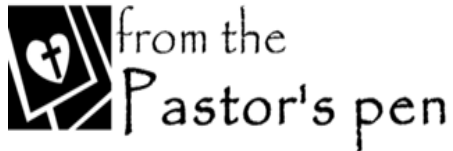


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July 2019



We are IN the Season of Pentecost. We WILL BE IN the season until the first Sunday of December when we begin the preparations of Advent. This long season of the church year is sometimes called the “non-festival” half of the church year – there aren’t any big celebrations between now and Christ the King Sunday at the end of November. We will (for those of you keeping track) recognize Reformation Sunday and All Saints Sunday in October.

Pentecost is also referred to as *Ordinary Time*. The word “ordinal” simply means counted time. And that’s a relief! Because, we should find the season of Pentecost as *anything* but ordinary. In fact, as we focus on the teachings of Jesus, we could call the season *extra-ordinary*! Our altar clothe and pulpit scarf (our paraments) are green to symbolize how we, as Christians, grow our faith through God’s Word.

One of the ways we should be continuing to grow is by putting our Spiritual Gifts into practice to build up the Body of Christ. The gifts of the Spirit are the tools each of us have been given for ministry and particular jobs – not just in the local church, but also within Christ’s Church.

In the coming weeks, I’ll be sharing, in bulletin inserts and power point slides, the twenty-one *gifts of the Spirit* that the Apostle Paul names in several of his letters in the New Testament.

I am praying that you’ll give attention to the descriptions of the Spiritual gifts and be mindful of which ones are particularly *familiar* to you. I’m praying, too, that when the Spirit nudges you *with that* familiarity that you’ll share that with me and others in the Family of Faith...it’ll be exciting to see how God will empower each of us to grow Pikes Peak UMC *and* God’s Kingdom.

Relax! We’re not all going to be preachers or teachers. Some of us will be administrators or missionaries – which can happen right in our own neighborhood. Others are healers (and think about it: that can mean physical healing as well as helping others with financial healing, being involved with healing of the environment or other maladies we know exist in our culture and society.) Stay tuned – there are many other Spiritual gifts to learn about. We ALL have them. We don’t ALL use them. But we could....we should. PPUMC will be energized and empowered in ways we can’t imagine *until we acknowledge our Gifts and put them to use for the Kingdom*.

Ordinary season of Pentecost?

I don’t think so ♥

I look forward to hearing how the Spirit is moving
YOU.

And seeing you in God’s house soon.

I’m honored to be in
ministry *with* you at Pikes Peak UMC.

We’ve been blessed! Now, let’s *all* BE a
blessing!

Pastor Dea

UMW Dorothy's Circle

Pikes Peak United Methodist Church

June

The June 6th meeting began at 1:30 pm, with the reciting of the UMW pledge which was read in unison by seven of our ladies, and guest speaker Sandra Holland from Ecumenical Social Ministries.

Sandra began by acquainting us with ESM since this was the first time that they had come to our UMW. They are located at 201 N. Weber, close to downtown and have been serving persons in poverty since 1982. In 2018, they provided hot showers to almost 9,000 people, washed 3,000 loads of laundry, gave away hygiene products to 12,841 needy folks and provided 71,000 people with groceries. ESM provides a much-needed ministry to that area of town. They are partially supported by private donations and the 8 downtown churches, who rallied 35 youth last year to paint a Sunflower mural on the back of their building. Sandra received a speaker's fee, plus seven large bags of blue jeans and T-shirts to take back!

*Our Spiritual Growth Chairperson, Millie Ware has been unable to attend our meeting because of the fire at their residence, Regency Apts. Susie G will bring an encouragement card for all of us to sign.

*President Brown read a thank you card from Megan with the LaPuente Mission for our donations.

*Last month's minutes were read and approved.

*The Treasurer's financial report was presented along with copies of last month's finances given to the President and Secretary. Thank you to Jessie.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO MEETING NEXT
MONTH JULY 4TH,**

please enjoy the holiday everyone!

*We appreciate all the greeting cards written and sent to the congregation, thanks to Susie G.

We closed the meeting by repeating the UMW prayer together. Then we enjoyed the lovely blueberry cheesecake dessert provided by Suzy P. Thank you, Suzy, it was delicious!

Secretary
Gretchen



"God Will Take Care of You"

Although this song is often attributed to John A. Davis, this reassuring hymn was actually written by Mrs. Civilla Martin and set to music by her husband, the Reverend Walter S. Martin in 1904.

On a Sunday morning, when her husband went to a speaking engagement, Civilla became ill and was unable to join him. When he considered not attending, their little son asked if God wouldn't take care of Mother while he was away and when the Reverend returned, Civilla was much better. During that quiet, Sunday afternoon, she penned the words to, *God Will Take Care of You*. Upon returning home, Rev. Martin sat down and wrote the music to her song. A songbook that was later compiled by Reverend Martin and John A. Davis was published in 1905 and included this hymn.

In 1905, another favorite hymn also written by Civilla Martin, *"His Eye is on the Sparrow"*, was published under her name in, **The Faith We Sing**, Hymn Book. Gretchen



The Lord has blessed us to have a church full of God's children. Your prayers and concern have helped us. Thank you for your gifts and cards. Please pray for those who lost everything and those without insurance. ~ Seth & Millie

Mel's Famous Biscuits & Gravy
MEN'S BREAKFAST
at 9am 
Great Food, Fun and Fellowship!

Saturday, July 27th



The Dorothy Circle WILL NOT meet in July (due to the Fourth of July holiday).

The group will reconvene on August 1, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. in Gamber Hall. All women are invited for this time of mission discussion and fellowship. Questions? Talk to LaVada Brown, Gretchen Arnold or Jessie Cooper.



MINISTRY

**Join us for our
 committee meetings
 **NO MEETING in
 JULY****

**Contemplative Worship
 1st & 3rd Sundays
 5 p.m. at PPUMC**



Lectio Divina



**"Sermon of
 the Amount"**

**April \$4002
 May \$3764
 June (to 6.16.19) \$3836**

**Monthly Giving 2019
 Monthly budget \$6303**

During summer travel season, we'd appreciate receiving your promised tithes and offerings even when you're not here. Drop 'em in the mail so we can maintain the ministries of PPUMC. Thank you.



In Memory of

Harold "Hal" Donavan Smith
February 12, 1918 – June 21, 2019
The Celebration of Hal's life was
Monday, July 1 with interment at
Fairview Cemetery.



K & C GIGGLERS
PPUMC's Crafters

The crafting Giggles meet the
**2nd and 4th Thursday of each
month.** If you would like to join us we
would love to have you. Please use the
back ramp door. Hope to see more in
the coming months. We do not meet if it
is slick or snowy. ~~ **Prayer Throws or
Shawls** If you know someone who is in
need of a prayer shawl or throw, we
would like to share the ones we have
made and ready. Questions about the
Giggles or suggestions for a prayer
throw, **please contact Ruth Reed**
719-471-1393.

Westside Cares



PPUMC has been asked to gather and
donate 130 packages of college/narrow
ruled filler paper (150 sheets per
package) for West Side Cares' school
backpacks. There will be a donation box
in the welcome area. Thanks to those
who donated diapers, wipes and
feminine sanitary products last month.
Enjoy the summer.

Archie and Chery Wilson



"Making a Splash with Jesus" vacation
Bible school was June 17-21. Twenty-
two kiddos, five youth and eight adults
helped Kim Sommer. It was an exciting
week of learning, singing, crafts, snacks
AND playing in the temporary pools.
Thankfully the weather cooperated for a
great week of PPUMC mission with kids!



PPUMC's Outreach Committee is presenting a challenge! On Sunday, July 14, we will have a Compassion International child/alum share the message with us about this mission opportunity. Kennedy Krezi is from Kenya, the youngest of 10 kids. He received Compassion International sponsorship when he was seven years old. As a Family of Faith we have the very same opportunity, to be the sponsor of a child as we grow in our understanding of God's very special love for kids like Kennedy. In addition, it's an opportunity for each of us to interrupt the cycle of poverty and make a difference in the life of at least one child. Want to do more? If you (or you and a couple of friends) are nudged by the Spirit, there will be adoption applications available for your private sponsorship. Your support of PPUMC's Outreach Ministries enables us to care for a child until they, like Kennedy, become an alumni of the program. Be prayerful about Compassion Sunday at Pikes Peak UMC. And may God bless our efforts for God's Kingdom.



SAVE THE DATES AUGUST

* Stay tuned about the Women's "Cozy Mountain Lodge" Retreat. We're working a date change due to travel schedules.

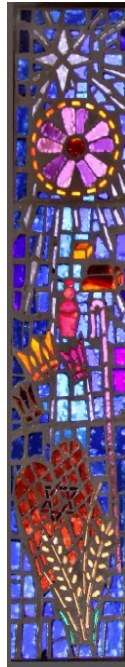




Grace Notes

*~ thoughts and inspirations for
a blessed life.*

God doesn't call us to be happy.
God calls us to be HOLY and then
we'll BE happy.



Legacy 115 ~ SAVE THE DATE ~

September 8, 2019

Make plans to be involved in the 115th Anniversary of our very own Pikes Peak United Methodist Church. We're hosting an open house with church tours on Sunday, September 8, from 1 to 3 p.m. You won't want to miss it; it'll not come again! IT IS ALL FREE!

Tours of the building will answer questions like: Do you know where the coal bin was? Have you seen the sneaky back way to the choir loft? What about the bell tower? AND, you won't want to miss the long-anticipated arrival of Mr. Winfield Scott Stratton, who lived at the time this church was built (a.k.a. performer, Richard Marold)! There will be refreshments, a presentation about the stained-glass windows, and our own artist Rachel Thompson will tell you about her murals downstairs! Invite your friends and family to this once-in-a-lifetime FREE event!

PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER



Remember our shut ins:
Maria Castle,
Bill Edwards,
Shirley Harr,
Jim Hodges,
Ruth Pierce,
Rachel Schilowsky, and
LaMona Sherwood

****Watch for Pastor Dea's
prayer emails.*



3 Craig Sommer
5 Cindy Blackney
Nancy Schreck
8 Charlotte Williams
15 Jay Mullins
23 Bill Garriott
Natalie Keating
24 Ruth Wilbur Sheaves
28 Stephanie Adams

ANNIVERSARIES

19 Ken & Nancy Schreck
20 Mike & Kelley Arnold
Joe & LaVada Brown
22 Michael & Elizabeth Taylor
30 Randy & Berna Keating

PASTOR'S SCHEDULE

Pastor Dea is appointed to PPUMC as a ***part-time pastor***.

Tuesday and Thursday are church-work days. Call the church phone 634-3589 or email pikespeakumc@gmail.com to schedule an appointment. Days include home and/or hospital visits, pastoral phone calls, administrative tasks and mid-week Bible study.

- Saturdays include scheduled meetings and special events.
- Sundays include choir rehearsal, Adult Sunday class, worship and meetings.
- Monday, Wednesday and Friday are **at home** for sermon writing, worship prep, Bible study preparation, as-needed pastoral calls, special service preparation, and ***personal sabbath time***.

Of course, emergencies and other circumstances will indicate the need to call the Pastors Sharp at home but your care for the boundaries they need to keep is appreciated.

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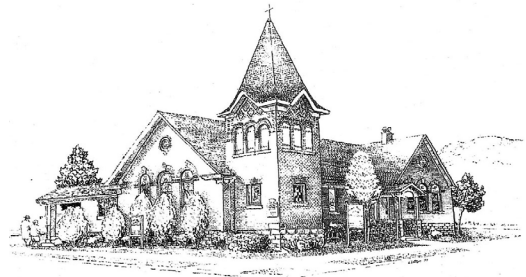
Sunday Worship 10:50 AM

Pastor Dea Sharp

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Director of Music Barbara Turner

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