

# EPC FAMILY NEWS & NOTES

May 6, 2018

**IT'S TIME TO JOIN THE ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS!** Many sincere followers of Christ worship every Sunday, participate in small groups and serve with their gifts, yet they remain stuck at the same level of spiritual maturity. This eight-session video study addresses that void, offering powerful pathways to transformation —a faith filled with authenticity and a profound love for God. Come and be part of this study if you desire to take steps in your Christian life and discipleship, break free from bondage to the past and experience healing. We meet at 10:15 am in the Manse every Sunday morning. For more info see Phil Wood.

**EPC WEBSITE REVAMP** Don't be surprised the next time you visit our website: it looks completely different! We are in the process of changing over to a new format as the old one was no longer serving our needs. We hope you will find the new site easier to navigate and use. Although the new site is not yet complete, it is functional and you should be able to check the calendar, listen to sermons and more. Check it out and watch for new pages and features as we continue to develop the church website: [www.elizabethpc.org](http://www.elizabethpc.org)

**ZMP "BUY-A-BRICK" AND "SCHOOL FEE"** campaigns are off to a great start. EPC members have already purchased at least eight bricks for the new medical clinic at Heather Chimhoga Orphan Care. We've collected school fees for 12 children so far. Thank you, thank you, thank you! We will continue collecting for these causes for the next two weeks, wrapping up on Mother's Day, May 13. If you want to contribute, see Donnell Rosenberg or Phil Wood.

## PLANNING AHEAD

**GRADUATE RECOGNITION** — May 13 — On Mother's Day we'll honor our graduates for 2018. Please let the Deacons know if you have a high school or college graduate.

**ELEPHANT ROCK ZIMBABWE RIDE**— June 3 — Register with Phil Wood to ride in this event or to support someone riding in the event.

**ROCKIES FAITH DAY**— JULY 29 — Jim Ramsey will have tickets as the date draws closer.



**BETHANY CHRISTIAN SERVICES** — Only one week left to bring in your baby items for the EPW mission of collecting new and gently used baby clothes (infant to toddler size and up) for Bethany Christian Services in Denver. We will continue collecting these items until Mother's Day which is May 13. Let's keep those babies smiling! (Like Patricia Mersich's granddaughter Emma, who was adopted by her daughter Nicole and her husband David through Bethany Christian Services.)

**SERVICE OF CELEBRATION** We will have a service of worship including, sharing the Lord's supper, to celebrate our past and look to our future of the Denver Presbytery. The building and location have served us well; providing years of community for many and a nesting site for growing congregations while serving as the office for the Denver Presbytery staff. We anticipate the Presbytery moving over the summer and would like to celebrate where we have been and look toward our traveling together with you. Save the date, Sunday June 3rd at 3 p.m. For more information and to RSVP go to [denpres.org/events](http://denpres.org/events).

**MAY 19 IS SPRING CLEANUP AT EPC** Let's get out our rags and rakes and do a SPRING cleaning of the church building and grounds. We plan to give our facilities a big facelift on Saturday, May 19, 9 AM to Noon. If able, please come and help wash windows, clean closets, rake leaves, clean gutters and generally spiff up our building and grounds.

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Deacons: Pam Banta, Barbara Batt, Jan Griggs, Jane Haber, Freda Kilgore, Patricia Mersich, Laura Mitchell, Donna Pinson, Frank Pinson, Linda Pizzuto, Jim Ramsey, Cathy Ramsey (Moderator)

## This Week at Elizabeth Presbyterian Church


|             | Time          | Event/Location                                |
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| Tue, May 8  | 7:00 pm       | AA Book Meeting in the Church Basement        |
| Wed, May 9  | 7-9 pm        | Choir Practice in the Sanctuary               |
| Thu, May 10 | 7-9 pm        | Praise Band Rehearsal in the Sanctuary        |
| Fri, May 11 | 12:30–3:00 pm | Food Bank                                     |
|             | 7:00 pm       | AA Open Meeting in the Church Basement        |
| Sat, May 12 | 7:00 am       | Bible Study for Men in the Manse              |
|             | 8:00 am       | Breakfast for Men at Adriana's Restaurant     |
|             | 9:00-11:30 am | Food Bank                                     |
| Sun, May 13 | 8:30 am       | Traditional Worship Service /Grad Recognition |
|             | 10:00 am      | Contemp. Worship Service/Grad Recognition     |
|             | 10:15 am      | Adult Bible Study in the Manse                |


EPC is looking for a paid nursery worker. This team member will be responsible for caring for children from birth through pre-school on Sunday mornings (8:15 – 11:15) and for other special services throughout the year. Applicant must be at least 18 years of age and successfully complete a background check. For more information and to apply, please contact Donnell Rosenberg, Director of Children's Ministry.

### ATTENDANCE AND FINANCE REPORT

*You crown the year with your goodness, and your paths drip with abundance.* Psalm 65:11

Our weekly offerings total has fallen a bit behind what we budgeted to meet basic expenses. Thank you for your continued support of our church. Keep up the good work!

**Requisite** YTD Income as of last Sunday — \$59,500 

**Actual** YTD Income as of last Sunday — \$57,405 

The offering last Sunday was \$3,084.  
 The average offering in 2018 has been \$3,378.  
 The average offering needed to meet expenses in 2018 is \$3,500.  
 The attendance last week was 108.  
 Average attendance in 2018 has been 100.

### DENVER PRESBYTERY WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

**GREEN MOUNTAIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**, the congregation, elected leaders and the pastor, Rev. Gretchen Hope Wilson.

**WESTERN MISSION DISTRICT OF THE PRESBYTERY OF ZIMBAWE**, whose mission is to enable its congregation to grow and thrive while reaching out in mission beyond the local church.

**DENVER PRESBYTERY MINISTERS** preparing for service in the Presbytery of Zimbabwe through the Short-term Service Program.



**PASTORAL GUIDANCE** Pastor Bruce Spear and Pastor Pat Russell are both trained and experienced in pastoral guidance and care. There is no cost for this service and all conversations are confidential. If you would like to meet with either one, please call Bruce at 303-875-4274 or Pat 720-979-7453.

