
Circuit Rider



July/August 2012

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July 2012

Wow! What a summer it has been already! As I write this, we are in the midst of Vacation Bible School here at the church. What a wonderful gathering of over 80 children from our community! Thanks so much to all of the volunteers who spent their week helping to share the love of Jesus with the children of our community. Kudos to Wendy (along with Destiny Church-Assembly of God) for all of her hard work in organizing the week of Bible School.

In just a few days, twenty of us will head to Towaoc, Colorado for a week long mission trip on the Ute Reservation. I am excited to see how God will be working in and through our team. Please be in prayer for us while we are sharing God's love with others July 8-14.

Who said that summer is a "down-time" at the church? Not me!

We've had wonderful Sunday School classes going on this summer. Our kids have had a great time in Sunday School during worship with different volunteers pitching in to help each week and our children have been well cared for by Jessie and Kira during the Adult Sunday School hour.

A new Adult Sunday School class starts this week and a new evening Bible study starts in mid-July. In addition, we are experiencing powerful, Spirit-filled worship each and every week: we've welcomed new members, had wonderful special music, and studied God's word.

If you are looking for ways to connect with your brothers and sisters in Christ this summer, there are opportunities to do so. When you aren't out of town enjoying the beauty of God's creation this summer, I hope that we'll see you here in worship.

Worship and community were important in the early church and they are important today. Acts 2: 46-47 says *"Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved."*

I don't want to miss any of what's going on. Besides, we miss you when you aren't here.

See you Sunday!

Grace and peace to you,

Pastor Kirsten

P.S. I encourage everyone to continue to pray for all those affected by wildfires and the heat this summer: homeowners, business owners, firefighters, farmers, ranchers...If you feel God calling you to respond, donations can be made to the Rocky Mountain Conference Disaster Response Fund (make checks out to First UMC-Fort Lupton with this in the memo line) or to the Red Cross. Due to the massive needs and frequently shifting fire lines first responders are requesting monetary donations that can be used as needed as opposed to donations of items that have to be sorted, stored, and moved.

Thank You

Dear CLC, Thanks so much for remembering my mother, Goldie for May Day! Nice little baskets with useful things. Thanks again, Goldie enjoyed it. God Bless Kathy

Thank you for the candy, lip balm, tissues and May basket. It's so nice and pretty. That was so sweet and thoughtful. Thank you Pat Terry

Dear CLC and Leaders, Thank you so much for my May basket. Reminds me of long ago. You brought a spring to my step! Paula Larson

We were pleased to get the "May Basket". Thanks Don and Dorothy Cummins

Dear CLC Members, what a nice surprise to receive a May Basket! Noni Harris and I express our appreciation for your thoughtfulness. Noni is recuperating from a bad fall. Your basket and goodies brought her some joy and a big smile. Thank you, Genevieve LeBlanc and Noni Harris

Dear CLC Group, Just want to THANK YOU, so much for remembering us on May Day. What a great thing to do. First one in about 20 years. Made my day! God Bless, Love Beverly



A **HUGE** thank you to all who helped with Vacation Bible School. There were over 80 children in the church learning "EVERYTHING IS POSSIBLE WITH GOD". IT couldn't have happened if we didn't have the wonderful volunteers!



Christian Life Club = CLC

CALLING ALL CLC CHILDREN

(children in grades 1st – 5th)

Come to the church on Wednesday, August 8th

from 12:30 – 2:30 pm for a fun day. Bring a friend.

We invite all children and their friends for a fun day of games, songs and snacks.

We have been invited to sing on Sign-up Sunday (August 26th).

We will practice a song to perform.

Come have an afternoon of fun and fellowship.

Have questions; call Gwen 303-857-2257



TOWAOC MISSION TRIP

As you read this the Mission Team will either be preparing to leave, or already on the Mission trip. We thank you all for your support, love and prayers. We ask you to keep us in your prayers while we spread God's love in the 4 corners.

Our Mission statement says it all - **"Loving Hands, Serving God!"**

PRAY FOR US

Mission Trip To the Towaoc Indian reservation on the Ute Reservation 10 miles from Cortez, Colorado

Final preparation is being made for the mission trip. There are 20 individuals going. We will be leaving after church on Sunday July 8th, 2012.

All of us are excited to be given the opportunity to participate in this trip.

Our mission statement is:

Loving Hands Helping God

As we prepare our hearts and minds for this trip we ask God to help us to help Him to introduce people to Him. We might just be planting the seed and someone else will see it grow or we might be the ones that a person will see Jesus through us. Our prayer is that this will be our focus to help God with our helping and willing hands.

We will be teaching Bible fun to up to 25 children, painting a woman's home and doing repairs on the church. We will be staying at the Cortez Methodist church. We return home on July 14th.



Please pray for us as be prepared and while we travel and while we are there.

Safeway Card Program

We want to thank everyone for the support in buying the Safeway gift cards.



Remember, when you purchase the cards, you can use them for anything you buy at Safeway. This includes all groceries; prescriptions; anything at Starbucks; gift cards for many other stores, including clothing, sporting goods, home improvement centers, restaurants, airline tickets, entertainment & etc.

We personally give gift cards for birthday, wedding, and anniversaries. This way the recipient gets a gift and so does the Church.

Right now your purchases entitle you to bonus points on gasoline.

With the Safeway gift cards you have purchased, since November 2011 to the present, you have contributed \$3000.00 to the building fund.

Good job, thanks, and God Bless – Judy & Ron Ceretto

Blessings in a Bag Back Pack Program



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That's number of weekend back packs this school year of 2011-2012. What a privilege to be able to help the hungry Fort Lupton Elementary school children. Jeanette Thiesen, Donna Howard and Sue Hubert want to thank all of you that have supported the Blessings in a Bag program this year. And we thank our volunteers: Jan Brown, Ronda Thiesen, Kathy Trostel, Margie Hake, Melanie Newton, Joe Hubert, Adele Newton, Kari Newton, and Marcus Thieson and the Fort Lupton Fire Department. To know that you have made a difference in the lives of these children is very humbling. Just think each one of the back packs has: 2 milks, 2 fruit juices, 2 proteins, 2 cereals, snacks, apple sauce or fresh fruit, cookies, granola bars, many times we add books, crayons, hair brushes, shampoo, lotion, pencils, Christmas toys, hats and gloves, stuffed animals, gum, candy, coloring books, paper, chap stick, tooth brushes and paste. Just a few of the extras that we feel these children need and can use. Again thank you from the 117 children at the Fort Lupton Elementary Schools. Now for fund raising for the new school year. Thank you for the opportunity to raise some money at the Pearson Park concession stand. We will be at the First Night Out in August with snow cones. See you there!

"What's Happening"

Wednesday	July 4 th	Office Closed – Happy 4 th of July	
Sundays	July 8 th – August 26	10:45 am	Adult – Sunday School - John Wesley and the Roots of Methodism. Led by Tom Barlow
Tuesdays	July 17 th – August 21 st	5:30 PM	Bible Study - Living Victoriously In Battle of Life @ Hubert's
Wednesday	July 18 th	1:15pm	Lunch Bunch – Dragon Phoenix
Sunday	July 29 th	12:00 pm	Planning Meeting for 150 th Celebration @ Branding Iron
Sunday	August 26 th	10:45 am	Sign-Up Sunday
Wednesday	August 29 th	7:00 pm	Choir starts
Sunday	September 9 th	10:45 am	Sunday School Kick-off

Have questions about "What's Happening" call the church office.

July Birthdays

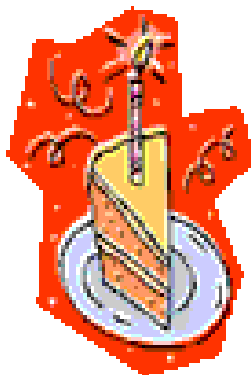
Rudy	Beverly	07/01
Shaw	Julie	07/02
Payne	Edna	07/03
Ceretto	Judd	07/05
Rhoades	Bobbi Jo	07/05
Gaul	Donna	07/06
Ryan	John	07/06
Howard	John	07/08
Frazier	Doris	07/10
McCutchan	Shawn	07/10
Fehr	Bud	07/11
McElhinney	Sue	07/11
Sarazen	Britney	07/11
Lee	Shawna	07/13
Musselman	George	07/13
Mullet	Verna	07/15
Barry	Matthew	07/16
Norby	Troy	07/22
Sarazen	Rylea	07/22
Schroeder	Audrey	07/23
Ceretto	Sharon	07/23
Hood	Chris	07/24
Bettger	Mike	07/25
DeBerg	Nick	07/26
Cummins	Spencer	07/27
Yocum	Andrea	07/29
Bertrand	Valerie	07/30
Irsik	Jody	07/30
Suppes	Joe	07/31
Ceretto	Corey	07/31

August Birthdays

Ceretto	Brandon	08/02
Larson	Paula	08/06
Dale-Johnson	Renee	08/07
Marsh Ray	Bethany	08/07
Pelis	Kirk	08/08
Hood	Cindy	08/09
Lee	Richard	08/10
Eberly	Rebecca	08/10
Brewer	Mary Jean	08/11
Wamsley	JaNelle	08/12
Irsik	David	08/13
Easterday	Bob	08/14
Viken	Evelyn	08/15
Marrs	Justin	08/15
Howard	Ashley	08/16
Martin	John	08/17
Barlow	Kirsten	08/19
Tomaryn	Steven	08/20
Boss	Billie	08/21
Tomoi	Diana	08/21
Ceretto	Vicki	08/22
Barry	Savannah	08/24
Marrs	Emily	08/24
Marrs	Colton	08/24
Taylor	Jeremy	08/24
Neely	Kai	08/24
Bettger	Michael	08/26
Haberkon	Ruth	08/27
Edgar	Danielle	08/28
Hubert	Sue	08/29
Jones	Charlotte	08/29
Bucher	Anthony	08/29
Neb	Sandy	08/30
Roedel	Keri	08/30
Thiesen	Iva	08/31

July Anniversaries

7/8	Rob & Krista Payne
7/20	David & Janelle Payne
7/16	Jon & Doris Frazier
7/25	Cliff & Betty Carter



August Anniversaries

8	Ed & Bonnie Leihy
10	Jody & Amber Irsik
10	John and Diana Howard
13	Ino and Carol Duarte
13	Joe & Teri Kopfman
13	Dale & Jocelyn Hostetter
17	Bill and Mary Jean Brewer
18	George and Barbara Gaul
18	Troy & Kristyn Clark
18	Todd & Twila Cullum
23	Joe and Teri Kopfman
24	John and Julie Taylor
26	Gary and Kathy Pope
29	Kevin and Michelle Gross

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	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	1 09:00am Sunday Worship	2	3	4 Office Closed	5	6	7 05:30pm Towaoc Mission Devotion & Potluck
28	8 09:00am Sunday Worship 10:30am John Wesley and Roots of Methodism.	9 07:00pm Foxy Quilters	10 07:30pm Trustees Meeting	11	12	13	14
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