



WCC UPDATE

AUGUST 2025

PERSONALLY FROM THE PASTOR

To My Church Family,

Every now and then, there comes a time to refresh the resources we use in worship. I am so grateful for the current pew Bibles and hymnals that have served our church well for many years. However, as our congregation continues to grow and our needs change, I want to ensure that our worship tools support us fully.

Currently, the pew Bibles in our sanctuary are the NRSV, while our preaching and teaching come from the NRSVue—a version of the NRSV that was revised in 2021 with updated language and scholarship. Likewise, The Celebration and Glory to God Hymnals—originally gifted in memory of a former member named Jack Knight—have served us faithfully for a number of years, but are now slightly outdated. This fall, Crossway is releasing a new hymnal called the **Sing! Hymnal**. I believe it's a great fit for our congregation, offering biblically rich and musically diverse songs for the whole church to sing together.

So, we're launching a new campaign: **100 Bibles and 100 Hymnals in 100 Days**. Beginning August 10, I'm inviting you to help us raise the funds needed to purchase 100 pew Bibles and 100 hymnals by November 18. I'm asking for donations to sponsor a Bible, a hymnal, or both in honor of or in memory of a loved one. Each item will include a special sticker noting the name of the person honored, just like our current hymnals have a sticker honoring Jack.

Suggested donation amounts will be provided in the bulletin insert. We hope you'll consider participating in this meaningful project that will bless our worship for years to come!

In Christ,

Matt Stiveson

VITALENT BLOOD DRIVE RESCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 14

We apologize for the confusion regarding the Blood Drive that was formerly scheduled for August 10. Our representative from Vitalant recently retired. **We have rescheduled the Blood Drive for Sunday, September 14.** See email from Matt for more details.

You can sign up at:

<https://donors.vitalant.org/dwp/portal/dwa/appointment/guest/phl/timeSlotsExtr?token=AKcu7mTt2ZxOfhX2eqPgEI2fLxea%2F4C36EuaRlo4mTg%3D>

MUSIC MINISTRY UPDATE

Hi Church Family!

Happy summer to all. I just wanted to give a special **thank you** to those who have willingly stepped up to provide **special music** during these summer months so far. You have added such a beautiful and personal element to the service, and I know our church family truly appreciates each of you. I certainly do!

There is always room for even more special music. Just let me know if you would like to serve!

God bless you all!

Teresa

Dr. Teresa Crane, D.M.A.



BACK TO SCHOOL PRAYER FOR OUR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS

Lord, please protect all the children as they approach another school year.

Help them learn and achieve and conquer without fear.

Give them the protection they need each and every day.

Teach them Lord and guide the way.

Give them favor and courage.

Help them to never feel discouraged.

Give them patience, understanding and motivation for success.

Help them all Lord and may they all be blessed.

In Jesus Name. Amen.

By: Laura Porras

A HEARTFELT WORD OF THANKS FROM THE PASTOR

- There are so many people in our church who serve in a variety of different ways throughout a given week. This month, I want to give a special **word of thanks to the Cancinos and Kay Stevens** for serving our community by cleaning the church's Adopted Street (104th from Sheridan to Federal) every month. Thank you, guys!
- Speaking of which, **Kay and Ross Wasserman** took a group of students from the church, including **Gavin Hurt, Lyric Gierling, Cyrus Salazar, and Estrella Wilson** to clean up our Adopted Street a few weeks ago. I appreciate you guys, too!
- **Gavin and Katarina Wasserman** have also been helping out at the Food Pantry throughout the summer. I'm grateful for their dedication, as well as the dedication of everyone else who makes the Food Pantry possible.

STUDENT MINISTRIES UPDATE

The journey of faith is about so much more than managing behavior; it is an invitation from God to walk with Him in wonder. God invites every person into His big story, for it is only there that His sons and daughters discover who they are. From a young age, the question "Who am I?" is wired into each of us, and God alone can provide the answer.

In this series, students will discover that God knows them, Jesus loves them, and the Holy Spirit leads them. They will discover that they cannot find the answer to the age-old question by looking within but by looking into the eyes of the God who sees them. Who am I? I am known, I am loved, I am led. Because of Jesus, I am a child of God.

FIFTH SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP

Join us for our **Fifth Sunday Fellowship on Sunday, August 31 at 10:30 am** in the fellowship hall. We've been encouraging everyone to sign up in the narthex to bring a main dish, side dish, or dessert. Come ready to enjoy good food, great conversation, and warm community. Everyone is invited!

2025 ADVENT DEVOTIONAL

Each year, the members of our church collaborate together to create a devotional for the Advent season.

Signups for this year's project will begin early in September.

Keep your eyes open for more information!

Saturday, August 2 10:00 am **“Living as a Christian in Today’s World” Book and Discussion Group—First half of Mere Christianity Book III.** See Missy Luzzi or Wolf Thompson for more information.

Sunday, August 3

We collect Pocket Change offerings on the first Sunday of every month and use the money given to this program to promote and purchase materials for the church.

Tuesday Mornings

at IHOP at 221 W. 104th Ave., Northglenn. See Steve Cancino for information.

Thursday Afternoons

Friday, August 8

Amusement Park

Contact Ross Wasserman for more details

Sunday, August 10

Saturday, August 16

please bring a sack lunch with you. Contact Sharon Keel or Kay Stevens for more information.

Sunday, August 17

Saturday, August 23

Group

Sunday, August 24

Tuesday, August 26

the ladies of our church and other local churches as they create items to give to local care centers.

Wednesday, August 27

All Wednesday night activities resume

6:00 pm

7:30

dessert dish to share)

Adult Bible Study and Youth Group

Choir

Sunday, August 31

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9:30 am **Worship**

10:30 am **Bible Study for All Ages**

11:30 am **Elders’ Meeting**

8:30 am **Men’s Bible Study—meeting**

12:00 – 2:00 pm **Food Pantry**

Youth Group Trip to Lakeside

9:30 am **Worship**

10:30 am **Bible Study for All Ages**

12:00 pm **Lessons in Grief Group—**

9:30 am **Worship**

10:30 am **Bible Study for All Ages**

10:00 am **Dads’ Breakfast and Book**

9:30 am **Worship**

10:30 am **Bible Study for All Ages**

9:30 am **Church Women United—join**

the ladies of our church and other local churches as they create items to give to local care centers.

6:00 pm

Potluck dinner (bring main, side, or

9:30 am **Worship**

10:30 am **5th Sunday Fellowship**