

Mountain Views *December 1, 2019*

Hanging of the Greens: Today! Following 10:30 am Worship

Advent is here! Everyone is invited to stick around after worship today to help decorate the church and the Christon Tree in the Sanctuary.

Outreach Holiday Schedule At-A-Glance

- **Family-to-Family:** Support struggling families by donating \$25 gift cards from Target or Walmart. Collection dates: Nov. 24, Dec. 1 & 8 in Narthex. (Note: complete a donor form!)
- **Advent Market:** Varied vendors provide gifting opportunities: Sunday, Dec. 8 from 8:45 am - 12:00 pm in Barker Hall.
- **Mozart's Stocking:** Donate money to our covenant missionary in Ghana, Mozart Adevu. Collecting Dec. 15 & 22 in Narthex.
- **Share-a-Gift:** Donate children's toys. Collection dates: Dec. 1 & 8 in Narthex.

Scarves & Hats for Boulder County Seniors

We will be collecting hand knit and crocheted scarves today in the Narthex for Boulder County seniors in need. These items will be included in holiday baskets. For more information, contact Judith Rhoads (720-562-8176) or Cheryl Runyon (303-494-0434). Thank you for helping our neighbors.

Pastor's Advent Bible Study: Wednesdays in December, 2:00 or 6:00 pm, Frasier Parlor

Join Pastor Stephanie on Wednesdays in December to study the prophecy passages preparing us for the coming of the Messiah. The class will be December 4, 11, and 18. Each lesson will stand alone--you can come to all three or just one! The class will run for one hour, so those with commitments at 7:00 will be able to attend. There is no study book; just bring a Bible.

- **December 4-** Isaiah 35: 1-10 The wilderness and dry land shall rejoice, why? What would refresh you in these days?
- **December 11-** Isaiah 11:1-10 What is the "shoot of Jesse". Will a little child lead them? Who will lead

you?

- **December 18-** Jeremiah 31: 31-34 The people will know me as their God. Do you know God through Jesus?

Family-to-Family Holiday Program 2019

Boulder County Housing & Human Services (HHS) will be collecting gift cards for families/individuals with the lowest income and greatest need. Donations of Walmart or Target gift cards in \$25 increments are requested. See collection box in the Narthex to deposit gift card(s) and your Donor Form today or December 8. (Envelopes and Donor Forms located in Narthex.)

Solos Join Wesley Annes for a Holiday Pot Luck: Tuesday, December 3, 11:30 am, Frasier Parlor

The Wesley Annes Circle of the Mt. View United Methodist Women has graciously invited the Solo's to join them as guests for their annual Holiday Pot luck luncheon at the Church. All Mt. View ladies of about age 50 or older (single or not) and their friends are welcome. Please make your reservation with Jo Ann Joselyn (jjoselyn@earthlink.net; 720 562 8027) today.

Christmas with the Children's Chorale: Saturday, December 7, 1:00 - 3:00 pm, Boettcher Concert Hall in Denver

Join Michael Lee and several hundred other singers in an uplifting performance! Tickets available at www.ChildrensChorale.org and click on Calendar.

Christmas Caroling at Boulder Manor and Frasier Meadows: Next Sunday, December 8, following 10:30 am worship

Join in on this new tradition! Following 10:30 am worship, we'll have a quick soup lunch in Frasier Parlor and then head out to Boulder Manor at 12:30 and then Frasier Meadows at 1:30 pm. Afterwards, we'll return to the church for cookies and beverages. Questions? Contact Steve Burchard (music@mtview.org).

Blue Christmas Service & Meal: Thursday, December 12, 5:15 pm meal, 6:15 pm Service

If you and your family are finding Christmas to be a difficult time, We invite you to join us at our Blue Christmas meal and service to honor your loss. There will be a light supper served Thursday, December 12 at 5:15 pm in Frasier Parlor, and a service will follow the supper at 6:15 pm in the sanctuary. RSVP to office@mtview.org or call 303-494-5025.

Mountain View Sings: December 15

All kids are invited to participate in our annual pageant presentation of the Christmas story! We'll use costumes, words, and music as we share the story of this special season. We'll be working with the Chancel choir, Head for Home, and the Spirit Singers to make this a celebration you don't want to miss! There will be a rehearsal on Saturday, December 14 to run through the service with all of our music groups. Kids, especially those with multiple lines, are strongly encouraged to attend!

Christmas Eve Worship

- **5:00 pm** Family Service
- **7:00 pm** Christmas Eve Carols and Candles

End-of-the-Year Pancake Breakfast and Combined Worship: Sunday, December 29

Welcome the coming new year and enjoy pancakes with friends. All are invited to worship at one united service at 10:30 am on December 29, which will be preceded by an awesome pancake breakfast at 9:00 am in Barker Hall before the service! See you there!

Prayers

- Sharon Tsang
- Robin Chavez
- Bruce Shaver

Sunday, December 1

Worship at 8:00, 9:03, & 10:30 am
9:00 - 10:00 am Faith Matters (205)
9:00 - 10:00 am S&OS (FP North)
9:15 - 10:15 am Lively Latte (208)
10:30 - 11:30 am Youth Sunday School (202)
10:45 - 11:45 am Sunday School
11:30 - 12:30 pm Hanging of the Greens

11:40 - 12:40 pm Spirit Singers (108)
4:00 - 5:00 pm 60th Planning

Monday, December 2

3:00 - 8:00 pm Violin - Brady (202)
4:30 - 9:00 pm GBYO (108, 109, 111/113, 112)
4:30 - 9:00 pm GBYO (BH)
4:30 - 6:00 pm GBYO (FP)
4:30 - 9:00 pm GBYO (S)
5:15 - 6:45 pm IFD (205)
5:30 - 6:45 pm GBYO (VR)
7:00 - 9:00 pm Outreach (208)
7:00 - 9:00 pm Reserved (205)

Tuesday, December 3

11:30 - 1:00 pm Holiday Potluck (FP)
11:30 - 1:00 pm Staff Meeting (110)
5:15 - 6:30 pm Worship Committee (208)
6:15 - 8:00 pm Infinite U (111/113)
6:30 - 7:30 pm Bell Rehearsal (S)
6:30 - 8:00 pm SPRC (208)
7:00 - 9:00 pm Lay Leadership (110)

Wednesday, December 4

9:30 - 11:00 am Care Team (FP)
9:30 - 11:00 am Transformations Group (205)
10:30 am - 1:30 pm There with Care (BHK)
11:00 - 9:00 am Violin - Berg (202)
2:00 - 3:30 pm Advent Study (FP)
2:45 - 7:45 pm Violin - Morris (112)
5:30 - 7:30 pm Cub Scouts (109)
6:00 - 7:00 pm Advent Study (FP)
6:30 - 8:00 pm Wednesday Night Women (205)
7:00 - 8:30 pm Choir Rehearsal (S)

Thursday, December 5

9:00 - 11:00 am Boulder Networking (BH)\
12:00 - 9:00 pm Violin - Berg (202)
4:30 - 6:30 pm Infinite U (111/113, 110)
4:30 - 6:30 pm Organ Lessons (S)
6:30 - 8:30 pm Cub Scouts (109, 112)
7:00 - 9:00 pm Trustees (FP)

Friday, December 6

4:00 - 6:30 pm Suzuki Strings (S, BH, FP, 108, 109, 111/113, 112, 202)
4:15 - 6:30 pm Suzuki Strings (VR, 207, 210, 215, 216)
6:30 - 8:30 pm Suzuki Strings (VR)

Saturday, December 7

10:00 am - 12:30 pm Organ Rehearsal (S)
5:00 - 6:00 pm Head for Home Rehearsal (S)
7:30 - 10:00 pm NA Meeting (FP)

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First Sunday of Advent



"Bob the Girl Dog"

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8:00 am Early Service

Gathering Hymns	<i>O Come, O Come, Emmanuel Emmanuel, Emmanuel</i>	UMH #211 UMH #204
Greetings		
Welcome		
Advent Candle Lighting		
Prayers of the People		
Our Lord's Prayer		
Centering Hymn	<i>I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light</i>	UMH #206
Offering		
Doxology	<i>What Child Is This</i>	UMH #219
Prayer of Dedication		
Scripture Focus	Isaiah 35: 1-10	Bible p. 878
Scripture Response	Leader: The Word of God, for the people of God. All: Thanks be to God.	
Sermon	<i>"Bob the Girl Dog"</i> Pastor Stephanie Kidwell	
Sacrament of Holy Communion		Responsive
Closing Hymn	<i>Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates</i>	UMH #213
Benediction		
Lay Liturgist: Connie Balazs		Piano: Linda Chambers

9:03 am Praise Service

Centering with Breathing Deep the Breath of God		
Songs of Praise		
Welcome		
Greetings		
Advent Candle Lighting		Donny Hage & Jean Bowen
Prayers of the People		
Our Lord's Prayer		
Song of Praise & Offering		
Scripture Focus	Isaiah 35: 1-10	Bible p. 878
Message	<i>"Bob the Girl Dog"</i> Pastor Stephanie Kidwell	
Acts of Reflection and Response - Communion		
The Sending Forth		
Closing Song	<i>We Are Blessed</i>	Rebecca De La Vega

10:30 am Traditional Service

**Please stand, as you are able*

Prelude	<i>Sleepers, Wake! A Voice is Calling</i> Susan Carl, organ	J.S. Bach
Welcome		
*Greetings		
Advent Candle Lighting		Susan Powell & Vicki Kaplan
*Opening Hymn	<i>O Come, O Come, Emmanuel</i>	UMH #211
Bringing in and Blessing the Light of Christ		
Children's Message	<i>Following this time, children age 3 through 5th grade are invited to leave with our Children's Director for Sunday School.</i>	
Pastoral Prayer		
Our Lord's Prayer		Unison
	Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.	
Hymn of Faith	<i>I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light</i>	UMH #206
Invitation to Offering		
Offertory	<i>Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring</i> Sarah Stevenson, organ	J.S. Bach
*Doxology	<i>What Child Is This</i>	UMH #219
*Prayer of Thanksgiving		
Scriptural Meditation		
All:	May the words of our mouths, and the meditations of our hearts, be acceptable in Thy sight, O God, our Rock and our Redeemer!	

Scripture Focus	Isaiah 35: 1-10	Bible p. 878
Scripture Response	Leader: The Word of God, for the people of God. All: Thanks be to God.	
Anthem	<i>Advent Carol</i> Chancel Choir	Alfred Fedak
Sermon	<i>"Bob the Girl Dog"</i> Pastor Stephanie Kidwell	
Sacrament of Holy Communion		Responsive
SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP	<i>You are invited to come to the table by way of the center aisle, balcony first. Two serving teams will offer you the bread that may be dipped in the chalice, or you may choose to partake of the juice offered in the small communion cups. Gluten-free wafers are available at the Communion station to the right of the Altar. You are invited to pause at the communion rail for prayer. Please return by the side aisles.</i>	
Prayer of Thanksgiving		
*Hymn of Dedication	<i>Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates</i>	UMH #213
*Benediction		
Taking the Light of Christ's Blessings into the World		
Postlude	<i>O Come, Emmanuel</i> Susan Carl, Organ	W. Held