

Looking Forward

The newsletter of First Presbyterian Church of Boise

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- * **Youth “Thank you” Meal** - Sunday, Oct. 29, following the 10:45 a.m. service - FREE! The FPC Youth will be preparing and serving a “Thank You” spaghetti meal in appreciation of the support they have received from the rest of the congregation. Come hear more about the 2017 Mission trips. Everyone is invited!
- * **2018 Stewardship Pledge Sunday** - Sunday, Nov. 5. Connecting to Giving!
- * **Single Service/Congregational Meeting**- Sunday, Nov. 12, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary.
- * **Harvest Dinner** - Sunday, Nov. 12, following the Congregational Meeting. Our annual fall feast with all the trimmings. Look for the sign-up boards to see what you can do to help.
- * **Office Closed for Thanksgiving** - Thursday, Nov. 23. Food, friends and frivolity; a holiday with something for everybody.

Upcoming
EVENTS

COFFEE HOUR NEEDS YOU!

Sign up to volunteer help with Coffee Hour on the boards in Lindsay Hall. If you need help learning the tasks, Amanda Brumbaugh will teach you.

Volunteers are what make this popular time of fellowship work!



SIGN UP TODAY!!!

Please!

NEW NAME - SAME WONDERFUL PERSON!

Some of you may have noticed that I've been missing in action for a couple of weeks. You also may have heard that it's because I got married. Guess what? It's true! On October 8, Nick Williams and I were married at First Presbyterian Church in Victor, NY (near Rochester) by two of my colleagues in the area. We were lucky enough to have many of our friends and family there (including Andrew, Caroline, and Tyler!). Afterward, we flew to LA and visited Universal Studios before going on a 3-day cruise to Mexico for our honeymoon. It's all been a whirlwind, but I'm glad to be back with you!

On a related note that everyone seems to think is much more important and confusing than I do, my new legal name will be *Katey Schwind Williams*—two last names, no hyphen. I won't be offended if you want to keep calling me *Katey Schwind* or if



you want to start calling me *Katey Williams*, but if you want to be entirely accurate, use all three!

A heartfelt THANK YOU to everyone for your support, well-wishes, and congratulations over the last few weeks. I'm absolutely blessed to be a part of this community!

Katey

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- 10-25 Brandy Wood
- 10-27 Phyllis Weideman
- 10-28 Taiana Carvalho
- 10-28 David High
- 10-29 David Beck
- 10-29 Kaye Gilchrist
- 10-31 Kyla Greenwood



5 FACTS

1. Martin Luther disputed the idea of papal indulgences, but why?

Luther did not initially mean to separate from the Roman Catholic Church but was only asking for reforms on the proper interpretation of Scripture, especially on the idea of repentance. The very first of his listed 95 Theses reads: "When our Lord and Master Jesus Christ said, 'Repent' (Mt 4:17), he willed the entire life of believers to be one of repentance."

Some Roman Catholic leaders were selling indulgences promising that past and future sins would be forgiven. A common refrain from the time attributed to Catholic clergyman Johann Tetzel was "As soon as a coin in the coffer rings, a soul from purgatory springs." Luther, of course, contested the idea that salvation, forgiveness, and repentance could be bought and sold.

2. Luther translated the entire Bible into German.

Luther completed his Greek to German translation of the New Testament in 1522 and with the help of scribes and assistants completed the Old Testament in 1534, completing his German Bible that played a major influence on English translation and the King James Version.

Making sure that Scripture was available for the masses to read was of central importance to the Protestant Reformers. While not the first German translation, Luther's Bible is credited largely for transforming the German language.

3. Reformation Day is a national holiday in Chile.

While much of Europe and North America have become more culturally secularized, Protestantism, especially with the growth of Pentecostals, has exploded in Latin America. Chile, a majority Catholic country, like much of the region, has seen a rapid rise in Protestant believers.

4. 498 years ago on this day, Luther was neither a Protestant nor Lutheran.

When he nailed his 95 Theses to the door of the church, Luther was still Roman Catholic. As referenced earlier, Luther was looking to reform a faith tradition in which he was a clergy member and theological teacher at the University of Wittenberg. Luther posted his theses, which spread throughout Europe rapidly, so there could be debate on the matter.

Luther stated confidently that he thought the whole matter would be cleared up after the Pope Leo X corrected those whom Luther believed had erred. Later, Luther preferred to be called "Evangelical" and did not like the term "Lutheran."

5. Luther's hymn "A Mighty Fortress" is popularly known as the "battle hymn of the Reformation."

The well-known hymn is often played and sung in many Protestant churches on the Sunday when they have Reformation Day services. The words, penned by Luther, are a loose paraphrase of Psalm 46. The popular hymn was sung at the funeral for former President Dwight D. Eisenhower (1890-1969).

- **WEDNESDAY**
5:00 p.m. LOGOS
6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper
6:45 p.m. Youth Group
(katey@fpcboise.org)
7:00 p.m. Choir
7:00 p.m. Bible Study
- **THURSDAY**
10:00 a.m. Quilting
- **SUNDAY**
8:45 a.m. First Light Worship
9:30 a.m. Christian Education
10:45 a.m. Traditional Worship
11:45 a.m. Fellowship
12:15 p.m. Handbell Choir
- **MONDAY**
5:00 p.m. Friendship Food Pantry
- **TUESDAY**
7:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study
9:30 a.m. Pastoral Care
10:00 a.m. Stitch Group & Prayer Shawl Ministry

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER MENU

Halloween

Chili, Chicken Noodle Soup, Cheesy Toast, and Salad

\$4 per plate

(No one is turned away for inability to pay)

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