



## News of the Week October 6, 2021

### Prayers of the Week

**Please remember in your prayers this week:**

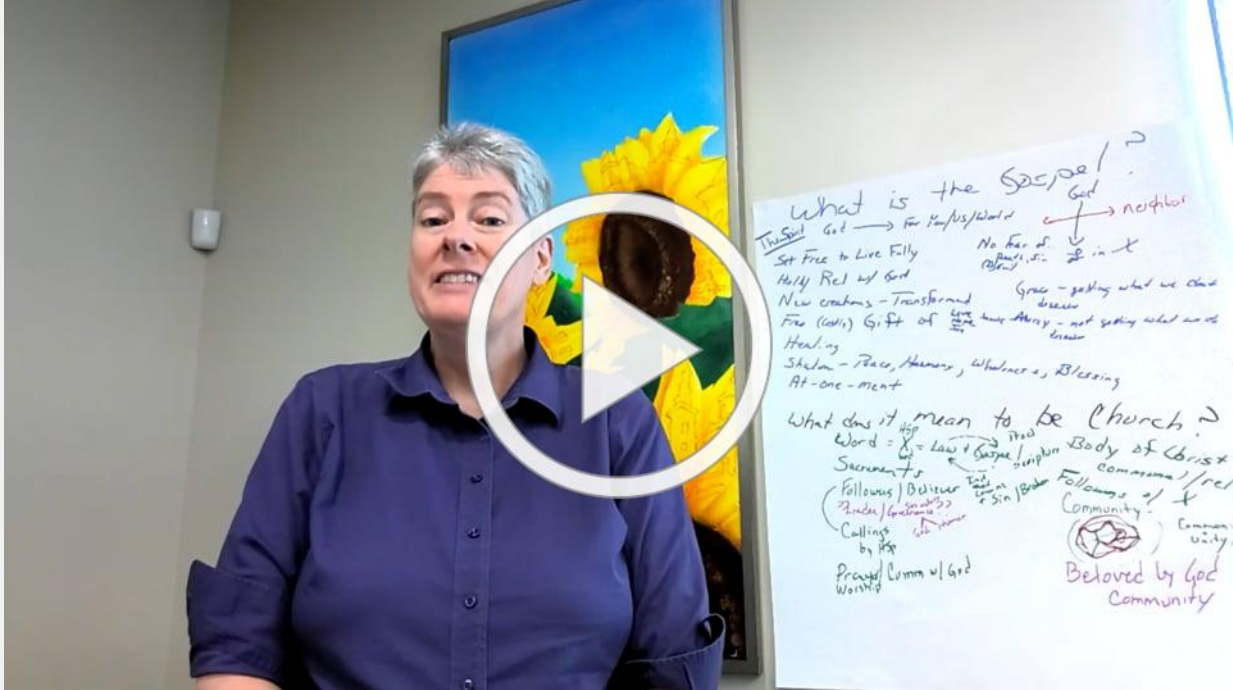
For Pastor Stephanie White, (St. Luke's Shelby) as she undergoes meniscus surgery tomorrow.

**From the Montana Synod Prayer Calendar:**

Bethel Lutheran Church, Grain  
Hinsdale Lutheran Church, Hinsdale  
First Lutheran Church, Glasgow  
Sierra Pacific Synod



### Words from the Bishop: What is the Gospel?



## Bishop's Convocation

The Bishop's Convocation will be held online, November 3rd and 4th, from 9:30 to noon both days. Please mark your calendars as attendance at the Bishops Convocation is required for all rostered leaders.

## Chico Pastoral Conference Cancellation

Dearest Colleagues,

We are sorry to say that, for the third time, the Pastoral Retreat at Chico for the first week of November has been postponed. Due to the current surges within the state's hospitals, we do not feel it is appropriate to come together at this time.

We do plan to pursue a retreat at Chico the week after Easter next year, however we are currently striving to learn how to live with Covid.

**Please remember to cancel or move your reservations to the week after Easter next year!**

**As of October 4th the Synod Staff will begin traveling for essential reasons only.**

**Also, masks are required in the Synod office and we ask that if you plan to come into the building for longer than a drop off, that you are vaccinated.**

**The Synod Office will be staffed, so please always feel free to contact us by phone or email.**

**The Montana Synod Staff will be providing a recorded sermon following the lectionary for any interested, especially those congregations currently without a pastor. Check the Synod website every Friday or the Vimeo playlist [here](#). These will be provided every week now through the end of the year.**

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