

## The Most Blessed Holiday Season To All From Family Promise

### Host Congregations

- ☺ St. Paul's Lutheran
- ☺ First United Methodist
- ☺ St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church
- ☺ Immanuel Lutheran
- ☺ St. Anthony Catholic Church
- ☺ University Congregational Church
- ☺ Grace United Methodist
- ☺ Atonement Lutheran
- ☺ Garden City Church
- ☺ Christ the King Catholic Church
- ☺ First Presbyterian Church
- ☺ Sovereign Hope Church Support Congregations
- ☺ First Christian (Disciples of Christ)
- ☺ Har Shalom
- ☺ Blessed Trinity
- ☺ Missoula Friends
- ☺ St. Ann's Catholic Church (Bonner)
- ☺ Our Savior's Lutheran (Bonner)
- ☺ Spirit of Peace
- ☺ Unitarian Universalist ☐ Missoula Seventh Day Advent-ist
- ☺ Missoula Stake of LDS Church
- ☺ Missoula Alliance
- ☺ Emmaus Campus Ministry
- ☺ Holy Spirit Episcopal

The Missoula Ministerial Association invited the religious communities of Missoula to gather on Thanksgiving Eve for prayer. Religious leaders participating were Fr. Ed Hislop, Blessed Trinity, Rev. Daniel Disch, Atonement Lutheran, Rev. Chris Flohr, St. Paul Lutheran, Fr. Rob Spaliatsis, Annunciation Greek Orthodox. Laurie Franklin, spiritual leader at Har Shalom, was the song leader for Psalm 92, in Hebrew. Sister Mary Jo Quinn, Blessed Trinity, directed the interfaith choir. The collection was offered for the work of Family Promise of Missoula.



Choir directed by S. Mary Jo Quinn, Blessed Trinity



choir being led in a psalm-in Hebrew- by Laurie Franklin, spiritual leader at Har Shalom



From left to right: Fr. Rob Spaliatsos, Annunciation Greek Orthodox, Rev. Daniel Disch, Atonement Lutheran and president of Missoula Ministerial Association, Rev. Chris Flohr, St. Paul Lutheran (site of first Day Center), Fr. Ed Hislop, Blessed Trinity Catholic Community.

## Knights help out Family Promise

From its early planning stages in 2011, **Knights of Columbus** members have assisted Family Promise of Missoula in its effort to provide guidance and shelter for Missoula families who are temporarily homeless. In June of that year, Council 13022 ran the refreshment stand at a Family Promise fund raising dinner at Blessed Trinity Catholic Community, raising \$210 for the fledgling program.

Family Promise's immediate need for a way to transport the beds from one host church to another was met by 13022's Layne Kauldor, owner of **All Lanes Moving and Storage**, who for the next two years, hauled the beds each week with a moving van his company owns. This past summer, Kaulder donated a 6' x 12' trailer which is pulled each week by members of whatever church is on schedule.

Additionally, 13022 hosts periodic fund raising dinners at Blessed Trinity and for the third year will run the no host bar at the No Room at the Inn gala opening December 12 with the proceeds going toward Family Promise and Habitat for Humanity. Council 13022 as well as 1021 supply volunteers (such as J Edward Pribyl's wife, Connie who plans the menus for the Grace United Methodist Church hosting) joining the many who continue to make Family Promise a success.

David Neu

Sponsored by Betsy and Jeremy Milyard  
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Sunday, December 21st  
First United Methodist Church  
300 E. Main St.  
4:00 p.m.



An Evening of Winter Music For Acoustic Guitar and Voice

John Floridis In Concert

A Benefit For Family Promise Missoula  
Contributions Encouraged At The Door



## Thank You Volunteers:

This space is normally reserved for words from various volunteers as to what motivates them to get involved with the program, called WHY I VOLUNTEER. This time we want to sincerely thank 4 groups who have “stepped up above and beyond the call of duty” to provide food and shelter from the night cold to the pregnant families we service, when the normal channels couldn't do so. It normally takes around 50 people to provide food/shelter for a week, and when the following provide that offering above their committed 4 times per year, that is very special, admirable, and we sincerely thank God for that. And we owe you a “very big one” for your sacrifice. So thank you to:

- the women and volunteers of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, for providing shelter on an emergency basis for our needing families
- the women and volunteers of St. Anthony Catholic Church for providing shelter on an emergency basis for our needing families
- the ladies and volunteers who provided evening meals during these special times at the Day Center
- the person who offered her home to the families for the week as a “last option” if we could not have come up with another alternative

May God grant you a special heart's wish for what you all did. Thank you.

Family Promise