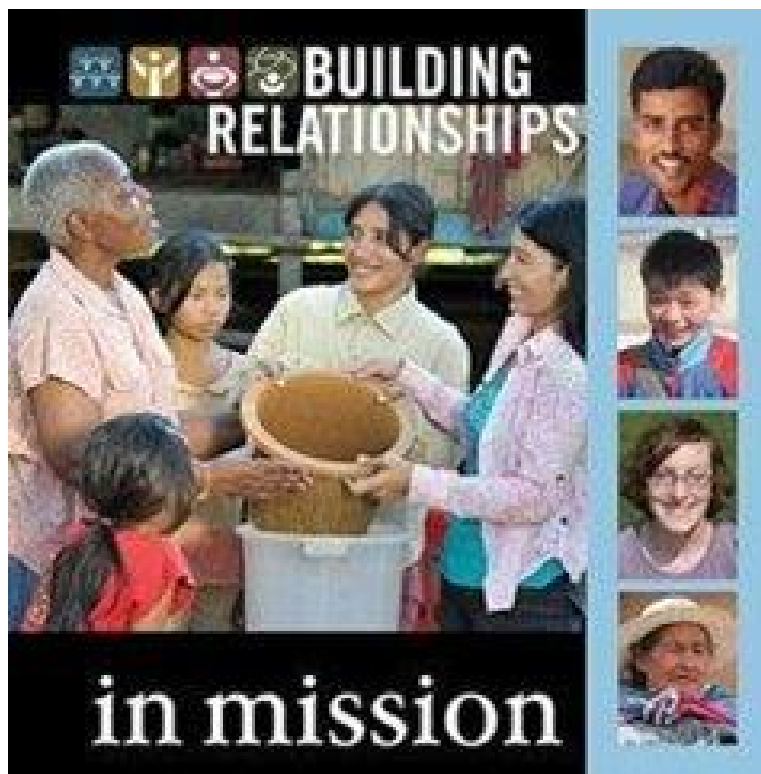


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Pastor Dave's Report

Bozeman United Methodist Church has had a good year, and we are blessed.

Our attendance is back to where it was a couple years ago, after a brief decline. Our budget has gone up, and we are meeting it. Attendance at youth group and WOW is strong, and we have enthusiasm in both of those groups. Our adult leaders there continue to make a real difference in the lives of young people.

Our church continues to support missions: paying our Mission Shares to the Conference in full; and also being a leader in support Angola Pastors, making it possible for them to continue their work in villages, spreading hope and the Gospel.

Our greatest challenge for the coming year may well be the \$18,000 increase in our Missions Shares. I am sure we can do it: this is our call to support our conference in its mission: this is our primary mission opportunity. We are blessed to be able to help, to be part of God's work in this way.

We had a large class of new members of all ages; we are blessed to have a continuing flow of young families into the church. Our Sunday School attendance continues to be strong.

I continue to feel blessed and privileged to be part of this ministry. This is the funnest church I know of. God is at work here: we celebrate the love of God and the hope of Jesus. We are blessed to have many people of all ages, mixing together.

My continuing Education goals include: learning more about Art and Beauty and Story-telling. I'll probably read a few books in that direction, and visit an art museum if I get a chance.

WE are God's children, God's family, God's church. What could be better than that?

Dave McConnell

Administrative Council

We are called by God to experience, celebrate,
and share through our actions
the love of God that comes to us in Jesus.

Mission Statement of the Administrative Council

The BUMC Administrative Council (Ad Council) consists of staff representatives, lay leaders, chairpersons of the various committees and teams of our church, and United Methodist Women. Our primary goal is to set over-all policy for the direction of programs, handling of finances, hiring of personnel, use of facilities and mission outreach. Individuals, committees and teams carry out their day-to-day activities and then make recommendations to the Council for action as needed. The Council coordinates actions and facilitates communication between all of the hardworking, active elements of our church. We work diligently to see the “big picture” and to provide encouragement and direction to the various components of BUMC, making certain we are all working in the same direction.

Cathy Baumbauer became chair this year and is very grateful to Laura Cunningham for her previous leadership and organization of this group. Marvin Lansverk continued as Vice-chair and Pat Godward was our secretary.

Ad Council was responsible for overseeing BUMC’s finances and was very pleased to be able to have the opportunity to approve the dispersion of \$40,000 as part of the “Extra Blessings” program. This included \$4000 from the BUMC Endowment Fund and \$36,000 from missions. Money was distributed to local and international projects in an effort to make a difference in people’s lives and honor the mission of BUMC and the United Methodist Church.

Other projects included coordinating the Welcome Back Fair and approving the lighting retrofit throughout the building. An energy audit has been conducted for the Trustees and this was one of the top recommendations for increasing our energy efficiency.

We thank God for the opportunity to serve together and to witness the love of Jesus played out each week through the generosity of our church family.

Board of Trustees

In keeping with our mission, the Board of Trustees continues to manage the church property and investments. General maintenance of our facilities is ongoing, thanks to the skilled and faithful vigilance of Kerry Petitt, our parish administrator. Among the more noteworthy projects undertaken this year in the church building, a lighting retrofit of the entire building was completed based on an energy audit that was conducted last year, the stucco portion of the exterior was power washed, the asphalt shingle portion of the roof was replaced due to hail damage, a new building access keypad was installed on the alley door, electrical outlets were replaced throughout the building with new childproof receptacles, and a retrocommissioning report was completed on the building's mechanical system with most of the recommended repairs and modifications scheduled for completion by the end of the year. The parsonage also received new roofing due to hail damage, as well as new more efficient lighting fixtures in the basement. The annex experienced a year without any major repairs and continues to provide income.

Tom Milleson

Campus & Young Adult Ministry

It's been an exciting year for the campus and young adult ministry at MSU as we continue to grow our program.

Our program revolves around Tuesday Night Fellowship, TNT. Every Tuesday, from 6:30 – 8:15, we gather at the Christus Collegium, the Center for Campus Ministry shared by the Methodists, Lutherans, Presbyterians and Episcopalians, for homemade dinner, games, music and discussion. The dinners are provided by members of BUMC. The music team provides incredible music. Kath Crumrine is the music team coordinator again for the 2011-12 school year. Her team provides great music and time for prayer and reflection. Kath also runs the games portion of the evening. Bobby and Janna Lauver are our new program leaders for our Tuesday night meetings. The team provides a program that includes a brief introduction to a topic and time for small group discussion. Molly Hopkins, a student at MSU, works 5 hours a week, improving communication with students and young

adults with a new web page and face book page. She also created table tents this fall, stand-up signs advertising our ministry, for each table in the student union. I work approximately 12 hours a week to oversee the Tuesday night program, recruit and build relationships with the students and young adults, plan and implement fun activities, service opportunities, a fall retreat and mission week, and communicate with the CYAM board.

We had 26 regular attendees in the fall of 2010 and the average attendance was 16. In the fall of 2011 the number of regular attendees has increased to 32 with an average attendance of 20. Each week we continue to see new faces at our Tuesday Night Fellowship!

In the spring of 2011 the students and young adults who attended the Tuesday Night Fellowship put on a fund raiser skit and musical performance that raised \$4,000 for our Campus and Young Adult Ministry program!

This fall we enjoyed a mountain retreat where we strengthen our bonds and built our community around a roaring fire and on the high ropes course! Special events during our regular meeting times include pizza and bowling and a night getting lost in the hay bale maze. In December we'll celebrate an early Christmas together with Christmas carols and FINALS CARE PACKAGES! We had some students participate in several mission opportunities this fall: sleeping at the Family Promise Card Board Box City and participating at the food bank Crop Walk. Every Sunday, a group of our college students put on a skit at the 11:00 service at BUMC and many of our students played an active part in all services for the UM Student Day on November 20.

As we move forward with our CYAM program for 2011 -2012, we are gradually expanding our ministry. Eventually, as our base continues to grow, we would like to offer small group Bible studies and a week-long mission trip.

I also serve each year on the BHECM committee which meets several times a year to discuss campus ministry in the Yellowstone conference.

Ann Dickensheets

Education Team

Our Education Team's goal is to provide learning opportunities for children, youth, and adults that help each person grow in their Christian faith. This team oversees classes and small group studies that are held on Sunday mornings (our primary time), and weekdays and evenings as well. Kay Lansverk is in her fourteenth year as the Director of Christian Education and Jill McCaw is now in her fourth year as our Education Assistant. Jen Scott and Sarah Savage have just taken over as co-chairs of our Ed. Team.

A Few HIGHLIGHTS of our year:

Sunday morning Christian Education: We continue to offer classes for 3 year olds through adults; this year averaging 139 learners and leaders participating each Sunday. We had eight Sundays with 140 participants or more. (The number of individual people who took part in at least one Sunday morning Christian Education class/group this year was 309; this included 158 kids, 60 adult learners, 64 adult teachers and rotation leaders, 7 puppeteers, and 20 music team leaders.)

This past year, our adult Sunday classes were as follows: at 10:00, we continued to have two opportunities... a Bible Study facilitated by Martha Hendricks and an adult discussion forum, "Hopeful Conversations", facilitated by Loreene Reid and John Soderberg; at 10:45, we had one adult class, "Sermon Conversation", a weekly discussion of Pastor Dave's sermon . All three of these groups provided fellowship and connection, as well as faith learning.

Our children's Sunday school program continues to be wonderful mainly because we have amazing adults willing to give their time and commitmentand their nurturing hearts and thoughtful minds to raising our kids in the Christian faith. They are doing just what Jesus asks us to do~ spreading the Good News of God's love. We are GRATEFUL!

Our main Sunday school time for all ages continues to be at 10:45, following our middle worship service. Our "learning" actually begins in that 9:45 worship time. The children's Sunday school theme and Bible Story for the morning are lifted up with the music choices made by Kay and the "Barnabas and Olivia" puppet show written by Marvin Lansverk and performed by him and his puppet friends. We then move on to classes following worship.

We have three preschool classrooms filled with lots of little

cuties 3-4 years old! Our elementary age (K-5th grade) children learn through our rotational style of Sunday school. This rotational method takes the same Bible story or theme for several weeks and the kids encounter it through different environments (story, drama, art, science, cooking, etc). Our rotation themes this last school year were "Getting to Know God Through the Bible", "Creation", "Christmas Gifts That Won't Break" (a church-wide study in Advent), "Our Christian Core...Who We Are & How to Live", "Prayer", "The Lord's Prayer" and "Easter People". This school year (2011-12) we have begun a whole year of rotations focused on Our Christian Family Tree.

Mid Week: The WOW Team ("Wesley's Outreach Wednesdays") is made up of elementary age mission kids that meet Wednesdays after school to make a loving difference in our church, community, and world. This past school year, 2010-11, we were again blessed with a great group of K-5th graders, but it was smaller (17) because we "graduated" so many 5th graders the year before. This fall though we are back to over 30 WOW kids from 11 different elementary schools and a few homeschoolers! The outreach activities continue to emphasize our commitment to the elders in our church and community. They visited area nursing homes to share conversation and artwork, and hosted their third annual "Love to You" Tea Party for members/friends 70+ years old. The team also held their 7th annual Toy Sale to redistribute resources (toys) to others and raise money; over \$1000 was made to share with children in need both locally and beyond our area. Haiti was again the recipient of the kids' handiwork; the kids made quilts, crosses, and a craft that Kay Lansverk will personally deliver to children in Haiti later this month. Finally, over the year, the kids blessed many others (their school teachers, neighbors, Youth Group, etc) with loving acts of kindness. God is at work in the hearts and hands of our youngest missionaries.

Mid week: Adult Studies: 1.) "Thursday Evening Bible Study" is led by Pastor Dave McConnell and they continue to be very well attended ...30- 40 adults. 2.) Our "Women's Ecumenical Bible Study" (WEBS) also continues to be enjoyed by many. They meet on Monday mornings during the school year. BUMC participates in the organization and support of this ministry with St James Episcopal, Hope Lutheran, and First Presbyterian churches. BUMC hosted last spring, with Pastor Dave leading the large group each week. WEBS now has grown to 40+ women meeting each week, with wonderful childcare offered. (This support for young moms has

helped the group span the generations very effectively.) 3) “The Way of Prayer” small group study met on Sunday evenings under the wonderful leadership of Brenda Anderson-Baker. Over the summer they then extended their commitment to hosting an evening prayer service for the congregation.

Vacation Bible School: This year’s VBS was held the week of June 20-24. The theme was “Inside Out and Upside Down on Main Street”, which paired Jesus’ parables with a downtown theme to highlight our downtown church’s ecumenical nature. We partnered with First Baptist and Grand Ave churches, and were also again joined by First Presbyterian church and St. James Episcopal church. Over 320 people enjoyed this ecumenical and intergenerational celebration of our Christian faith. BUMC continues to host the Opening and Closing in our sanctuary. The kids enjoyed the rest of the morning in one of four different church buildings and outside at the Emerson field. Our VBS always has a mission outreach component, a vital part of our week long ministry. This year’s theme taught the kids how Jesus tells us to live, with Compassion, Gratitude, Forgiveness, Grace, and Faithfulness as our daily themes. The children also donated food and money to help another part of God’s neighborhoodother children. They brought school supplies and created school kits to be sent out to kids around the world by UMCOR. They also brought food and made money banks to fill with their coins to donate to the Gallatin Valley Food Bank. Thank you God for Vacation Bible School!

Sunday School Kickoff and “Welcome Back” Fair: On Sunday, Sept. 11th, we had our annual kickoff party with classroom and teacher visits, meeting shepherds, and kid registration. For the eighth year we included a “Welcome Back Fair” where our BUMC Small Groups and Teams highlighted their activities and ideas for the coming year. This tradition continues to be a great way to begin the year.

Bible “Give Away” Sunday: Every October, we love to give Bibles to our third graders, ~and 4th and 5th graders new to BUMC. So two weeks ago, on Sunday October 9, 2011, we celebrated Children’s Sabbath, by giving away 19 Bibles to 19 kids!

Our hearts are full of gratitude for a church family committed to the intentional faith development of each person at BUMC ... young, old, or in between! THANK YOU, GOD.

Each of us is called to learn more about God and

Jesus and to share God’s love with others.

Kay Lansverk, Director of Christian Education

Family Ministries

In my job as family ministry coordinator, I work to facilitate fellowship and small group opportunities.

ACTIVITIES:

Each year we try to offer a variety of church sponsored activities to encourage fellowship and to help build community within the church. Some events I coordinate, others are coordinated by church volunteers. Here are some of the activities that we offered in 2011:

- **TALENT SHOW:** A group of our talented parishioners entertained our church family on a cold January evening early this year!
- **EASTER EGG HUNT:** Our April egg hunt attracted many young families. We enjoyed our time together as we watched our children searching for eggs.
- **LUCCOCK PARK FAMILY CHURCH CAMP:** Family camp was in August and September this year and was attended by many of our families.
- **WELCOME BACK FAIR:** In September, the leaders of our many church groups hosted a welcome back fair. We all enjoyed coffee and snacks while looking over the church opportunities.
- **NEWCOMER LUNCHEON:** Several times a year the staff hosts new families and individuals for lunch. The staff is introduced and gives a brief presentation of the many opportunities offered at BUMC.
- **PUMPKIN CARVING PARTY:** In October we hosted our annual pumpkin carving party. Families gather together for a soup supper and plenty of fun and fellowship as they carve their pumpkins and enjoy the carnival games. This is one of our best attended events of the year!
- **ADVENT EVENT:** Each year at our Advent Event we share a meal and make crafts, gifts and an advent wreath together. This event is coordinated by the worship team.
- **FIGGY PUDDING:** Family ministries team up with the music team for this event and sponsor wonderful dessert party following a musical performance.

SMALL GROUPS:

Small groups are collections of church members who gather together to form a community of Christ. Many of the groups begin

with a devotional time to keep focused on Christ, and all groups offer their members an opportunity to meet, connect and pray with other members of the church family.

- **SECRET SISTERS:** Participants secretly draw a name of another participating woman and spend the year praying for her and sending cards and small gifts.
- **DINE WITH NINE:** Couples and individuals are assigned to a small group and take turns dining in each other's homes!
- **FAMILY DINE:** A variation on "dine with nine", but expressly meant for families with children!
- **LOVE DARE:** This small group focuses on marriage support to help couples focus on their marriage and give them an opportunity to have a date with their spouse while the church babysits their children.
- **BRIDGE GROUP:** Bridge partners gather at each other's homes for some fellowship and card-playing!
- **STAMPING AND CARD MAKING:** This group meets at church once a month to make cards for themselves and for the nurture care team at church.
- **MEN'S BREAKFAST OUT:** Men from the church meet together every other week at a local restaurant for fellowship and a brief study.
- **PARENT'S NIGHT:** Parents of small children meet once a month for fellowship and discussion while the church nursery cares for their children!

Ann Dickensheets

Finance & Stewardship Team

Our congregation continues to recognize that giving enriches our lives at least as much as the giving touches others lives. Once again this year we give thanks to the faithful supporters of BUMC, particularly in this time of so much economic uncertainty. This year the Finance and Stewardship team helped put in place the Extra Blessings team so that if there are carryover funds in the future, they will be given through a thoughtful process.

The Finance team has tried to be good stewards of your gifts and you in turn have been faithful in your giving – together that allows us to continue the important programs of our church here in Bozeman and in the world.

Janna Christensen, Chairman

Laity Report

According to the *Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church* a lay leader is:

- Elected by the charge conference to function as the primary lay representative of the laity in that local church with the following responsibilities:
 - a) fostering awareness of the role of laity both within the congregation and through their ministries in the home, workplace, community, and world, and finding ways within the community of faith to recognize all these ministries;
 - b) meeting regularly with the pastor to discuss the state of the church and the needs for ministry;
 - c) membership in the charge conference and the church council, the committee on finance, the committee on lay leadership, and the committee on pastor-parish relations or staff-parish relations, where, along with the pastor, the lay leader shall serve as an interpreter of the actions and programs of the annual conference and the general Church (to be better equipped to comply with this responsibility it is recommended that a lay leader also serve as a lay member of annual conference);
 - d) continuing involvement in study and training opportunities to develop a growing understanding of the Church's reason for existence and the types of ministry that will most effectively fulfill the Church's mission;
 - e) assisting in advising the church council of opportunities available and the needs expressed for a more effective ministry of the church through its laity in the community;
 - f) informing the laity of training opportunities provided by the annual conference. Where possible, the lay leader shall attend training opportunities in order to strengthen his or her work. The lay leader is urged to become a certified lay speaker.

That's a lot to do! And fortunately, we have had two co-lay leaders for the past several years: in Len Lutz and Marvin Lansverk. This long list of responsibilities, however, is balanced at our church by the fact that lay leadership at BUMC at *all levels* is very strong: from mission outreach, to children's education, to fundraising, to campus

ministry, to worship planning and participation, and more. We have long had a teamwork culture, where lay participation is simply part of the natural climate of our church: from delivering hands-on ministries, to planning, to leadership. Thus, we are privileged to be one of hundreds of lay leaders and volunteers in our church. It is exciting and humbling to be a part of such a lively and energetic place, where so many are responding to God's call to love one another, in our church and beyond.

Marvin Lansverk

Missions Report

The Missions Team continues to fulfill its primary role of presenting to the BUMC congregation opportunities to participate in and support local and distant missions of outreach and services.

The Bishop's Initiative Fund, which is intended to contribute to the safety of church children, was spent on CPR training for education, nursery, and Sunday School staff and volunteers.

CROP walk 2010 raised \$14,032 community-wide, with \$5669 of that raised by BUMC walkers and sponsors.

The Can-the-Griz food drive in November 2010 was successful, though we do not have a record of the amount of food brought in at this time.

The Christmas gift donations for Gallatin County foster kids and Intermountain Children's home were a success. The mitten tree collected 135 warm winter items for Family Promise. The Figgy Pudding offering took in \$2985.50 for the 2012 Haiti VIM trip. The Christmas eve offering took in \$9913.48 for Angola Pastors and \$9273.48 for the Helping Hand Fund.

The Missions Team sponsored a Christmas dinner for Faith Health Ministry, as Christmas was on a Saturday in 2010. The team provided all the fixings for a complete meal. Eight Faith Health clients attended the meal. Three church families served the meal and brought gifts, which totaled 15 volunteers.

The Souper Bowl Sunday food drive held in February, 2011, brought in 255 pounds of food.

Basement Bowling and Pie Auction was held on March 6, 2011, and raised \$1100 for HAVEN, a domestic abuse shelter in Bozeman.

The Missions Team sponsored a Gardening Class on April 2, 2011. This class was lead by David Baumbauer and Barry Jacobsen, and about 15 people attended.

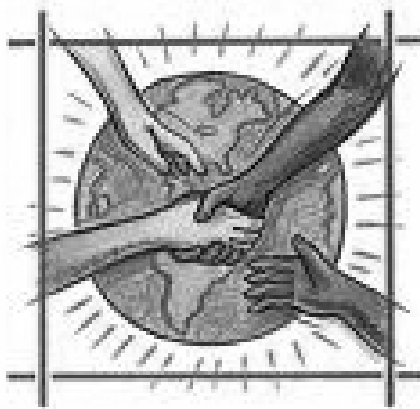
The Lenten Offering brought in \$9,942, of which \$6,981 went to Helen Sheperd, a Methodist missionary in Mongolia, and \$2,961 went to Intermountain Children's Home.

The Missions Team held a Saturday Morning Fix-up for our congregation on June 11, 2011. We washed windows, pulled weeds, and mowed the lawns for 9 families.

The Habitat for Humanity Ice Cream Social was held on August 14, 2011, at Christus Collegium and brought in \$585.

Faith Health Ministry, organized by Bonnie Hash, continued to provide meals, showers, and health screens to homeless individuals until May 2011, when security issues forced the ministry to be shut down until further notice.

Katie Daughenbaugh



Music Ministries

Bozeman United Methodist Church continues to hold three Sunday morning services throughout the school year, keeping the Music Ministry of our church very much alive. Our *Morning Sounds* choir rehearses Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings to provide the music leadership and special anthem at the 8:30 service. The *9:45 Music Team* rehearses on Sunday mornings in preparation for leading the 9:45 service. Throughout the year the congregation is also treated to the musical offerings of our *Bell Choir*, *Brass Ensemble*, seasonal *Children's Choir*, and a number of other musicians who graciously share their musical gifts with us.

Morning Sounds continues under the direction of Jenny Eck; and the energetic *9:45 Music Team* is led by Kay Lansverk. The *Brass Ensemble* is under the direction of Bob Flaherty and plays during worship on the second and fourth Sundays of each month in addition to Easter and Christmas Eve. The *Bell Choir* plays the third Sunday of each month and is conducted by M.A. Bellingham. Ann Dickensheets directs the *Children's Choir* and coordinates the annual winter talent show. The annual *Figgy Pudding* event is coordinated by Kerri Brown. Lynn Kirtley serves as the Music Coordinator. Peter Brown and Brenda Greenfield are the accompanists at 9:45; and Judith Diana and Lynn Kirtley continue as the 8:30 and 11:00 keyboard accompanists.

The many talented musicians in our BUMC family graciously share their music with us throughout the year and add vitality to our worship.

F or in Our Music God is Glorified.

Lynn Kirtley

Nurture & Care Team

The Nurture/Care and Membership Team shares God's love with our church family and the community through acts of friendship, hospitality and compassion. Nurture and Care members welcome visitors and new members, encourage fellowship after worship service, and comfort the sick, lonely and grieving with visits, cards, food, prayers and friendship.

As we begin a new year in the Fall for our Team we are assigned Pen Pals who we regularly correspond with on Holidays, Birthdays, special occasions or just a note to let them know we are thinking of them.

Our Bread Ministry continues each week with bread being delivered to those visiting our church for the first time.

We maintain a Prayer Chain that goes out to members of that Team via email or phone as we are made aware of needs in our church family.

Regular visits are made to shut-ins, the Nursing Homes and Retirement Homes in the area. Our goal is to visit these members at least twice a month.

There are 5 people (3 from our team and 2 from our church family) who visit the hospital 5 days/week taking cards to the United Methodist patients there.

Our Agape Team is responsible for Funeral receptions served at our church. We have 3 teams in place plus many others who are willing to bake cookies and breads, set-up, serve the reception and help with clean up.

Shepherding is a ministry in which we provide care to nurturing people who are in need, this usually includes those who have been ill, have lost a loved one or are unable to provide meals for their families. We as a Team take turns preparing meals for the freezer for just such needs.

Our team prepares and serves the new member dinners, these are usually held 3 times a year (January, May, and October).

In December we organize the Christmas Caroling for shut-ins, and Nursing Homes. This usually includes others in our church who like to sing and bring cheer to our shut-ins.

These are the main objectives the Nurture/Care Team focuses on. We as a Team share in the love and care of our Church Family.

Ann Mulette & Cecilia Tank, Co-Leaders

Pastor Staff Parish Relations Committee (PSPRC)

In 2011 PSPRC again enjoyed another year of "smooth sailing" and met only as needed. We conducted a review of annual compensation proposals for staff and completed an annual appointment review for Pastor Dave McConnell.

Our committee included Sue Brown, Katie Daughenbaugh, Matt Ekstrom, Margo Janke, Bill Ancell, Dan Cole, Brenda Greenfield, Rick Landers and Tom Foster. It has been a privilege to serve on this committee at a church that continues to function very well, and we are grateful.

Tom Foster, Chairperson

Planned Giving Team

The Planned Giving Team gave \$4,000 to three community projects this year. This money was combined with funding from the Extra Blessings Team for the purpose of enhancing the missions of the church.

Bozeman Sunrise Rotary Fix Up Festival: \$2,000 Jim Hamilton

In the fall of 2011, Sunrise Rotary held their Fix Up Festival with a commitment of minor repairs and alterations to 12 homes of low-income residents who are elderly or disabled. The homes have been solicited and screened for them by Love, INC and HRDC.

HRDC Home to Stay Program: \$1,000 Missions Team
This money is directed to the "Revolving Loan Fund" administered

by HRDC to loan money for rent or deposit aid to low-income clients as another tool to avoid homelessness. The success of the program is reflected in the fact that the fund is seeing an 87% pay back rate currently.

Gallatin Mental Health: \$1,000 Scott Molloy

This money will be directed toward homeless programs of this agency including Homeless Outreach counselors and the Drop Inn which complements the Warming Center with day time services.

Nancy Swanson

Social Justice Team

The Social Justice team spent the year connecting BUMC with issues that advance equitable social and economic treatment of people locally and globally.

Ongoing projects include supporting Jubilee USA, a NGO dedicated to advancing debt relief for impoverished nations, and selling Equal Exchange fair trade tea, coffee and chocolate. Fair trade olive oil from Palestine was added as a holiday offering.

The team has been providing assistance to the newly formed 'Green Team' and sponsored four attendees at the "Green my Faith" workshop held at Hope Lutheran Church. The Green Team participated in the Spirit of the Earth celebration and the organized the produce sharing table this summer.

Special events in 2011 included: Sponsorship of an Islamic Scholar's public speech at MSU, a showing of the film "Countdown to Zero" that examined the continued threat of nuclear weapons, and the third annual "Bike to Church " Sunday. Over \$4,700 in 'tips' were collected to support World Bicycle Relief's work in providing bicycles for school children in Africa. The social justice team provided fair trade items to annual conference to encourage other congregations to use and offer fair trade goods.

The Sunday morning Adult Forum was organized by team member John Soderberg. Many of the topics were dedicated to social justice issues.

UMM

A group of from 12 to 16 men of the church meet on Wednesday morning for breakfast and fellowship and, occasionally, a program with an outside speaker or some topic for discussion. The group is "on call" for and helps other church groups in serving breakfasts, dinners and in other activities. Several participate in Vacation Bible School.

During the year we have spent \$1,070 on different mission projects and will probably contribute another \$500 during the remainder of this year.

Walter Mason & Frank Manseau.

UMW

The local unit continues to uphold the United Methodist Women's Purpose for spiritual growth, community-building, and mission work. At the beginning of the year the Bozeman Unit recorded 114 members, including five daughters in the Circle for the Woman's Soul.

With a most successful Rummage Sale (raising \$6,000, the most ever) and the well- received Chili Feed/Craft Fair, serving meals, gifts by individuals and donations from Circles, the unit's Pledge to Mission will be met and all planned commitments financed. A donation of \$1,000 will be given to the BUMC Team going to Haiti in February and extra monies received by year-end will be designated for local, conference, and world-wide ministries.

Five Circles and five sub-groups explored a variety of studies and topics. General meetings included:

- "Community Building and Rejuvenation" with all church women invited to enjoy fellowship, crafts, Bible study, and refreshments in February – coordinated by Jen Smith and Gloria Zimmer.
- The May Spring Luncheon featured the program, "Joy of Missions" by Sally McConnell, Yellowstone Conference Mission Coordinator, with guests from neighboring units.
- At a soup and bread lunch in October to mark Domestic Abuse Month, Anna Edwards of "Haven" shared her work with persons in need in Gallatin Valley.
- In December the membership will mark Advent with brunch and an introspective program to usher in the holiday season.

Erica Skinger shared information on "Human Trafficking" in an adult church school class and at a public forum sponsored by Church Women United.

Members of the unit attended Schools of Christian Mission, District and Conference UMW Meetings, with one serving on the District Mission Team and another on the Conference Mission Team. Gloria Zimmer will be President of Yellowstone Conference United Methodist Women in 2012. The local unit will host the Conference Annual Meeting September 28 and 29, 2012.

In addition to education for action on social issues and projects for mission with women, youth, and children, the unit is a caring community of support for each other.

Jackie Montgomery, President

Worship

The Worship Team at Bozeman United Methodist Church has the following Mission Statement:

*As followers of Jesus, the Worship Team creates opportunities to meet and respond to God. Our goal is to provide welcoming, accepting and accessible worship. With nurturing, hospitable and informative time together as a community of faith we hope to strengthen each person's spiritual life and our church.
(adopted 2/2006)*

Our team meets once a month to plan and implement the coming church season or events.

We have responsibility for sanctuary arrangement, décor, weekly altar flowers, children's worship materials, supplying the Upper Room and other devotional materials, recruiting communion servers and recruiting worship readers. Brenda Anderson-Baker faithfully uploads the Sunday prayers, scripture and sermon to our web-site. This ministry is an important way for us to reach out to those far away or those who cannot attend church for whatever reason. . Linda Price puts together the Children's Worship Books each week. She has a keen eye for quiet and fun activities for children.

During the seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter our team has additional activities. We sponsor the Advent Event the first Sunday of Advent. This long tradition of our church brings together all ages for a meal, carols, simple gift making and decorating the church for the season.

The Lenten season finds us co-sponsoring the Soup Supper/Study series with the Education Team. These weekly gatherings are a time of fellowship, a warm meal and learning. Holy Week follows with special services on Holy Thursday and of course joyous Easter Worship services.

Additional workers coordinating with worship:

- Dick Pohl is very generous with his creativity and time, making liturgical pieces for our sanctuary. He translates ordinary materials into works of beauty and meaning for all to enjoy.

- Jean Hastings does a beautiful job as our communion steward. She does the shopping and preparing for communion for hundreds of people the first Sunday of each month.

Worship Team members bring creative ideas, a passion for worship and & hours of volunteer time to our community of faith.

Chris Robison-Cox, Worship Coordinator

Youth Ministries

2011 was another successful year in the Bozeman United Methodist Church youth program! This year approximately 115 different youth are participating in our UMYF program. We consistently have between 40 and 50 youth at each meeting. We have continued to focus on making youth group a safe place for the youth, where they can see themselves through God's eyes and develop a personal relationship with Jesus. Youth Group is a place where they can make good friends, discuss important issues in their lives, have an opportunity to serve others, and have a great time.

Weekly meetings include dinner, singing, a short story by the pastor, Dave McConnell, games and small group discussions.

The 2011 UMYF staff includes 7 adult volunteers, Sally McConnell, Janet Kempff, Lisa Michael, Jon Spangler, Ceilon Aspensen, Valerie Otto, and Nancy Self, and 2 staff members, Dave McConnell, and Ann Dickensheets. We are all involved in planning the meetings each week on a rotating basis.

In addition to the weekly youth meetings, the youth participated in a number of other events.

- JANUARY: Youth group ski day
- FEBRUARY: Babysitting night, CONVO.
- MARCH: Set up pins at the Basement bowling
- APRIL: Stuffed eggs and helped to set up and run the BUMC Easter egg hunt, Easter Breakfast
- MAY: Senior banquet, "Fly-Up" for incoming 5th graders, making and serving dinner to Special Olympic Athletes, end of the year picnic
- JULY: We took 27 youth and 4 adult chaperones on a mission trip to Vancouver, Washington. While there we worked at Friends of the Carpenter, a day center for homeless people,

Share House, an organization with several homeless shelters for men and families, the community food garden, and Open House Ministries, low-income housing and shelter for homeless families. We also spent two nights on the coast at a United Methodist Church camp, clearing brush and building a lean-to.

- JULY/AUGUST: Church Camps, movie night at the Dickensheets'.
- SEPTEMBER: Kick off BBQ, cardboard box city, movie night.
- OCTOBER: Service Night, Corn maze, helpers at the All Church Pumpkin Carving Party, High School Retreat, movie night
- NOVEMBER: Middle School Retreat, movie night, Christmas tree gathering with sledding and a chili dinner.
- DECEMBER: Christmas Caroling, College student lunch reunion.

CONNECTIONAL MINISTRY:

I am also an active member of the connectional ministry team, representatives from the western part of Montana, that get together to share ideas and plan joint events for the youth. In 2011 we planned and implemented a junior high retreat, held here in Bozeman, and CONVO, held in this year in Billings.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH:

In January I lead a seminar on youth missions at the Evangelical Free Church Education Conference.

Ann Dickensheets

**Nominations for Bozeman United Methodist Church
2011/2012**

Election Sunday, August 28, 2011 9:30 AM

* chairperson of team

Board of Trustees

- 2012 Bill Price
*Tom Milleson
John MacDonald
2013 Janet Bender Keigley
Dennis Elgas
Margaret Brun
2014 John Barkow
Rick Hueser
Liz Hietala

Pastor-Staff-Parish Relations

- 2012 Margo Janke
Bill Ancell
*Tom Foster
2013 Dan Cole
Brenda Greenfield
Rick Landers
2014 Len Lutz
Becky MacDonald
Tamera Smith

Stewardship & Finance Team

- 2012 Jack Martin
Sarah Cole
Cindy Milleson
2013 *Janna Christensen
Anna Galindo
Bob Hietala
2014 Matt Johnson
Nancy Flikkema
Evelyn Acton

Lay Member to Annual Conference:

Ex-Officio:

Treasurer – Diane Visser

Financial Secretary – Lynda Mikkola

Administrative Secretary – Jeneffer Smith

Financial Support Personnel:

Bookkeepers:

Marj Hunt – supervisor

Helen Arts

Fran Goosey – supervisor

Martha Weaver

Lucile Erickson

Linda Johnson

Wanda Myers, sub

Planned Giving Team

Brian Brown

Bill Price

Dave McWalter

*Nancy Swanson, chair

Nancy Flikkema

Marvin Lansverk

Advisory

Ad Council, Representative

Pastor

Board of Trustees, Chair

Stewardship, Chair

College and Young Adult Ministries (BUMC)

Janet Arms 2013

Don Bishop 2013

Kevin Amende 2014

Jason Daughenbaugh 2014

Kay Lansverk 2014

Lena Heuscher, MSU student

Jon Spangler, MSU student

Molly Hopkins, MSU student

Participant (non voting): BUMC Pastor,
CYAM Coordinator, Ann Dickensheets
(2009 to present)

Christus Collegium Board (Ecumenical)

BUMC representatives:

Pam Alvord 2012

Amanda Anderson 2012

Bud Jarvis 2013

*Marvin Lansverk 2012

Dean Richardson 2013

Devlan Geddes 2013

Linda Price 2014

Doug Young 2014

BUMC CYAM Coordinator, Ann Dickensheets, ex-officio

Kerri Brown, ex-officio

Education Team

2012 Pam Steele

Jennifer Summerhill

2013 Shelby Brown

Carole Young

Carol Diffendaffer

Cindy Smith

*Jen Scott

Diane Bertelsen

Kevin Scott

Shana Wold

*Sarah Savage

2014 Linda Krohn

Deb Redburn

Lay Members to Annual Conference

2011 June 9-11 Billings, MT

2012 June 7-10 Billings, MT

Ann Dickensheets

Kay Lansverk (also Board Of Stewards)

Marvin Lansverk

Don Bishop

Memorial Committee

2012 Roy Cattrell
Walter Mason
Nancy Flikkema
2013 Jean Simkins
Jim Van Burgh
Teri Scott
2014 RG Montgomery

Ex Officio: Pastor

Missions

2012 Barry Jacobsen
Jane Standley
2013 Bonnie Hash
Sally McConnell
Barb Bishop
2014 *Katie Daughenbaugh
Jen Scott
Sherry Schupbach
Patrick Sandidge

Crop Walk: Irene Martin, Donna Kokaly
Mitten Tree: Shelby Brown
Love INC rep: Sandy McCue
Family Promise Coordinators:
Sally McConnell/Margo Janke/Loreene Reid

Nominations Team

Pastor/Lay Leaders: Marvin Lansverk/Len Lutz
2012 Teri Scott
2013 Jarvis Brown
Jennifer Summerhill
2014 Martha Hendricks
Janell Landers
Ann Dickensheet
Chris Robison-Cox

Nurture, Care & Membership Team

Agape: Judi Wackerbarth, co-chair
Ann Mulette, co-chair

2012 Carol Baumbauer
Rachel Jarvis
Bud Jarvis
Larry Mikkola
Amy Riendeau

2013 Meg Harvey
*Judi Wackerbarth
Ginger Zanella
Bonnie Lee
Patricia Cornelious

2014 Diane Beeman
*Ann Mulette
June Phillips
Sandra Jimmerson
Andrea Evans

Ad Hoc: Anna Michnevich

Ex Officio, Roxie Curtis, Nurture Care Coordinator

Property Committee

Carl Brun
Tom Foster
Bruce Mulette
Bob Petitt
Cory Wackerbarth

Ex-Officio: Parish Administrator

Social Justice Team

2012 Reed Howald
*David Baumbauer
2013 Fred Cornelious
2014 Olive Robison
Roger Robison
Donna Soderberg
John Soderberg
Jason Jimmerson
Janet Colombo

Worship Team

2012 Brenda Anderson-Baker
Linda Price
Kristi Spain
2013 Bill Ancell
Diane Beeman
Dave Harvey
2014 Janet Keigley
Dottie Keyes
Bonnie Lee
Gloria Edwards
Ex-Officio: Worship Coordinator

Worship Support Personnel

Communion Stewards:
Jean Hastings*, Bonnie Lee
Jeanie Westnedge, Deanna VanBurgh
Head Ushers: 8:30 Ralph Zimmer
9:45 Rob Cox
11:00 Rob Cox
Summer Head Ushers:
8:30 Ralph Zimmer
10:00 Rob Cox
Altar Flowers: Bonnie Lee
Sermons on the web: Brenda Anderson-Baker
Puppet shows on the web: Marvin Lansverk

Adult Bible Study on the web: Jill McCaw

Children's Worship Books:

Linda Price

Kristi Spain

Janet Keigley

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