

WEEK OF JANUARY 25, 2026



From Woody: We managed to get our meeting done yesterday before the snow accumulated too much but did leave a car in our parking lot so will try to move it today. Thanks to all for the good food and discussion at our meeting. We are indeed blessed to have a congregation that can gather and discuss our church matters without rancor. A special thanks to Lydia who did a lot of work to get our annual reports together and to keep the moderator of the meeting(me) on track.

Just a short word on the second killing of a civilian in Minneapolis by federal agents over the weekend. The civilian killed was a 37 year old man named Alex Pretti. He worked as a nurse at the Veteran's Home and it is apparent that he was attempting to help a woman who had been knocked to the street back onto her feet. While he legally had a gun with him he did not take it out but was holding a cell phone. It is awful to watch a video where brutal agents of our government are acting like Nazis from Hitler's Germany. May we all do whatever we can to stop the brutality of our so-called leaders and begin to solve our problems nonviolently, with respect for one another. That is the way of Jesus, Gandhi and Martin Luther King. It should be the American way as well.



Our town deliberative session is next Monday evening, February 2, at 6pm at the school gym.



Sewing class: Interested in learning basic sewing skills? Then please join Kristi Citak and Judy Hull on Saturday January 31st from 10am-12:00pm in the Dignard room. We would love to hear what you want to learn as well. Some of you may learn how to make dresses for our Dress a girl dress making. HOW exciting would that be. I will have a sign up in the hallway. See Kristi or Judy.



Flowers: With a new year comes a new sign-up for flowers. If you would like to contribute flowers to the Sunday morning worship service please use the sign up on the church's bulletin board or speak to me. Flowers enhance our worship together and can be used to commemorate a person or an event. Thank you in advance! Ellen

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Remembering Dona Fairbairn: One year ago this month, Dona Fairbairn found that she had an aggressive form of cancer that would sideline her a bit. Dona fought back in her usual “go get ‘m” style. In the end the illness won and she succumbed to it’s wrath on January 14. Gerry and daughters Krista and Lane were by her side. A gathering of friends and family were held at the Fairbairn home in Park City, Utah on January 16.

The Lombards and Woodburys invite you to the Lombard home (11 Pine Echo Road) on **Wednesday, January 28, from 1PM-4PM** to remember a friend who gave so much to each of us, to the Community Church and to the town. There is no need to respond. We hope only that you can come for all or part of those hours to recall stories of her time in New Boston and laugh at her many antics. If snow makes driving impossible, we welcome you on Thursday, the 29th at the same time. And do spread the invitation to others who may want celebrate Dona.



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Peace Quote: Why can't we all just get along? ... *Rodney King*



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