



Montana Synod

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Montana Synod Weekly Announcements January 11, 2021

In this new news format all announcements for events submitted to the Synod office will come out in the Monday email. The Wednesday email will contain Synod specific news and articles. The submission deadline for announcements is Thursday at 5pm.

[Click here to download the resource email for Annual Congregational Meetings](#)

Streams and Meetings this week:

Monday, January 11th

10am and 7pm: Annual Meeting Q & A with Colter McCarty, open to pastors and council members.

[Email Colter](#) for the meeting link.

Wednesday, January 13th

7pm: Ordination of William Rima kentlutheran.org

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JOIN OUR ANNUAL MLK DAY COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

MLK

Missoula's Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration

Presented by the Missoula MLK Day Planning Committee.

Monday, January 18, 2021

Streaming live on the
EMPOWERMT
YouTube Page

5:50 - 8:00 PM/MST

How to Join:

type in EmpowerMT on youtube and you will see a red live streaming tab. **Click to join!**
Free for everyone.



2021 EVENTS

Land Acknowledgment:

Led by **Arleen Adams & Casey Ryan.**

Youth Rally:

Youth Leaders **Samantha Francine & Lucy Mills-Low** speak on their experiences, intersectionality, and how they are so much more than one part of their identity.

MLK Jr. Day History & Recognition:

Led by Missoula's own social justice leader, **Murray Pierce.**

Keynote Address:

Activist, father, community builder, and pastor **Dr. Carlton Byrd** delivers our 2021 Keynote Address. He is the current Senior Pastor of the Oakwood University Church on the campus of Oakwood University in Huntsville, AL. Dr. Byrd is also an activist, a father, and is passionate about building communities.

Community Service:

Donation drive to support local organizations.

Presentation of Awards:

MLK junior youth art and essay contest.

Performances:

Shawn White Grass & Brittney Hunter;
Andre Floyd & Jeremiah Coutts; and
Elijah Jaill Paz Fisher; with **Sierra Pannell** as our emcee.

Accessibility:

Closed captioning will be available.

For more information about the program:

Contact EmpowerMT at (406) 541-6891 or email info@empowermt.org. You can also visit our website: empowermt.org/Community/dr-martin-luther-king-jr-missoula-community-celebration

Other Events to Celebrate MLK Day:

- "Back Then They Didn't Want Me: A Look at Maligned, Misused, and Misremembered African American Activists." **UM's MLK, Jr. Day address, Thursday, January 14, 2021, 4:00 - 5:15 PM/MST**
<http://ns.umt.edu/aas/stories-folder/sanders-mlktalk.php>
- Walla Walla University - Missoula Campus: **Dr. Walton Rose** will be a guest for the MLK Jr. Event on **Saturday, January 16, 2021, at 11:30 AM** live on Zoom. For more information, visit MCRM.adventistchurch.org

Sponsors and Community Partners:



Donations and Sponsorships make this event possible. Please donate here:





Upcoming NRIT Events:

Grief: A Class in 3 Sessions

Jan 21 Class 1 – Complicated Grief 10am to Noon

Jan 26 Class 2 – Congregational Grief 1pm to 3pm

Feb 4 Class 3 – Traumatic Grief 10am to Noon

Click here for more details and to register: <https://www.montanasynd.org/nrit.html>

Christikon Clips



January, 2021

Information for our Congregations

Watch this month for Christikon brochures on opportunities for youth. It's not too early to start thinking about this summer. Youth brochures will be mailed to every young person in grades 4-12 in our congregations this month. Those brochures will detail some very special deals for registering early for camp. We hope to serve even more people from our member congregations in 2021! Early registrations have been very strong so get registered earlier than later!

Save the date: Christikon Benefit Auction is scheduled for April 18th.

Too few of our nation's young people (not to mention adults) have significant outdoor experience. Christikon combines spirited outdoor experience with a community experience that helps open people to the life of faith. Think about joining the Christikon life this coming summer. It can do a world of good...

**It is the mission of Christikon to awaken and nurture faith in Christ—
exploring God's creation and the adventure of life together.**

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Summer 2021 Staff Application Open! We are excited to assemble a team of talented, dedicated, and overall wonderful people to provide a summer of awesome ministry in 2021! Visit <https://flbc.net/employment/> to learn more and to

apply.

Summer 2021 Volunteer Application is now open to ALL adults (Montana residents and out-of-state volunteers). Help us make it a great summer! <https://flbc.net/donate-volunteer/#volunteer>

Upcoming FLBC Retreats & Events

Visit <https://flbc.net/annual-programming/> to learn more about our year-round programming and to find additional COVID-19 related information.



Winter Environmental Education Field Day *□

January 23, 2021

\$25/person

Join FLBC for a day of fun and learning! Call 406-752-6602 to register.

Tea Party - "It's all about God's love!"

February 13, 2021 2-4pm

\$10/person

Grandparents, guardians, parents, bring your kiddos to a Valentine's Day "Tea Party!" All ages are welcome; our programming will focus on children ages 4-10.

Day Camp Workshops

March 6 in Great Falls

March 13 @ FLBC

\$10/person (lunch included! Overnight housing at FLBC available if needed)

Join us for a workshop exploring FLBC's Day Camp program, where camp comes to you! Gather to learn more about hosting a Day Camp team, preview the Bible study curriculum, or get more information about potentially hosting a Day Camp in the future!

Adult Spirituality Retreat - "Shepherd Me, O God"

April 18 - 20, 2021 (Sun - Tues)

\$165/person (\$125 for Monday only)

Join Pastor Brenda Satrum at FLBC for time with your Shepherd, as we dwell with God in Word, prayer, silence, and song. (CEU Credits available)

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