

Report from the Geyser Community Church Administrative Commission  
Yellowstone Presbytery Meeting  
November 3 & 4, 2017

On August 8, 2017 there was a special called phone meeting of Yellowstone Presbytery for the purpose of conducting business as it related to the Geyser Community Church.

At the time the meeting was called, the Administrative Commission was prepared to present two motions.

The first motion presented was "The Geyser Administrative Commission moves that the Community Church in Geyser MT be closed with an effective date of July 13, 2017." This motion passed and so it is with great sadness that we note the closing of the congregation.

The second motion would have been to authorize the Administrative Commission to pursue the sale of the property in Geyser. This motion was withdrawn at that meeting.

The evening before and the morning of the conference call found us in conversation with Pastor Tim Lanham of Sunrise Presbyterian Church in Great Falls and Marsha Anson, General Presbyter of Glacier Presbytery. This continuing conversation is about the possibility of Glacier Presbytery forming a worshipping community in Geyser. And so, for the moment selling the property is on hold.

Currently the Administrative Commission remain in place. The corporation of the Geyser congregation has stayed in place with members of the Administrative Commission as officers of the corporation. The funds of the Geyser Community Church have remained as a separate account with members of the Administrative Commission having signature on the account. This is so that bills may be paid while we sort out details with Glacier Presbytery.

The Administrative Commission will continue to work with Glacier Presbytery and report back to this Presbytery final outcomes of the conversations.

Submitted by Susi Ennis, moderator  
Administrative Commission

Members of the AC: RE Charlie Brown, Lewistown  
RE Jim Tarr, Billings  
RE Fran Kaiser, Geyser Community Representative (non-voting)  
George Goodrich, staff resource