Introducing Yellowstone Presbytery: <u>www.yellowstonepcusa.org</u>

"Yellowstone Presbytery is all of us."

Who We Are

We are 25 churches of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) in southern and eastern Montana who, together, are called to meet, love, and live God through Jesus Christ. As we disciple each other, and resource pastors, leaders and congregations, we are prayerfully working for the strengthening and the reinvigorating of our churches. Together in common ministry and mission, we are presenting Christ's love, justice and saving work across Montana.

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*.

<u>Equip and Encourage</u> 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.

<u>Go Out</u> 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.

What Can Yellowstone Presbytery Do to Help Churches?

<u>We help give vision</u>. George and Kathy or members of the Pastoral Ministry Team can meet with your session to help your discern where God may be leading you in the years ahead. <u>We help you prayerfully dream.</u>

<u>We help with mission</u>. We have money available to help you launch new mission efforts in your community. We can help you launch mission trips or join your members with one already going. We connect you with other congregations who can resource you who may already be doing what you are dreaming.

<u>We help support and nurture pastors</u>. Most of our pastors and Commissioned Ruling Elders (CRE's) meet regularly in one of four pastor clusters for Bible Study, sharing, support and prayer.

We help train elders and congregational leaders.

<u>We pastor pastors and their families and resource churches</u>, helping them navigate the challenges of these changing times. George also offers spiritual direction ministry for Yellowstone pastors for free.

<u>We provide a camping and youth ministry</u> for the youth of the churches in the presbytery and offer a Christian summer camping experience at Camp Westminster Spires south of Red Lodge.

<u>We support in several ways the Presbyterian campus ministries</u> through the congregations who are reaching out to our college students and their friends.

<u>We encourage on-going ministries</u> such as Presbyterian Women (PW) <u>and help begin new ministries</u> where there is a dream to do so, such as UKirk on Montana College Campuses.

We pray for you and your pastor faithfully and regularly. We answer your questions when you call the office,,, And much more!