

Circuit Rider September/ October 2013

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September 2013

Dear Friends,

Can you believe that we have come to the end of the summer? It is hard to believe with the temperatures still soaring outside, but fall is right around the corner.

It is a great time to get back into the swing of things. Maybe you've been traveling this summer and had a busy schedule. Maybe the heat has lulled you and you've had some down time. Or maybe you've just been go, go, go in your regular daily schedule. Whatever your situation, fall is a great time to settle in and reconnect to things in the life and ministry of the church. You can check out the "Coming Up" section of this newsletter for information on many of the things that are happening in the next few months here.

We've had a great summer filled with Vacation Bible School, ongoing Bible studies and Sunday School, regular worship, and a fabulous mission trip! I hope you got in on some of it!

Don't fret about coming to worship in this hot weather. The air conditioning in the Sanctuary is up and running and it has been so much more comfortable in there these last few weeks. Thank you so much for all of your generosity in helping to fund this special project. Vacation Bible School, weddings, funerals, weekly worship, and the many other things that occur in the summer time here will be so much more comfortable from now on!

And I hope that you've marked Sunday, October 6 on your calendar as a very special day that you'll want to be with us for our 150th Anniversary Celebration. We'll have several special guests with us during worship and at our luncheon including: Bishop Elaine J.W. Stanovsky, District Superintendent Skip Strickland, previous pastors, and local government officials.

I hope and pray that you won't miss out on any of the wonderful worship, fellowship, study, and community outreach going on here this fall. See you soon!

God bless you,

Pastor Kirsten

Acts 2: 46-47 Every day, they met together in the temple and ate in their homes. They shared food with gladness and simplicity. They praised God and demonstrated God's goodness to everyone. The Lord added daily to the community those who were being saved.

Thank You

A heartfelt THANK YOU to all of you for the wonderful 50th birthday celebration! Your presentation, the singing, the cake, the decorations, the gifts, and the cards were quite a surprise! You were so kind to think of me. You have blessed me at this half century mark in my life. Thank you for showing me your love. Blessings, Kirsten

I just want to say thank you for always thinking of me and calling me for the fun things. I have not been able to attend for quite some time. I will be having surgery at Rose memorial on the 14th. I will probably go to Brighton Care rehab for a few weeks until I can come back home. Thank you for all of your thoughts and prayers. Trust in God, Love Joan (Joan Reichrath)

I want to thank you and all the members for praying for me and putting me on your prayer list with all of the prayers for me. God stepped in and performed a miracle. My surgeon didn't want to do this and said my chances of coming through the surgery were slim as my heart was only working 15%. I want to especially thank Lloyd and Iva for sending me their CD. I really enjoy it and I pray the Lord will bless each one of my loving Christian brother and sisters. Thank you and God Bless, Ray Schmidt

Thank you for your many prayers, thoughts and expressions of love in the passing of my brother and the poor health of my sister who is now improving. Pastor Hugh and Hazel Harris

United Methodist Women

It has been a good summer and now we can get busy again. We were able to send 10 cleaning buckets to Annual Conference in June. Thank you for your help with the cleaning buckets.

With your help we sent a large bag of bras to the UMW Day Apart in Longmont in July. This is part of a world wide effort to help women achieve independence.

UMW is starting our busy time of the year. Our first meeting is on September 5 at 6:30pm at the church. We will start with a potluck and our program will on the McCurdy School and Mission. Beth :Hyde, Membership, Nurture & Outreach Chairman for our district will be presenting the program. Anyone who is interested is invited to come.

We are gearing up for the Annual Bazaar and Turkey Dinner in November. Signup sheets will be passed out at the end of the month. I want to thank the entire congregation for your help with this every year. We could not put this on without your help. This is our main fundraiser for the year.

Neena Hagans
UMW President

What's Coming Up....

Sign-Ups, Subs, Salads, and Sodas – Wednesday, September 4 – 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm at the church
Come and sign up your elementary school children for Christian Life Club (CLC), your youth for United Methodist Youth Fellowship, and your children of all ages for Sunday School. Then stay to have subs, salads, and sodas for dinner. All for free!

Trapper Days Parade – Saturday, September 7 – 10:00 am

Our church will have a float in the parade as we celebrate 150 years in ministry and counting! If you are interested in helping to build the float or to be on it, contact Gwen in the church office at 303-857-2257.

Ministry Fair – Sunday, September 8 – 10:45 am – 11:45 am – Fireside Room and Dining Hall

Come and find out about all of the different ministries that you can be involved with here at First UMC. Browse the booths, eat some goodies, and visit with others.

Children's Sunday School – 10:45 am – 11:45 am - Weekly - Begins Sunday, September 8

Christian Life Club (CLC) – 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm – Every Wednesday beginning September 11

All children 1st grade through 5th grade are invited to come for a fun afternoon of Bible stories, games, and snacks.

Youth Group (United Methodist Youth Fellowship – UMYF) – 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm – Every Wednesday beginning September 11

All middle and high schoolers (grade 6th – 12th) are invited! Dinner, discussion, activities, and study included.

Adult Sunday School – 10:45 am – 11:45 am – Weekly - Resumes Sunday, September 15

- Bible Study of the Book of Revelation – meets in classroom across from office – year-round
- Young at Heart Class – meets in Conference Room
- Nothing But Chicks – meets in Dining Hall

Mid-Week Bible Study – Join us as we read through the Bible – year-round

- Wednesdays - 12:00 noon – 1:00 pm – Conference Room

Healing Service – Sunday, September 29 – 5:00 pm Sanctuary

All are welcome to join us as we come together to pray for those in need in our midst.

150th Anniversary Worship Celebration and Luncheon – Sunday, October 6

Join us as we celebrate 150 years in ministry and counting!

- Worship at 9:00 am in the Sanctuary
- Luncheon to follow at Fire Station #1 – 11:00 am

BLESSING IN A BAG

AS THE STUDENTS OF FORT LUPTON SCHOOLS START THIS NEW 2013-14 SCHOOL YEAR, THE BLESSINGS IN A BAG BOARD AND VOLUNTEERS WANT TO THANK ALL OF YOU FOR THE WONDERFUL SUPPORT YOU HAVE BEEN FOR THE PAST SCHOOL YEARS. LAST SCHOOL YEAR WE GAVE OUT 3788 BAGS OF CHILD FRIENDLY FOOD FOR THE CHILDREN RECOMMENDED BY THEIR TEACHERS AND COUNSELORS AND SCHOOL NURSE TO RECEIVE A BAG. THESE BAGS CONTAIN NOT ONLY FOOD BUT, SCHOOL SUPPLIES, BOOKS, CHRISTMAS ITEMS, EASTER ITEMS, VALENTINE'S DAY ITEMS, EVEN SHAMPOO, LOTION, AND SOAP ALSO TOOTH BRUSHES AND PASTE (THANKS TO PARK AVE DENTAL), AND MANY ITEMS THAT HELP THEM WITH SCHOOL WORK. AS WE BEGIN THIS NEW SCHOOL YEAR OF 2013-14, PLEASE KEEP THESE CHILDREN IN YOUR PRAYERS AND IF YOU HAVE TIME ANY TUESDAY AT 9 AM COME BY (MIRACLE HOUSE, 236 PARK AVE.)AND HELP US PACK THE BAGS. SPECIAL THANKS TO THE FORT LUPTON FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR DELIVERING THE BAGS.



*Join Youth Ministries for
Sign Up – Subs – Salads and Sodas
Wednesday, September 4th from 5:00-
7:00 pm*

It's that time of year again to start signing up so we can get started with all the fun and exciting youth activities that we have going on here this year! Come by the church and sign up for CLC, UMYF and Sunday School and grab a bite to eat with your whole family.

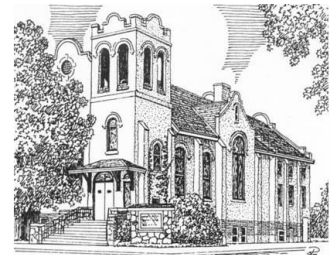


Call the church office 303-857-2257

Orders are being
taken for

History Book
\$10

Note Cards
\$5



Heaven's Grocery Store

I was walking down life's highway a long time ago.
One day I saw a sign that read: "Heaven's Grocery Store."

As I got a little closer the door came open wide

And when I came to myself, I was standing inside.

I saw a host of **Angels**; they were standing everywhere.

One handed me a basket and said, "My child, shop with care."

Everything a Christian needed was in that grocery store;

All you couldn't carry, you could come back for more.....

First, I got some **Patience**; **Love** was in the same row

Further down was **Understanding**; you need that everywhere you go.

I got a box or two of **Wisdom**, a bag or two of **Faith**;

I just couldn't miss the **Holy Ghost** for it was all over the place.

I stopped to get some **Strength** and **Courage** to help me run this race.

By then my basket was getting full, but I remembered I needed **Grace**.

I didn't forget **Salvation** for **Salvation** was free

So I tried to get enough of that to save both you and me.

I started up to the counter to pay my grocer bill

For I thought I had everything to do my Master's will.

As I went up the aisle, I saw **Prayer** and I just had to put that in

For I knew when I stepped outside, I would run into sin.

Peace and **Joy** were plenty; they were last on the shelf.

Song and **Praise** were hang near, so I just helped myself.

Then I said to the **Angel**, "How much do I owe?"

He smiled and said, "Just take them everywhere you go."

I smiled and said again, "How much do I really owe?"

Again he smiled and said, "**My child, Jesus paid your bill a long, long time ago.**"

IN MINISTRY
150 YEARS
AND COUNTING

You are cordially invited to be our guest as we
celebrate our first 150 years of ministry
Sunday, October 6, 2013.

Special Worship Service- 9:00 am
First United Methodist Church
306 Park Avenue, Fort Lupton, Colorado

Luncheon immediately following the worship service
Fort Lupton Fire Hall
1121 Denver Avenue, Fort Lupton, Colorado.

This is a special celebration in the life of our
ministry.

We'd be honored if you could be in attendance.

Have a special memory you would like to share?

Email to the church office

firstumeflco@aol.com

September/October Birthdays

09/01	Bonnie	I eihv
09/01	Rick	Floodeen
09/01	Chantel	Floodeen
09/03	Reed	Kopfman
09/04	Barbara	Gaul
09/04	Betty	Carter
09/05	Ernest	Unrein
09/05	Debbie	Meadows
09/05	Jennifer	Anders
09/06	Nevaeh	Irsik
09/06	Alexis	Irsik
09/08	Dominique	Edgar
09/09	Kacey	Purifoy
09/10	Ron	Brown
09/10	Terry	Garrett
09/10	Tim	Garrett
09/10	Stephen	Woodruff
09/11	Caylin	Edgar
09/12	Zoya	Schroeder
09/12	Laurie	McCartney
09/13	Jim	Roedel
09/14	Kathleen	Payne
09/17	Jeanette	Thiesen
09/18	Kathy	Nelson-Purifoy
09/18	Barb	Irsik
09/20	Diana	Howard
09/21	Bryan	Edens
09/21	Justin	Leyba
09/21	Brian	Howard
09/24	Winona	Harris
09/24	Jim Jr.	Roedel
09/24	Jolene	Bangert-Manternach
09/25	Leo	Bissell
09/25	Gary	Pope
09/25	Melanie	Newton
09/26	Jordan	Bissell
09/27	Ino	Duarte
09/29	Gabby	Norby
09/30	Lissa	Hood
10/01	John	Taylor
10/05	Adele	Newton
10/06	Mike	Bangert
10/11	Patty	Bucher
10/11	Darrel	McCrumb
10/12	Kevin	Gross
10/14	Adam	Rentz
10/15	Steven	Stroble
10/16	Rob	Payne
10/17	George	Gaul
10/17	Roy	DeBlicck
10/18	Mike	Acre
10/19	Karson	Evens
10/19	Kamdin	Johnston
10/20	Lynda	Jones
10/21	Hannah	Frizzell
10/21	Frank	Meadows



10/21	David	Dale
10/22	Ron	Ceretto
10/23	Marcene	Martin
10/24	Vada	Roedel
10/24	Rhonda	Button
10/25	Jim	Kopfman
10/25	Bill	Dale
10/26	Jason	Pope
10/27	Ben	McClure
10/27	Ruth	McClure
10/28	Jay	Shaw
10/29	Lori	Castilleja
10/30	Mickey	Hatchell
10/30	Courtney	Gaul
10/30	Brianna	English

September/October Anniversaries

09/01	Judy	Ceretto
09/01	Ron	Ceretto
09/05	Roy	DeBlicc
09/05	Traci	DeBlicc
09/11	Ernest	Unrein
09/11	Loree	Unrein
09/19	Carri	Edgar
09/19	Gene	Edgar
09/20	Bonnie	Shaw
09/20	Jay	Shaw
09/24	Judd	Ceretto
09/24	Tina	Ceretto
10/06	Diana	Tomoi
10/06	Donald	Tomoi
10/10	Tanya	Marrs
10/14	Barb	Floodee
10/14	Rick	Floodee
10/15	Dan	Kerr
10/15	Jacque	Kerr
10/22	Jeanie	Tiffany
10/22	Phil	Tiffany
10/23	Adam & Nonnie	Hunziker
10/24	John	Ryan
10/24	Terri	Ryan



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<u>1</u> 09:00am Sunday Worship	<u>2</u> 08:00am OFFICE CLOSED	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u> 12:00pm Bible Study 05:00pm Sign- Ups, Subs, ... 07:00pm Choir	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>
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