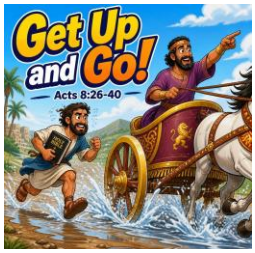

Yellowstone Presbytery Conference & Meeting
With Omaha Presbyterian Seminary Foundation
November 6 & 7, 2026
1st Presbyterian Church,
500 Milwaukee, Deer Lodge, MT

Our Vision

Yellowstone Presbytery – guided and sustained by Scripture, the Holy Spirit, and prayer -- is a community rooted in the love of Jesus Christ

We will . . .

Gather Together for God's glory and spiritual synergy*.

Equip and Encourage disciple-making congregations and leaders for living the Gospel . . . intentionally becoming more like Christ; ably sharing our faith; impacting our communities; worshipping in loving response to God; and mutually supporting and training leaders.

Go Out to join Christ in Christ's mission in our communities, Montana, and the world . . . embodying and sharing Christ's Good News; loving and serving, as we are commanded, in our words, actions, and relationships.

* Synergy: from the Greek syn-ergos, συνεργός meaning working together.

[26] Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south[a] to the road that goes
down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) [27] So he got up and went. Now there was
an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, the queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her
entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship [28] and was returning home; seated in his
chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. [29] Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot
and join it." [30] So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you
understand what you are reading?" [31] He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he
invited Philip to get in and sit beside him.
[32] Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:
"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. [33] *In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth."*
[34] The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or
about someone else?" [35] Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture he proclaimed to
him the good news about Jesus. [36] As they were going along the road, they came to some water, and
the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" [38] He
commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water,
and Philip baptized him. [39] When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip
away; the eunuch saw him no more and went on his way rejoicing. [40] But Philip found himself at
Azotus, and as he was passing through the region he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until
he came to Caesarea.

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 6 & SATURDAY NOVEMBER 7:

Meeting begins Friday at 1:00 P.M. and ends SATURDAY at 1:00 p.m.

Join Zoom Meeting:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82227635912?pwd=VaKiNvN57MMxw2LaBezDjhqsMHCWaU.1

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Join by SIP: 82227635912@zoomcrc.com

Rename your Zoom square with your name, position and town!!!

Register Your Attendance:

In person by filling out a registration paper
by email to caroline@yellowstonepcusa.org
Give your name, church or ministry, and if you are a Teaching Elder or Ruling Elder, Commissioner, Corresponding Member, or Visitor.

***Make Reservations for dinner and/or sack lunch by November 2 with Deb Jackson** at the Presbytery office at **debra@fpcbozeman.org or phone number (406) 586-9194.**

***Meeting materials are available at www.yellowstonepcusa.org**
under "Presbytery Meeting"

Friday, November 6: 10:00 am

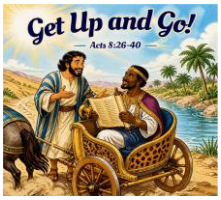
11:00 am **Participate in a mission project bagging items churches have donated for Christmas Food baskets.**

11:30 am **Registration Opens**

1:00 **Welcome & Introduction of Guests** Moderator Dave Thompson & Rev. Laura Wood

1:10 pm **Roll Call & Omnibus Motion** Caroline Fleming

1:20 pm **Worship with Holy Communion & Dwelling in the Word**



*The offering is accepted for the Westminster Spires Endowment Fund in honor of RE Ric Tieman, recently retired Treasurer of Yellowstone Presbytery. To give in person, **make check payable to Yellowstone Presbytery**. To give online, go to **www.yellowstonepcusa.org** and click on the GIVE NOW button on the upper right. To give by mail, send check payable to Yellowstone Presbytery to: Yellowstone Presbytery, PO Box 1254, Bozeman MT 59771.*

Prayer concerns from our Presbytery Round of Prayer for November 1 & 8 are *Forsyth Federated Church and Rev. Brent Long, Minister-At-Large & UCC Church, Big Timber.* Find the Presbytery Round of Prayer at: HOME - Presbytery of Yellowstone | PC(USA) | Montana

2:30 pm **BREAK**

2:45 pm **Workshop I: Worship resources** Rev. Courtney Arntzen
Practical ways congregations can approach worship that spans age and generational gaps and includes everyone in the practice of worship.

4:15 pm **BREAK**

4:30 pm **Business Meeting**
Words from our Corresponding Members
Kimmy Stokesbury-Briggs Outreach Foundation
Heidi Bolt, NW Min. Relations Officer, Presbyterian Foundation
Representation Nomination Report 1st Reading Sandra Welch
General Assembly Commissioners Reports Rev Steve Hundley
RE Patti Johnson
YAAD Piper Evans
Synod Assembly Commissioner Reports Rev. Karolee Larson
RE Sandi Schoenberger

5:15 pm **Celebration of Ric Tieman's ministry** as our Treasurer, Tech Guru & more!

5:30 pm **Dinner at 1st Presbyterian Church** ***(reservations required-see page 1)***

6:30 pm **Workshop II: Strategic Planning** Rev. Dr. Trace Haythorn
How our core values can guide a strategic plan and help a congregation (or presbytery) move forward with a sound, faith-based plan for the future.

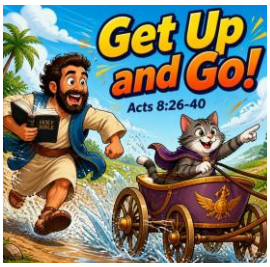
8:00 pm **Adjourn with prayer for the evening**

Rest Well - See You At 8:30 A.M.!

Saturday, November 7: 8:30 am

8:30 am **Reconvene with Prayer & Dwelling in the Word**

9:00 am **Workship III: Using Data to Understand Relationships**
Rev. Trace Haythorn will share how data can be used to help us better understand who our neighbors are and how we can use date to help us improve our outreach to them.



10:30 am **BREAK**

10:45 **Business Continued:**

Leadership Cabinet Report	Julie Boksich
Election of Nominees from Rep/Nom	VOTE
PMT Report	Debbie Ernst & Cheryl Banks
Camping & Youth Ministry Team Report	Nancy Pehl

12:30 pm **Announcements & Closing**

Next Presbytery Meeting - Date & Place TBD

Get Up and Go

Halverson Benediction (adapted)

Wherever you go, you do not go by accident, nor do you go alone.
Wherever you go, God is sending YOU!
Wherever you are, God has put you there.
God has a purpose in your being there.
Christ, who lives in you, has something He wants to do through you wherever you are.
Believe this and go in the grace, love and power of Jesus Christ.

Rev. Dr. Richard C. Halverson, Presbyterian pastor, Chaplain of U.S Senate 1981-1995.