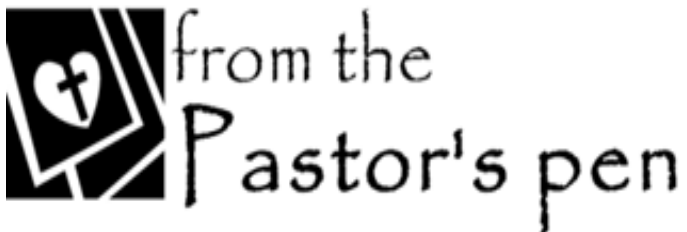


Lamp^{lighter}

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

June 2016



| "They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers." (Acts 2:42)

The Christian year consists of two cycles: *preparing and celebrating*, and then *living into our discipleship* to Jesus Christ. The first of these cycles is Advent through the Season after Epiphany. The second is Lent through the Season after Pentecost.

The Season after Pentecost, sometimes called "ordinary time" is anything but ordinary. This year's lectionary has us **learning from the Master** from the Gospel of Luke. The readings, which will come from chapters 7-21 cover the heart of Jesus' teaching and ministry, concluding with his death (Christ the King Sunday) at the close of the Christian year (that's just before Advent.) This long season of the church year is a time for us to grow and (continue) to live into our discipleship.

This summer – which might also be the season of "some-r" – meaning: "some 'r' here and some 'r' on vacation" is a time for us to remember that what the church needs most to BE is the church — our living community of people gathered around Christ. We are all called, by God, to be extraordinary people who glorify God in everything we do. And we can strengthen our personal ministries here at Pikes Peak UMC with many of the congregation's activities that you'll read about in this newsletter.

Abiding in Him,
Pastor Dea

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

5	Elizabeth Miller
9	Karen Wiest
12	Pat Collander
19	Sheila Lee
20	Don Gutknecht
20	Berna Keating
24	Nina Keating
27	Cindy Meerpohl
29	Sebastian Lewellen
29	Steven Powell

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

1	Bill & Jean Edwards
1	Archie & Chery Wilson
14	Coop & Jessie Cooper
23	John & Barbara Turner
28	Mel & Sally Simmons
29	Craig & Maria Baumgartner
30	Kevin & Charlotte Williams

UMW Dorothy's Circle

**Pikes Peak United Methodist Church
May**

The May 5th meeting of the United Methodist Women's Dorothy Circle began at 1:34 pm with the reading of the Purpose of the United Methodist Women in unison by the membership.

Our Spiritual Growth Leader, Beulah Shaw, brought us another uplifting devotional from "Our Daily Bread" to remind us that Jesus experienced humanity and death for us. This reading focused on an architect/professor who directed his students to visit a care center and share the experiences of the residents. This trip gave the student architects an insight into the housing needs of older people while providing delightful conversations with folks old enough to be their grandparents! Thank you Beulah!

Our speaker Sam Rush-Walton, from the local Ronald McDonald House Charities began immediately with her update of what has been going on since last year! Sam shared with us their newest program called Bundles of Joy, which was started last year and focuses on premature babies and their families.

One child Sam told us about was Emma, a sweet little girl, struck one day with seizures who was found to have an inoperable brain tumor. The surgeons decided to remove a large portion of her skull to allow the brain to swell and then return to its normal size without the damage caused by being squeezed into too small a space. On May 10, her skull was scheduled to be re-attached, however as of this writing we have not heard the results of the surgery. Ronald McDonald house continues to house her parents and little brother at their home-away-from-home, right next door to the hospital.

Over 4,000 families have been cared for in 2015. Ronald McDonald Charities receive only about 11% of their operating budget through the Ronald McDonald Restaurants; the other 89% comes from donations and kind hearted volunteers who operate the programs. Sam was greeted by applause, a speaker's donation and many bags of donated items. We found out that Sam's daughter is expecting a baby this year, so President Brown included a baby quilt just for 'Grandma Sam'!

Reading last month's Circle minutes as published in the May Church Newsletter was encouraged by the Secretary. Jessie Cooper our Treasurer, brought us up to date on the Bank Account as well as providing copies of the Bank balances to President Brown and Secretary Arnold. Thank you Jessie!

May birthday cards and other greeting cards are being sent out by Beulah Shaw; also Grace Cook sent all the education labels to Red Bird Mission and received a nice thank you letter from them this month. Thank you to Beulah and Grace for keeping up with these programs.

We enjoyed the individual ice cream cups with fresh strawberries and angel food cake that Jessie provided this month, as well as hosting the meeting, it was greatly appreciated Jessie!

We are beginning to collect items for the LaPuente Mission speaker who visits us in July. Our June 2nd meeting hosts Urban Peak a community based program for homeless teens in our area to be hosted by Ethel Pierson. Our UMW prayer was said in unison and we adjourned at 3:15 pm.

Most Sincerely,

Gretchen



Hymnal History

'How Firm a Foundation' was a favorite song among both the North and South during the Civil War and was sung at the funeral of General Robert E. Lee and at the deathbed of General Andrew Jackson. First written in 1751, and published in 1787 in London, it's author remains a mystery, with only the initial "K" listed as the writer of this precious old hymn.

Noted hymnologist, Albert Bailey carried out a detailed study of this hymn and states that the second line quotes almost word for word scripture from the Prophet Isaiah, in chapter 41 verse 10 of the King James Version. "Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness."

The last line of this encouraging song, (although not word for word like the first line was) does find a strong basis in Deuteronomy 31: 6, 8 which says: "Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the LORD thy God, he it is that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.... he it is that doth go before thee; he will be with thee, he will not fail thee, neither forsake thee...."

This is what the last line of the Song says, "The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to his foes: That soul though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake." Those three underlined words make up almost the entire last line of the song, reminding us that indeed **How Firm a Foundation** is our Lord Jesus!

Submitted by, **Gretchen**



K & C Giggles has been a great success. We averaged nine people a class.

We made head bands, dish cloths, hot pads, afghans, shawls, place mats, and hats on the circular forms. Everyone had a great time. We even had one Thursday where we made cards. Thank you LaVada Brown for leading us in this.

The K & C Giggles will meet on Thursdays through May but then we will be taking the summer off. If any of the members need help during the summer you are welcome to call me, Ruth Reed 471-1393, and we can set up a time to meet.

There is an interest in having a card making class and a quilting class. If anyone is interested in leading these please talk with Pastor Dea.

Ruth








Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: For thou art my praise. Jeremiah 17:14

Susie Gallivan
Cindy Meerpohl
Dick Bush
Lola Satterfield
Hal Smith
Isidora Cometto and family- loss of Kathy
Mantey Cometto
Deb & Nathan Pemberton
Shirley Trucott
Earlene Hudson
Frank & Rose Martinez
Cindy Meerpohl - the loss of her Mother
Ruth Tucci – Edward Freed's
daughter Michelle

June 2016

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

			1	2 1:30pm Dorothy's Circle 6:00pm Craft Class 	3	4
5 8:30am Choir Rehearsal 9:15am Praise & Promise Service 9:30am Adult SS 10:50am Worship & Children's SS	6 6:00pm Adult Bible Study	7 4:45pm TOPS	8	9 6:00pm Craft Class 	10	11 10:00 AM Children's and Youth Ministry Team
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Could you consider sharing the bounty of your gardens this summer with the rest of the congregation? We'd love to see your flowers as Altar Décor.... Please let Pastor Dea know when you could bring a cutting....



*Scripture
Readers Needed*

Check your calendar and please sign up to be a reader during worship. The sign up sheet is on the west bulletin board.



Ushers & Greeters

And while you're at the bulletin board – we sure could use your help as greeters. Your welcome could be the difference in someone's day and what a blessing that would be!



*Musicians
Welcome*

What instrument do you play?

Could the Spirit be prompting you to share your *gift and love of music* with your Family of Faith?

It would be exciting to hear YOU play or sing or both. Share your God-given talents with us – by letting Pastor Dea or Barb Turner know and we'll get you on the roster for worship where you'll bring glory to God as only YOU can!



Hooray it is time to celebrate fathers and sons! On June 12th we will have our annual Father's Day BBQ. We will gather outside following the morning service. The hamburgers and hot dogs will be provided along with the usual beverage. To go with the hamburgers and hot dogs we will enjoy a potluck of salads, beans, chips and of course delectable desserts. I know we have some wonderful cooks in our congregation and my mouth is already watering in remembrance of all the wonderful dishes we have enjoyed in the past. Looking forward to seeing all of you there and any friends or family you would like to bring with you.

Blessings to all, Sally



Yard Sale Extravaganza!!

The Youth of Pikes Peak UMC hosted a Yard Sale Extravaganza to help raise funds for missions supported by our congregation.

Thank you to all who donated to the yard sale and parking lot fundraiser. We made over \$1460!

Special Needs: Volunteers!!!

Vacation Bible School Supplies Needed:

Glue Sticks, Tacky Glue, multi-colored craft foam sheets, Fabric Paints, Plaster of Paris, Black Acrylic Paint, Glitter Paint, Tempera Paint, Wooden Clothes Pins, Popsicle Craft sticks, Swimming Pool Noodles, White canvas fabric, Large Nails (at least 4 inches long), Beading wire, Fleece fabric, Colorful Tissue paper, chenille stems, Ziploc sandwich bags, small spiral notebooks, potting soil, flower seeds, Origami paper, hand sanitizer, Hula hoops, water balloons, regular balloons, play sand, ice cream buckets with lids, index cards, Bright colored poster board, Jesus/Christian stickers

Upcoming Events:

Mission Activity- Go up to help prepare Equine Partner's Arena for the summer – time to be announced



Our Vacation Bible School—G-Force is coming this July 11th-15th from 9am-noon. While at G-Force Adventure Park, your children will discover how God calls each one of us to act. They will meet people from the Bible who use their hearts, minds, and bodies in service for God. Please put the dates on the calendar and start inviting people now. Prayerfully consider volunteering.

We need youth helpers as well as adults. Contact Kim Sommer at 210-7394 or email cnksommer@q.com for more information.

Mel's Famous Biscuits & Gravy

MEN'S BREAKFAST
3rd Saturdays
at 9am



Great Food, Fun and Fellowship!

Saturday, June 18th

TOPS Club

(Take Off Pounds Sensibly)

We have been meeting in Gamber Hall for many years and we are missing you. We have great programs for weight loss. We meet every Tuesday. We weigh in from 4:30-5:15 pm and then we have our meeting from 5:30-6:30 pm. We have fun and learn a lot.

If you have any questions please feel free to call Ruth Reed, 471-1393. Look forward to seeing you soon.

Ruth



Church Council

**No Meeting
In June!**



Westside Cares News

Thank you to all that donated diapers and wipes, coupons and money for the diaper project at Westside Cares. Our Church again showed it's support of Westside Cares and the community with generous donations.

Our next project will be in July, to collect wide ruled filler paper for the backpack project. More details will be provided in the July newsletter.

Westside Cares is currently in need of:
All sizes adult underwear, all sizes adult socks, men's shoes/work boots, boy's clothing sizes 8-16, men's jeans size 36 and smaller, travel size shampoo, conditioner, lotion, large toothpaste, bar soap, empty pill bottles, boxes of Borax and Arm and Hammer Super Washing Soda.

Westside Cares expressed their gratitude and thank for the generous people of Pikes Peak United Methodist Church. May God bless you all for your support and generosity.

Archie and Chery



GINGERSNAPS

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| 3/4 cup butter | 2 teaspoons baking soda |
| 1 cup sugar | 1/4 teaspoon salt |
| 1 egg | 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon |
| 1/4 cup molasses | 1 teaspoon ground cloves |
| 2 cups all purpose flour | 1 teaspoon ground ginger |

In a mixing bowl, cream butter and sugar. Add egg and molasses, beat well. Combine flour, baking soda, salt, cinnamon, cloves and ginger, gradually add to creamed mixture. Chill dough.
Roll into 1-1/3 in. balls and dip in sugar. Place 2 in. apart on ungreased baking sheets. Bake at 375 degrees for 10 minutes or until set and surface cracks. Cool on wire rack.

YIELD: About 4 dozen

LaVada

Pastor Dea's Sermon Calendar
June 2016

- June 5 ~ 3rd Sunday After Pentecost
With Holy Communion
"Weeping Into Woo Hoo"
Luke 7:11-17
- June 12 ~ 4th Sunday After Pentecost
"Lavish Love"
Luke 7:36-8:3
- June 19 ~ 5th Sunday After Pentecost
Father's Day
"When Love Comes to Town"
Luke 8:26-39
- June 26 ~ 6th Sunday After Pentecost
"Discipleship Costs"
Luke 9:51-62

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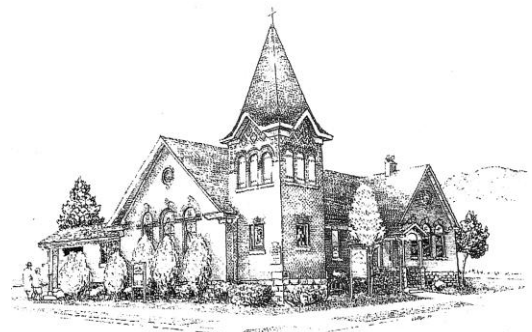
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