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# Window on the Hill

# **Mark's Musings**

The end of October finds most kids eager for some long-awaited trick or treatin'. Halloween, when I was a child, was primarily the purview of children, not adults. Some of you might remember the days of plastic models of airplanes and ships and such that were assembled with a tube of glue. The ones populating my bedroom, though, were exclusively the monsters of classic horror like Frankenstein and Dracula. No doubt that explains my love of the classic rock band, Black Sabbath, as well. For the record, their lyrics are more about the fear, rather than celebration, of the dark side of life. In fact, famous horror fiction author, Stephen King, contends that the particular horror genre of books and movies serve the helpful purpose of offering a safe way to confront and exorcise our own fears. You be the judge.

Which brings me to an expression often used in the Bible: the fear of God. It would be a mistake to put that particular fear in the same dungeon as the fear of, say, Norman Bates in director Alfred Hitchcock's cinematic masterpiece, Psycho. That's not what the fear of God means at all. And I had an experience recently while hiking that illustrates this.

My go-to place is the Three Sisters Park in Evergreen, the highlight being the climb up to Brother's Lookout offering a stunning view of the surrounding mountains. I probably stand a little too close to the cliffs sometimes than I should, but I'm careful. I just can't resist the thrill of looking down the steep drop, as much as looking up to the mts. But I also have a healthy fear of the fatal tumble I would take were I to slip and

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## **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

fall; and, its not because I'm scared of nature punishing me for not recycling junk mail. Nor do I think that a sheet of slippery shale or a strong gust of wind is operating in a vindictive way. Rather, my fear while perched on a cliff is a simple, humble respect for the far greater and potentially deadly power of nature; its majestic awe-someness, which is much closer to the fear of God professed in the Bible than the fear of getting attacked by a vicious, ravenous werewolf at midnight.

God is always treat, never trick; nothing to fear, but everything to awe. And while it's sometimes masked—not immediately recognizable (like the children costumed up for Halloween)—once the wrapper comes off and one recognizes the presence of the Spirit, it's even sweeter than a Snickers bar.

#### **PASTOR MARK**

## Columbarium

The GMUMC Columbarium was built in 2004, a gift from our Endowment Fund. It is "intended for use by individuals and families who are a part of the GMUMC family—no distinction between members and nonmembers—discretion of Pastor to



determine "church family" (from Church Council minutes Sept. 2024). Our columbarium is easily accessed through the narthex or from the outside south steps. It can be viewed through the sanctuary windows. A fountain and new benches provide a restful area for all visitors.



The Columbarium has 320 niches. Each niche can hold 2 urns. There are currently 56 niches already reserved or occupied with cremains. The urns are engraved with the decedent's name, and the niches have the name, birth and death year engraved on the facing stone of the niche. You can view an urn or facing stone in the picture below or see a sample in the church office.

If you are interested in reserving a niche, please visit with Kim in the

church office to pick your niche location. The cost is \$1,000 for a single or \$1,300 for a double. In 2023,

The urn is gold-tinted metal. The lid is engraved with the decedent's name. The facing plate is granite with engraved name and dates of birth & death.

# **Finance Updates**

**Noisy offering.** Thanks for your Noisy Offering of \$237.32 in August 2025 for Bobbi's Blessing Box. **Upcoming Noisy Offerings:** September 2025—Second Wind Fund (provides free counseling for kids at risk of suicide) & October 2025—Senior Resource Center.

**Finance Secretary.** Cheryl Dial will be in the office on October 3rd, 17th and 31st (dates are Friday). Cheryl's email for questions on accounts payable or giving is finance@gmumc.com.

**Giving.** Thanks for your commitment to GMUMC be it giving, and /or service, and/or attendance. 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.

**Banking.** GMUMC banks with FirstBank (checking and savings accounts only). Many of you probably Heard/read that PNC Bank is buying FirstBank effective in 2026. There are no plans to change banks at this point.

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

|                         | Year to date  | Monthly      |  |
|-------------------------|---------------|--------------|--|
|                         | 8/31/2025     | 8/31/2025    |  |
| Income                  |               |              |  |
| Giving                  | \$183,502.99  | \$14,111.03  |  |
| Building use/rent       | \$52,900.85   | \$7,682.83   |  |
| Other                   | \$1,954.47    | \$244.56     |  |
| Total                   | \$238,358.31  | \$22,038.42  |  |
| Expense                 |               |              |  |
| Salaries/taxes/benefits | \$152,295.13  | \$18,082.45  |  |
| Building & grounds      | \$83,161.06   | \$6,226.14   |  |
| Mission Shares          | \$16,666.64   | \$2,083.33   |  |
| Other                   | \$15,858.49   | \$633.92     |  |
| Total                   | \$267,981.32  | \$27,025.84  |  |
| Net loss                | (\$29,623.01) | (\$4,987.42) |  |

# 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:

<a href="mark@gmumc.com">mark@gmumc.com</a> 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.

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# **Early Response Team Training**

Weather-related disasters are often in the news. This summer in western Colorado several fires caused evacuation orders for towns of Pagosa Springs, Meeker and Rifle. Local UMC pastors were able to offer help to people because United Methodists plan ahead for and respond to disasters.

One way you can be involved in disaster response is to get trained for our Early Response Teams. After the emergency phase of a disaster is over and the affected area is opened up, our

St Petersburg, Florida
Hurricane 2024

ERTs arrive to help assess the damage, clean and stabilize homes. In the case of a fire, that might mean sifting ashes to find valuables or cleaning smoke damaged homes. Sometimes spring flooding affects towns and homes, and ERTs respond to help muck

out. We are blessed to not have hurricanes in our area, but we do send teams to

areas affected by

hurricanes and tornadoes. Our teams are trained to listen to survivors and to offer a caring Christian presence with whatever tasks are needed to avoid further damage.

We are offering a training at Green Mountain UMC, Lakewood CO, on November 8, 2025. It takes all day—from 8:45 to 4:30—to cover what you need to know about working with survivors and about safely stepping in to these situations. The training is free and lunch is provided. Team members must be at least 18 years old. To register for this training, head to https://tinyurl.com/mfb3jzv5 or use this QR code and fill out the form.





**Questions?** Contact Jim Robison-Cox, ERT Coordinator for Mtn Sky Conference, jimrcmt@duck.com (406) 551-0784.

# Help Wanted:

This fall we cannot have a "Grubby Sunday" work event because the Broncos play every Sunday until mid-November. Trustees are planning a Saturday, Oct. 18, work party from 9-12 am. There are always quite a variety of opportunities available...including columbarium fall cleanup, tree and bush trimming, sanctuary pew cleaning and organization, kitchen cleaning, janitor room organization, etc. We will even have a light lunch served. Save this on your calendar. We are proud of our facility but always need help to keep the building and grounds in the best possible shape. Thanks!

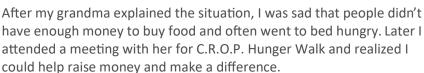
## C.R.O.P Hunger Walk

#### BY JOSIAH MYERS

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When I was four I visited the Action Center with my grandma, Anna Myers. I saw kids and families receiving food. So I asked why we didn't get our food there, why we had to walk around a big store for an hour pushing a cart

when they just handed them a bag with food already in it.



This began my yearly commitment to

walking and raising money. The photo of me in the hat is when I was four years old. It was my first walk. I joined my grandma several Sundays in a row to do the Mission Minute raising awareness and money. It was a cold fall day as we began to walk through the park and neighborhood in

> Golden. Soon it began to rain and snow (wet heavy slushy snow).

Grandma and mom tried to convince me it was time to stop and go home. However, I was determined

to walk to the end even if everyone else had guit. There were people who needed food and I made a promise that if the people donated money I would walk 3 miles, which was a long walk for me.

I was determined to finish.

Besides, children in underdeveloped countries walked 3-5 miles daily to get water for their family for cooking, cleaning, and bathing. This water is most often unclean and can lead to intestinal parasites and even River Blindness. If they can do that I could finish my walk.

As I got older I became more aware of the impact hunger has globally. In 2021, 828 million people—about 1 in 10—experienced hunger. The number of people facing hunger in our world rose by about 150 million during the first 2 years of the Covid pandemic. Today with much of

> the world dealing with war, climate change, and economic insecurity, the number of people facing food insecurity is rising more rapidly than ever

During the Covid when everything was shut down, I still remained determined to keep raising money and continue to make a difference in the world. Although the walk was officially not taking place. I recruited my Boy Scout Troop 36 to go on a hike up Waterton Canon and raise money and awareness. We even got media attention that year. I have not only participated in C.R.O.P. Hunger Walk for 13 years, I have also been on the board participating in planning local walks, raising money, speaking publicly

and creating educational activities to raise awareness. I have raised over \$30k for this worthy cause. I will be collecting money after church for the first three Sundays in October for my walk on Nov. 4th. Please feel free to reach out if you have questions or would like more information.









# **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.

# 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!

## Did You know?

Bobbi's Blessing Box came about after my sister saw the need to help our neighbors. In one of her sketchbooks we found after she passed away, she had drawn a free-standing box for food. Next to it, she wrote, "Feed

the Body Feed the Soul."

She had seen a story about a Little Free Pantry—a place where people can pick up a few items of food when they need to make their food budget stretch. The sign on the front of our box says, "Take what you need. Leave what you



can." People who use the box do contribute to it when they can. One day I was here when a little boy was putting a can of lima beans in the box. His grandmother told me they are his favorite. They had taken some tuna the day before.

I know that many of you add food to the box on a regular basis. We really appreciate this. It keeps it going.

Please continue to bring non-perishable foods of all sorts. Some of our neighbors don't have a kitchen to prepare their food in, so ready to eat foods work best. Others have a kitchen and everything they need besides the staples that we rely on in our own kitchens.

Bring foods you enjoy to share with our neighbors.

**DONNA** 

# News from the Cedar Hill Community Garden

#### BY JEAN ARNOLD

The garden is part of Denver Urban Gardens (DUG) community gardens. https://dug.org/

DUG has been making an impact for over 40 years. The Cedarhill Community Garden is part of one of the largest independent networks of food-producing gardens in the country: "DUG steward(s) 200 community gardens and food forests across seven counties in metro Denver...but DUG is about more than just gardens. We're building an ecosystem for a thriving Denver—plot by plot, neighborhood by neighborhood. 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

**Harvest Time!** We have fought valiantly with the grasshoppers this season ("locusts" to quote Hamu and Calvin). Our replanting and overing of decimated plots with mesh worked in July's heat worked. We have a fantastic late harvest of beets, cucumbers, beans and zucchini. The grasshoppers left the tomatoes and peppers alone and the hot weather delivered a bumper crop.

From the **Oasis Garden** alone, we have stocked the Blessing Box with 50+ bags of produce, and counting, including tomatoes, peppers, zucchini and cucumbers. The fresh produce is gone within hours of being placed in the Box. Thank you for feeding our neighbors and community fresh food.

**Garden Workday.** We'll be cleaning up the garden in October after the first hard freeze and once the water is turned off. Jean will be requesting leaves to be delivered over two weekends in October. Please make sure the leaves are clean (no dog or animal waste or trash) and free of pine needles. We learned this season that the pine needles do not compost well. Watch for in-church and online announcements about leaves.

**Bee Update.** The bees are thriving! **Ali Young** has done a terrific job of training our bee keeper **Andrew**. Andrew has a garden plot in central Denver at another DUG garden but his garden does not have bees. He is realizing his dream of learning bee keeping as part of the DUG network. His wife is a student at the CU Medical School at the Anschutz campus and so we should have Andrew for another 3-4 years as one of the keepers-of-the-bees while his wife finishes her schooling to become a doctor.

Gardener Spotlight. Another gardener I'd like to introduce is George. He lives near the garden and has been gardening at Cedarhill for 4 years. He is a beer hobbyist and grows hops in the garden (you can see the hops plants climbing the pergola). Last year's first crop wasn't great, but this year's is terrific. He harvested the hops on Sunday (9/14). He hopes to have some home brew to taste at our Octoberfest work day.

**UPCOMING**—Donations for scholarship plots. Your generosity allowed for us to award two scholarships in 2025 (\$50/plot). The Cedarhill garden has some of the lowest plot fees in the DUG network thanks to your support. The fee may increase for 2026 depending on the cost of water and other supplies.





# **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 October 26, 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 kicked off the new Sunday School year with a celebration. We met some neighbors, enjoyed food, fellowship and had a lot of fun. A huge shout out to the Martinez-Rooley, Greible,

De La Cruz, Cole, and Katy Abbott families for helping with set up, cooking/serving and clean up.

Also a BIIIIG thank you to everyone who baked cookies and treats for the Children's Department Bake Sale. We will be donating the money to Foothills Elementary School for their family Engagement Program which provides resources for families to increase literacy and math skills.

In October we will learn more about how to pray and communicating with God and making "good choices" and taking responsibility for our choices.

#### Thursday Oct 2nd Crafty Creations 6:30pm in fellowship hall—Craft lovers of



all ages are welcome to join. We will be making Halloween cards crafts with the scrapbook ladies. Projects and materials provided. This is a event is hosted by Union Square Neighborhood Connect.

Please join us on **Sunday Oct 26th** for our annual Halloween Carnival created by Youth Group during Sunday School time.

Wear your costume to church, enjoy games, prizes, arts and crafts, snacks and lot of fun!! \*Costumes need to be church appropriate, please.\*



LifeSpark provides Reiki and Healing Touch wellness sessions at no

charge during and after cancer. We partner with hospitals, massage studios, spas, and churches. We offer in-person sessions along the Colorado front range and remote sessions across the country.

LifeSpark utilizes room 202 in our church and has provided sessions to many of our church members and the community who have cancer.

Life Spark's 20th Anniversary Gala, A Carnival of Light takes place on Saturday, October 25 at 6 pm on the DU Campus.

Denver LifeSpark's 20th Anniversary Gala will be an unforgettable evening filled with



joy, community, and inspiration. Reserve your spot today and help bring healing to those who need it most. Ticket link: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/5brjt2ha">https://tinyurl.com/5brjt2ha</a>

## **GMUMC Youth, Grades 6-12**



#### October 2025

Sun, Oct 5th 10:15-11:30am— Halloween

**Carnival Set-Up:** Welcome The Halloween Carnival is always a blast for us and for the kids of the church. Today we will take time setting up games and decorating the Youth Room so we can do it again!

Sun, Oct 12th 1-3pm—Chatfield Corn Maze: Let's celebrate fall with adventure! We will meet at the Chatfield Corn Maze and get lost in fall!

Sun, Oct 19th 10:15-11:30am— Halloween Carnival Set-Up: What makes Halloween so fun?! Sharing it

with others! We'll finish setting up the decorations & games for our awesome Halloween Carnival.



Sun, Oct 26th 10am-12:30pm— Halloween Carnival for Kids: Ready to run a carnival?! Today we will have great games & treats at our Halloween Carnival in the Youth Room! Youth: please wear costumes the kids will enjoy!

# Youth Group Events Coming this FALL...

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**—Angel Tree **Christmas Shopping** Outing **Dec 14th**—Miracles Among Us **Dec 21st**—Christmas Party Dec 28th & Jan 4th-**Christmas Break, No** Youth

## **QUESTIONS?**

Contact **Alex** (303) 882-0006

# **Pumpkin Patch**

Jeffco Interfaith Partners raises funds each year for Habitat For Humanity by selling Pumpkins every October. The Pumpkin Patch will again be set up at Mile Hi Church at the corner of Alameda and Garrison in Lakewood. They are asking for volunteers to both help to unload the trucks of pumpkins on Oct. 3 and 12, and to sell pumpkins during 4 hour shifts, daily from Oct 4-31. All are welcome to help and of course stop by to purchase a few pumpkins.





# JEFFCO INTERFAITH PARTNERS LAKEWOOD

Sign-up at this link: https://signup.com/go/cSeevKQ to help with Pumpkin Unloads Friday, Oct. 3 (4-7 pm) Sunday, Oct. 12 (10 am-3 pm)

Sign-up at this link https://signup.com/go/zpLmKUz to help with Pumpkin Patch sales Oct 4- Oct 31, 2025 Shifts are either 10:00 am - 2:00 pm or 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

For questions or problems with signing up, contact Tom Brunn ( <a href="mailto:tbrunn2473@aol.com">tbrunn2473@aol.com</a> 303 477-8423)

#### THANK YOU!

## **United Women in Faith**

GMUMC Officers: President—Hamu Chigwada

faith action

sisterhood

**Vice President—Kim Myers** Secretary—Penelope Mukarakate Treasurer—Brenda Bronson-Walker



## **Upcoming Events**

First Wednesday, October 1—UWFaith monthly breakfast meeting at 9 a.m. at Le Peep. 141 S Union Blvd, Lakewood. All women are welcome to join us for devotion, prayer and discussion. Our next meetings are November 5 and December 3.

Sunday, October 19—Sand Creek and Amache Presentation. Join us in the fireside room after church to learn more about parts of Colorado History that are rarely told.

Tuesday, November 25th at 7:30 p.m.—Rocky Mountain Ukulele Orchestra Presents Over the Rainbow at the Lakewood Cultural Center. Tickets go on sale Oct 6th. The Furious Fleas and the entire orchestra will be performing (including several church members). All church members, family and friends are welcome to join us. You must purchase your own ticket (www.lakewood.showare.com) For more information contact Kim 303-989-3727.

Saturday, December 6 at 5:30 p.m.—UWFaith Candlelight Dinner in Gathering Place. Our theme will be Peace Around the World with cuisine from Zimbabwe and Argentina in honor of our Covenant Missionaries.

## **District Meeting**

On Sept 20, 2025 Mile High Metro District UWFaith had their Annual Meeting at Simpson UMC. Guest Speaker DS Rev. Jessica Rooks gave an inspiring speech. Attendees chose to attend two of the following Break Out Sessions: Building Bridges Instead of Walls, Helping Teen Mothers—Hope House, New Unstoppable Membership Campaign, and Where Do We Go From Here? We enjoyed fellowship, singing, praying, communion, had a business meeting and during the Annual Memorial Serve we honored the memories of Carolyn Wrapp, Carol Fox, Ruth Cook, Jean Dinwiddie, Penelope Chigwada, and Melyn Dare along with members from other churches who have passed within the last year.

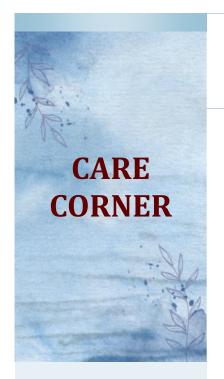
## **Action Center**

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/getinvolved/

### Have You Seen?

Thanks to Jim Oliver for making **new magnetic name tags** for everyone. They are so much nicer than the previous version. Look for yours on the carousel! If your name tag is missing, let Jim know or write on the attendance slip that you need one so Kim can contact Jim.



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: Tom Branscome (Amy's husband), Joy Allpin (Rev. Debra Juarez's mother), Karen De Sousa (Katy & Isaac Grieble 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, 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. Karen, Makayla Albrecht's aunt. Molly Elwood & Mike Beltz, Nancy Elwood's cousins. Carmine Urbina, Billy & Tom Cummin's grandson. Tatum Moore, Marsha Moore's granddaughter. Richard Elwood, Nancy Elwood's uncle. Lyn Berry-Helmlinger, Sharon & Boyd Berry's daughter. Marguerite, Marilyn Griebel's sister. 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. Ekco, friend Mary Bloomstran. Deni, friend of Kim Myers. Dana Brower, friend of Donna Bunger. Libby Mason, friend of Stacey Horne. Pat Johnson, friend of Velda Walters. Greg Little, Karlynn Cory's friend. Chuck Allen, friend of Phyllis Parker. Susie Sipos, Lorna Chapman's friend.

The Evergreen High School community and victims.

All those experiencing job loss and potential layoffs.

Military service and their families.

## **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**

| 8/17 | 83 |
|------|----|
| 8/24 | 85 |
| 8/31 | 64 |
| 9/7  | 90 |
| 9/14 | 54 |

## **The Gathering Place**

The Endowments and Memorials Committees will host for the month of October. Please extend a big Thank You to Dolores Bammerlin, Peggy Morrison, Lorene Branson, Ken Bullard, Charles Vestal and Nancy Carray for their delicious snacks for our coffee hour each Sunday, but also for all the work they do for their committees.

# **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)

Charles Turley (Director, Chancel Choir)

Janet Starkey (Director, Bell Choirs)

Kim Myers (Director, Children's Dept)

Alex Neve (Director, Youth Group)

James O'Toole (Janitor)

Mary Bloomstran

Deanna Hanna

Tena Harris

Gerry Griebel

Tena Harris

Dixie Bowker

Mary Bloomstran

Gerry Griebel

# **Birthdays**

Ramona Twiss, Oct 1

Billy Cummins, Oct 2

Cece Huffnagle, Oct 4

Jennifer Borcan, Oct 5

Angela Stone, Oct 16

William Thomas, Oct 18

Tatum Moore, Oct 20

Marilyn Griebel, Oct 21

Mary Ilhe, Oct 21

Ronan Cummins-Hurtado, Oct 25

## **Anniversaries**

Thayne & Sherry Coulter,
Oct ?5

Steve & Maicia Johston Walden, Oct 5

Robb & Jennifer Borcan, Oct 11

Bob & Norma Schneider, Oct 21

Richard and Frances
Arsenault, Oct 26

Tom & Brenda Bronson-Walker, Oct 26

Articles for the **NOVEMBER**2025 WOtH are due

Tuesday, October 21, 2025

Please email items to: wotheditor@gmail.com
AND

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# October 2025

| SUNDAY   | MONDAY  | TUESDAY  | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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|  |   |  | 1  | 2   | 3      | 4        |
|  |   |  | 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 5:30 p.m. Bellissimo Bells 6:30 p.m. Carillon Bells 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir |        |          |
| 5  | 6   | 7  | 8  | 9   | 10     | 11       |
| 10:15 a.m.<br>Youth Group<br>10:30 a.m.<br>Church Service                  | 7:30 p.m. AA  | 10:00 a.m.<br>Mark's Bible Study<br>Fireside Room                          | 6:30 p.m.<br>Bicycle, Beats & Eats<br>6:30 p.m. AA<br>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 |        |          |
| 12   | 13  | 14   | 15   | 16  | 17     | 18       |
| 10:30 a.m.<br>Church Service<br>1-3 p.m.<br>Youth @ Chatfield<br>Corn Maze | 7:00 p.m.<br>Church Committee<br>Meetings<br>7:30 p.m. AA   | 10:00 a.m. Mark's Bible Study Fireside Room 6:30 p.m. Neighborhood Meeting | 12:30 p.m.<br>Shared Journey<br>6:30 p.m. AA<br>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 |        |          |
| 19   | 20  | 21   | 22   | 23  | 24     | 25       |
| 10:15 a.m.<br>Youth Group<br>10:30 a.m.<br>Church Service                  | 7:00 p.m.<br>Church Council<br>Zoom Meeting<br>7:30 p.m. AA | 10:00 a.m. Mark's Bible Study Fireside Room                                | 5:30 p.m.<br>Pets in the City<br>6:30 p.m. AA<br>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 |        |          |
| 26   | 27  | 28   | 29   | 30  | 31     |          |
| 10 a.m. Halloween Carnival 10:30 a.m. Church Service 11:45 a.m. Care Team  | 7:30 p.m. AA  | 10:00 a.m.<br>Mark's Bible Study<br>Fireside Room                          | 6:30 p.m. AA<br>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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