



# Christ UMC Vision

## Thank You!

The trustees want to recognize **Roger Cornett** for volunteering to clean the sanctuary after the installation of the carpet and tile. Our contractor allowed \$350 credit to CUMC for the cleaning. Thank you Roger!

Also, the trustees want to recognize **Kevin Utter** for volunteering his time to dismantle and reconnect all of our electronic light and sound equipment required for the installation of the new carpet in the balcony. The work area in the balcony has been greatly improved in appearance and efficiency.

Thank you for your donations to the Food Bank for Larimer County. In August, we delivered 131 lbs of food. Food donations may be put in the bin under the window on the east side of the Narthex.

Dear Friends in Mission, Recently, [2017] several hurricanes hit the US and the Caribbean. Hurricane Harvey and Irma devastated Texas, Florida, and other areas [Hurricane Florence in 2018]. As images have streamed across our screens, many of us have been moved to prayer, giving and action. Thank you for your gift received through The Advance, the designated giving channel of The United Methodist Church. Roland Fernandes and Rev. Russell Pierce, General Board of Global Ministries

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## Generous Living

As a pastor, one of the questions I am asked frequently is “What does ‘fear the Lord’ really mean? Confusing, isn’t it, as fear conjures up feelings of apprehension all the way to dread and terror. Yet, throughout the Old and New Testaments we find the word fear. In scripture, fear is a complex emotional response which is connected to an experience of God through Jesus Christ. If fear can lead us to experience Christ, then our concept of fear affects our generosity as well.

For a three-week period in October, we will look at the many ways that generosity is involved in our giving and receiving of time, talent, and money. Join us in worship starting Sunday, October 14, 2018, as we begin our new sermon series called *Generous Living*. We will explore passages from Matthew, Luke, and 1 John related to fear and its impact on living with generosity.

At the end of the three weeks, we will have an opportunity to make personal commitments of our offerings to God through our church in the coming year. We will receive commitment cards in the mail, and cards will be available on Sunday mornings. We will bring these commitment cards to worship on Sunday, October 28, 2018.

Please join us in the coming weeks as we look at the spiritual side of fear which affects living generously.

Sermon series—*Generous Living*

October 14<sup>th</sup> Week 1: Generous Living: Fear the Lord (Luke 18:1-8)

October 21<sup>th</sup> Week 2: Generous Living: Do Not Be Afraid (Matthew 14:22-33)

October 28<sup>th</sup> Week 3: Generous Living: Fearless Love (1 John 4:7-21)

See you in worship!

Grace & Peace,  
Rev. Nancy

## Volunteers Needed

**October 6<sup>th</sup> Outdoor Work Session:** Trustees welcome anyone that would like to help prune shrubs and trees or do other light exterior landscape and maintenance on church property. We will meet October 6<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m. Peace Garden shrubs needs pruning along with some shrubs along Fellowship Hall. Lower limbs on the large spruce trees need some pruning. Hopefully we are able to breakdown the trimmings sufficiently to place in the church trash container. Refreshments will be made available.

## Bible Studies

### **Mondays, 9:30 a.m.**

We are beginning the study of the Apostle Peter's letters. Please join us for prayer, fellowship, and study Monday mornings at 9:30.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays, 7 p.m.**

The Tuesday evening Bible study will be getting a jump start on the season of Advent in October. We'll be starting the four-session study *Behold!* by Pamela C. Hawkins on October 9<sup>th</sup>. The themes of Expectancy, Preparation, Faith, and Promise are explored through daily Bible readings, reflective questions, prayers, hymns, and stories as we prepare once again for the birth of our Savior.

**The Seekers Bible Study** group meets every Tuesday morning, at the church from 9:30 a.m. to about 10:45 a.m. They are currently studying the book of John. There are light refreshments followed by the study time. You may contact Dorothy Bondurant or Dee Williams for additional information.

**A Celebration for the Life of Steve Daron** will be this Sunday, September 30, 2018, from

2 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the home of Jim and Becky Braun 3272 Gunnison Dr. Fort Collins, CO 80526 (970-223-8463). A short memorial will be held at 3 p.m. Steve grew up at CUMC and is the son of Dan & Sally Daron and brother of Becky.

### **A Memorial Service for Jack McClenny**

will be this Wednesday, October 3, 2018, at 1 p.m. at the Ben Delatour Boy Scout Ranch 2331 County Road 68C Red Feather Lakes, CO 80545. Jack was a long time member of CUMC who died in 2006. He did not have any family and his ashes were unclaimed for many years. His coworkers and friends have organized a service, burial of his ashes and planting of a tree at the Boy Scout Ranch. Please join Rev. Nancy along with Jack's friends and coworkers to say our final goodbye to him.

## Church Women's Communiqué

Each year UMW honors someone for their outstanding Christ-like mission work. This year we will send a donation in honor of Nathalee Novy. We also honor someone who has touched the lives of UMW in a meaningful way. This year we will send a donation in memory of Peggy Boswell.

UMW Salad Supper held on September 19<sup>th</sup> was a wonderful evening for those who attended. The program was given by the person who started FFH! It was very interesting. Congratulations to the officers who were elected for the upcoming year!

Kendra Coleman, President  
 Chris Coats & Brenda Gutsche, Vice President  
 Treasurer, Dorothy Bondurant  
 Secretary, Ann Fenwick  
 Membership, Nurture and Outreach & Spiritual Growth, Sharon Mann & Sue Ptacek  
 Social Action and Education and Interpretation, Laurel Kubin & Linda Wenzel  
 Program Resources, Linda Glover

If you love to participate and generate support for local Mission work, join a circle now! For more information contact Chris Coats, chair of Friendship Circle or Linda Glover, chair of Explorers Circle.

If you like learning about current issues of social action and history, you need to join UMW and participate in our annual reading program. The reading list for the UMW reading program is being announced Sept 29 at the District Meeting CUMC is hosting. The library here at CUMC has an extensive library of past years books as well. Being aware of our history and current events make us educated and well informed in many areas of social action.

Sunday December 9<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. is the UMW Christmas Unit Meeting. Save the date!

Watch next month for more details on upcoming events in Fellowship Hall! We will plan events for children of Morning Glory Preschool and any families in your neighborhood!

**Friendship Circle Group** meets the first Thursday evening of each month, and we will be resuming after having had the summer off. Our meetings are a wonderful time to get together and share our joys, concerns and fellowship. **Our October meeting will be held on Thursday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Judy Sanders.** There will be tasty refreshments following the gathering. We welcome new members, so any ladies who wish to join, we would love to have you come! If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Chris Coats. Thank you. Hope to see you there!

**Outreach Social Group** meets the first Tuesday of the month. Our October meeting will be on Tuesday, October 2, at 1:30 p.m. at the home of Leona Brubacher. If you're wanting an afternoon of fun & fellowship, come and join us. Call Leona or the church office for Leona's address.

**Explorers Circle Group** is scheduled to meet the first Tuesday of the month, October 2, at 6:45 p.m. in room 107 at the church. All women are invited to join us. Ask a member about our "sock" fund!

## Thank You!

On behalf of my entire family, thank you for the cards, calls, emails, and text messages during the final days of my mother Peggy's life. Your presence at her memorial service as well as the beautiful flowers were very meaningful for all of us. Personally, I am very grateful for the time away from church to be with my beloved mother.

All of your words of sympathy were comforting. My family and I want to share with you a poem that Jim Nuttall wrote about mothers.

### Mother's Poem

by Jim Nuttall

As an infant, the first thing that we see is the soft beauty of Mother's eyes.

The first touch of another human is the soft, strong, loving touch of our Mother.

From that point a bond is formed between you and she.

You trust her for protection, for guidance, for patching up scraped knees and elbow.

And so it is until in our teenage years we begin to look forward to adulthood.

But even then she will continue to teach you right from wrong.

As our life moves forward, Mother moves to the background.

But as our roles in life change, with you taking the leadership role, She is always there until that day when she must leave.

It's a sad day but although you will miss her very much, Her lessons and her love will always be with you - - - always.

Grace and Peace,  
Rev. Nancy and Family



## faith family hospitality

. supporting families from homelessness to self-sufficiency

**FFH Volunteers Needed:** Our next rotation for this year is **November 11 – 18**. Watch for your e-mail invite in early October and use SignUp-Genius to get first choice of available slots. We are always happy to see new faces and this is an opportunity to help those in need in our community. If you have questions or need help with the electronic sign up, please contact Nathalee Novy.

## CROP Walk

**Our church is participating in the Fort Collins CROP Hunger Walk 2018**

on Oct. 7. This 5K walk is a fundraiser for Church World Service and provides resources to help eradicate hunger both locally and across the world. If you wish to donate on our church page go to the following link: <https://www.crophungerwalk.org/fortcollinsco/Member/MyPage/2398444/Debbie-Elten>

Thank you!



## United Methodist Men's Group

**UMMen's first meeting** of the year was held September 27. Molly, Morning Glory Preschool director, gave the group a tour. Thank you Molly!

Our next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. downstairs in room 015 for coffee and dessert. All men are invited. Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex. Remember- - - -we meet at a new day and time this year.



## Congregational Care Team

The Congregational Care Team could use some additional members and invites you to join us. It is a very rewarding experience!

The goal of the Congregational Care Team (CCT) is to reach out to those in our community of faith who have special needs and to help make our church a friendly, nurturing faith community.

When the Care Team is made aware of someone who needs a little extra encouragement, they do their best to be there with cards, phone calls and visits. During the past month CCT members sent 42 cards, made 16 phone calls and 5 visits.

CCT meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 11:15 a.m. to update, review and to assure that the known needs of those in our community of faith are being met.

For more information, please call Linda Glover,

## Office Notes

**Sunday Bulletin** - If you have information you would like on the announcement page or for a bulletin insert you must request it by Noon TUESDAY of the week you want it included.

**November Vision Deadline**- Monday, October 22 (note date is 4th Monday), 9 a.m. Please submit articles written and ready for proofing.

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### Family Fun

**We are offering** Sunday school classes for ages 3-6, ages 7-10, and 11-13 every Sunday! If you have any questions about our classes, please contact Cori Rice.

All children meet as a group in the lower level south wing, room 013 for the beginning of class and will split up for age-based lessons. Look for Ms. Cori by the west door before worship where she greets the children.

**Two Opportunities for Trunk or Treat:** Participate in one or both for twice the fun!



Sunday School Trunk or Treat will be on **Sunday, October 28** following the church service at 10:45 a.m. The children are invited to dress in their Halloween costumes and “Trunk or Treat” in the west parking lot. All adults who wish to pass out treats are encouraged to park in the **west** lot and open your trunks following the worship service. We request that drivers of cars who choose not to participate, park in the **east** lot to

avoid any accidents while the children are walking around. All children are welcome so invite friends, neighbors, or grandchildren. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Cori Rice or Debbie in the office.

The second opportunity is our Morning Glory Preschool Trunk or Treat, **Wednesday, October 31**. See the following article by our preschool director, Molly.



**Happy Fall everyone!** October brings shorter days, chillier nights and Halloween. Morning Glory Preschool has big plans! On Wednesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, at 10:00 a.m., we'll have a Trunk or Treat in the west parking lot. Parents will be decorating their cars to celebrate the season and will be handing out candy as all our little super heroes and cartoon characters parade around and trick or treat. Congregation members are encouraged to join the fun! We'd LOVE to get as many people (and trunks) to participate as possible.

Thank you to all who donated toward our Hoppin' into Preschool campaign! Our children have lots of new toys to play with because of our generous congregation. Thank you again! Molly

