

2019



Celebration
Time

Summer Worship
9:30 AM Sundays

*“We are God’s
People Sharing the
Love of Christ!”*

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Brothers and Sisters in the Family of Faith,

Grace and Peace to you in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

What is your plan for the summer? Summer is a season of the year that everyone is looking forward to do something which is so exciting. Families are planning road trips and vacation time while others are planning to spend more time in their garden planting more seeds to grow.

Jesus said, “The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how.” Mark 4:26-27

The seed grows secretly and the man who planted it doesn’t know what’s happening to it. Every one of us intends being the master of their own purpose. But the truth is God the Creator does his best work with creation and us in secret. We are receiving blessings of growth, nurture and hope without our full ability every day. God continues to bless us with opportunities; experiences and new relationships that help us grow in ways that are beyond our ability.

The farmer prepares the land, scatters the seed and gathers the harvest. But who takes over it in between those times? Jesus reminds us that we are not in control of everything in our own lives. The sanctification process is through our active listening and awaiting the guidance and direction of the Creator of the universe.

The story of the Mustard Seed reminds us that God often starts with the small things and by his divine blessing they can grow into something extraordinary. This is true in our lives when we begin the process by searching our God’s divine direction. We may have a small conversation that turns out to be a huge blessing in someone’s life, especially when that conversation happens at a time in their life when they are ready to grow.

Every single one of us is invited to be part of something much larger and more extraordinary than we could ever imagine. We are invited to participate in the idea of “Thy Kingdom Come.” We have a significant role in God’s divine direction for a better world. There is no such thing as a small insignificant, irrelevant, unappreciated person. Everyone is precious and can make a difference.

In Christ’s,

Sione

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FUMC FINANCIALS

COMMITTEE EXPENSES YTD THRU **April 2019**

Conference Apportionment	\$	1,500.00
Communication	\$	923.90
Personnel	\$	91,448.12
Education	\$	401.69
Caring and Evangelism	\$	42.98
Membership Activity	\$	75.00
Worship	\$	267.16
Board of Trustees	\$	33,191.81
Administration	\$	3,515.32
Finance	\$	310.01
Youth/College	\$	(22.25)
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	131,653.74
GIFTS RECEIVED YTD THRU April	\$	122,292.76
BALANCE	\$	-9,360.98



Need A Ride?

His Ride Bus Service

CEMAC will be offering bus service for the 9:30 service. We'd like to remind you that this service is still available for anyone unable to drive themselves to church. Our bus has a lift, so walkers and wheelchairs are not a problem. Four drivers rotate Sundays: Scott, Kevin, Brian, and Don. Our first pickup is now about 8:30 but might change with more riders. If you need a ride, please call the church office at 353-5522 by 3:00 Friday afternoon or Linda Kautz at 590-3118 by 8:00 Sunday morning, if a sudden turn in the weather changes your plans to attend church. For questions or even to request a ride, call Linda Kautz any time. Take advantage of this wonderful service!



The deadline for the **September Messenger** is **Monday, August 19th**. Articles can be emailed to Ginger Jansson at tgjansson@gmail.com



June

Jack Robinson	6/06	82 yrs.
Lavern Dressor	6/14	88 yrs.
Ramona Stotts	6/14	87 yrs.
Deborah Gallagher	6/20	102 yrs.
Miriam Lee	6/22	101 yrs.
Grace Napier	6/29	97 yrs.

July

Micky Schmidt	7/01	85 yrs.
Anne Schenkman	7/07	89 yrs.
June Roukema	7/08	94 yrs.
Don Zaggle	7/13	91 yrs.
Irene Long	7/14	87 yrs.
Ruby Taziri	7/18	95 yrs.
Norman McLaughlin	7/24	88 yrs.
Jean Wilson	7/24	82 yrs.

August

Darlene Schwartz	8/06	89 yrs.
Ellie Johns	8/08	81 yrs.
Maxine Bracken	8/14	85 yrs.
Joe Warmbrod	8/19	86 yrs.
Bud Haworth	8/25	87 yrs.

June

Bob & Janie Bernd	6/01	59 yrs.
D Joe & Maryetta Moore	6/03	63 yrs.
Gary & Maxine Bracken	6/04	65 yrs.
Jerry & Dorothy Benner	6/07	60 yrs.
Jack & Nancy Robinson	6/13	55 yrs.
Bill & Barb Wolf	6/19	54 yrs.
Lonnie & Terry Eakle	6/20	60 yrs.
Tim & Miriam Chavies	6/26	51 yrs.
Lester & Sue Kropf	6/29	62 yrs.

July

Don & Mary Cooper	7/06	50 yrs.
Robert & Lois Satterlee	7/13	56 yrs.
David & Doris Biehl	7/16	52 yrs.
Charles & Alice Szasz	7/18	50 yrs.
Gary & Sally Hoff	7/27	51 yrs.

August

Ed & Leona Bowker	8/07	66 yrs.
Dale & Dee Kratochvil	8/08	54 yrs.
Allen & Carol McConnell	8/25	56 yrs.
Del & Linda Ross	8/27	52 yrs.
Leon & Brenda Grube	8/28	59 yrs.
Ed & July Linn	8/29	65 yrs.

New Church Intercom System

The old church intercom system has been replaced. Due to increased security concerns, the church doors will be locked during the week when there are no meetings or activities scheduled. If you come by the church during normal business hours and the doors are locked, please use the intercom system found on the right wall as you walk up to the West entrance doors. Someone will come let you in the building. Thank you.



We've got a lot to look forward to this Summer!

There will be childcare staff available to cover the 9:30am Summer Service.

Relay for Life was held on May 31st and ran through June 1st and thanks to all of you, we exceeded our fundraising goal!

Summer Ventures 4 Jesus!

Our first official Summer Ventures 4 Jesus Friday activity starts on June 7th @ 5:30pm at the church. If you'd like to help, please show up at 5:00pm. Activities will run every Friday through June 26th. If you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact Nikki or let Kathy know in the church office. If you are unable to commit your time, there are a number of items we could use! Please follow our Facebook page and see regular updates on Sunday mornings for more info. This should be fun for all!! I've also been distributing our "take out church" boxes as well as flat Jesus! If you are still in need of one, please let me know! We are encouraging families to take Jesus with them this summer!

Greeley Stampede Faith and Family Night Concert featuring for King and Country-June 30th. Tickets are between \$30 and \$40. Please let Nikki know if you are interested in going!

Colorado Rockies Faith and Family Day - August 18th @ 1:10pm followed by a concert featuring Kari Jobe. There's a discount for tickets of 20 or more purchased so please let me know if you are interested. I can get you more info on ticket prices, depending on how many are interested!

Johnstown VBS- for those of you still looking for the traditional VBS, Johnstown Methodist Church is hosting theirs on July 8th-July 12th.

We are really looking forward to this Summer and the opportunity to get out into the community and spread God's Love!



Wednesday Night Prayer Group



The FUMC Wednesday Night Prayer Group is calling out to new people! What a worthwhile commitment to keep in your back pocket! We usually meet in the Sanctuary at 6:30 p.m. with Sione on Wednesday nights, weather permitting. We might talk a few minutes and share concerns to pray for. Then we pray for FUMC, the FUMC's people, the building, whatever touches our hearts. We might pray for the greater Methodist Church. What do we do when we get finished? We go home! Our commitment only takes a few minutes, but what a worthy cause! Did you realize our church was able to pay our yearly apportionment last time? Our group cheered about that after praying for finances! WE DID IT! Come find out about our group! If you can't come pray with us, stay home and pray with us! Could you commit to praying with us for a few minutes once a week? Will we be meeting during the summer? I hope so! We might have to listen for further news from Sione. Think about it! Then come join us! God Bless, Marcia Hull.

Habitat for Humanity Faith Build Update

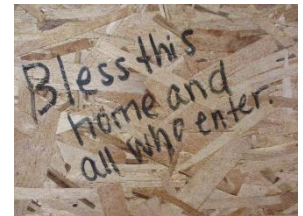
Thanks to everyone who wrote a blessing on the roofing sheets for the Bocanegra-Tejeda home. Imagine living in a house knowing that you are literally covered by prayers and good wishes!

Fourteen members of our congregation spent Saturday, May 4th, working at the Habitat build site. We were joined by 12 Americorps volunteers and three members of the Fort Morgan Methodist Church, so a lot of work was accomplished putting up siding, the roof, and general cleanup of houses already in progress. These photos show Tim Jansson up in the rafters and



Maria Conklin enjoying her day of volunteering!

Our next Habitat project will **be serving lunch** to the Fort Morgan mission work team on **Friday, June 14th**. Several people have signed up, but if you can help, please join us. The work team will be housed at the “Habitat Hotel”, the lower level of the Habitat office building, during their stay.



Habitat Breakfast on July 18th

If you want to learn more about Greeley-Weld Habitat for Humanity and be inspired about the work the organization does, please join us at breakfast on Thursday, July 18th. It will be held at Christ Community Church, starting at 7 a.m. The breakfast is free, but attendees will be encouraged to make a donation to support Habitat. Once again, Dick Monfort will speak. Last year he matched the total donations given at the breakfast, raising enough money to build a Habitat home. Contact Marian Ruge at 970-584-4199 or amruge@juno.com to help with the lunch in June or to attend the breakfast on July 18th.



Sewing for Service in the Summer



Already this year Sewing for Service has **donated 61 quilts** to community organizations! We are taking a (slight) break this summer. Instead of meeting weekly on Wednesday afternoons, we will meet the third Wednesday, June 19th, July 17th, and August 21st. After Labor Day we will go back to our regular schedule.

Are you already thinking about Christmas gifts, or the cold winter ahead? You might be interested in purchasing a quilt in September when we have our annual sales event. Sewing for Service welcomed an experienced quilter to our group, and she is creating new designs which make very attractive quilt tops. There is a Broncos quilt, a couple with horses, a bright red one, a large king-size quilt, and many more. Reasonable prices, of course! The money from sales buys the batting (the fluffy inside of the quilt). Thanks to everyone who has donated sheets and fabrics which are used to make the quilt tops and the backs.



United Methodist Women News

Greetings from your Leadership Team. We enjoyed our meeting on May 9th with 12 of our members and the program by Donna Hettinger, who led us to explore Response magazines to find an article of interest to share with the others.

Donna also shared a couple of items from our collection of Ideals that celebrated Mother's Day. We enjoyed lemon cheesecake and handmade mints for our Spring meeting.

Our thanks for your support for our pennies project and the Easter bake sale which earned \$414.75.

Looking forward now to the Summer season, beginning with our picnic at Ulafay Fry's on June 13 at 5:30 pm with food furnished by your Leadership Team. Be sure to join us for an evening of food and fellowship to get our summer started.

The upcoming events for the Summer months are Mission U held in Parker on July 12 and 13 or again in Longmont on July 24. Please check online or with one of the leaders for information. The 2019 Day Apart for our district is in Estes Park this year on July 27 from 9:00am to 2:15pm. Registration is due by July 15 and the form is now available online. You can also register by calling Ulafay to let her know you would like to go to share the day with presenter Laurie Fujinami.

We ask your continued prayers for our leaders as the conference adjustments continue for the churches and our organization.

“Pennies for Mission” 2019



The Leadership team for Greeley United Methodist Women would like to extend our many thanks and appreciation to all who continue to generously support our “pennies” project. We will continue to collect pennies each year until United Methodist Women and Greeley FUMC have celebrated 150 years in service. Our total for 2019 is \$167.19 and the total of giving since we began in 2015 is \$1,834.33. We did add a new container for the dimes for Relay for Life. This is an important piece of our mission work, so thanks for helping us help Relay for Life.

Please continue to look for information on where the “pennies” are working on the United Methodist Women website www.unitedmethodistwomen.org, on Facebook and YouTube as well as in the copies of Response and New World Outlook available with our map display in the hallway showing the home and world sites supported by United Methodist Women.

Please join us in prayers for our church as we head into the Summer season with new ministries and a new worship time. Pray for the victims of the natural disasters around our country and in the world - for Summer travel with “Flat Jesus” and our families - for the feelings of Easter to live beyond the season.

Parade Water

It's that time again! Time to start thinking Greeley Stampede and parade! Once again, we will be handing out water during the parade. If you would like to donate bottled water, there will be a cart near the West entrance to place your donations. We will begin putting FUMC labels on bottles a couple weeks before the parade. Please check your emails or Sunday bulletins, as the date gets closer, for details on opportunities for you to help. Thanks.



The Four Candles

Four candles slowly burned. The ambiance was so soft, one could almost hear them talking...



The first candle said: "I am Peace!" "The world is full of anger and fighting. Nobody can keep me lit." Then the flame of Peace went out completely.



The second candle said: "I am Faith!" "I am no longer indispensable. It doesn't make sense that I stay lit another moment longer." Just then a breeze softly blew Faith's flame.



Sadly, the third candle began to speak: "I am Love!" "People don't understand my importance, so they put me aside. They even forget to love those who are nearest to them." And waiting no longer Love's flame went out.

Suddenly...



A child entered the room and saw the three unlit candles. "Why aren't you burning? You're supposed to stay lit till the end." Saying this, the child began to cry.

Then the fourth candle answered: "Don't be afraid, I am Hope!" "While I am still burning, we can re-light the other candles."

With shining eyes, the child took the candle of hope and lit the other candles.

The greatest of these is love...but the flame of Hope should never go out of your life! With Hope each of us can live with Peace, Faith and Love.

Prayer:

"Dear God, You are my light and salvation. You are my hope. Please come into my heart, forgive all my wrongs and give me Your wonderful gift of Eternal Life. Help me be an instrument of Your love and cause Your light to shine on others through me. Amen."



The Alleluia Ringers have been active this September thru May. They have played for the congregation a minimum of at least once every month, sometimes twice a month, and when the whole ensemble plays, they have participated at both services. Their commitment is huge when you think about the fact that on every Sunday they play they generally arrive at 6:45 AM and aren't done until close to 12:00 noon by the time they get everything reset in the bell room on the third floor. I hope you will thank them profusely when they return in the fall.

This year we were thrilled to have Sue Kubik return to our ranks. As well as having Lois Pringle and Shelly Merriman come play with us. Our prime substitute player this year was Kevin Hilmes. We were grateful for him being able to step up to play almost every time someone was gone for an extended timeframe.

I don't have the numbers of pieces compiled at this moment for what we have played, but I know we have increased the amount of selections we have played this year. In the last two months alone, we have played six anthems and twelve hymns. We work really hard to not do repeats. THANKS TO ALL OF THE PLAYERS—Cheryl Biwer, Laverne Dresser, Shelly Merriman, Marcia Walters, Joyce Langham, Lois Pringle, Carolyn Tarman, Sue Kubik, David Pringle, MaryEtta Moore, Katy Gertwig Dawes, Amanda McCosh, Epeli Tukatua.

If you might be interested in joining us this fall please let me know, Connie Long, 970-371-5277. THANKS to all the congregation for being wonderful listeners when we play. HAPPY SUMMER!

New Summer Worship Time



We will have one combined service at **9:30 AM** throughout the summer with Fellowship Time following the service. This will begin on Sunday, May 26th (Memorial Weekend) and run through Rally Sunday, September 8th.