



Open Hearts....

Open Minds...

Open Doors...

GREEN MOUNTAIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

12755 West Cedar Drive

Lakewood, CO 80228

Phone: (303) 989-3727

Fax: (303) 987-9220

Email: gmumc@gmumc.com



WINDOW ON THE HILL JUNE 2022

Reverend Mark Thurman, Pastor

*Guiding members and friends to a fuller knowledge of GMUMC
through information, support, confirmation, praise, and celebration.*

Staff of GMUMC

Pastor

Rev. Mark Thurman
mark@gmumc.com

Children's Director
Vacant

Youth Director

Alex Neve
alex@gmumc.com

Office Manager

Meg Leak
gmumc@gmumc.com

Finance Secretary

Kent Bates
kent@gmumc.com

Custodian

James O'Toole

Music Director

Bill Loper
williamloper@me.com

Hand Bell Director

Janet Starkey
janetstarkey27@comcast.net

Organist

Melissa Sussman
mucikmama@yahoo.com

Nursery Director

Cherie Werkhoven
werkhoventc@aol.com



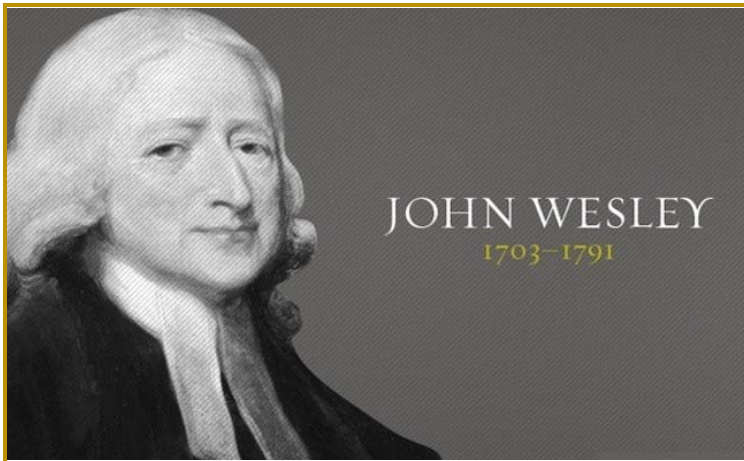
Mark's Musings

June is historically the month in which modern United Methodists meet to 'conference' together. Green Mountain UMC's Lay Representative, Donna Burger, and myself will be attending the Mountain Sky Annual Conference later this month, a yearly occasion for worship, mission, business, and fellowship among the people called Methodists in Colorado, Utah, Wyoming, and Montana. Wesley believed it took a village to raise a Christian- 'social holiness,' he called it- believing that Christians could grow best in community. In his preface to the 1739 hymnal, he was adamant that "the gospel of Christ knows of no religion but social; no holiness but social holiness."

In addition to considering conferencing a near sacrament, here's a few other things I bet you didn't know about John Wesley:

1. He wrote one of the all-time bestselling medical texts, *Primitive Physick*, detailing the then current knowledge about home remedies. It went through 32 editions, making it one of the most widely read books in England. Wesley boldly questioned modern doctors — how they sometimes treated humans like machines; that much of their "medicine" lacked merit and they lacked evidence to support its efficacy. However, his own beliefs were also a little questionable, like his recommendation for holding a puppy against the stomach to cure stomach pain or offering dried and powdered toad pills as a treatment for asthma.
2. Wesley counseled people to 'eat a little less than you desire' for good health as well as a spiritual practice to ensure that people were not ruled by their natural desires but exercising control over them. By the way, he only weighed in at a little under 130 pounds himself.
3. Wesley rode far enough on horseback to circle the earth ten times, some 250,000 miles! He was convinced that it was important for him personally to spread the gospel through relationships and continue to grow closer to God in those relationships.
4. Wesley had serious doubts about his own faith, but ultimately followed the wise instruction of a mentor who told him to "preach faith till you have it; and then, because you have it, you will preach faith."
5. Though the quote 'Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, as long as ever you can' is often attributed to John Wesley and is consistent with his perspective on life, there is no record of him ever actually writing or preaching this.

Mark's Musings... .. page 1
Children's. News..... page 8
Youth News..... page 9



6. He did, however, coin the term 'Agree To Disagree.' Over the years, Wesley had serious theological differences with another popular pastor named George Whitefield. Though they both argued passionately, Wesley reflected on these differences in a memorial sermon for Whitefield by saying: "There are many doctrines of a less essential nature. ... In these, we may think and let think; we may agree to disagree. But, meantime, let us hold fast the essentials. ..." It was a hallmark of Wesley's way of holding to his convictions while remaining in connection with those with whom he disagreed.
7. 'Methodist' was originally a derogatory term, originally used by opponents to mock Wesley and his early societies because of their dedication to following a method for growing closer to God. He eventually embraced the term and turned it into a positive descriptor of the movement.
8. It was never Wesley's intention to split from the Church of England and found an entirely new denomination. However, when the revolution began in the American colonies, most of the Anglican priests returned home. Faced with the fact that none of the Methodists in the colonies could receive the sacraments, Wesley ordained ministers whom he then sent to America. That act was the beginning of the separation that formed the Methodist Church in America.
9. Methodism grew from four persons- the 'holy club' at Oxford college- to 132,000 members in Wesley's lifetime. He died in 1791 leaving behind a movement that spanned across the British Isles and over the Atlantic into America.
10. And finally, later this month on June 28, a very happy 319th Birthday to... the Rev. John Wesley (born 1703).



Reverend John Wesley

"The best of all is, God is with us."

Pastor Mark

Donna Bunger sent this email to me recently, so we want to share this link with you.

[From Donna Bunger to Rev. Mark Thurman, May 1, 2022](#)

People have asked me what's going on in our denomination - Is the United Methodist Church splitting up on May 1st?

This blog pretty much answers everything.

<https://www.jjwarren.org/blog/the-umc-of-tomorrow-begins-today>

UPCOMING EVENTS

Announcements



Please join us

Green Mountain United Women in Faith

Sunrise Breakfast

Thursday, June 2, 2022

8:30 a.m. IHOP-Lakewood City Commons

Anna Myers, Carolynn Wrapp, Brenda Bronson, ClaraLou Humphrey, Ann Topliff, Phyllis Wittrup, & Barb Stoddard

Bobbi's Blessing Box



We now have a one-day turn around on food in the box. In other words, it is emptied every day.

It would be great if everyone who is able would add a few dollars to each shopping trip for food for the box.

Also, if you belong to an organization that could have a good drive or an ongoing donation box that you could bring in, we could stay on top of the need. We will have a box at the West entrance for bulk purchases, so you don't have to bring them upstairs.

Thank you for helping our neighbors!

Here is a list of items that seem to be favorite:

Macaroni and Cheese
Peanut Butter
Soups - condensed and regular
Dry Pasta
Spaghetti Sauce
Salsa
Cereal
Oats
Meals in a Can - Sloppy Joe, Manwich, Spaghetti & Meatballs,
Ravioli
Rice
Beans - dry, canned, refried
Canned Vegetables - favorites Green Beans, Corn, Tomatoes,
Potatoes
Fruit - canned and single snack packs
Packets of Meals - Au Gratin Potatoes, Stroganoff, Hamburger
Helper, Skillet Meals

Ramen/Cup o Noodles
Canned Meats - Tuna, Chicken (or in packets), any type
Crackers
Milk - Dry or in a Carton (refrigerate after opening)
Sugar
Flour
Coffee
Tea
Salt/Pepper
Seasoning Packets
Snacks - single serving crackers, fruit snacks, pop corn
Jell-O - Gelatin and Pudding
Salad Dressing
BBQ Sauce
Candies

Thank you, Donna Bunker



Action Center Donations and Volunteer Opportunities

The Action Center is now taking all seasonal clothing donations and also donations of blankets and linens as well as non-perishable food. Visit their website for donation drive thru times.

The Action Center is always in need of volunteers, and you can sign up for just 3 hours at a time. Visit their website to find out about opportunities to volunteer in the clothing bank and food distribution. <https://theactioncenter.org/get-involved/>

MARSHALL FIRE RECOVERY



Below is the link for Marshall Fire Recovery Website for those interested in assisting those in need:

<https://www.bouldercounty.org/disasters/wildfires/marshall/>



Bellissimo Handbell Group

Come join the fun and make beautiful music ♥

Bellissimo Handbell Group is looking for some new ringers. We practice on **Wednesdays, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.** No experience is needed, we'll teach you everything you need to know! We'd love to have you join us. Choirs have gone dark for the summer.



JULY 2022 Newsletter items
due by the
**DAY AFTER CHURCH
COUNCIL MEETING**
email: mlhotari@msn.com &
gmumc@gmumc.com

Our Life. Our Memories. Our Home.

Live Well at Home with Home Care Assistance!

The leading provider of in-home care services, including personal care, meal preparation, transportation and more!

Schedule your FREE assessment today!
303-987-5992

www.HomeCareAssistanceJeffersonCo.com

Nancy's Happy Home Services
"A Flair for Organizing Your Home"

NANCY ELWOOD - Home Economist - Bonded

Organizing: Papers, Closets, Kitchens, and More!
Food Preparation • Party Help (303) 467-7820
Pet • House Sitting • Errands Excellent References!
Business • House Cleaning 25 Years Experience
E-mail: nancywithhappyhomes@gmail.com

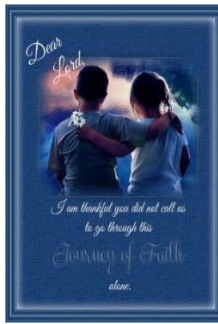
Onsite Consulting, Inc.
Scott Henke, Technician / Owner
Non-Geeky Guys Who Can Communicate
720-482-8383 scott@henke.com

- Microsoft Certified Technicians
- Pop-Ups, Viruses, & Other Nightmares Solved
- High Speed Internet, Networking, FREE Advice
- Disaster Recovery and Prevention
- 26 Years of Consulting Experience!

www.onsitedenver.com
Proudly Referred on Tom Martino's troubleshooter.com

SOLOs Lunch Group

SOLOS is a group of women, 55 and above, who meet socially on the 3rd Friday of the months, September through May.
If you have questions, please call
Linda Dahlke at (303) 984-1994.



SHARED JOURNEY

Our support group for caregivers with loved ones experiencing dementia is open to all. We meet on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. Place to be determined.

For more information, contact Sonya Noyes 303-985-9522.



I would like to start putting the **MAY-AUGUST Dinner for Eight** groups together. This process takes time and I need your help. Please let your current Team Leader or me know if you would like to continue participating, rejoin, or leave DINNER for 8.

IF YOU ARE NEW to GMUMC, we meet once a month at a local restaurant to dine and socialize. It is a great way to get to know others from our church. Each group has 7 or 8 people, with a mixture of couples, singles, and occasionally their children. The Team Leader and members of each group decide what days, times, and places work best for them and set up each dinner together. It is also a good opportunity to try new cuisines or suggest your favorite foods or restaurants, and enjoy an evening of Fellowship, especially now that the restaurants are opening up again.

New groups are formed every four months, giving you the chance to get to know more people. If you are interested in trying out or joining **DINNER for EIGHT**, or you have questions about what we do or how it works, contact **Darline Bowland** at darlinebowland@gmail.com or 303-987-1219.

Support Green Mountain United Methodist Church.

When you shop at smile.amazon.com,
Amazon donates.

[Go to smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com)

amazonsmile

A gentle reminder that GMUMC benefits from online purchases made on Amazon by designating GMUMC as charity when you shop at smile.amazon.com.
<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/84-0534933>



Habitat for Humanity has long been a vital service project at GMUMC. We are currently in need of someone to represent our church with Jeffco Interfaith Partners to serve as our liaison for communication, building projects and fundraising efforts. A huge thank you to Mark and Lori Osborn for their outstanding leadership in this position in recent years! Please contact Mary Bloomstran with questions or for more info or the church office at 303-989-3727.



Constructing Legal Solutions Since 1994

7691 Shaffer Parkway, Suite A
Littleton, CO 80127

Phone: (720) 962-6010 / Fax: (720) 962-6011
Toll Free: (866) 962-6010

www.arnoldarnold.com

Jean C. Arnold, Richard M. Arnold
Terry Ehrlich, Scott Havn and Joshua T. Keltner

Estate Planning & Probate Administration; Elder Law;
Real Estate Law; Family Law; Construction Law & Mechanic's
Liens; Collections & Bankruptcy Creditor Representation;
Mediation and More



Cedar Hill Community Garden at Green Mountain United Methodist Church

(part of Denver Urban Gardens (DUG) community gardens)

The garden is always unlocked, so please feel free to visit anytime.

"Planting seeds for the future."

Jean Arnold, Outreach and Garden Liaison

The vision: Feeding our community. *"I hope that time spent in the garden can grow not only sustainable food but a community from diverse people and foster a sense of place that brings peace."* Lori Osborn

Spring is the time for our annual spring plant sale – along with the choirs. So, watch for more information to come in April. Visit the shade pergola and sit in the waking garden and watch for those early signs of spring. The pollinator garden is filled with perennials, and you can observe nature's progress. All are invited to come into the garden for a respite and to just *be* – *no matter the season*.

Garden plots. If you would like a garden plot for the 2022 growing season, please contact co-garden leader **Ali Young** (mustang.ali@hotmail.com) to be added to the wait list. Once the wait list reaches 10 people, we will close the list until the 2023 growing season. We expect to have 2-4 plots available in the 2022 season. Ali is coordinating garden plot assignments.

What we need:

- **Garden tools** – As you start working in your own garden – or you are downsizing – please think of the Garden and donate your used hand tools, rakes, shovels, wheelbarrows, etc. Any extra tools will be donated to DUG for other Community Gardens this spring.
- **Bricks** – The brick ongoing fund raiser. We anticipate installing the bricks in the spring/summer now that the fencing, compost bins and shade pergola are in (see below). **Denver Urban Gardens (DUG) Construction.** The bricks will be installed by a professional contractor, who met with Jean Arnold in August 2021. And we can continue to install bricks where we have blanks into the future.

Check out the website (under construction by co-garden leader Stacey Cummins) at:

<https://communitygardengmu.wixsite.com/cedarhill>



Fundraising Bricks

Lori Osborn and Jean Arnold will be in contact with you if you have not provided the "words" you want on your bricks. We will be ordering bricks for delivery a few weeks before they are to be installed. If you have not ordered a brick but have been meaning to do so – it's not too late. Contact **Lori Osborn**.

You can order bricks at any time to support the garden. The bricks will be installed once the heavy work is done. Please contact **Lori Osborn** (lorioho@icloud.com) or 303-986-8802 to purchase a brick. Order forms are on the program table outside the Gathering Place.

- \$100 per 4 X 8 brick + \$10 for clip art.
- \$200 per 8 X 8 brick + \$10 for clip art.

King Soopers Community Rewards



As many of you know King Soopers has ended its gift card program. In its place, they have initiated the Community Rewards Program. This is a just a reminder for those of you who need to link their SooperCard, so that the church will still be getting money for your shopping at King Soopers.

You will need to create a digital account by going www.KingSoopers.com/CommunityRewards.

You will then select **Create an Account**. Under sign-in information, enter your email and create a password (write down your password, you will need it in step 2). Select 'Use Card Number' and enter your SooperCard Number or Alternate ID, last name and zip code. Under 'Select your Store', enter your zip code and then select 'Find Stores'. Choose your store and then select 'Create Account'. Once you get the welcome email, then you can go back in clicking on the link in the email and finish creating your account. Then click on the Community Rewards link on the left hand side and either search by Green Mountain United Methodist Church or use this number to find us: RK117, which is our organization code. Any questions, please call the church office for assistance.



CHILDREN'S NEWS

JUNE



With the departure of our wonderful Children's Director, Kelli Schnase, Green Mountain UMC is in a transition period. We shared many tears on Sunday May 22nd as Kelli gave her last lesson to the children. Through the tears we are so excited for Kelli and her new adventures in Nebraska! She gave so much to our church, and we were blessed with the time we had with her.

Often times, change can be hard and as we move into a new era, we need to come together to support the children of GMUMC. We can do this by continuing to provide a loving environment for them to cope with this change. Ashley Cullins from *Big Life Journal* recommends the following to help kids cope with change:

- Give them time to prepare – Speak to them about the change and allow them time to process and begin to accept change.
- Listen to their concerns – Take time to address questions and concerns. Help them work through the emotions that they are feeling.
- Provide connection and play – Make sure they know that no matter what else changes, the church is not going anywhere, and the whole church community is here to support them.
- Keep Routines the same – Give you child as much consistency and stability as possible. Structure feels safe for children, so provide as much of it as possible to restore a sense of safety.

Pulling on the thread of “keeping routines the same,” it is imperative that we continue to support our children's faith-based learning as we search for a new Children's minister! I challenge you to think about how you can help. Is it providing a craft for the children to make? Is it volunteering in the classroom? Or offering a bible lesson during the children's moment? No amount is too small.

If you have interest in working with the children on a volunteer basis, please reach out to Alyssa Olson at amolson811@gmail.com or 602-733-0465. You will be required to complete a background check and short training, but the amount of fun and gift of growing our children's ministry will more than compensate for that!

Blessings,
Alyssa Olson



Wed, June 15th **Games in the Park** **6 - 7:30 pm**

You made it through the school year!!! Now it is time to rest, relax, and recharge. Let's celebrate summer by getting together for GAMES!! We will still wear masks and try to socially distance while we play together so no one gets sick for their summer plans!

Sun, July 10th **Mission Project - Help for the Homeless Packs** **10:15 - 11:15 am**

Since summer brings seasonal jobs, family vacations, summer camps, and tons of sports, we are offering two different Mission Project opportunities this year. Two months, two different days of the week, and TWICE the impact for our community. Hopefully you can make BOTH events! We will assemble bags to help the homeless. Then we will take a couple bags that we can keep in our cars and give out to people who are homeless. We will leave some bags for the church to share with homeless people in our community too!

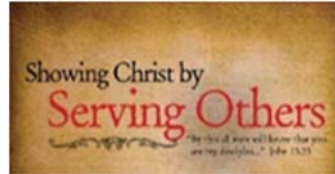
Wed, August 3rd **Mission Project - Sunshine Boxes** **5 - 8 pm**

Mission Project Part 2 with MORE fun and MORE service!! This event is all about finding some sunshine! We will shop for yellow items and put together boxes of sunshine for people going through a dark time. Those receiving these boxes may be going through a divorce, the loss of a loved one, unemployment, a chronic illness, or some other struggle. Bring masks and snacks to enjoy as we do this service project! We will also pick up a pepperoni pizza to share while we talk about and assemble our boxes.

If you have any questions please contact Alex at: 303-882-0006.



OUR SERVICE, CONCERNS, & CELEBRATIONS



Janice Ramsthaler	06/01
Carol Schattinger	06/04
Taylor Neve	06/04
Rilene Thompson	06/05
Julia Montano	06/06
Phyllis Wittrup	06/06
Dee Morse	06/07
Katie Bernard	06/08
Michael Coen	06/09
Renee Parker	06/09
Erik Evans	06/10
Vicky Hamilton	06/10
Marge Rudolph	06/11
Sherry Coulter	06/11
Aaron Nichols	06/12
Sharon Berry	06/12
Bonnie Haase	06/14
Chuck Thorman	06/14
Phyllis Parker	06/16
Allan Arnold	06/17
Jacob Olson	06/17
Isaac Wondel	06/18
Bob Walcott	06/19
Jack Branscome	06/19
Harry Thomas	06/21
Brooke Berry	06/23
Cassie Gillis	06/23
Brian Snow	06/24
Zach Powers	06/25
Eric Morrison	06/26
Mark Thurman	06/26
Jackson Fleck	06/27
Quinn Bride	06/30



Walt & Marge Rudolph	06/02
Christopher & Marsha Carey	06/08
Doug & Mary Wylie	06/08
William Thomas & Mary Bloomstran	06/09
Joel & Lorna Chapa	06/12
Emery & Carol Shattinger	06/12
Ken & Brenda Bullard	06/14
Duane & Kathy Patterson	06/18
Gary & Dixie Bowker	06/21
Ruth Alminas & Andy McGarry	06/25
Harold & Karen Harmon	06/26
Frank & Velda Walters	06/26

Our Care Corner

Keeping Our Promises

By Upholding the Church with...

Our prayers, our presence, our gifts, and our service.



For those who have experienced loss: The Family of:

Charlotte Worster, wife of Carl Worster
Bobby Williams, family of Jim & Rylene Thompson &
Lettie Covert

All the families who have lost loved ones in the
recent tragic shootings across our country

Church Members:

Ann Topliff	Georgia Lewis	Darline Bowland
Patrick Sullivan	Vivian Tanner	Patti Hildenbrandt
Shirley Allison	Charles Vestal	Charlotte Knox

Family of Church Members:

Crystal, daughter of Ramona Twiss
Rose Camporini, sister of Anna Myers
Sue Powell, aunt of Karlynn Cory
Andy Thomas' Mom & Aunt Sue

Friends of Church Members:

Bonnie, friend of Nancy Elwood
Sandra Dukes, best friend of Phyllis Parker's niece

Remember these people in your prayers. Let us continue to pray for:

Virginia Sorenson, sister-in-law of Frank & Roxanne Penn
Cherie Williams, friend of Jean
Jerry Seiner, friend of Vestals
Susan, daughter of Anna Myers
Cody Wirth, friend of Brenda Christy
Caroline Clovesko, Kristen Allen's mother
Kinsasha & Kahlia Zamora, great-granddaughters of
Edith Gammon
Bernice Arsenault, mother-in-law of Francis Arsenault
Patrick Wendy, relative of Marcia Johnston-Walden
Rev. Bob Titus
Ashlie Torbic, young friend of Thayne & Sherry Coulter
Linda, Vicky Hamilton's sister
Laura Inzano, friend of Marsha Moore
Jeanne Faulkner, friend of Marsha Moore
Taylor Merrill, Charles & Madelene Vestal's grandson
Evan & Danielle, Marsha Carey's son & daughter-in-law
Joni Wick, friend of Rich & Jean Arnold
MJ Paulsen



Prayers for those serving in the military and their families, especially:

Doug Huenneke
Gloria Sher Timothy Skinner

*If you have family members who are
currently in military service or the
Peace Corps and wish to have their
name listed in this section, please notify
Meg in the church office.*

Please Note: Names will remain on the Prayer
List in the bulletin for four weeks, unless you
notify the church office to remove them sooner.
If you wish to have someone on the Prayer List
for longer than four weeks, please notify the
church office so the name may be added to the
Long-Term Prayer List that is published in the
church newsletter, *Window on the Hill*.



ATTENDANCE

DATE	8:00am	10:30am
04/24	00	74
05/01	09	80
05/08	07	103
05/15	07	54
05/22	10	75



JUNE 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				2 8:30 a.m. UMWF Breakfast @ IHOP 9:30 a.m. Quilts for Kids	3	4
5 8:00 a.m. Worship 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship	6 7:30 p.m. AA	7		9 9:30 a.m. Quilts for Kids	10	11
12 8:00 a.m. Worship 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship	13 7:00 p.m. Committee Meetings Outreach Committee Meeting via Zoom 7:30 p.m. AA	14	15 10:00 a.m. Shared Journey 6:00-7:30 p.m. Youth Group Games in the Park	16 9:30 a.m. Quilts for Kids	17	18
19 <i>Father's Day</i> 8:00 a.m. Worship 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship	20 7:00 p.m. Church Council 7:30 p.m. AA	21	22	23 9:30 a.m. Quilts for Kids	24	25
26 8:00 a.m. Worship 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship	27 7:30 p.m. AA	28	29	30 9:30 a.m. Quilts for Kids		