

Mountain Views *November 24, 2019*

Advent Candle Lighter Signups

If you or your family would like to assist with the lighting of the Advent Candle during this Advent season, sign up using the sheet in the Narthex.

WOW Meets Today

WOW will meet at 10:15 am in the Flatirons Room where they will begin their discussion of, *Daring Greatly*, by Brené Brown today. All church women are invited to join us and share in our "Roses" and "Thorns."

Colorado Trail Presentation: Today, 9:00 & 10:30 am, Frasier Parlor

Mountain View's Green Earth Team invites all members and guests to a presentation by Michael Sobczak covering his recent trek on the Colorado Trail and the Continental Divide Trail. Please bring your questions and join the Green Earth Team for this insightful review of our own Colorado backyard.

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, Dec. 1, or 8. (Envelopes and Donor Forms located in Narthex.)

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.

Hanging of the Greens: Sunday, December 1, Following 10:30 am Worship

It's almost that time! Everyone is invited to stick around after worship on December 1 to help decorate the church and the Chrismon Tree in the Sanctuary.

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) by Sunday December 1.

Scarves & Hats for Boulder County Seniors

We will be collecting hand knit and crocheted scarves on December 1 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.

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: 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

Prayers

- Sharon Tsang
- Robin Chavez
- Bruce Shaver

Thanks

- Thank you to Clare Malinowski for filling in as Choir Director today

Joys

- Church members Tom and Carolyn Carter, who are now living in Greeley, will celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary on Wednesday, November 27. We fondly remember them when they were active in our church – Tom with his ever-present camera and Carolyn with her faithful and loving work with UMW. GOOD WISHES to you, Tom and Carolyn!

Sunday, November 24

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
11:40 - 12:40 pm Spirit Singers (108)

Monday, November 25

3:00 - 8:00 pm Violin - Brady (202)
7:00 - 9:00 pm Reserved (205)

Tuesday, November 26

11:30 - 1:00 pm Staff Meeting (110)
6:30 - 7:30 pm Bell Rehearsal (S)

Wednesday, November 27

10:30 am - 1:30 pm There with Care (BHK)
11:00 - 9:00 am Violin - Berg (202)
2:45 - 7:45 pm Violin - Morris (112)
7:00 - 8:30 pm Choir Rehearsal (S)

Thursday, November 28

Thanksgiving Day

Friday, November 29

No Events Scheduled

Saturday, November 30

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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8:00 am Early Service

Gathering Hymns *For the Beauty of the Earth* UMH #92
Let All Things Now Living TFWS #2008

Greetings

Welcome

Prayers of the People

Our Lord's Prayer

Centering Hymn *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* UMH #694

Offering

Doxology UMH #94

Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Focus Luke 19: 1-10 Bible p. 854

Scripture Response Leader: The Word of God, for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon *"Gratitude: Community and Politics"*
 Pastor Stephanie Kidwell

Closing Hymn *Give Thanks* TFWS #2036

Benediction

Lay Liturgist: Connie Balazs
 Piano: Linda Chambers

9:03 am Praise Service

Centering with Breathing Deep the Breath of God

Songs of Praise *Oh Most High* Kim Hill
I Have Come Back Kathy Rosser

Welcome

Mission Moment

Greetings

Prayers of the People

Our Lord's Prayer

Song of Praise & Offering *Amazing Grace/My Chains are Gone*
 John Newton/Chris Tomlin

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Message *"Gratitude: Community and Politics"*
 Pastor Stephanie Kidwell

Special Music *Welcome Home* Rebecca &
 Richard De La Vega

The Sending Forth

Closing Song *We Are Blessed* Rebecca De La Vega

10:30 am Traditional Service

**Please stand, as you are able*

Prelude *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* Matthew Cord
 Susan Carl, organ

Welcome

Mission Moment

*Greetings

*Congregational Introit *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee (v.4)* UMH #89

*Call to Worship **Responsive**
 Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.
People: God's steadfast love endures forever.
 Leader: Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name.
People: Make known God's deeds among the peoples!
 Leader: God blesses us with gifts of love:
People: with food and clothing, home and family.
 Leader: God blesses us with daily work:
People: and all we need from day to day.
 Leader: God protects us in time of danger:
People: and guards us from every evil.
 Leader: God calls us into relationship with him:
People: and forms us into one holy people, the Church of Jesus Christ in this place.
 Leader: Therefore shall we offer thanks and praise to the Lord our God.
People: O Lord our God, we will give thanks to you forever.

*Opening Hymn *We Gather Together* UMH #131

Bringing in and Blessing the Light of Christ

Children's Message
Following this time, children age 3 through 5th grade are invited to leave with our Children's Director for Sunday School.

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 *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* UMH #694

Invitation to Offering

Offertory *God of Wonders* Joseph Martin
 Tula Roberge, Bonnie Strand, Trish White, and Pua Cowell

*Doxology **UMH #94**
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*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!

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Scripture Response
 Leader: The Word of God, for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

Anthem *Song of Thanksgiving* Malcolm Archer
 Chancel Choir

Sermon *"Gratitude: Community and Politics"*
 Pastor Stephanie Kidwell

*Hymn of Dedication *Give Thanks* TFWS #2036

*Benediction

Taking the Light of Christ's Blessings into the World

Postlude *Now Thank We All Our God* J.S. Bach
 Susan Carl, Organ

The flowers on the Altar today are from the Cowells in honor of Andy's birthday. Flowers on the Welcome Table are from Jan Winqest in honor of Tom & Carolyn Carter (see "Joys" on reverse).

