PASTOR'S REPORT October 18, 2017

Fall is well underway and the holidays are approaching too quickly! As seems to be a universal complaint this month—where did our summer go and how can it possibly be the middle of October already?!?! I totally hear you and agree!! I'm still playing catch-up from my England vacation but taking it one day at a time—what else can you do!

Thank you so much for your support and prayers for my Sept. vacation. I appreciate you all and feel very blessed to be so well cared for (wait, aren't I supposed to be doing that for you?) A special thanks to those of you who filled in at the pulpit and leading worship while I was gone for three Sundays! On Laity Sunday, Sept. 12th, Jane Baker, our lay speaker, and friends led worship, Sept. 19th Monty Hopkins was in the pulpit with help from some of you for the service, and finally, Sept. 26th, Rev. Richard Gilbert let the service and preached. For each of those Sundays the congregation supported the folks preaching and being involved in the service. I was able to let go of those services knowing they were in good hands and each of you would be generously blessed by attending! Thanks!

UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR CALENDARS

Saturday, Oct, 21st SE WYOMING DISTRICT CHURCH CONFERENCE, Cheyenne First UMC 1:30-3:30 pm (Carpooling available)

Week of Oct 22nd Pastor Lesley will not be taking her days off. She will be attending a mandatory Clergy Orders Retreat in Breckenridge, Co Tues-Thursday Oct. 24-26th. You may call her as need arise on her cell phone 303-548-4062

ADVENT BEGINS Sunday, December 3rd

Thursday, Dec. 21st 5:30pm The Longest Day of the Year/ Blue Christmas Worship Service Christmas Eve 10:00am Christmas Carols and Hot Chocolate

7:00pm Christmas Eve Service Carols, Candlelight & Communion

Blessings, Pastor Lesley