

Presbyterian Women of Yellowstone Presbytery 2021-2022 Report to Yellowstone Presbytery

We will always have 2020-2022 steeled in our memories. PW women in Yellowstone Presbytery has suffered and accepted many changes in our world. Presbyterian Women have tried to do their best by joining together to have Bible study with minimal interaction to keep each other safe and well. Some of our smaller counties have had a good vaccination response through their county public health departments, so some of the counties have vaccinated a large percentage of their people. Some have not. We have lost several of our dear members to Covid-19, Joan Cunningham of Hysham being one of them.

Below is a brief account of several local PW circle activities in Yellowstone Presbytery.

FPC Anaconda has not been able to connect with each other as a circle. Some use Facebook for listening and seeing the sermons.

FPC Billings has five circles that meet, some in person, others meet at the church in rooms where they can spread out. The attendance is low however. They did one funeral dinner for Rev. Cathy McLean. The service was virtual and on Facebook.

FPC Bozeman has two circles (12-14members). Both circles have met through Zoom and now in person. People have been eager to be together. We use the 2021-2022 PW Horizon's Bible study. Money was contributed to the Food Bank, Haven (women's shelter), and the Warming Center.

FPC Butte PW Circle has not been meeting, but they keep in conversation with each other by telephone. They had money in the treasury so they gave some of the money plus added some more monies to their favorite charities such as the Rescue Mission, Food Bank and the Mining City Christmas in Butte.

FPC Deer Lodge has a PW circle. They give to the PW Birthday Offering inviting their whole church to participate.

FPC Dillon lost their PW group several years ago has a group of women called Women of the Congregation who do the things PW always did. They don't have a Bible study.

Madison Valley PC at Ennis is thriving. They have a new Pastor too. During the tourist season they have a booth on Main Street selling homemade pies to make all their money which they then contribute to many places. They study the 2021-2022 Horizon's Bible Study also.

FPC Hysham PW circle did a Valentines dinner last February which the men of the church helped. The money raised went to the Food Bank, Deacons, and the Community Scarecrow Contest that helps families in need. They did not meet throughout the Covid-19 pandemic.

Terry Community Church has one circle and they contribute to mission projects and do funeral dinners.

Church of the Big Hole (a 3 point church) has a PW group and they use Horizon's Bible Study

Blessings,
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