

**Presbytery of Yellowstone - Stated Meeting      May 30, 2025**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church of Bozeman and via Zoom**

**Friday May 30, 2025**

**25.018. Opening of the Meeting**

The Presbytery of Yellowstone met on Friday May 30, 2025 beginning at 10:00 a.m. Some attended in person, and some attended via Zoom. Moderator Melissa Bell and host pastor Ashley Birk welcomed everyone. The theme for the meeting: ***“Encouraged in Faith; Spurred to Love in Action.”***

**WORSHIP**

**25-019. Roll Call:** The Stated Clerk conducted roll call. Attendees were asked to register in person or by email to [caroline@yellowstonepcusa.org](mailto:caroline@yellowstonepcusa.org) noting their name, church, and position (minister member, member due to position, commissioner, corresponding member or guest).

**Ruling Elder Commissioners, CREs, Other RE's and visitors**

Anaconda	CRE Veva Larson
Billings First	RE Sandy Schoenberger, Commissioner
Billings St Andrew	Sandy Welch, Rep/Nom Moderator
Big Hole	Absent
Bozeman	RE John Sacklin, Commissioner; RE Ric Tieman, Treasurer; RE Susan Gibb, guest; RE Debbie Ernst, guest;
Butte	RE Kevin Shuttlesworth, Commissioner
Colstrip	RE Gail Beckham, Commissioner
Deer Lodge	Absent
Dillon	RE Terry Johnson, Commissioner
Ennis	RE Brian Conklin, Commissioner
Forsyth	RE Danny Pratt, Commissioner;
Hysham	Absent
Jordan	Absent
Lewistown	RE Melissa Bell, Moderator;
Manhattan	RE Stephanie Bergstrom, Commissioner; RE Debbie Blackburn, PMT Moderator
Miles City	RE Caroline Fleming, Stated Clerk
Phillipsburg	Absent
Poplar	Absent
Stanford	Absent
Terry	RE Nancy Pehl, Commissioner; RE Andy Pehl, guest;
White Sulphur Sp.	Absent
Wolf Point	Absent

**Minister Members:**

David Andrew, absent; Jim Bell, absent; Priscilla Bell, absent; **Ashley Birk, present; David Bierschwale, present; Kimberly Briggs, excused; J P Carlson, excused; Warren (Rusty) Craig, present;** Dick Davis, absent; Mary Davis, absent; John Dyce, absent; Wenda Fry, absent; Debbie Funke, absent; **George Goodrich, present; Kathy Goodrich, present; Steven A Hundley, present; Doug Johnson, present; Dan Krebill, excused; Karolee Larson, present;** Brent Long, absent; Freeman McCall, absent; *Jody McDevitt, excused;* Sherwood McKay, absent; Marcia Muir, absent; David Murchie, absent; Sally Ralston, absent; *Neva Rathbun, excused;* Mary Grace Reynolds, absent; *Harlan (Lanny) Rounds, excused;* **Jamie Schmeling, present;** Deborah Schmidt, absent; *Susan Thomas, excused;* **David Thompson, present; Sarah Tunall, present,** Kim Woeste, absent.

**Commissioned Ruling Elder Members:**

CRE Veva Larson, **present;** Margee Smith, absent;

**2025 RE Moderators, Members, and Leadership Cabinet Voting Members also listed with their churches above:**

RE Melissa Bell, Moderator; RE Ric Tieman, Treasurer; RE Debbie Blackburn, PMT Co-Moderator; Sandy Welch, Rep/Nom Moderator; RE Caroline Fleming, Stated Clerk

**Corresponding Members:** Rev. Christine Long, BOP, Olympia Presbytery; Rev. Sandra Moon, Presbyterian Foundation, Mid-Kentucky Presbytery

**Guests:** Candice Sweet Stated Clerk of the Rocky Mountain Synod,

**Staff with Voice:** RE Caroline Fleming (Stated Clerk), RE Ric Tieman, Treasurer

**Quorum/Balance check:** 14 voting RE's, 11 voting MWS. A quorum was declared present.

**25-020. Opening:** Host Pastor Ashley Birk welcomed everyone to Bozeman, made necessary announcements, and led presbyters in prayer and worship that included celebration of Holy Communion. Presbyters spent time in the word, reading and discussing Hebrews 10: 19-25. Sarah Tunnall shared information about the offering which will go to a new presbytery fund called "Revamp the Camp." People can give by check and online.

**25-021. Roll Call and Omnibus Motion (Attachment A):** Stated Clerk Caroline Fleming conducted roll call and moved the following Omnibus Motion:

1. That the agenda for this meeting posted on [www.yellowstonepcusa.org](http://www.yellowstonepcusa.org) be approved.
2. That the roll for this meeting be established in two ways:
  - a. By email to [caroline@yellowstonepcusa.org](mailto:caroline@yellowstonepcusa.org) if you are attending via Zoom or
  - b. By registration form provided at the meeting if you are attending in person.
3. That all requests for excused absences received by the Stated Clerk be approved.
4. That any Corresponding members at the meeting be seated and given voice.
5. That Presbytery grant the Moderator authority to give privilege of the floor to persons, other than Members or Commissioners, for the purpose of reporting to this meeting.
6. That the Moderator and the Stated Clerk be empowered to suggest and adjust the agenda during the meeting, as may be necessary.
7. That the minutes of the Presbytery meeting of March 7-8, 2025 be approved as printed on the presbytery meeting website.

8. That the minutes of the Administrative Commission for Jamie Schmeling's installation be approved as printed on the presbytery meeting website and the Administrative Commission be dismissed.
9. That the following former members of the Permanent Judicial Commission are still eligible to serve if needed:  
Class of 2020: RE Sharla Helland, RE Gary Slagel  
Class of 2022: MWS Jody McDevitt and MWS Lanny Rounds  
Class of 2024: MWS Neva Rathbun and RE John Patterson

The motion received a second and passed unanimously.

**25-022. Representation & Nomination (Rep/Nom) Team Report (Attachment B):** Team member Terry Johnson reviewed the team's work and urged Elders to consider applying to serve as the presbytery's commissioner to the 227<sup>th</sup> General Assembly in Milwaukee, Wisconsin June 22 -July 2, 2026. She also asked churches to identify youth who might serve as the Young Adult Advisory Delegate and encourage them to apply.

Terry gave the first reading of the nomination:

**REPNOm nominates Rev Ashley Birk for the Class of 2026 Pastor position for Synod.  
We also nominate Ashley to finish the 2025 term for Synod representation.**

**25-023. General Presbyter's Report:** General Presbyter Kathy Goodrich shared concerns with local and global situations. It may not be easy living in today's culture, but these times give incredible opportunity for the Church to witness, offer hospitality, and exhibit the power of community. She encouraged presbyters to share names of people they know who have vision and can see the "big picture" with the Rep/Nom team who are having a difficult time finding people willing to serve and to pray for churches without pastors. Every church is asked to have a person designated to receive Board of Pension mailings. Kathy is getting information about mission partnership opportunities.

**25-024. Camping and Youth Report (Attachment C):** Sarah Tunall reported that 37 young people are registered for camp at Westminster Spires and there is room for more. All staff are hired. Each church received a packet about camp. A new opportunity for "Limitless Camp" (no age restrictions) is being offered this year.

**25-025. Board of Pensions:** Christine Long shared information about Board of Pensions (BOP) benefit programs. All information is available on the BOP website at <https://www.pensions.org>. She encouraged ministers, churches and their employees to always call her with questions and not to try to figure things out without her expertise.

**25-026. Presbyterian Foundation:** Sandra Moon was introduced as our new Ministry Relations Officer. Stewardship education is a major part of her role, and she is available to help with year-round stewardship work, assessing the financial health of a church and developing giving programs. She is available for both Zoom and in-person training sessions. The Foundation is offering an online Day of Learning on June 26. People can register on the Foundation's website at [www.presbyterianfoundation.org](http://www.presbyterianfoundation.org).

**25-027. Rep/Nom Team nominations-2<sup>nd</sup> reading (Attachment B):** Moderator Sandy Welch presented the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the committee's nomination motion:

**\*Action: REPNUM nominates Rev Ashley Birk for the Class of 2026 Pastor position for Synod and also nominates Ashley to finish the 2025 term for Synod representation.**

Presbytery Moderator Melissa Bell called for nomination from the floor. Hearing none, the nominations were closed. The motion passed.

**25-028. Stated Clerk Report (Attachment A):** The Clark reviewed her activities since our last stated presbytery meeting. See page 2 of the report.

**25-029. Leadership Cabinet (LC) Report (Attachment D):** Moderator Dave Thompson reported that the last of the Higher Education funds have been disbursed and the LC is seeking other ways to work with our ministry programs on campuses. There are funds for technology grants available for churches.

Treasurer Ric Tieman reported on the presbytery finances (**Attachment E**), stating that our administrative budget income is at 69% and budget expenses are at 38%, while program budget income is at 29% and budget expenses are at 15%.

**25-030. Pastoral Ministry Team (PMT) Report (Attachment F):**

**\*Action: PMT recommends that MWS John Dyce be placed on the rolls of retired pastors for Yellowstone Presbytery (retirement date August 25, 2017).**

The motion passed.

Brian Conklin was introduced and shared his faith journey with presbyters. Brian is an Episcopalian who is currently taking classes for the priesthood. He will serve the Madison Valley Presbyterian Church with pulpit supply and pastoral care for an interim period.

**25-031. Equipping time, The Spiritual Practice of Community:** Presbyters watched the video from the series "Practicing the Way" about the spiritual practice of community then met in small groups for discussion. Ideas that came out of the discussion included choosing joy every day, meeting regularly to encourage one another (Hebrews 10), how in Jesus' darkest hour he called on his closest friends to be with him, and the fact that Jesus left us a table. He didn't leave us a temple, liturgy or how to sacrifice. He left us a meal.

**25-032. Regional Discussion:** Attendees divided into eastern and western regions to share successes and difficulties that other churches in the area can learn from.

**25-033. Announcements and closing:**

- The next meeting of Yellowstone Presbytery will be October 3 & 4, 2025 in Billings.
- The meeting was closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Caroline Fleming, Stated Clerk

**Stated Clerk Report to Yellowstone Presbytery**

May 30, 2025

**Protocol Review** for all attending the Presbytery meeting by Zoom or in person:

1. **All attendees:** *Please say your name and the entity you represent when you speak.*
2. **All attendees:** *If not using a voice vote of “Yes” or “No,” please use either the “raise hand” feature on your Zoom screen or raise your hand.*
3. **Zoom attendees:** *Please keep your computer microphone muted until called upon or recognized to speak. This helps eliminate feedback, minimize background noise, and helps us to move through our time together more smoothly.*
4. **Zoom Attendees:** *Please rename your Zoom participant identification to include “RE” or “MWS” if applicable, your first and last name, the entity you represent, your position (i.e., member, commissioner, guest) and town. For example: RE Caroline Fleming, YP Stated Clerk, Miles City.*

**Omnibus motion.**

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**End of Motion.**

**Information received since our last stated presbytery meeting:**

With the final vote reported on May 13, 2025, needed to pass amendment 24-C, all proposed overtures from the 225 General Assembly have passed and will be included in our Book of Order. We discussed and voted on these overtures at our March meeting.

## **Activities since our last stated presbytery meeting:**

Attended all meetings of the Leadership Cabinet, the Pastoral Ministry Team and Yellowstone Presbytery and recorded meeting proceedings.

1. Sent a letter to all clerks and Sessions about required policies and included sample harassment and antiracism policies in the mailing.
2. Kept records of all who submitted reports, whether from individuals or from churches.
3. Attended and participated in the installation of Rev. Jamie Schmeling as pastor of 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church of Miles City.
4. Filed paperwork with the MT Secretary of State's office to change our corporate name from The Presbytery of Yellowstone of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America to Presbytery of Yellowstone of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).
5. Served on the team to plan the May Presbytery meeting.
6. Continued research into ridding presbytery of the small plot of land in Vally County and am currently working on a Quit Claim deed to be filed with Valley County.
7. Attended Rocky Mountain Synod/Dubuque Seminary Foundation of Christian Education class.
8. Conducted an e-vote for PMT concerning a church mission statement.
9. Conducted an e-vote for PMT concerning the dissolution of a pastoral relationship.
10. Updated presbytery directory as needed.

## **ATTACHMENT B**

### **Representation/Nomination Team Report:**

Members: Sandy Welch (Moderator), Lanny Rounds, JP Carlson, Terry Johnson, Kathy Goodrich(GP)

REPNUM has met monthly to discuss the vacancies in several ministry teams. After prayers and thoughtful considerations, RepNom nominates the following:

- 1) REPNUM nominates Rev Ashley Birk for the Class of 2026 Pastor position for Synod. We also nominate Ashley to finish the 2025 term for Synod representation.**

REPNUM has decided to leave the missing Class of 2025 positions for Leadership Cabinet and PMT vacant. We are requesting prayerful reflection and recommendations for qualified candidates for Leadership Cabinet for Vice-Moderator. If you know of someone who would be a good fit, please notify someone on REPNUM

The Presbytery needs to select Commissioners and advisory delegates to the 227<sup>th</sup> General Assembly (2026)

### **227<sup>th</sup> General Assembly Dates and Location**

The 227<sup>th</sup> General Assembly (2026) docket will begin with committee meetings conducted online, followed by in-person plenary sessions held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The format will be similar to that of the 226<sup>th</sup> General Assembly (2024), with a few tweaks:

- June 22–24: Assembly committee meetings, conducted online using Zoom and MyGA. *Most commissioners and advisory delegates will participate remotely from their home, office, or another location with reliable internet service.*
- June 25 & 26: Travel days for most commissioners and advisory delegates.
- June 27: **ALL NEW!** Community Day, to include opportunities for worship and engagement with an issue of concern to Milwaukee-area Presbyterians; luncheons for assembly committee members; an opportunity to connect with PC(USA) agencies and organizations and access resources; and a welcome reception.
- June 28, morning: Worship and lunch with Milwaukee area congregations.
- June 28 – July 2: Plenary business meetings, **held in person** at the Baird Center in downtown Milwaukee. ***Commissioners and advisory delegates must be present in person in the plenary hall to participate. There will not be an option to join the deliberations or vote remotely.***

Standing Rule 3.A.3.a. specifies that “Commissioners and advisory delegates must plan to be in attendance for the duration of the General Assembly.” This includes participation in their assigned assembly committee via Zoom and MyGA for all three days of its discernment, as well as the in-person meetings in Milwaukee. ***Please make sure that all those who are interested in serving are aware of the full schedule and can commit to participating online in all meetings of their assigned committee, traveling to Milwaukee, and staying for the duration of the plenary sessions. This includes all advisory delegates as well as commissioners.***

In the coming months we will provide much more detail about the docket and the expectations of those serving as commissioners and advisory delegates.

### **Recruiting and Electing Commissioners and Advisory Delegates**

The 226<sup>th</sup> General Assembly (2024) adopted new [Standing Rules](#) for the General Assembly, and you are encouraged to review the full document. Here we will focus on some of the significant changes directly affecting the assembly-related responsibilities of presbyteries. These include the formula for determining the number of commissioners that presbyteries are eligible to elect, and the process by which theological student advisory delegates are selected.

### **Commissioners**

The number of commissioners a presbytery may elect to attend the 2026 General Assembly is based on the number of its active members, including resident clergy, for 2024 (as reported in 2025). (Yellowstone Presbytery may send one Minister Commissioner, one Ruling Elder Commissioner, and one YAAD.)

## **ATTACHMENT C**

### **Camping and Youth Report      May 2025** **Westminster Spires 2025**

We are gearing up for an amazing summer! The rental calendar is completely full, and Presbytery run camp is filling up too. We are taking 2025 as a "reset" year & creatively approaching camp with some new ideas. These ideas are meant to create room for growth and engage people of all generations in the camping experience while discipling, building relationship, and exploring God's creation.

#### **Schedule**

THIS WEEKEND! May 30 - June 1 (Fri - Sun): Revamp the Camp

July 9-12 (Wed-Sat) - Staff Training

Led by George Goodrich & Sarah Tunall

July 13-18 (Sun-Fri) - Adventure Camp (7-10<sup>th</sup>)

This camp will provide discipleship & recreation opportunities for entering 7<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> graders. Campers will be in small groups based on grade for reflection and discipleship opportunities. Unique opportunities for campers at Adventure Camp may include:

- White water rafting, hike in the Bear Tooth Mountains, swimming in Red Lodge, campfires, camp games and more!
- Opportunities to grow and serve others

July 20-24 (Sun-Thurs) - Explorer Camp (3-6<sup>th</sup>)

This camp will provide discipleship & recreation opportunities for entering 3rd to 6th graders. Campers will be in small groups based on grade for reflection and discipleship opportunities. Unique opportunities for campers at Explorer Camp may include:

- Scavenger Hunt and swimming in Red Lodge, hikes and adventures near camp, campfires, camp games and more!
- Opportunities to grow and serve others

July 24-27 (Thurs-Sun) - Limitless Retreat (16 +)

This weekend retreat is a new concept as we look to provide opportunities for discipleship & recreation for students entering junior year in high school and older and adults seeking deeper relationships with others and Jesus. "Limitless" will focus on intentional connection between young adults & adults, offering space for relationship to begin forming that hopefully will keep young adults connected to the church past graduation/after college.

### **Staffing:**

We currently have four counselors fully "hired" (3 female, 1 male) and are in the process of interviewing multiple others. Our goal is to have 6 staff counselors for the extent of the Presbytery run season.

We are SEEKING VOLUNTEERS for the second week of camp: Explorer Camp. Please speak to Sarah if you're interested.

Camp Director -- Sarah Tunall

Program Directors -- Nichole Bodalski & Hunter Skov

Camp Grandpa - George Goodrich

Camp Cook - Russ Klein

### **How Can We Help?**

As we get very close to camping season, here's how pastors, elders, and church members can help (& pray):

- Spread the word and share camp dates with your churches, youth groups, families, relatives, neighborhoods, towns and beyond and invite them to join us this summer.
- Contribute towards our scholarship fund (offering for camp scholarships will take place this weekend)
- Provide rides for campers and to and from camp as needed.
- Consider volunteering for a week of camp yourself in a variety of roles.
- Pray that the Holy Spirit would work in the hearts and lives of campers and families everywhere to help get as many students to camp as we possibly can.
- Pray that with Christ at work within us, that our God would do more than we could ask or imagine and that through camp all campers would come to a deeper love and knowledge of

Jesus!

- Attend Limitless, grow in your faith, and invest in the future of our young adults.

To follow up on any or all of the above, please email Sarah Tunall at [sarah.tunall@gmail.com](mailto:sarah.tunall@gmail.com).

## **ATTACHMENT D**

### Leadership Cabinet Report Presbytery Meeting May 30, 2025 First Presbyterian Church in Bozeman, Montana

The Leadership Cabinet (LC) of the Yellowstone Presbytery meets monthly to oversee, plan, and implements many facets of ministry pertaining to our Presbytery. The LC provides oversight to the Presbytery regarding its meetings, finances, staff, training, direction, and mission.

In April, the Leadership Cabinet received feedback from the March Presbytery meeting that included good ideas concerning how to educate people about items that might create discord and to be sure all technology is working well before a meeting begins. The Leadership Cabinet will work to ensure these ideas are incorporated into future presbytery meetings. Dick and Mary Davis appreciated that we celebrated their many years of ministry with us, and people loved participating in the mission project for the Butte Rescue Mission. People were very appreciative of Bob and Karolee Larson's hospitality as they hosted the Friday evening dinner and ax throwing event. (In case you missed it, the east dominated!)

The presbytery has funds available to churches for technological upgrades. The funds do have an applications process overseen by the Leadership Cabinet, and they do require a match, but they can be very helpful to churches seeking to either purchase or upgrade their technology systems. The Dillon Presbyterian Church was granted a \$2,500 matching technology grant from the Presbytery to assist with their online presence to those unable to attend church.

In April, the Leadership Cabinet elected corporate officers for 2025:

President: Melissa Bell, Moderator of Presbytery

VP: Dave Thompson, Moderator of LC

Secretary: Caroline Fleming, Stated Clerk

Treasurer: Ric Tieman, treasurer

As of May 1, 2025, there was \$6,246.87 left in the Higher Education Fund and the Leadership Cabinet divided the remaining funds as follows: \$3,246.87 to LCM Campus Ministry in Bozeman; \$2,000 to Rocky Mountain College's Campus Ministry Program; and \$1,000 to the campus ministry program at MSU Billings.

I appreciate those who serve on the Leadership Cabinet and the work we carry out on behalf of the Presbytery.

With Appreciation,

Dave Thompson, Moderator of Leadership Cabinet

## Treasurer's Report to Presbytery May 30, 2025

With the year 2025 33% complete, our Administrative budget income is at 69% and budget expenses are at 38%.

Program budget income is at 29% and budget expenses are at 15%.

April 30th Financials are included.

Ric Tieman, Treasurer

406-595-1250

**Presbytery of Yellowstone PCUSA**  
**Statement of Financial Position**  
**As of April 30, 2025**

**Accrual Basis**

	Apr 30, 25	Mar 31, 25	\$ Change
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Current Assets</b>			
<b>Checking/Savings</b>			
1000 · Checking and Savings			
1005 · Checking 3214	101,450.21	108,293.74	(6,843.53)
1010 · Money Market 3355	143,598.15	143,509.68	88.47
1015 · Partnership Fund MM 3793	45,892.98	45,876.01	16.97
1060 · Vanco Clearing Account	1,272.00	955.50	316.50
<b>Total 1000 · Checking and Savings</b>	292,213.34	298,634.93	(6,421.59)
1020 · St Timothy Checking 1961	100.00	99.55	0.45
1030 · St Timothy Checking 3686	100.00	100.00	0.00
1050 · New Covenant 5737			
1051 · Higher Education	6,246.87	6,246.87	0.00
1052 · Other Designated Funds	118,898.00	118,898.00	0.00
<b>Total 1050 · New Covenant 5737</b>	125,144.87	125,144.87	0.00
1100 · St Timothy Endowment Funds			
1110 · St Timothy Chapel #1 1085	395,123.11	398,840.91	(3,717.80)
1120 · St Timothy Chapel #2 6024	114,931.65	116,032.72	(1,101.07)
<b>Total 1100 · St Timothy Endowment Funds</b>	510,054.76	514,873.63	(4,818.87)
<b>Total Checking/Savings</b>	927,612.97	938,852.98	(11,240.01)
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	927,612.97	938,852.98	(11,240.01)
<b>Other Assets</b>			
1850 · Beartooth Electric Co-op	949.40	949.40	0.00
1900 · Char Rem Trust 0931	143,391.00	143,391.00	0.00
<b>Total Other Assets</b>	144,340.40	144,340.40	0.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>1,071,953.37</b>	<b>1,083,193.38</b>	<b>(11,240.01)</b>

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<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>			
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
<b>Accounts Payable</b>			
2000 · Accounts Payable	1,310.62	780.84	529.78
<b>Total Accounts Payable</b>	1,310.62	780.84	529.78
<b>Other Current Liabilities</b>			
2100 · Payroll Liabilities			
2110 · Federal Liabilities	531.02	557.76	(26.74)
2120 · State Liabilities	31.99	36.31	(4.32)
2150 · Retirement Payable	322.40	322.40	0.00
2160 · Health Insurance Payable	1,390.60	1,390.60	0.00
<b>Total 2100 · Payroll Liabilities</b>	2,276.01	2,307.07	(31.06)
2200 · Other Current Liabilities			
2200.02 · GA Mission Pledges	237.35	300.00	(62.65)
2200.04 · GA One Great Hour OG999999	234.39	0.00	234.39
2200.05 · GA Christmas Joy CJ999999	0.00	100.00	(100.00)
2200.07 · Special Offerings	0.00	100.00	(100.00)
2200.09 · GA Other Donation	0.00	833.66	(833.66)
<b>Total 2200 · Other Current Liabilities</b>	471.74	1,333.66	(861.92)
<b>Total Other Current Liabilities</b>	2,747.75	3,640.73	(892.98)
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	4,058.37	4,421.57	(363.20)
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	4,058.37	4,421.57	(363.20)
<b>Equity</b>			
<b>3100 · General Funds</b>			
3100.1 · Administrative	255.07	255.07	0.00
3100.2 · Admin Support	34,279.49	34,279.49	0.00
3100.3 · Program	51,235.79	51,235.79	0.00
3100.4 · West Yellowstone Funds	18,348.34	18,348.34	0.00
3100.9 · Unrestricted	32,610.64	32,610.64	0.00
<b>Total 3100 · General Funds</b>	136,729.33	136,729.33	0.00
<b>3200 · Designated Funds</b>			
3200.01 · Camp Scholarships	8,886.63	8,886.63	0.00
3200.02 · Clergy Emergency Fund	1,756.99	1,756.99	0.00
3200.03 · Equip & Encourage	39,396.16	39,396.16	0.00
3200.04 · Evangelism Grant	52,369.21	52,369.21	0.00
3200.05 · Higher Education Grant	6,246.87	6,246.87	0.00
3200.06 · Linda Hofer Education	19,564.15	19,564.15	0.00
3200.07 · Partnership Spendable Funds	2,390.00	2,390.00	0.00
3200.08 · Peace Making Offering to YP	6,786.59	6,786.59	0.00
3200.09 · Presbyter Discretionary Fund	2,525.94	2,525.94	0.00
3200.11 · Presbytery Continuing Education	3,595.77	3,595.77	0.00
3200.12 · Revamp Camp	17,708.70	17,708.70	0.00
3200.13 · Rural Ministry Grant	1,070.28	1,070.28	0.00
3200.14 · Social Justice	6,469.45	6,469.45	0.00
3200.16 · St Timothy's MM #1	99.55	99.55	0.00
3200.17 · St Timothy's MM #2	100.00	100.00	0.00
3200.18 · Triennium Fund	6,793.52	6,793.52	0.00

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<b>3200.20 · Dubuque-Synod Of RM CRE coh...</b>	2,418.00	1,818.00	600.00
<b>Total 3200 · Designated Funds</b>	195,656.08	195,056.08	600.00
<b>3300 · Restricted Funds</b>			
<b>3300.1 · St Timothy Endowments</b>	514,873.63	514,873.63	0.00
<b>3300.2 · Char Rem Trust</b>	143,391.00	143,391.00	0.00
<b>3300.3 · Partnership Funds Principle Amt</b>	45,876.01	45,876.01	0.00
<b>Total 3300 · Restricted Funds</b>	704,140.64	704,140.64	0.00
<b>Net Income</b>	31,368.95	42,845.76	(11,476.81)
<b>Total Equity</b>	1,067,895.00	1,078,771.81	(10,876.81)
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>1,071,953.37</b>	<b>1,083,193.38</b>	<b>(11,240.01)</b>

**Pastoral Ministry Team Report  
Yellowstone Presbytery Meeting - May 30, 2025  
First Presbyterian Church in Bozeman, Montana**

The Pastoral Ministry Team had three (long) meetings since the Presbytery meeting in March. Your continued prayers are appreciated.

**\*Action: PMT recommends that MWS John Dyce be placed on the rolls of retired pastors for Yellowstone Presbytery (retirement date August 25, 2017).** The motion passed unanimously.

PMT acted on the following items since the March Presbytery meeting:

Approved the contract between CRE Margee Smith and the First Presbyterian Church of Lewiston to be extended until December 31, 2025 (see attached).

Added RE Karen Morales to the Administrative Commission installing Jamie Schmeling at First Presbyterian Church in Miles City on April 5<sup>th</sup>.

Voted to receive Lisa Evans (Miles City) as a Seeker in the CRE program of Yellowstone Presbytery.

Appointed the following people as mentors for Seekers in the CRE program:

MWS Kimmy Briggs (Caroline Fleming), MWS Dave Thompson (Danny Pratt), MWS George Goodrich (Traci Ruschetti) and MWS Neva Rathbun (Lisa Evans).

Gave approval to permit Jessica Crane Munoz to labor within the bounds to conduct a wedding in Grass Range on August 22.

Approved the Mission Study submitted by the Dillon church and approved the formation of a Pastor Nominating Committee by the Dillon church.

Appointed MWS Steve Hundley as moderator of the session at Madison Valley Presbyterian Church as of June 1, 2025.

Voted to concur with the Madison Valley Presbyterian Church congregation's affirmative vote to dissolve the pastoral relationship between Mary Grace Reynolds and MVPC effective June 30, 2025.

Submitted by Debbie Blackburn and Neva Rathbun (Co-Moderators of PMT)

**Terms for Commissioned Ruling Elder  
Home Visitation and Pulpit Supply  
Margee Smith**

**First Presbyterian Church and Yellowstone Presbytery**

**Commission Description**

Margee will be a Commissioned Ruling Elder (CRE) relationship with First Presbyterian Church of Lewistown, MT and Yellowstone Presbytery. The commission will be primarily for outreach and care to those unable to attend in-person worship at FPC. In coordination with our Deacons, Margee will provide visits to these individuals which will include conversation, prayer, and spiritual support as needed. Margee will be allowed to serve communion during these visits. At this time, there are no time expectations or minimums that Margee must adhere to, but visits will be coordinated with the Reverend Kimmy Briggs and the Deacons of FPC.

In addition, Margee will be allowed to provide pulpit supply and pastoral coverage to churches in Yellowstone Presbytery, with the authority to serve communion and perform baptisms (with the prior approval of the church session) and moderate session meetings (as affirmed by the Pastoral Ministry Team). Margee will also be permitted to officiate weddings and funerals when asked.

**Compensation**

At this time, Margee's time doing visitation is on a volunteer basis. However, for services offered to the presbytery, including if those services are provided to First Presbyterian Church, Lewistown, compensation for pulpit supply, pastoral coverage, moderating session, and funerals will be paid by the respective churches or individuals making the request in line with suggested minimums provided by the Pastoral Ministry Team (PMT), including mileage (at the rate determined by the IRS for employees), lodging and meal expenses.

**Terms of Service**

This commission is for one year from July 1, 2024, through December 31, 2025, and can be renewed annually under the authority of PMT. Should the situation change, or a need arise in the presbytery, PMT has authority to change the details of this commission.

**Supervision/Oversight**

Margee will serve under the direction of the pastor and session of First Presbyterian Church in Lewistown, MT, with support and oversight from the Pastoral Ministry Team of Yellowstone Presbytery. Reverend Kimmy Briggs (Lewistown) will continue to serve as her mentor. Margee will comply with the polity of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and Yellowstone Presbytery, including completing the required boundaries training and abiding by the sexual misconduct policy.