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Window on the Hill

Mark's Musings

I was once invited to a friend's home during the autumn season when the weather was finally turning cooler. When the possibility of hot chocolate was entertained, one of her kids (7 yr old) got very excited-jumping up and down, shouting praises, running laps around the house, that sort of thing. A short while later when it was actually served I noticed that the kid had not yet returned to the kitchen from his most recent lap, nor was there a mug waiting for him. When I asked his mom about it, she laughed and explained, "Oh, he doesn't like the taste of hot chocolate. He just likes the idea of it!"

I fear my appreciation for September might be similar. The autumn season, which officially begins this very month, is my favorite time of the year. No doubt this is partly due to the fact that I spent most of my childhood years in deep southeast Texas. And in case you haven't heard, summer time is hot down there. I mean really hot. Top that with a big ol' dollop of humidity, and things just get miserable. And if hot and humid weren't enough, the summers are long, too, much longer than Colorado's. By early June, temperatures are already consistently registering in the triple digits, with lows only dipping to around the mid-80s, and it pretty much stays that way clear till Halloween. Texans receive the autumn season as salvation, of a kind. Coloradoans welcome it too, of course, and for similar reasons, albeit to a lesser degree... literally.

But September isn't autumn yet! Not even here in Lakewood. September

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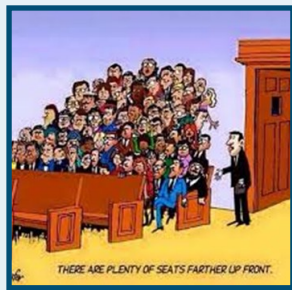
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NEWS & UPDATES

Belong

A Time for Visitors with the Pastor Mark



Maybe it's your very first time visiting our church. Or perhaps you've been several times and attend regularly. Pastor Mark welcomes visitors of all kinds every Sunday @ 10:00 a.m. in the Fireside Room for a 30 min Q & A before worship.

Mark's Musings, continued

always seems to fool me. It sounds so autumn-y. But it still feels kinda hot. Not July hot, but neither October cool. It's a tweener month.

Which brings me to an insight the British professor Clive Staples (C.S.) Lewis once proposed: "The most intense joy lies not in the having, but in the desiring. The delight that never fades, the bliss that is eternal, is only yours when what you most desire is just out of your reach."

And sure enough, delight dawns anew in my heart with just the notion of a cool breeze, falling leaves and egg nog lattes... just out of reach.

PASTOR MARK

Interfaith Service Event

Our church is joining the Green Mountain Presbyterian Church, Christ on the Mountain Catholic Church, the LDS Churches and Mile Hi Church in a Service Project organized by, and to be held at, the Mormon Church, 6465 W. Jewell Ave, Lakewood, on Saturday, Sept. 20, 9-1PM.

Eleven local service organizations will have a booth to educate people on their mission and how people can volunteer their time. All the churches will collect clothes for all ages, food, hygiene supplies and even card games. At the Service Event there will be different activities where attendees can help sort clothes and food or make hygiene kits, to name just a few. Service Organizations are: Action Center, Benefits in Action, Collaborative Foster Care, Color a Smile, ECHO, Haven Impact, Habitat for Humanity, Jewish Family Services, Mean Street, Mountain Resource Center and Project Angel Heart.

Our church has committed to gathering items to make the snack bags and baby hygiene kits. They request specific sizes of each item so it will fit into the bags they already have. We will collect items at church until Sunday, Sept.14. All are invited to attend this Service Event on Saturday, Sept. 20 to learn more about the service organizations and volunteer your time to make different kits and sort supplies.

GMUMC COLLECTION GOALS FOR 9/20/25 SERVICE EVENT

SNACK BAGS

- 100** 1.4 oz size sandwich cracker packages
- 100** 1.5 oz size granola bars
- 100** 2.4 oz size energy bars
- 100** 3.2 oz size fruit puree pouches



BABY HYGIENE KITS

- 20** 13-15 oz bottles of baby wash/shampoo
- 20** 13-15 oz bottles of baby lotion
- 20** 4-5 oz containers of diaper rash ointment
- 20** 20-count containers of baby wipes

Finance Updates

Noisy offering—Thanks for your Noisy Offering of \$306.66 in July 2025 (and school supplies donated) to help The Action Center reach its goal of helping over 5,000 students with school supplies! **Wow!**

Upcoming Noisy Offerings: August 2025—Bobbies Box (to purchase food for those in need) & September 2025—Second Wind Fund (provides free counseling for kids at risk of suicide).

Finance Secretary—Cheryl Dial will be in the office on September 5th and 19th (dates are Friday). Cheryl's email for questions on accounts payable or giving is finance@gmumc.com.

Giving Thanks for your giving to date! It is greatly appreciated. As the financials below show, we have expenses greater than income; however, we have planned for a short fall. If you are behind in your giving during the busy summer, please catch up at your earliest convenience. If you need to adjust your giving pledge, please let Finance (Marcia or Chuck) know so we can adjust our planning. Thanks again for your commitment to GMUMC be it giving, and /or service, and/or attendance.

	Year to date 7/31/2025	Monthly 7/31/2025
Income		
Giving	\$169,205.96	\$15,103.25
Building use/rent	\$45,318.02	\$6,110.93
Other	\$1,833.38	\$256.47
Total	\$216,357.36	\$21,470.65
Expense		
Salaries/taxes/benefits	\$134,212.68	\$18,046.10
Building & grounds	\$76,893.19	\$8,064.23
Mission Shares	\$14,583.31	\$2,083.33
Other	\$15,260.30	\$1,671.09
Total	\$240,949.48	\$29,864.75
Net loss	(\$24,592.12)	(\$8,394.10)

Finance Co-Chairs are glad to answer any questions:
Marcia Johnston-Walden or Chuck Thorman

The Gathering Place

The outreach committee will be hosting the gathering place for the month of September. Please thank the members of this committee for their outreach activities and for their great snacks: Jean Arnold, Katy Abbott, Mary Bloomstran, Hamu Chigwada, Karl Martinez, Marsha Moore, Rylene Thompson and Marilyn Griebel.

Pastor Mark's Bible Study

Join us Tuesdays at 10am in the Fireside Room. We are progressing through the Bible over the next few months starting with Genesis and ending in Revelation. Bring an open Bible, open notes, and an open mind.

For more information please contact Pastor Mark:
mark@gmumc.com or
303-989-3727

Shared Journey

3rd Wednesday of the Month at 12:30 p.m.

Please join us on the 3rd Wednesday of each month for Shared Journey, our support group for caregivers whose loved ones experience dementia. All are welcome.

Please contact Sonya Noyes (303) 985-9522 for more information.

The church office will be closed
Monday Sept 1st
in observance of
Labor Day

History of Handbells at GMUMC

By JANET STARKEY

Sometime in the early 1990s, two driving forces at GMUMC had the same idea: our church needed a handbell choir. Those two families were Chuck and Barb Thorman, and Ruth and Jerry Cook. The bells were important to Jerry, as when he was a youngster, the handbells played at one particular time at his church. Jerry was intrigued by this instrument, so after the service was over, he went to the bell table and proceeded to pick up and touch one of the bells. At that point, he was reprimanded severely by one of the bell players. This bothered him greatly, that a child was not allowed to touch the bells.



Chuck was instilled with a life-long love of music by his mother, Martha Jane Thorman, who herself loved music. Once, as a child, he was practicing his violin, and proceeded to play some wrong notes. His mother came into the practice room and advised him that he was making some mistakes. He then said something to the effect of, "Well, if you can do it better than I, why don't you?", and she then did just that—played it better than the young Chuck! Nice try, Chuck!

In the summer of 1992, the Cooks and the Thormans purchased a 3-octave set of handbells (37 bells) from Schulmerich, one of the only two U.S. handbell manufacturers, based in Pennsylvania. There were two major thoughts: from Jerry, the stipulation that children would be able to play them, as his childhood experience was quite traumatic to him. From Barb, that this project be done right; the bells were going to be just as important as the chancel choir, and they deserved their own space. (Author's note: I am eternally grateful that they have their own space, as there are many church bell choirs that must set up their space and take it down for each and every rehearsal).

When the original set of bells were purchased, Vernon Moody was the chancel choir director, and since his wife Cherita Moody had experience in handbells, she became the first handbell director at GMUMC. Some of the church members who were part of that first handbell group were Jean Arnold, Roberta Bunker, Elizabeth Wypiszynski, Tanya Asplin, Rhonda Renaud, Rich Arnold, Rileene Thompson, Randy Wypiszynski, Ruth Cook, and others. Interesting to note that several of these people are still enjoying playing today! At one point, Cherita "passed the baton" to Gary Sattazahn, who was then followed by John Shannon, then John Polinski, and then Janet Starkey.

Throughout the years, the church has been able to add more handbells to the original 3-octave set. The 4th octave was purchased in 1998, and we have been adding bells in bits and pieces since then. For example, in 2004, the Asplin family purchased 2 bells, and in December 2013, contributions for the purchase of several more bells were made by miscellaneous memorial funds, and also by the Lyons, the Kagiymas, the Arnolds, and Tanya Asplin's mother and sister (both bell ringers at that time in their home state of South Carolina and Georgia). Also, in May of 2014, the bell choir was asked to play for Elizabeth and Randy Wypiszynski's daughter's wedding. Elizabeth and Randy very generously purchased a large bell for the choir to commemorate this joyful event. We currently have a complete 5-octave set, which is 61 bells.

To complement the sound of the bells, most bell choirs also have handchimes, and we were able to purchase a 5-octave set of Schulmerich chimes over time. In addition, the Youth Bell choir have their own practice room and their own set of 3-octave bells and chimes.

It may be interesting to note that if the bells and chimes were purchased as a set today, in 2025, the cost would be \$49,750. But most importantly, the bells are an important part of the musical ministry of GMUMC, and they will continue to be long into the future.

Heartfelt Thank You—

Hi Green Mountain United Methodist Church!

What a fantastic summer the Union Square Neighborhood Connect, the Union Square Neighborhood Association, had in our first year! A huge thanks to GMUMC, staff, and all the members for your amazing support and willingness to team up with your neighbors.

Together, we co-hosted an awesome fire truck visit with local firefighters from Station #4. We also had a great night with the neighborhood under the stars, watching "The Sandlot" on a giant screen and enjoying each other's company. Plus, we're excited to share that recycling at the church is now possible thanks to the Union Square Neighborhood Association.

Join us for our monthly neighborhood meeting where we talk about various neighborhood topics on Tuesday, September 16th @ 6:30 PM in the Fireside Room.

Planning ahead, join us for Crafty Creations in Fellowship Hall on Thursday, October 2nd @ 6 PM. We'll be making Halloween cards with Mary Carney, scrapbooking extraordinaire. Don't miss our first Fall Frenzy Neighborhood Party at Union Ridge Park on Saturday, October 11th from 11 am-2 pm. We'll have hot cocoa, cider, food, DIY mini-Halloween Haunted House graham cracker building, lawn games, balloon making with Kim Myers from GMUMC, and a chance to relax and meet your Union Square

neighbors

Can't wait to see you all! Let's make some unforgettable memories together!

Chantelle De La Cruz
Union Square Neighborhood
Connect

www.unionsquarenc.org

Can't Make it to the Craft Fair on Saturday?

Church members that are in the Fair will be downstairs in the Fellowship room on Sunday Sept 21st after church services.

Please come & check out all the great new handmade items this year.

Any questions call Wendy Binnerger
720-273-0629.

Hope to see you there!

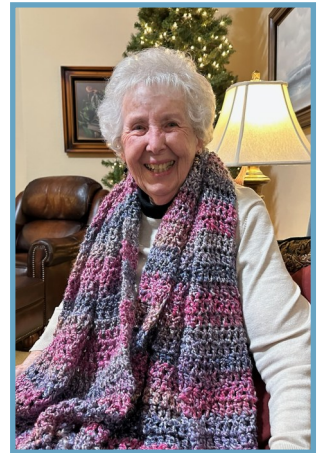


MINISTRY NEWS

Prayer Shawls

Outreach Prayer Shawl Ministry now has given about 84 Prayer Shawls to date. If you know of someone in cancer treatment or experiencing grief, or any other situation, please contact Mary Bloomstran and we will provide a prayer shawl. We welcome anyone that would like to join in making Prayer Shawls. There is a pattern that is used, and the yarn will be provided to you.

MARY (mbloomstran@edgeenvironmental.com or 303-263-2906)



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

Blessing Box

As you know, the need has grown and continues to grow as our neighbors adjust to new challenges. **Our unhoused neighbors really appreciate food items that do not require cooking or a can opener.**

Please grab a few extra non-perishable items for Bobbi's Blessing Box each time you shop for your own family. Our neighbors are in need. Ideas: **beans, canned meats, nut butters, meat jerky, etc.**



The Action Center

The Action Center (located at 8755 W. 14th St., Lakewood) 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. Drop off donations accepted every Monday - Friday (CLOSED on Wednesdays).

<https://theactioncenter.org/get-involved/>

Prescription Changed?



Bring your old eye glasses to church for recycling!

Put them in one of the bins in the coat room or in the marked drawer of the white plastic drawers inside the west door. We will take them to collection centers such as eye doctors offices or optical shops.

GMUMC Music Thursdays

Rehearsal Times:

Bellissimo Bells 5:30 p.m.

Carillon Bells 6:30 p.m.

Chancel Choir 7:30 p.m.

If interested in participation, please contact:

Choir Director, Charles Turley
charles@gmumc.com

Bell Director, Janet Starkey
janetstarkey27@comcast.net
or join us for practice Thursday!

Care Team

The Care Team members reach out with meals, cards, rides, home visits, phone calls, and prayer shawls. We use the weekly bulletin prayer requests as well as any new concerns mentioned during church service as our guide. We know there is support provided by those who aren't serving on our Care Team, and we thank these 'angels' for their service as well.

The Care Team does our best to keep up with the needs of those who require support during times of difficulty. Roxanne Penn and Sharon Berry serve as co-Chairs of the Care Team. All of us work together to provide care for the community and for our church family.

SHARON BERRY –
(303) 985-0906 (H)
ROXANNE PENN –
(303) 988-0695 (H)

The next meeting of the **CARE TEAM** will be in the **Fireside Room** on **September 28, 2025**, after the church service. We hope to see you there as we continue in our efforts to support and care wherever needed.

Children's Dept News

We had a busy summer and many activities. We also met new friends. On Aug. 17th we received Blessings from Pastor Mark for a great new school year.



Sunday Sept 7th, Kick Off Sunday—Join us after church to celebrate a new year. We will enjoy hot dogs, chips, cookies, popsicles, play games and enjoying fellowship in the parking lot after church. This will be a community event, hosted by the Children's Department. Last year we met some neighbors who now join us regularly for church and events.

Saturday Sept 20th, Craft Fair and Bake Sale—The Children's Department will be raising money again this year by selling baked goods, mac & cheese, bagels, coffee and drinks. The money raised will be donated to Foothills Elementary Family Engagement Program. This program provides books, games and materials to help increase children and families literacy and mathematic skill. There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex to donate food, help set up, sell food and clean up. Children and youth are welcome to help. For more information please contact Kim 303-989-3727 or gmumc@gmumc.com.

Friday Oct 24th, Parents Night Out 5:30-8pm—Enjoy a date night or just a couple hours of solitude. We will be hosting Parents Night Out along with St Joseph's Episcopal Church. The theme is Dr. Seuss' "The Lorax". More information in the October issue of Window on the Hill.

Have questions? Need more information about Children's Ministries? Please contact Kim Myers at gmumc@gmumc.com or 303-989-3727.

Family Friendly Community Events

Wednesday Sept 3rd 5:30 pm—Pets in the City at Union Square Park 12200 2nd Place. Unwind and enjoy a walk with fellow pet lovers around the park. Snacks and water provided.

Thursday Sept 4th Crafty Creations 6:30pm in fellowship hall—Craft lovers of all ages are welcome to join. Projects and materials provided. You are welcome to share a project of own with others but bring extra materials. This is a event is hosted by Union Square Neighborhood Connect.

Tuesday Sept 9th Union Square Neighborhood Connect Meeting 6:30 pm in the fireside room—Get the latest information on the Bend Project (2000 multifamily housing units being built in our neighborhood), ways to connect to the community and more. Contact Chantelle @720-248-7378.



Wava Fleck earned her Girl Scout Gold award Sunday August 24th. Lots of hard work went into this award!

GMUMC Youth, Grades 6-12



September 2025

Sun, Sept 7th 10:15-11:30am—Youth

Kick Off: Welcome back to Youth Group!! What makes Youth Group fun? What makes the Youth room awesome? Why are Youth Sponsors so amazing? Let's have fun, welcome new members, and connect as a

group. Then we'll enjoy some games & Youth Room Activities!! Friends are welcome, as always!

Sun, Sept 14th 10:15-11:30am—The Final Straw: How do we respond when we are down to our final straw? When someone is on our last nerve? When we are tired, hurting, and exhausted? How do we survive those moments when we're at our lowest & we know we can't go any further? Let's find out together!

Sun, Sept 21st 9-11:30am—Second Wind Walk/Run: We will meet at **Clement Park** by the registration table at 9:15 am. You can register online or at the event (registration opens at 7 am). The fee for the walk/run is **\$32.70 for students and \$43.85 for adults**. Please let me know if you are planning on going or if you need help with the registration fee!

Sun, Sept 28th 10:15-11:30am—In the Face of Death: What happens after we die? What fears come up when we think about death? Today we will tackle the topic of death. It sounds a little dark, but today's program may bring you more comfort than you think! If we have extra time, we will start planning for our Mission Trip or Project for 2025.

Second Wind Fund Walk/Run

For: Youth Suicide Prevention—Invest in the future of mental health care accessibility for youth! Funds raised from this event provide access to life-saving therapy for Colorado teens & kids who need support.

Date: Sunday, September 21, 2025

Location: Clement Park

Event Schedule:

7:00 am - Registration Opens
8:00 am - 5K Run / Walk Start & Entertainment Begins
9:30 am - Program & Dove Release
Approximately 9:50 am - 1 Mile Walk Start
11:30 am - Event Concludes

Registration Fees: \$43.85 for adults, \$32.70 for students

How to Register: thesecondwindfund.org/get-involved or register in person the day of the event

Youth Group Events Coming this FALL...

Oct 15th—Carnival Setup

Oct 11th—Corn Maze

Oct 19th—Carnival Setup

Sun, October 26th

Halloween Carnival

We will put on a small Halloween Carnival for the children!

Nov 2nd—Clean-Up/Day of the Dead

Nov 9th—Vulnerability

Nov 16th & 23rd—Finger Knitting Project & Movie

Nov 30th—No Youth, Thanksgiving Week

Dec 7th—Christmas Shopping Outing

QUESTIONS?

Contact **Alex**
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Summer Road Trip!

Our group of 29 United Women in Faith plus family/friends from the Mile High Metro District recently returned from our overnight road trip (August 22-23) to visit Amache and Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Sites. These 2 sites are both located relatively close together in southeast Colorado.

We were blessed to have John Hopper give us the tour of Amache Museum in Granada. He led



Sand Creek Massacre Site: Ranger Tim

his students over the past 30+ years to bring Amache's history alive and build a museum of its ~1700 artifacts, which led to it to being designated a National Historic Site. We also were blessed with wonderful National Park

Ranger tours at both sites: TJ at Amache and Tim at Sand Creek Massacre Site.

We stayed overnight in Lamar - it was the largest town between these two sites.

It was a typically hot summer day Friday afternoon when we toured Amache so we got a tiny taste of how awful it must have been to live there during the summer. The weather was kind to us Saturday when we toured Sand Creek Massacre site Saturday - it was overcast and relatively cool!

We learned a lot about these tragic injustices that took place in our state on this very meaningful road trip. And we had fun hanging out with the wonderful Women in Faith plus family & friends!

Both of these National Historical Sites are on land that was traveled by the Cheyenne, Ute, and Arapaho Indigenous people for centuries. I acknowledge this land, this place, is the ancestral home where the people hunted and traveled. The Cheyenne Ute, and Arapaho people are not a people of the past. They are a people of the present.



Sand Creek Massacre Site: The Chigwada-Mukurakate family and Jana Jones



Sand Creek Massacre Site: Our Group Photo except the photographer missed framing the photo to include Marcia Canter (our district president).



United
Women
in Faith

Upcoming Events

Monthly UWFAITH Breakfast Meeting

Weds Sept 3rd, 9 am

@Le Peep

Please join us, all women are welcome.
(Le Peep: 141 S Union Blvd) Contact
Kim 303-989-3727 for more info.



Lamar at Tavern 1301 in historic Cow Palace Inn:
beautiful atrium setting and delicious food!



Amache Site: We arrived
wearing the same t-shirt!

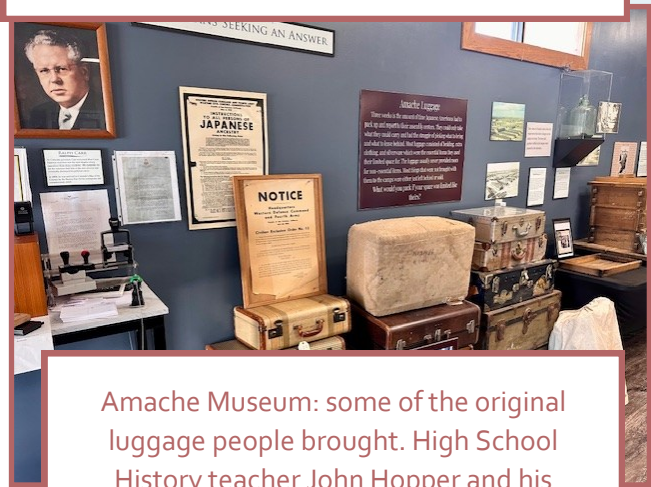
As United Women in Faith, we must work to
disrupt systems of oppression that led to the
dispossession of Indigenous people from the
land and that continue to deny their rights to
self-determination.



Lamar at AM Breakfast House. The owners of
the restaurant are standing in back with our
table! Delightful people and delicious food!



Amache Site: Ranger TJ gave a fascinating
overview of history and life at Amache in this
sweltering hot reconstructed barracks.



Amache Museum: some of the original
luggage people brought. High School
History teacher John Hopper and his
students have obtained over 1700 original
artifacts from Amache over the past 30+ yrs.



CARE CORNER

Please Note:

Names remain on the Prayer List for four weeks unless you notify the church office to remove them sooner or remain longer. Those experiencing loss will remain two weeks after the Memorial/Funeral service.

Attendance

7/27.....	83
8/3.....	82
8/10.....	69
8/17.....	83
8/24.....	73

*Keeping our promises by upholding the church with...
Our prayers, our presence, our gifts, and our service.*

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

For those who have experienced loss, the families of: **Richard Stoddart**, **Tom Linsey** (Rhonda Renaud's father), **Neva Chrisman** (Neomi Hilton's sister), **Joy Allpin** (Rev. Debra Juarez's mother), **Karen De Sousa** (Katy & Isaac Griebel and families)

Those experiencing health concerns or difficulties in their lives:

Church Members: **Georgia Lewis**, **Lettie Covert**, **Phyllis Wittrup**, **Marilyn & Wayne Harris**, **Harold Harmon**, **Velda Walters**, **Betty Butler**, **Mary Lou Notari**, **Meg Leak**, **Shirley Allison**, **Marsha Moore**, **Ramona Twiss**.

Family of Church Members: **Vonnie James**, Naomi Hilton's niece. **Taylor Merrill**, Vestals grandson. **Amanda Glasco**, Cheri Werkhoven's daughter. **Ava Ginde**, granddaughter of Frank & Roxanne Penn. **Richard and Karen Bard**, Harvey Meyer's brother-in-law & his wife. **Jim VanHeest**, Mary Wylie's cousin. **Caroline Clovesko**, Kristen Allen's mom. **Molly Elwood & Mike Beltz**, Nancy Elwood's cousins. **Carmine Cummins**, Billy & Tom Cummin's grandson. **Tatum Moore**, Marsha Moore's granddaughter. **Richard Elwood**, Nancy Elwood's uncle. **Lyn Berry-Helminger**, Sharon & Boyd Berry's daughter. **Marguerite**, Marilyn Griebel's sister. **Henry Timm**, Lorna Chapa's husband. **Vivianne & Donn Johnston**, Marcia Johnston Walden's sister-in-law and brother. **Brenda Harding**, Charlotte Harding's daughter. **Tom & Cindi Lowary**, Jennifer Borcan's parents. **Julia Skillern**, Stacey Horne's sister-in-law. **Brad Horne**, Alex Horne's brother. **Tatum Moore** (Marsha Moore's granddaughter). **Tyler**, cousin of Boyd and Sharon Berry. **Barbara**, Calvin Mukarakate's sister.

Friends of Church Members: **Pam Williams**, friend of Stacey Horne. **Mary**, friend Nancy Elwood. **Ekco**, friend Mary Bloomstran. **Deni**, friend of Kim Myers. **Dana Brower**, friend of Donna Bunker. **Libby Mason**, friend of Stacey Horne. **Pat Johnson**, friend of Velda Walters. **Greg Little**, Karlynn Cory's friend. **Chuck Allen**, friend of Phyllis Parker.

All those experiencing job loss and potential layoffs.

Those serving in the military and their families.

LifeSpark Cancer Resources

LifeSpark Cancer Resources is a Colorado non-profit organization that uses Reiki and Healing Touch wellness therapies to bring peace and healing to individuals with cancer. For many years GMUMC has hosted LifeSpark massage sessions in room 203 (lower north end of the west building).

LifeSpark is a free program, designed to promote peace and healing. Adults 18 and over with any type or stage of cancer are eligible to receive 8 weeks of healing sessions. Caregivers are also eligible. Sessions last about an hour. For more information or to get started call (303) 425-5670 or LIFESPARKNOW.ORG

Church Directory Update Coming Soon

If you need someone's phone or address before the new system comes online reach out to Kim (303-989-3727 or gmumc@gmumc.com) during office hours as she has access to a printed copy at the church and can get you the information you need.

Trustees and some church members have been mentioning need to replace the old wooden Cedar St. church sign



with a LED sign for the past several years. A modern LED sign would give GMUMC the ability to advertise our programs and meetings and promote community awareness of the church to all those traveling up and down Cedar St. An anonymous donor has offered \$20,000 to help cover the cost of approx. \$35,000 including permit and installation. Trustees are looking for donors to support this purchase which will not be a budgeted item. We regularly also have a vandalism problem with the night lighting on the current sign. If you are interested in helping, contact Doug Wylie or Karen Schmoker.

GMUMC Staff Parish Relations Committee

CO-CHAIRS: GERRY GRIEBEL & MARY BLOOMSTRAN

SPRC Liaisons

Kim Myers (Office Manager)

Cheryl Dial (Finance Secretary)

Melissa Sussman (Music Coordinator/Organist)

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Janet Starkey (Director, Bell Choirs)

Kim Myers (Director, Children's Dept)

Alex Neve (Director, Youth Group)

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Mary Bloomstran

Deanna Hanna

Tena Harris

Gerry Griebel

Tena Harris

Dixie Bowker

Mary Bloomstran

Gerry Griebel

Birthdays

**Lisa Neve, James O'Toole,
& Pat Harris, Sept 2**

Steven Olson, Sept 3

Bruce Bane, Sept 8

Norma Schneider, Sept 9

Suzanne Barnes, Sept 10

Mary Wylie, Sept 10

Donna Bunker, Sept 18

Cristian Borcan, Sept 20

**Marcia Moore & Madeline
Vestal, Sept 22**

**Mary McLaughlin & Anne
Topliff, Sept 24**

Boyd Berry, Sept 27

Peggy Morrison, Sept 28

Anniversaries

**Vince & Kristen Allen,
Sept 12**

**Jim & Karen Schmoker,
Sept 14**

**Frank & Roxanne Penn,
Sept 25**

**John & Alyssa Olson,
Sept 29**

Articles for the **OCTOBER
2025** WOTH are due
Tuesday, September 16, 2025

Please email items to:

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AND

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September 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
10:30 a.m. Church Service	7:30 p.m. AA	10:00 a.m. Mark's Bible Study Fireside Room	9:00 a.m. UWFAITH Meeting @Le Peep 5:30 p.m. Pets in the City 6:30 p.m. AA 7:30 p.m. HA	9:30 a.m. Quilts for Kids 6:30 p.m. Crafty Creations 6:30 p.m. Carillon Bells 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir		9:30 a.m. Litter Lift
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
10:20 a.m.-12 p.m. Youth Group Church & Chill 10:30 a.m. Church Service	7:00 p.m. Church Committee Meetings 7:30 p.m. AA	10:00 a.m. Mark's Bible Study Fireside Room	6:30 p.m. Bicycle, Beats & Eats 6:30 p.m. AA 7:30 p.m. HA	9:30 a.m. Quilts for Kids 6:30 p.m. Carillon Bells 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir		
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
10:15 a.m. Youth Group 10:30 a.m. Church Service	7:00 p.m. Church Council Zoom Meeting 7:30 p.m. AA	10:00 a.m. Mark's Bible Study Fireside Room 6:30 p.m. Neighborhood Meeting <i>Sept Articles Due</i>	12:30 p.m. Shared Journey 5:30 p.m. Pets in the City 6:30 p.m. AA 7:30 p.m. HA	9:30 a.m. Quilts for Kids 5:30 p.m. Bellissimo Bells 6:30 p.m. Carillon Bells 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir		
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
10:15 a.m. Youth Group 10:30 a.m. Church Service	7:30 p.m. AA	10:00 a.m. Mark's Bible Study Fireside Room	6:30 p.m. Bicycle, Beats & Eats 6:30 p.m. AA 7:30 p.m. HA	9:30 a.m. Quilts for Kids 5:30 p.m. Bellissimo Bells 6:30 p.m. Carillon Bells 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir		
28	29	30				
10:15 a.m. Youth Group 10:30 a.m. Church Service 11:45 a.m. Care Team	7:30 p.m. AA	10:00 a.m. Mark's Bible Study Fireside Room	6:30 p.m. Bicycle, Beats & Eats 6:30 p.m. AA 7:30 p.m. HA	9:30 a.m. Quilts for Kids 5:30 p.m. Bellissimo Bells 6:30 p.m. Carillon Bells 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir		



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