

## Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light until my path. Psalm 119:105

#### August 2016

# From the Pastor's pen

hat it's August is mind-boggling! This summer has been a frenetic time for many of us. But know, even when you're traveling or at an outdoor venue or entertaining guests you're being prayed about and missed. I'm looking forward to seeing you when you're back from your busy schedules.

Also know, when you're traveling or at the fair or a concert or entertaining guests you're also able – in YOUR unique way - to build the kingdom of God...right where you are.

> ~ Traveling to visit relatives? I bet your smile, courtesy and "have a blessed day" will have an effect on gas station attendants, airline employees and fast food workers.

~ Attending a concert or even the Farmer's Market? You can be the somebody (as in "somebody should do it") that picks up a piece of trash, who steps aside for another person in line or can provide relief from the hot sun. ~ Showing Colorado Springs to guests from out of town? Be confident that your mealtime prayers (even at a restaurant), your attention to someone else needing directions and your offering a compassion package to someone who is homeless will, even in just a small way, make a difference. A couple of Sunday's ago, our lectionary Scripture was Jesus' response to disciples who asked him, "Teach us to pray." He gave them, and us, what we know as the Lord's Prayer and the example of a format for all prayers. There's adoration and submission, offering petitions, giving confession, seeking forgiveness and being blessed with protection. But most importantly, I think, what comes from Jesus' instruction (and example) is the encouragement to, using Nike's slogan: JUST DO IT.

Just pray. And then....

Just do it! Bring the kingdom to RIGHT WHERE YOU ARE: not in an *obligated* sort of way but because you're covered with blessing. Not as a program some pastor or leader tells you OR in a specific way that's "always been done before" but because you can. Not as something you might do or may do, or can do or....well, you get the idea. The Holy Spirit is in you. The kingdom is around you and **you** are uniquely qualified to share the love of Christ with co-workers, family and friends, and with complete strangers.

What is it that <u>you're</u> feeling the nudge about? Believe me, you need to "JUST DO IT."

Dear Ones, this edition of the Lamplighter includes our regular articles and calendars. It also has some important news from the *Rocky Mountain Conference* **including** the election of the new bishop who is appointed to our Conference, the formation of *a new* Conference (combining us and the Yellowstone Conference) as well as "teasers" about events that are still weeks away. Share it <u>all</u> with others!

Abiding in Him, **Pastor Dea** 

#### UMW Dorothy's Circle Pikes Peak United Methodist Church August

The July 7<sup>th</sup> meeting of the United Methodist Women's Dorothy Circle began at 1:35 pm with the reading of the Purpose of the United Methodist with ten women present.

Our Spiritual Growth Leader, Beulah Shaw, brought us a reading from the Daily Bread Devotional entitled, "From Mourning to Dancing". The Editor had lost a job and was feeling his own identity was seemed to be lost! Then he read Isaiah 61:1-3 and found that the Lord gives us hope and grace in this life and joy in the next. He realized his identity was not in his job but in Christ! Thank you Beulah for this encouraging message for everyone!

Our speaker for today was Megan Slifer from LaPuente Mission in Alamosa. She gave us an update on how the mission is getting along and it seems they are still in the business of helping the poorest of the poor in Colorado! They had over 700 night accommodations at the Mission in 2015, their peak for night "stays" comes in the late fall when harvesters are working the fields. Their case management program, PALS program for children and the newest program called Rapid Re-Housing all are being well attended! The Rapid Re-Housing program is a government program that quickly moves families into a house (usually within days!) which is different from the old program that took several weeks to achieve the same end!

Gleaning the fields brought several thousand pounds of produce in 2015; this year they are thinking there will be closer to 30,000 pounds of produce collected, due to more volunteers. The food goes directly into the community through LaPuente's food banks and their meals programs. They collect corn, potatoes, tomatoes, spinach, peas, beans, lettuce and squash! Gleaning is a huge addition making food available to people who otherwise would have little to nothing to eat! Dorothy Circle has collected items for this worthwhile organization each year for over 20 years and still is considered a top contributor to LaPuente's work in the San Luis Valley! This year we gave them over 30 personal care bags that were sewn and filled by our membership; several extra bags of miscellaneous items, and 200 pounds of rice. Our deepest appreciation goes out to the congregation for your kind contributions that are vital to continuing Dorothy Circle's mission work! Thank you!

June meeting minutes were read and approved by the membership.

Jessie Cooper Treasurer, brought us up to date on the UMW account as well as the Community Service account and provided copies of the Bank balances to President Brown and Secretary Arnold. Because our Community Service account also provides for receptions and meals following the death of members of our congregation, Jessie has been busy with this changing account recently. Thanks Jessie.

July birthday cards and other cards are being sent out by Beulah Shaw and Grace Cook sends Education labels to Red Bird Mission. Keep collecting your Labels for Education, dear family of PPUMC. Those and pop can tops are very important to many groups that we support. Thank you Beulah and Grace!

Our August meeting will be held on the First Thursday, August 4<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm with the program from one of our members. Our September meeting will welcome Twinkle Gordon as speaker and the Springs Rescue Mission, another of our Mission projects will be in October They need men's clothing, household items, and just about anything else that homeless folks could use.

Ethel Pierson kept the prayer sheets safe and passed them out when we ended our program at 2:40 pm. Refreshments were provided by Gretchen Arnold.

Most Sincerely,

Gretchen





#### Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty

Does this hymn seem familiar? Many United Methodist sing this song on Trinity Sunday. Or perhaps the words sound familiar to you because they come directly from Revelation: 4:8! But even if you don't remember the song, the meaning becomes obvious once you hear it This song is dedicated to God being our 'Three-In-One, Lord.'

The author of this beloved hymn, Bishop Reginald Heber (1783-1826) wrote it in 1826, shortly before he died. It was composed in an effort to lift up the Holiness of God for services on Trinity Sunday and has been used for that same purpose, often on that same day, for the last 190 years!

Bishop Heber had become aware that his congregation was not receiving much inspiration from their hymns so he decided to write something that would bring about a personal connection to God through their worship in song. He eventually wrote the lyrics for 57 hymns; however, the most remembered words of them all, are: "Holy Holy Holy, Lord God Almighty; Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee! Holy Holy Holy, Lord God Almighty; God in three persons, blessed Trinity!" (aretchen



#### AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 1 LaVada Brown
- 3 Derek Castle
- 8 Ron Reed
- 8 Herb Shaw
- 11 Kenny Baines
- 11 Randy Keating
- 15 Colin Gordon
- 16 Don Shartran
- 16 Preston Holladay
- 18 Ken Schreck
- 26 Lola Satterfield
- 27 Russ VanDerWedge
- 28 Jackson Wood
- 30 Luci Rawlings
- 31 J.D. Drayton

#### **AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES**

- 3 Rick & Ann Keetch
- 5 Craig & Kim Sommer
- 29 Bernard & Rachel Schilowsky



Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: For thou art my praise. Jeremiah

Dee Burger Dick & Sue Bush Susie Gallivan Shirley Harr Jim Hodges Katy Lynn Frank Martinez **Cletis Reed Ruth Reed** Lola Satterfield Rachel Schilowsky Herb Shaw Martha Simons Hal Smith Shirley Trucott Seth & Millie Ware Virginia Van Der Wege In loving memory of Marty Corder In loving memory of John Castle

# August 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 1:30pm Dorothy's Circle	5	6
7 8:30am Choir Rehearsal 9:30am Adult SS 10:50am Worship & Children's SS	8 6:00pm Adult Bible Study	9 4:45pm TOPS		11	12	<b>13</b> <b>10:00am</b> Children's and Youth Ministry Team
14 8:30am Choir Rehearsal 9:30am Adult SS 10:50am Worship & Children's SS	<b>15</b> <b>6:00pm</b> Adult Bible Study	16 4:45pm TOPS	17	18	19	20 9:00am Men's Fellowship Breakfast
21 8:30am Choir Rehearsal 9:30am Adult SS 10:50am Worship & Children's SS	22 6:00pm Adult Bible Study	23 4:45pm TOPS	24	25	26	27
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# PRESTON L. HOLLADAY CELEBRATES HIS 100<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY ON AUGUST 16, 2016.

I was born in Manhattan, Kansas to Olive Heinman and Charles F. Holladay. I had one Brother, Charles Jr. who Is deceased and had no Sisters. My Parents are both Deceased. I road 3 miles by Horseback to school for Three years, then our family moved to Dodge City, Kansas where my Dad sold Life Insurance. I graduated from Grade school and then from High School in 1936.

I married Lois Shelton in 1940. We were married 69 years and 10 months. Lois expired in 2010 after being ill for some time. She was an LPN at Penrose Hospital. Our middle Son is deceased. We moved to Colorado in 1951, lived in Manitou Springs for a short time, then to Colorado Springs where we resided for about 26 years.

My family and I have been Methodists practically all our lives. I enjoy all types of sports and country music as well as Westerns. I like reading when I can. My favorites are Louis Lamour books And movies on television. My favorite sport is fishing by boat. I enjoy a very private and quiet time up at the cabin which is near Fairplay with Silver Heels Mountain in the background and the Forest Rangers next to our cabin.

# ASIAN CHICKEN SALAD

I/2 cup oil
I/4 cup cider or wine vinegar
2 T. soy sauce
1 T. honey
I clove garlic
2 cups diced cooked chicken
6 cup lettuce
1 can water chestnut slices
I can chow mien noodles
I cup sliced celery



Combine Oil, Vinegar, Soy Sauce, honey and garlic and marinate chicken in it. Tear lettuce and add all other ingredients. Pour chicken and sauce over salad. Add noodles last.

By LaVada



# Did You Know?

We have bins, on the east wall of Gamber Hall where we can deposit RECYCLE items and LABELS. HERE ARE THE ITEMS WE COLLECT:

- LABELS: Campbell Soup and Box tops for Education
- RECYCLE: Empty printer cartridges, old cell phones, eye glasses
- Bring your empty prescription bottles for West Side Cares
- Bring your pop top tabs for Ronald McDonald House



**Our newest member, Jasmine Smith!** 

# Untangled

Thank you to all who participated in and helped with our G-Force Vacation Bible School!! We had a good time hearing the Bible stories and learning our theme verse: Acts17: 28 - In God we live, move,



and exist. We will be looking at setting our calendar of events for the next year, including our mission trip for the youth and other special events for all ages on August 21<sup>st</sup>. The children will be discussing their ideas during the children's church time and the youth will be discussing their schedule after church. All parents are welcome to voice their ideas during our next Children's/Youth Ministry team meeting on August 13<sup>th</sup> at 10 am. Please let me know if you would like to participate and are unable to attend. **719-210-7394** 

# Yours in Christ, Kim Sommer

<u>Special Needs:</u> Volunteers!!! Upcoming Events: Children's/Youth Ministry Team Meeting: August 13<sup>th</sup> 10 am

**Youth Group meeting Sunday August 21<sup>st</sup>:** All Youth 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to attend a lunch meeting following the service. We are going to be discussing the upcoming year events and mission trip. Let Kim know if you are not able to come but still wish to participate.

# Rally Sunday- the beginning of the Sunday School year!! Sept 11, 2016



TOPS CO 0151, Colorado Springs is happy to let you know we did our election of new officers and our installation in July 2016. Leader is Ruth Reed. Our Theme for 2016-2017 is Building Blocks to Health. We are excited about the new programs TOPS has put out and are looking forward to a fantastic year and hoping for some great weight losses. If you would like to join us we meet every Tuesday Evening. We have weigh-in between 4:30-5:15 pm and our meeting starts at 5:30-6:30 pm. We use the back entrance. You may come visit us for one meeting and then decide if you would like to join. Hope to see you soon. If you would like more information contact Ruth Reed

719-471-1393. Ruth



# **No August Meeting!**



#### **Night Bible Study Group**

All are invited to participate in the Monday Night Bible Study Group. We will begin our new study on Monday, September 12th at 6:30 pm at the church. Look for announcements in our weekly bulletin as we are still in the process of choosing a particular study. If you are interested in participating and are unable to attend the first evening., please let **Kim Sommer know at 210-7394.** 



Elsa, Calvin, May Lee, Gracei, Eli and Anna

# Kids are WONDERFUL!

Just to let you know what the children were up to in Sunday School this morning (July 31,2016); they were living out the scripture: II Corinthians 9: 7 *"So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity, for God loves a cheerful giver."* (We discussed what 'grudgingly' and 'necessity' meant.)

We had a short talk on how much we have been blessed, with food, clothing, a place to sleep and family to love. Then we talked about what each of us wanted to do when we grew up and how we can help others, even now before we get jobs. We decided that God loves a cheerful giver, whether the giver is giving something to a person or a pet!

After discussing how we can help others, each child set up a station for the lunch bags that we would put together. Then we colored our lunch bags with cheerful colors and pictures to show how cheerful we are when we give to others! Remember, God loves a cheerful giver! The children were so excited when they found out their bags were going to West Side Cares, that they wanted to take the bags down the street and hand then out personally! Unfortunately, West Side Cares is not open on Sunday (it would be too long a walk anyway), so Gretchen decided to take the bags on Monday.

What beautiful children they are! There were pleases and thank you's as we passed colored markers, helped each other fill bags, and as we cleaned up afterward. Thank you dear parents and friends for bringing these precious children to Church and to Sunday School! What a joy they are and how much I love them!

Ms. Gretchen

# Westside Cares News



#### CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

\* Nurses Assistant: RN needed to assist our Penrose/St Francis Mission Outreach nurse on Monday, Wednesday or Thursday from 9 AM – 12:30 PM. Training provided through Penrose/St Francis Hospital and Westside CARES.

\* Backpack delivery: Volunteers with trucks/large SUVs to help deliver backpacks to west side schools on Monday, August 15 or Tuesday, August 16 from 9:30 – noon.

 \* Resource Room Volunteer: Sort, tag and distribute clothing and toiletry donations Thursdays from 9 AM – 1
 PM. Must have good people skills, must be organized and able to multi-task in a sometimes hectic environment.
 Contact Debra.Mitguard@westsidecares.org or call 719-389- 0759 ext. 108.

#### BACK-TO- SCHOOL BACKPACKS

Just a reminder that the deadline for delivering school supplies to Westside CARES for the Backpack Program is noon on Wednesday, August 3.

WESTSIDE CARES NEEDS...

- Socks Adult
- Underwear Women's size 5 8, Men's all sizes, Girls – all sizes
- Boys clothes size10 to 18
- Girls clothes –size14 18
- Men's Jeans size 30 -36
- Men's t-shirts all sizes
- Men's shoes
- Tampons and pads
- Shampoo, conditioner, lotion, deodorant, lg bar soap, toothpaste

\*\*\*No household items, please.

AUGUST CLOSURES: Tuesday, August 9 (floating holiday) Archie and Chery Wilson



Pastor Dea's Sermon Calendar August 2016

- August 7 ~ 12th Sunday After Pentecost With Holy Communion "Unlikely Saints" Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16
- August 14 ~ 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost

#### Praise and Promise and YOU

 August 21 ~ 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost

## Fanny Crosby program

 August 28 ~ 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost "God's Promises for You" Hebrews 13:1-8; 15-16

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