

The Nugget



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

September 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)

From The Pastor's Study

Siblings in Christ,

Well, what do you think? We were in the Sanctuary for the first time in over 17 months! And that's all I want to know, what do you think?

We know that the church is built on the rock of our faith in Jesus Christ, but how do you feel about the stones of the sanctuary? How do you feel about the paint? The stained glass? The pews? We thank Christ for being the cornerstone of our faith, and certainly the building does not matter as much as you do, but what do you think? Let us know how you feel and how you think we should continue this building project.

Now to completely shift gears...

There will be so much that we want to do in the coming weeks and believe me people have made their plans known! So, let's get some things out there...

Hey pastor will we do:

Al-Anon?
Overeaters?
Cloggers?
God's Work, Our Hands?
Bible Studies?
Adult Confirmation?
Lutefisk?
Harvest festival thingy?
Feeding ministry?
Quilting?

The answer to all the above: YES!!! Folks we are back, back inside and back from the depths of Covid. We will join together in all the things, but we need to plan them. So, feel free to bring plans to the council so that we can get a calendar going and get moving and grooving in our building... Thanks be to God for all of you and your patience through these last few years, let us come together to serve Christ and our community in the coming months.

Pastor Marlow Carrels



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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September Birthdays/Anniversaries:

Pastor Marlow Carrels – celebrating his
birthday September 1

Cheryl Neuhart – celebrating her
birthday September 2

Brittany Campbell – celebrating his birthday
September 6

Kayla Harvey – celebrating her birthday September 6

David Johnson – celebrating his birthday September 7

Ruschelle Tyvand – celebrating her birthday
September 7

Abby Biastoch – celebrating her birthday September
10

Curt Quist-celebrating his birthday September 14

Dick Fitzpatrick- celebrating his birthday September
14

Pam Cloonan- celebrating her birthday September 17

Chris Meeks- celebrating his birthday September 22

Jerry Akers- celebrating his birthday September 26

Ruth Matson- celebrating her birthday September 27

Pat Gruss- celebrating her birthday September 30



Abby Biastoch – celebrating her baptismal birthday
September 29

Connor James Schofield-celebrating his baptismal
birthday September 22

Ruschelle Tyvand – celebrating her baptismal birthday
September 14

Waylon Powell-Baguel Clemo- celebrating his
baptismal birthday September 29

Arthur Quincy Zell-celebrating his baptismal birthday
September 30

John & Barb Crnich – celebrating their
anniversary September 11

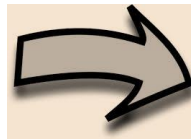
Paul & Kay Vang-celebrating their
anniversary September 17

Mike & Sheila Vincent- celebrating
their anniversary September 19



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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.

September 8th is the next WELCA meeting. The
meeting will be at 11:00 am and a potluck style
lunch will follow at 12:00 pm. You are invited to
either or both! After lunch Pastor Judy from
Anaconda and Dottie Heath will talk about “Future
of the Church.” A Topic from a recent conference
they attended. RSVP is appreciated but not required.
To RSVP please call Dottie Heath at 406-494-5691.

Sunday School for children ages 3 through 6th grade
will begin on Sept. 11 with participation in God’s
Work, Our Hands activities. On Sept. 18 regular
classes will begin after worship at 10:45. We will
meet upstairs for a lesson, crafts and fun. I’ll see
you there!
-Pat Gruss

Pastoral Care Acts

Notices

Deaths

06/14/2022

Ken Yates

Memorials & Honorariums

In Memory of Tammy Engle from:

Mary Johnston

In Memory of Tammy Engle from:

Bonnie Grimes

In Memory of Tammy Engle from:

Linda Moore

In Memory of Tammy Engle from:

Ginger Dewitt

In Memory of Tammy Engle from:

Dick & Danette Fitzpatrick

In Memory of Tammy Engle from:

Dorothy Tallon

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Worship Schedule:

9:30 am

**Please help us to stay updated
and notify the church office
with any address, phone, or
Email address changes!**

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CHURCH COUNCIL September 2022:

Mike Lawson -

President

Jon Williamson -

Administration Director

Danette Fitzpatrick -

Treasurer

Ty Inglis -

Secretary

Pat Gruss -

Spiritual Growth
Ministry, Team Leader

Chris Ketchum -

Worship Ministry, Team Leader

Lynn McGlynn -

Leadership Ministry, Team Leader

Nicholas Conlan -

Outreach Ministry, Team Leader
goldhilloutreach@gmail.com

Pastor Marlow Carrels

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).



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!

Gold Hill ELC Directions



By Danette Fitzpatrick

Financial Summary

JULY	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER/UNDER
INCOME	7,417.61	12,000.00	-4592.39
EXPENSE	13,639.05	11,329.27	-2039.78
NET INCOME	-6,221.44	670.73	-6892.17

YEAR TO DATE	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER/UNDER
INCOME	101,854.25	84,000.00	17,854.25
EXPENSE	83,774.67	79,304.89	4,469.78
NET INCOME	18,079.58	4,695.11	13,384.67

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.

From the Council

Greetings,

The GHELC Executive Committee and the Church Council have been very busy this summer. We finally are seeing light at the end of the tunnel. The most obvious and anticipated event is we will be worshipping in the church sanctuary beginning August 21st.

This summer we also were able to secure a new property insurance policy after our old policy was dropped mainly due to the high cost of repairs for the fire smoke damage claim. It was difficult finding a new insurance carrier and the premium is more costly, but we now essentially have a new church building for worship and fellowship.

We also have hired a new Parish Administrative Assistant after Mary Johnston's retirement. While we

will miss Mary, I am confident Tristyn Howard will ably and competently fill the position. Please feel free to drop by, or call in and welcome Tristyn,

The last major item we are working on is getting ready to welcome back the Creative Factory Preschool and new owner/director Melissa Almendinger. We are finalizing the contract lease with Melissa this week.

I am excited to begin this new chapter in GHELC's growth with all of you!

In Christ,
Jon Williamson

Worship and Music

The Worship Committee has been meeting on the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 at Gold Hill Lutheran. The lists for Worship service have been updated and are posted in the Fellowship Hall. We will have hymn selection on Sunday August 28, 2022. The Church color is green for September. We have moved our committee supplies upstairs.

The new sanctuary is being prepared for our first Sunday service August 21, 2022. Our paraments were returned clean and intact. We will be using them this Sunday. Dave reports we will have a Choir selection on Sunday to celebrate our reopening. We plan to distribute Time and Talent sheets this month. We will be making new banners during the year to replace those we have lost due to smoke damage. Dave discussed the importance of protecting the Grand piano and a new cover has been purchased to keep it from damage. Pastor Carrels has volunteered to give our committee an in-service on how to use and position the microphone for Worship service when he is away. This will help the ones who substitute for him and the Lectors. We will assist with Gods Work Our Hands Sunday, September 11, 2022. We are finally able to move back into our Church. This has been a long and challenging two years. Today I overflow with GRATITUDE for all the assistance, patience and support from this Congregation. HeatherLynn Meeks has asked to join our committee and we welcome and thank her for committing to service. As we move forward in reclaiming our Church, may we pray for guidance, unity, peace and a GRATEFUL heart. Welcome one

and all! Let's celebrate our new beginnings, renewed friendships and our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!
Chris Ketchum

***Gold Hill Lutheran Church Council
Minutes - August 9, 2022***



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

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

It was motioned, seconded and carried (MSC) to approve the minutes of the July 12, 2022, council meeting.

Treasurer's report: Danette reported that offering counters are still needed. She is designing a new form to make the counting easier and more transparent. She responded to questions about the synod benevolence (paid quarterly) and the utilities (increased due to renovation project). MSC to accept the treasurer's report.

Pastor's report: Pastor Carrels provided his written report with his activities. He informed the council of changes to the parish house use. The new administrative assistant will be announced and introduced at a worship service. It appears we will be able to be in the sanctuary on August 21. He discussed the Dayspring invoice that is past due and the current work stoppage.

President's report: Mike discussed the status of the sanctuary work. The insurance company has paid \$1,304,168.89 on the claims to date. There was a discussion of which costs were the responsibility of insurance and which were the responsibility of Gold Hill.

Administration Director Report: Jon reported that we have passed the fire department inspection. We have sent a draft rental contract to the pre-school. The pre-school move-in is ongoing. We have hired an administrative assistant.

Worship ministry report: Chris reported that there is a worship assistant sign-up sheet. Worship supplies have been moved for storage in the new space. There was a discussion about the joint worship services among 5 congregations. There was confusion about the date (9/4 vs. 9/18). Because the date is 9/4, there was general

agreement that Gold Hill would not participate this year. There was discussion of God's Work, Our Hands day (9/11). There was a discussion about a project to clean up the neighborhood. MSC to approve this project. It was agreed that there will be a BBQ lunch after the project.

Leadership Ministry report: Lynn reported on the sprinkler system work and related invoice payment. We have someone who will be mowing the yard every other week. The window sills need to be scraped and painted. Lynn is working on a list of property projects that will be made available to the congregation.

Spiritual Growth report: Pat Gruss was absent but relayed a report that all the old Sunday school curriculum will be disposed of.

Outreach Ministry: Nicholas Conlan was absent.

Other business (new and old):

Pastor Carrels will convene the nominating committee for the various open leadership positions.

There was more discussion on the status of the Dayspring invoice and reasons for non-payment and the related work stoppage.

The council closed with the Lord's Prayer.

The meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm.

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Pastor Marlow Carrels

Mike Lawson, Council President

Parish Admin. Assistant Tristyn Howard

Gold Hill Lutheran Church Calendar

		September 2022				
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
				6:00 pm GH Choir Practice		
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
9:30 am Worship Service 10:45 am Coffee Hour 10:45 am Sunday School 11: 00 am Adult Forum	Labor Day Office Closed for Holiday 	8:30 am Bible Study 5:30 pm Executive Committee Meeting 6:00 pm Worship and Music	10:00 am LWR Quilters	6:00 pm GH Choir Practice		
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
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