They will be meeting on Aug. 15 at Alma Stone's house.

Holly reminded us of the church retreat at N-Sid-Sen on Sept. 8-10.

Concerns: Deb and Erma, Carmen, Laurel, Rana, Sky, Marcie, Ashley and Carolyn

Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Laura Rutherford, Clerk

From Mission and Stewardship

Thank you to everyone who donated school supplies. The schools really appreciate this as so many kids cannot afford the cost of needed supplies. This church is always so generous when there is a need. Another on-going need is our donations to the Chewelah Food Bank. Again your generous giving is much appreciated. This committee is looking ahead to the Neighbors in Need offering in October.

September Worship Helpers	
September 2nd	Communion, Food Sunday, Christian Education Sunday
Greeters	Mary Ann Lachiewicz, Janice Burya
Ushers	Chris Johnson, Greg and Laura Rutherford, Linda Moyer
Worship Assistant	Bonnie Rail
Hospitality	Holly Peterson, Alma Stone
September 9th	
Greeters	Roberta McMillin, Chris Johnson
Ushers	David Combs, Carmen Deal, Lynn Hume, Linda Moyer
Worship Assistant	Joey Locke
Hospitality	Judy Bean, Joan Blubaugh
September 16	
Greeters	Alma Stone, Sally Beane
Ushers	Greg and Laura Rutherford, Mary Ann Lachiewicz, Roland Frye
Worship Assistant	Kathy Combs
Hospitality	Bev Heidlebaugh, Anneliese Hume
September 23rd	
Greeters	Holly Peterson, Bonnie Rail
Ushers	Roland Frye, Holly Peterson, Mary Ann Lachiewicz, Lynn Hume
Worship Assistant	Carmen Deal
Hospitality	Roberta McMillin, Judy Bean
September 30th	
Greeters	Greg and Laura Rutherford
Ushers	David Combs, , Bev Heidlebaugh, Linda Moyer, Chris Johnson
Worship Assistant	Roberta McMillin
Hospitality	Janice Burya, Bonnie Rail
October 7th	
Greeters	Carmen Deal, Lynn Hume
Ushers	Greg and Laura Rutherford, Janice Burya, Mary Ann Lachiewicz
Worship Assistant	Holly Peterson
Hospitality	Chris Johnson, Roberta McMillin