



WCC UPDATE

JANUARY 2023



Fresh Starts

I suppose when we wake on January 1 the world will look the same. But there is a reminder of the Resurrection at the start of each new year, each new decade. That's why I also like sunrises, Mondays and new seasons. God seems to be saying, "With me you can always start afresh."—Ada Lum

PERSONALLY FROM THE PASTOR

***"Do not remember the former things or consider the things of old.
I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth; do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert."
(Isaiah 43:18-19)***

General Board Meeting

All Elders and Deacons are required to attend our first general board meeting of the year, which is on Sunday, January 8, at 11:30 am.

New to WCC?

Then join us for our First Steps group on Sunday, January 22 at noon to learn more about our community! Lunch will be provided for everyone who attends.

2022 Contribution Statements

Contribution statements for 2022 will be available for you to pick up in the Narthex on Sunday, January 22. Thank you for all of your contributions throughout the year!

All Wednesday Activities Resume on January 18!

Adults, we will be continuing our study of The New Testament in its World, pick back up with 1 Timothy, 2 Timothy, and Titus.

2023 Ministry Teams

We are in the process of organizing our ministry teams for 2023. **Join us!** See details in next week's bulletin.



THANK YOU—from Matt, Teresa, Rico, and Karen

Your Christmas wishes, cards, and remembrances are all treasured!

TID BITS

At this time we are unable to accept clothing and craft supply donations. While we appreciate the sentiment, our food pantry is our primary charity channel.

We're constantly revising our Directory database, and welcome your changes and corrections.

We invite your input on keeping our prayer list relevant. The pew information cards, or an email to the church office are great ways to help us all stay informed.

We have an active prayer chain group that prays for the needs of our church community and loved ones. This group operates through use of Facebook Messenger. There is a [signup sheet in the bulletin](#) if you would like to participate in this group.

MUSIC AND CHILDREN'S MINISTRY UPDATE

My goodness, what an incredibly generous congregation we have at WCC! I just wanted to thank all of you for the many Christmas cards and gifts you gave me over the holiday season. It means so much to have such a special, caring church family.

With the holidays now behind us, I am ready for the next season and have some exciting plans for both for the adult choir and children's ministry. I have some new choir music, which includes the Easter cantata, and I am looking forward to sharing these with the choir at our first rehearsal on Wednesday, January 18th at 7:30pm.

We will be starting youth group again on Wednesday, January 18th at 6:30. I purchased a set of "Instant Bible Plays" that I believe will help make learning Bible stories fun and memorable for the kids. The kids will also be presenting one of these plays during one of our Sunday morning worship services. Stay tuned for more details!

I spoke with Ellen Cancino about the possibility of having a few of the children share some music with the residents at Covenant Village this spring. This will be a wonderful service project for our children which I am sure will bring joy and smiles to the residents!

Jacque Jeffreys and I have also narrowed down this summer's Vacation Bible School program, and we will be sharing more information about this over the next few months!

Happy New Year to everyone, and may God bless you for your continued devotion and generosity towards our church family and community.

Dr. Teresa Crane, D.M.A.



MATTHEW
THE KING AND HIS KINGDOM

**BOOK OF MATTHEW SERMON SERIES
JANUARY READING SCHEDULE**

Sunday, January 1	Matthew 2
Sunday, January 8	Matthew 3
Sunday, January 15	Matthew 4
Sunday, January 22	Matthew 5-7
Sunday, January 29	Matthew 8-9



JANUARY CALENDAR

A YEAR WITH JESUS DEVOTIONAL		
Readings: Jan 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 15, 22, 29		
Sunday, January 1 <i>SCRIPTURE: MATTHEW 2</i>	9:30 am	New Year's Day Worship
Sunday, January 8 <i>SCRIPTURE: MATTHEW 3</i>	9:30 am 11:30 am	Installation Service for 2023 Church Board General Board Meeting
Tuesday mornings	8:00 am	Men's Bible Study—Gospel of Matthew Meeting at IHOP at 221 W. 104 th Ave., Northglenn
Sunday, January 15 <i>SCRIPTURE: MATTHEW 4</i>	9:30	Worship
Wednesday, January 18 Activities Resume	6:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:30 pm	Potluck dinner (bring main, side, or dessert dish to share) Adult Bible study (1 Timothy, 2 Timothy, Titus), and Youth Group Choir
Saturday, January 21	12:00 – 2:00 pm	Lessons in Grief Group. Please bring a sack lunch with you. Contact Judy Clay, Sharon Keel, or Kay Stevens if you have questions.
Sunday, January 22 <i>SCRIPTURE: MATTHEW 5-7</i>	12:00 noon	First Steps Class —if you are new to our church and are interested in learning more, this class will answer all of your questions. Lunch will be provided; please RSVP via the <u>signup sheet</u> in the bulletin.
Tuesday, January 24	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
Sunday, January 29 <i>SCRIPTURE: MATTHEW 8-9</i>	9:30 am 10:30	No Children's Church 5 th Sunday Fellowship