

The Nugget



**EMPOWERED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT,
UNITED TO SERVE**

November 2022

Gold Hill Evangelical Lutheran Church
934 Placer Street - Butte, MT 59701
(406) 723-4242

We are a Stephen Ministry Congregation and
a Congregation of the Montana Synod of the
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA)

GHLC President's Letter

Greetings to Members and friends of Gold Hill Lutheran Church,

I have to say things are really cooking at our church. We are definitely coming alive and that is because you, the members are awaking and starting to make things happen. More of you are transitioning from staying at home and watching our services on Facebook to coming and worshipping in person with our Gold Hill family that you are part of. It is nothing short of heartwarming for everyone involved.

Our boiler is on and there's heat in the church which with cooler days coming is welcoming news. We have some issues that are being worked out with it, but nothing major and it's being addressed. Small things continually to be addressed to make our church building be improved, where needed. New bulletin boards have been put up, the Sanctuary doors and threshold have been improved/waterproofed. Tables and chairs are in all the upstairs old Sunday school rooms and some of the groups that met in our church before have returned for their meetings.

Our Church Council has had good meeting with many topics being discussed and business of the church being addressed. Our everyday expenses of having a church building and the ministries we do, continue being paid attention too. Our budget is dependent on our giving, which is down right now. I think as more of you return and give once again, that we'll be in better shape. On a personal note, I decided to increase my giving as I could see the need was there. Give this a thought and consider if this is something you might want to do. One thing we the Council were asked, by the Special Olympics Committee for the Special Olympics being held here in Butte on Nov 11, was to feed 100 of these kids in our Fellowship Hall. They would supply the food for us to cook and serve. It really fits in for us as a Church to minister to a community need, so the Council agreed to do this. Nicholas Conlan will be the lead person in doing the coordination in making this happen. Years ago we did this, so some of you might remember that. We'll need volunteers to help cook, serve and clean up. It's a great way to have fun and do Gods work as a congregation. The next big thing is that I'm coordinating is the annual Lutefisk Dinner on the first Saturday in December (Dec 3rd). This is the first time in three years that we've been able to have it again. It is being put on jointly with The Daughters of Norway and Gold Hill Lutheran Church. We have posters made that we put up, in Butte and SW MT, as well as tickets to buy. I have a Lutefisk Dinner Volunteer Worker's Sheet posted on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall for any of you who can help, to sign-up on. This is always a big event that sees many out of town people come in for it. We all enjoy the fellowship of working together and the kidding/laughter is abundant, among our working crew. Remember that those who don't care for Lutefisk, we have very delicious Swedish Meatballs also.

Our Church Holiday Season is coming upon us and our worship with its holiday traditions are a special time. It's a special time for us to come together for worship. Please call the office if you have any questions from 10:00 to 2:00 pm, as that's when our Secretary will be in the office. Pastor will have his phone and should also be in his office during those times if you want to drop in and see him. He could have a pastoral issue he is involved with, so it's a good idea to call the office first.

I'll close for now and pray for blessings upon each of you.

In Christ,
Mike Lawson
GHLC Council
President



Prayer Concerns

Please call the Church Office (723-4242)
or email us: (goldhill.elca@gmail.com)
with your prayer requests.

Only prayers given to the entire
congregation will be included here.

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November/Anniversaries:

Anna Jones – celebrating her birthday
November 8

Elinor Johns – celebrating her birthday
November 11

Rochelle Kriewald – celebrating her birthday
November 12

Bob Brown – celebrating his birthday November 15

Dorothy Gronvold – celebrating her birthday
November 15

John Taddy – celebrating his birthday November 17

Jon Williamson – celebrating his birthday November
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Julie Corbin-celebrating her birthday November 19

Carol Hecker- celebrating her birthday November 20

Barbara Agoc - celebrating her birthday November 21

Mattea Dean-celebrating her birthday November 29

Chris Ketchum-celebrating her birthday November 30

Samantha Lynn Ross – celebrating her baptismal
birthday November 30

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Pastoral Care Acts

Notices

Deaths

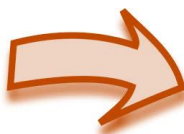
Memorials & Honorariums

In Memory of John Stordahl from:
Dick & Danette Fitzpatrick

In Memory of John Stordahl from:
Mary Johnston

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Check it out!

You are invited to check out our new
website: <https://goldhillelca.org/>
which is now fully operational and being updated
now that there is a full time secretary.
You can donate to Gold Hill online through our new
website by clicking on the donation button!
If you have any questions, please call the office
(723-4242) or talk to Pastor Carrels.

**THANK YOU! Shelly Anderson
and Colleen Tamblyn for
donating vacuums to Gold Hill!**

As fall temperatures are upon us, painting at the
parsonage has been postponed until the spring and
we have temperatures conducive to painting. Quotes
are currently being gathered and preparations made
for painting of the church next spring.
There are still many projects in the
works...such as sealing minor leaks,
getting the boiler up and running,
rerouting gutters for drainage, and
winterizing the sprinkling system.



Mike Lawson and Randy Farrow have been doing an
amazing job of getting things put back on walls,
bulletin boards hung back up, and rooms sorted and
organized. The daycare is back to its regular
schedule.

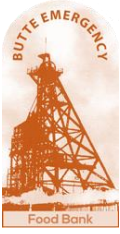
Peace and blessings
Lynn McGlynn

Gold Hill is on YouTube!

Pastor Carrels is uploading Gold Hill videos which can be
viewed on YouTube. If you're interested, use this link to
check it out:
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCanBvgTwwtCgPHtYdz_OXw
Questions? Talk to Pastor or call the church office
(723-4242).

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Food Bank Donations



Due to the coronavirus outbreak, Gold Hill cannot take physical donations of food. However, your monetary donations are still needed.

Mail your monetary donation directly to:

**Butte Emergency Food Bank
1019 East Second Street
Butte, MT 59701**

Thank you for your generosity!

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Stephen Minister Training

We hope to offer Stephen Minister training in the near future. If you are interested in learning more about this caring ministry and feel you could be of service to others please talk to any one of Gold Hill's Stephen Ministers. We will be available after worship services during the coffee hour here at church. Or if you would rather speak to one of us with more confidentiality please call someone by phone.

We will offer this training as a joint project with Gloria Dei and their Stephen Ministers John and Nancy Sparks. Please pray that you or anyone who feels an interest in this program will get the information they want and will hopefully join the group.

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Norwegian Cookie Making

Will be on November 19th at 900 am

Please bring equipment if you have it

For any questions please contact

DorothyAnne Honeychurch 406-490-2633 or

Peggy Probasco 406-490-6835.



We Deliver-Sack Lunch Ministry

Volunteers for September were: Patty Callaghan, Jeanette Quist, Dannette Fitzpatrick, Connie & Ed Engle, Annette Lawson, Lynn Anikisdal, Bill Hill, Cory Beck, Jeanette Nielsen. Thank you!

Food supplies & donations for food provided by:

Patty Callahan, Bill Hill, Annette Lawson, Danette Fitzpatrick, Lynn McGlynn, Shelly Anderson, Lynn Anikisdal, Jeanette Quist, JoAnn Farrow, Jeanette Nielson. Derek Harvey. Thank you!



We will meet this month on November 21st in the Hall to put these lunches together. If you have any questions please feel free to call Annette Lawson, at 406-490-7751.

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STEPHEN MINISTRY HARVEST AUCTION

We invite you to join the fun at the Stephen Ministry Harvest Auction and Potluck Brunch on November 13 immediately after worship! It will start with Brunch the Silent Auction Tables open for bidding on your favorite items. Silent Auction tables will close as announced during the meal so be sure to check your bids frequently to insure you aren't overbid.

Two baskets will be raffled this year - one Italian themed basket and one Mexican themed basket. The Italian basket will contain a \$50 gift certificate to the Front Street Italian Market, a couple bottles of wine, an appropriate small tablecloth and napkins, and other things. The Mexican basket will have a \$50 gift certificate to Christina's restaurant, margarita fixings, appropriate tablecloth, napkins, and other items. Tickets are available during coffee hours after services each Sunday after services and the baskets themselves will be available to check out starting Oct.30.

We are accepting items for the auction, of course. Handmade items and homemade foods are real favorites. If you have nice items that no longer work in your home but are in excellent shape we welcome those, too. Any items you wish to donate can be placed in the unlocked closet off the Fireside Room any time prior to the auction. A lot of the food items will not arrive until the day of the event.

The funds raised at this event enable us to provide Stephen Ministry at Gold Hill. We use them to purchase training and continuing education materials for our Stephen Ministers and Leaders. We appreciate your support of this program. If you are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister please contact anyone on our Stephen Ministry team.



By Danette Fitzpatrick

Financial Summary

SEPTEMBER 2021	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER/UNDER BUDGET
Income	11,228.00	13,627.00	-2399.00
Expenses	13,009.00	13,650.00	-641.00
Net Income	-1781.00	-24.00	-1758.00

YEAR TO DATE	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER/UNDER BUDGET
Income	107,772.00	122,640.00	-14,868
Expenses	114,279.00	122,852.00	-8573.00
Net Income	-6507.00	-212.00	--6295.00

Just a reminder that our new website, <https://goldhillelca.org>, has a donation button. You can donate to the church by clicking on the link and inputting some basic information. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ME WITH ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THE BUDGET. Danette Fitzpatrick at 406-565-6310 or email at danenurse@yahoo.com. Thank you!

Worship and Music

The Worship Committee meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 6:00 PM at Gold Hill. We have posted the lists for the Lector, Usher, Acolyte and Communion Bread makers in the Fellowship Hall on the sign board. Reformation Sunday is October 30, 2022. We will have Adult Forum relate to what is Reformation Day and the members are asked to wear red because it is the Church color for this important day in the history of the Lutheran Church. On November 6, 2022 we will honor All Saint's Day by lighting of candles to remember our loved ones and those members we lost during the past year at Gold Hill Lutheran. On November 20, 2022 we will celebrate Christ the King Sunday.



The Church colors will be white on both of those Sunday worship services. On November 27, 2022 we begin the season of Advent. We plan to have Wednesday evening worship services jointly with Gloria Dei and alternately attending each Churches. This will be an exciting time for us in our Church. We plan to praise the coming of our Lord with music, singing, worship, prayer and will display the festivities of the season in décor and treats. Plan to be part of this moving series of Sundays and seasons at Gold Hill! The Church color will be blue on November 27, 2022 through the Advent season until December 24, 2022. More details will be announced as we move closer to the beginning of Advent. The budget for our committee for 2022/2023 will be submitted to Counsel and put in the December 2022 Nugget. If you would like to participate in lecturing and ushering for Sunday worship services, please let our Worship Committee members know! Choir sign up is always open to everyone who wishes to praise the Lord with song and music. Simply talk to Dave Coleman. Blessings to all during this beautiful Fall!

In service, Chris Ketchum

Gold Hill Lutheran Church Council



Minutes - October 11, 2022

Minutes from Council Meeting 11
October 2022

Attendance: Mike Lawson, Pastor
Marlow Carrels, Chris Ketchum, Danette Fitzpatrick,
Ty Inglis, Jon Williamson, Lynn McGlynn, Nicholas
Conlan

Absent: Pat Gruss

President Mike Lawson called the meeting to order
Pastor Carrels provided devotions.

Guest and member, Miriam Haley, read a letter that
contained issues of concern to her. There was a
discussion about office hours and other issues raised by
congregation members and pastoral responses to those
issues.

It was motioned, seconded and carried (MSC) to
approve the minutes of the September 13, 2022, council
meeting.

Treasurer's report: Danette presented the September
2022 financial statements. We are experiencing a deficit
of approximately \$15,000 excluding one-time gifts.
Excluding one-time gifts in 2022, income is
approximately \$15,000 below the same period in 2021.
MSC to accept the treasurer's report. There was a MSC
to renew the advertising contract with the Montana
Standard an \$11 per week. Nicholas Conlan will work
on improving our on-line presence with a Google Non-
Profit page.

Pastor's report: Pastor Carrels provided his written
report with his activities. Pastor provided the time-line
on his housing plans and the status of his family's
health insurance policy options.

President's report: Mike discussed the status of the
building work. He provided an update on the discussion
of a television screen in the sanctuary and the upcoming
Lutefisk dinner.

Administration Director Report: Jon drafted an
employment agreement for the administrative assistant
position. Jon provided documents for the upcoming
pastor's review process

Worship ministry report: Chris reported on the details
of the worship committee's work. She reported on
combined worship with Gloria Dei on Reformation
Sunday. The committee reviewed its budget year to
date and will submit a budget for next year in
November.

Leadership Ministry report: Lynn reported on the work
on the parsonage. She obtained a bid for work on the
stained-glass windows. There is deferred maintenance
that needs to be completed on the windows. There was
discussion about insurance coverage and need for
congregational approval for a project of this scope and
cost. It was MSC to fix the downspouts for
approximately \$360. The council discussed security
issues at the church building.

Spiritual Growth report: Pat Gruss was absent.

Outreach Ministry: Nicholas Conlan reported on past
efforts for outreach. There was discussion about future
fundraising activities for various groups and projects.

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Worship Schedule:

Sunday's at 9:30 am

Gold Hill Lutheran Church Calendar

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
		8:30 am Bible Study 5:30 pm Executive Committee Meeting 5:30 pm Exercise class 6:00 pm Worship and Music	10:00 am LWR Quilters 6:30 pm GH Choir Practice		Kogudus Retreat	Kogudus Retreat
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Kogudus Retreat 9:30 am Worship Service 10:45 am Coffee Hour 10:45 am Sunday School 11: 00 am Adult Forum	10:00 am GHLEC Book Club	8:30 am Bible Study 10:00 am Gather Bible Study 5:30 pm Exercise class 6:00 pm Council Meeting	10:00 am LWR Quilters 6:30 pm GH Choir Practice		Veteran's Day-Office closed	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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