

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Polson, Montana
PUMC Weekly Newsletter April 20, 2024

**Mission Statement of
First United Methodist Church of Polson, Montana**

We are people of faith who love God and love people,
living into the transformative love of Jesus the Christ.

- Creating an open and loving faith community.
 - Transforming lives through acts of love, justice, mercy and compassion.
 - Worshiping God through authentic, holistic, passionate, and relational experiences
 - Sharing our faith, hope and dreams through words and actions.
 - Serving the needs of the community through mission and ministry.
 - Living relationally through mutual giving, receiving on a local, regional, national and global level.
 - Creating an environment that meets people where they are
 - Creating safe space to explore, ask questions, learn, and grow.
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Sunday Morning Worship Service
Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 21, 2024 ~ 11:30 a.m.
Rev. Jon Umbdenstock



Order of Worship

Gathering the People

Welcome and Celebrations ~ *Pastor Jon*

*Hymn of Celebration ~ "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"
~ *UMH #57*

*Call to Worship (*Psalm 23 ~ Psalter 754*) ~ *Kris Murphy, Liturgist*

Leader: *The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.*

People: **The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures,**

Leader: *leads me beside still waters, restores my life,*

People: **leads me in right paths for the sake of the Lord's name.**

Leader: *Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil;*

People: **for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

Leader: *You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;*

People: **you anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows.**

Leader: *Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;*

All: **and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord as long as I live.**

Offering Our Gifts

Offertory Anthem

Doxology.

*Offering Prayer Response

Wellspring of life, help us to use these offerings to make peace in our community.
Set us free from fear, hoarding, and hostility, and renew in us
the desire to become open-handed and open-hearted.
Teach us to know what is enough so that all may not just survive, but thrive. Amen.

Time of Prayer

Prayers of the People

Prayer ~ *Pastor Jon*

The Lord's Prayer

Unison Prayer Response ~ "Surely the Presence of the Lord"
~ *UMH #328*

Proclaiming the Word

Easter Acts Reading: *Acts 4:5-12 (NRSV)* ~ *Kris Murphy, Liturgist*

New Testament Reading: *1 John 3:16-24 (NRSV)*
~ *Kris Murphy, Liturgist*

*Hymn of Preparation ~ "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"
~ *UMH #381*

***Gospel Reading: [Luke 24:36b-48 \(NRSV\)](#) ~ Kris Murphy, Liturgist**

Message ~ Pastor Jon

***Hymn of Commitment ~ ["My Hope Is Built"](#) ~ UMH #368**

Sending Forth

***Benediction ~ Pastor Jon**

***Response ~ ["They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love"](#)
~ TFWS #2223**

Announcements

HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

Mission Valley Choral Society ~ Spring Weekend Concert
Sunday, April 21st ~ 4:00PM Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Polson MT

Sunday, April 21st ~ Fourth Sunday of Easter
10:30AM Adult Sunday School/Bible/Book Study at Polson UMC
11:30AM Sunday Worship Service at Polson UMC
6:00PM ["Fermented Faith"](#) meets at Ronan Cooperative Brewery

HERE'S WHAT'S COMING UP!

Sunday, April 28th ~ Fifth Sunday of Easter
10:30AM Adult Sunday School/Bible/Book Study "In the Dust of the Rabbi" at Polson UMC
11:30AM Sunday Worship Service

SAVE THE DATE!

May 18th ~ Spring Clean-up at PUMC

Saturday, June 8th ~ [PUMC Garage Sale](#) 9am - 2 pm

Contact Information

Please update your address, phone numbers, and email with the church office.
You may email the information to: pumc@polsonumc.org.
If you need to contact Pastor Jon, his email is: jon.umbdenstock@gmail.com.
His telephone number is: 512.635.7439

Pastor Jon's Availability

Weeks of 04.22.24-04.27.24, 04.29.24-05.04.24, 05.05.24-05.11.24.

*(per Pastor Jon) Any day not off I am available to meet and chat. Call, text, or email and we can set something up. Otherwise, I'm doing research, preparing for sermons, current and future lessons, etc. The specific times listed are when I'll be in a set place. I could be longer in those places, but those are the committed times. I am generally more productive when I move settings frequently.

Monday: Remote. Available 8:30 until 5:30.

Tuesday (Polson): off

Wednesday: Available 9:30 until 4:30. Great Grey Coffee (Ninepipes) 11 - 1.

MVUMC 2 – 4.

Thursday: Available 8:30 until 5:30. Dobson Creek 11 - 1. MVUMC 2 – 4.

Friday: ½ Day. Available 9 until 1:00. Great Grey Coffee (Ninepipes) 11 - 1.

Saturday (Polson): ½ Day. Available from 9 until 1:00.

Good Coffee/Whistle Stop 9 - 11. PUMC 11:30 - 1:30.

**Pastor Jon will be away for a Continuing Ed conference followed by clergy leave Monday, April 29 - Friday, May 10.

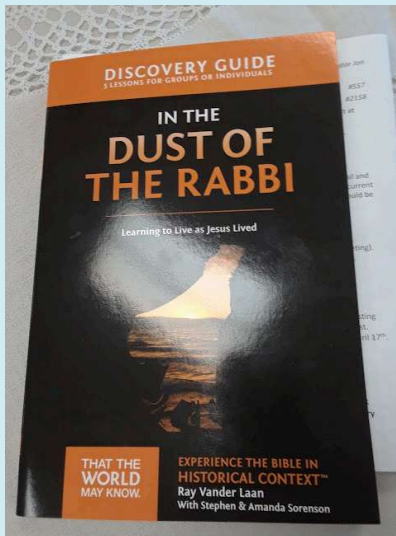
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Small Groups / Bible Study

Messages from Pastor Jon:

Adult Sunday School/Bible/Book Study on "*In the Dust of the Rabbi*" starts at 10:30 a.m. on Sundays. Contact Kris Murphy for more information.



Sunday April 21: [*Fermented Faith*](#) - Resurrection - What? Where? How? Why?
6pm - 7 pm @ Ronan Cooperative Brewery,

Coming up: On the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 11am - 12, I'll be hosting a group for going over the sermons, questions, and/or basically anything of interest. This will be at Dobson Creek/Stella's and open to both MVUMC and PUMC. Next group May 15th!

Soon: Once Polson completes the study Kris Murphy is leading (likely middle of May), I'll start the "What is the Bible?" book study that will meet likely 1-2x's per month.

"Many Gifts, One Spirit" **Mission Valley Choral Society** **Spring Weekend Concerts**

Sunday, April 21st ~ 4:00pm
Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
Polson, MT

April 4, 2024

Mission Valley Choral Society Presents a Spring Concert Weekend

Mission Valley Choral Society's Spring Concert Weekend begins with a concert at 1 p.m., Saturday, April 20, at the St. Ignatius Mission and ends with a concert at 4 p.m., Sunday, April 21, in Polson at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. A meal will be served immediately following in the church basement.

The 30+ voice community choir, directed by Cathy Gillhouse, will present an 11-piece program that includes classical, contemporary sacred, spiritual, gospel, barbershop and American folk songs. The choir, which has existed in the county since the 1960s, brings a diverse group together united to bring joy through music.

Concerts are free and open to all. A free-will offering will be taken on Saturday to help the choir with music expense. The Sunday free-will offering and ham and scalloped potatoes meal served following the concert will benefit Helping Hands of Mission Valley.

Information is available on the MVCS web site missionvalleychoralsociety.org or Facebook page. Direct contact can be made by calling (406)261-3304 or (406)260-6103.

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Contact person: Valerie Lindstrom 406-261-3304

Garage Sale ~ June 8 2024

CONNECTING Our COMMUNITY

FIRST UNITED METHODIST
Church of Polson
 301 16TH AVE. E. - POLSON
SATURDAY, JUNE 8

3rd Annual
**VENDOR/
 CRAFT FAIR &
 GARAGE SALE**
9am - 2pm

HOT DOG LUNCH \$2
 AVAILABLE 11:30-1:30PM

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Helping Hands of the Mission Valley.

Please [click this link](#) for the April 15th newsletter from *Helping Hands*

Please [click this link](#) for the April 8th newsletter from *Helping Hands*

Please [click this link](#) for the April 3rd newsletter from *Helping Hands*

Please Pray For:

Prayers for: All those who are ill. The hungry, homeless, and the lost.

Prayers of healing for all who are suffering with COVID-19,
 and all those who are affected by the virus.

Prayer Requests ~ Those who have prayer requests should email them to:
jon.umbdenstock@gmail.com, pastor@polsonumc.org or info@polsonumc.org.

Personal Care Bag Project

PUMC is collecting items for the *Personal Care Bag Project*. Please remember to bring to the church your donations of personal hygiene items. They may be left in the brown box near the front door by the office.

The Transitional Living Center is requesting the following items:

1. Full and twin sheet sets
2. Bath towels, hand towels

3. Used 2 panel curtain sets 48" to 60" long
4. Twin and full size blankets
5. Throw rugs

Giving

PUMC now provides several secure online giving points:

1. On our [FUMC website](#)
2. Text "Give" to: 406.295.6900.
3. Mail your check to the church at: 301 16th Avenue East, Polson, Montana 59860

Lectionary Scripture for April/May 2024

April 21st ~ Fourth Sunday of Easter

Psalm 23; Acts 4:5-12

1 John 3:16-24; John 10:11-18

April 28th ~ Fifth Sunday of Easter

Psalm 22:25-31; Acts 8:26-40

1 John 4:7-21; John 15:1-8

May 5th ~ Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 10:44-48; Psalm 981;

John 5:1-6; John 15:9-17

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