

Presbytery Sunday Is Coming!

Please join the Leadership Cabinet and churches of Yellowstone Presbytery in celebrating **Presbytery Sunday on October 11, 2015.**

The theme for the day is from Jeremiah 17:8

*They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream.
It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green;
in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.*

We would like to encourage each church to:

***Gather Together for God's glory* by participating in a common worship service with resources provided by the Presbytery Sunday Idea Task Group.**

We'll provide:

- * a bulletin cover
- * a hymn for the day —We've asked Susan Barnes to write lyrics and Paul Cannon to compose music for a hymn to be used on Presbytery Sunday.
- * liturgies (prayer of confession, scripture passages, etc)
- * an informational bulletin insert (Ten Things Your Presbytery Does for You).

We will provide you with additional resources to share with your congregation about the larger presbytery:

- * a map of the location of churches within the presbytery, along with info about each congregation (see questions provided at the meeting)
- * Information about what Presbytery is and does to share with your congregation
- * A bio of your congregations PMT liaison (formerly known as CoM) and info about their role

We also ask each church to choose an additional way to celebrate by *Equipping and Encouraging the Church, or Going Out to Join Christ's Mission*. The Task Group suggests the following ideas:

- * Plan a pulpit exchange for Sunday, October 18th, (the Sunday following Presbytery Sunday).
- * Plan to attend a regional or cluster event. This might be a joint worship service or a hymn sing, potluck or picnic, or a mission event.
- * Be the church that plans such a regional or cluster event!

* Partner with another church in a mission event of your choosing. Or stand in the GAP - GIVE ACT PRAY - together and respond to the crisis in Nepal or Vanuatu.

* Recognize and celebrate those in your congregation who have served Yellowstone Presbytery by being a commissioner or delegate, serving on a Presbytery committee or the Leadership Cabinet.

* Join the Round of Prayer, praying for members of the Presbytery. Regularly pray for another church in the Presbytery.

* Invite the Leadership Cabinet Moderator, Jody McDevitt, or Co-Presbyters, George and Kathy Goodrich, to come and preach on Presbytery Sunday - or another Sunday in the Fall).

Remember to TAKE PICTURES of how you celebrate, so we can share them at November Presbytery meeting.

