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U.S. House, At-Large

Open seat (Harriet Hageman did not seek re-election). Chuck Gray won an 11-way Republican primary on Aug. 18.



Chuck Gray

REPUBLICAN · OPEN SEAT

Wyoming Secretary of State since 2023; former state representative (2017–2023) and radio host.



Lisa Kinney

DEMOCRAT · OPEN SEAT

Former Wyoming state senator (1985–1995) and minority floor leader; attorney, library director and financial advisor from Laramie.

Where the candidates stand on the issues Pope Leo XIV has raised, in their own words and votes. Bracketed numbers link to sources. We do not rate, score, or endorse candidates.

WAR & PEACE

POPE LEO XIV *Leo invited citizens of every country involved in the war with Iran to contact their leaders and members of Congress "to work for peace and to reject war and violence."* Remarks at Castel Gandolfo, Apr. 7, 2026 (Vatican News via The Good Newsroom)

CHUCK GRAY

No public position found.

LISA KINNEY

Calls for ending "the war of choice in IRAN," honoring the NATO treaty and Congress not "relinquishing power to the President"; also urges leaving Venezuela, Cuba and Greenland alone.

[1] Lisa Kinney: R.E.A.L.

AI & THE DIGNITY OF WORK

POPE LEO XIV *"No one can be reduced to productivity, to cognitive performance, or to mere data."* Magnifica Humanitas presentation, May 25, 2026

CHUCK GRAY

No public position found.

LISA KINNEY

No public position found.

THE POOR & THE SAFETY NET

POPE LEO XIV *The preferential choice for the poor is "a source of extraordinary renewal both for the Church and for society."* Dilexi Te, Oct. 4, 2025

CHUCK GRAY

No public position found.

LISA KINNEY

Wants to restore ACA subsidies "right away" and work toward Medicare for all; backs restoring SNAP benefits and free school breakfast and lunch, and reducing the 2025 reconciliation law's effects.

[1] Ballotpedia: Lisa Kinney (Candidate Connection survey)
[2] Lisa Kinney: R.E.A.L.

ELECTIONS & CIVIC LIFE

POPE LEO XIV *Authentic democracy, "far from being a mere procedure," "recognizes the dignity of every person and calls each citizen to participate responsibly in the pursuit of the common good."* Message to the Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences, Apr. 9, 2026

CHUCK GRAY

Lead sponsor of Wyoming's 2021 voter ID law; supports voter ID and "proof of citizenship for registering to vote," and says his office partnered with the Trump administration on voter roll maintenance.

[1] Chuck Gray for Congress

LISA KINNEY

No public position found.

LIFE OF THE UNBORN

POPE LEO XIV *Abortion "cuts short a growing life and refuses to welcome the gift of life."* Address to the Diplomatic Corps, Jan. 9, 2026

CHUCK GRAY

Pledges to "support pro-life policies" and "stop taxpayer-funded abortion policies"; authored Wyoming's 2017 ultrasound bill and received Wyoming Right to Life's Platinum Award.

[1] Chuck Gray for Congress

LISA KINNEY

No public position found.

THE DEATH PENALTY

POPE LEO XIV *Someone who opposes abortion but favors the death penalty "is not really pro-life."* AP via PBS NewsHour, Sept. 30, 2025

CHUCK GRAY

No public position found.

LISA KINNEY

No public position found.

IMMIGRANTS & REFUGEES

POPE LEO XIV *"Defending human life also includes welcoming, protecting and assisting immigrants."* Letter on the 250th Anniversary of the United States, June 25, 2026

CHUCK GRAY

Says "a nation without borders is not a nation"; supports Trump's approach to securing the border, enforcing existing immigration laws and ending "Biden-era open-border policies."

[1] Chuck Gray for Congress

LISA KINNEY

Calls the current ICE mission "arbitrary and cruel," urges due process "for everyone," and lists "fair and just immigration" among her priorities.

[1] Lisa Kinney: R.E.A.L.
[2] Lisa Kinney for Congress

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY & EDUCATION

POPE LEO XIV *Religious freedom is "the right of every person to worship according to conscience."* Letter on the 250th Anniversary of the United States, June 25, 2026

CHUCK GRAY

No public position found.

LISA KINNEY

Supports public education, public libraries and re-establishing the Department of Education; no stated position on vouchers or religious liberty.

[1] Lisa Kinney: R.E.A.L.

CARE FOR CREATION

POPE LEO XIV *"We cannot love God, whom we cannot see, while despising his creatures."* AP, Oct. 1, 2025

CHUCK GRAY

Pledges to "protect coal, oil and gas, and energy jobs," stop "woke wind projects" and their federal subsidies, and oppose the ESG agenda; led a legal fight over coal export access.

[1] Chuck Gray for Congress

LISA KINNEY

Says "we must keep public lands in public hands" and will fight federal land sales; supports responsible energy development and protecting water and wildlife.

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