

The Messenger



Monthly Newsletter of Atonement Lutheran Church • August 2009

Nurturing Faith and Discipleship in People of All Ages

Hummingbird Heaven



Atonement Former Pastor, Rev. Corinne Thul, in her backyard in Logan, UT

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Dear Friends in Christ,

In August our larger church body, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, will be meeting for its biannual Churchwide Assembly. Among many important agenda items is the proposed Social Statement on human sexuality, and accompanying recommendation for ministry policies. These have been the basis of the Sunday morning CFD classes Pastor Chad and I have been leading this summer. Because ELCA members have a variety of opinions about the proposals, and secular media does not always report religious issues with total accuracy, I thought it best for the congregation to hear some of the background from Pastor Chad and me. This is an extremely brief overview; we welcome you to come to either one of us personally with your questions and concerns.

Several years ago the churchwide assembly mandated a task force to be formed and study issues concerning human sexuality in our culture. The proposed social statement, "Human Sexuality: Gift and Trust" is the result of years of study and an extensive process involving all 65 synods of the ELCA. Social statements are theological and teaching documents that form the basis for policy in the ELCA. They are not doctrine or 'required beliefs', but rather an effort to consider current social issues through the lens of Lutheran theological and biblical perspectives. To date, the ELCA has adopted nine official social statements on topics including abortion, health care, the death penalty and more.

The "Report and Recommendation on Ministry Policies" asks the assembly to consider a process to change ministry policies that could make it possible for Lutherans who are in "publicly accountable, lifelong, monogamous, same-gendered relationships" to serve as ELCA associates in ministry, deaconesses, diaconal ministers and ordained ministers. (Currently, ELCA policies allow non-heterosexuals who are celibate to serve in rostered leadership.) As we discovered on Sunday mornings, there are faithful Christian theologians and scholars who, with great integrity, come to differing points of view regarding the biblical witness on sexuality.

Some people are concerned that no matter what decisions are made by the assembly, the ELCA may be headed toward "a church-dividing decision." At a recent leadership event the presiding bishop of the ELCA, Rev. Mark Hanson, expressed "deep confidence" that unity will not be lost. He wrote:

"Sometimes, when I hear concerns about division in the ELCA, I worry that they express a fear that unity depends on the actions of church leaders or assemblies. Our unity, however, comes to us because God gives it freely and undeservedly in Jesus Christ. Although [we] share responsibility for stewarding our unity in Christ, it will not be won or lost at the churchwide assembly in a plenary session vote." ...

"We live in a polarized culture that equates unity with uniformity and equates differences as a reason for division. This moment, and our witness as a church body in the midst of it, deserves something better from us. We have the opportunity to offer the witness of our unity in Christ -- diverse, filled with different-ness and differences, broken in sin, and yet united and whole in Christ. This moment deserves the witness of a community that finds and trusts its unity in Christ alone, engages one another with respect, and seeks a communal discernment of the Spirit's leading."

Hanson invited the leaders to join him "in confident hope, grounded in Christ, where we meet one another not in our agreements or disagreements but at the foot of the cross."

Last year at the Rocky Mountain Synod Assembly I was elected a delegate to the churchwide assembly, which will be held this August 17-23 in Minneapolis. It is an honor and profound responsibility. I ask that you continue to pray for me and the entire assembly that our work will faithfully witness to the life-giving grace that is found in Jesus Christ. You can find 2009 Assembly info at <http://www.ELCA.org/assembly>.

Peace and Grace in Christ,

Pastor Debra

FIRST FRIDAY Get-Togethers

August First Friday

Fellowship will be **August 7th** at Sue and Ken Carter's (6310 Simmons Dr. in Boulder). They have a pool and have invited those who would like to swim. We'd love to have you join us at this casual gathering. This is an opportunity to meet and visit. Food and fellowship begin at 6:00. Bring an appetizer or dessert to share. Hosts provide soft drinks and you may bring wine if you wish. You can contact Sue and Ken at 303-494-3663.

We hope you can join us!

If you have questions about First Fridays, please contact Jan Ydstie-Roy (303-554-0311).

OLD-TIME HYMN SUNDAY AND FAMILY CHOIR

**August 30 at 9:30 a.m.
worship**



The last Sunday in August we will celebrate in worship with beloved hymns from the past. Family choir meets at 9 a.m.—all ages are welcome to join us to learn an easy piece to offer in worship.

June Office Volunteers

Penelope Amabile, Kate Crawford, Sandy Droeger, Barbara Fink, Barton & Kris Kiburz, Mary Kiburz, Bud & Gerry Luethi, Bob & Lea Patterson, Jeff, Sandy, and Ben Ramsey, Don & Lucille Ritchart, Audrey Schlack, Peggy Simpson, Dorothea Steinke.



Council Highlights

Council Task List:

Priority 1
Expanding worship opportunities, Second Service, Safety of exterior spaces, Paint sanctuary, Endowment, Building usage, Organized planning.

Priority 2
Outreach programs, Multimedia options, Columbarium, Council Handbook, Rainy Day Funds, Staff opportunities.

Worship and Music Committee will go ahead with the sanctuary painting project. The Endowment Committee and the Executive Council will work on a Gift and Endowment proposal to provide possibilities for the congregation.

Purpose Statement:

On August 30th, ALC will have a special meeting to finalize and adopt the Purpose Statement and the Guiding Principles.

Handbook Tasks:

President Elect, Wayne Tatro, has assembled an excellent

Council Handbook. Pages we're still working on:

- Church Usage Guidelines
 - Who may use the facilities
 - Contractual rental and rates
 - Sample Use Agreement
 - Custodial services
 - Weddings & Funerals
- Financial Operations / Authorities / Procedures
- Annual Membership Review
- Information for our Insurance Policy and Points of Contact
- Long Range Planning Committee (President Elect)
- Staffing Committee (President Elect)

Second Service Proposal: Stay tuned for a proposal from the Worship and Music Committee.

Support for Ruth Akubu: Ruth plans starting her U.S. education at Front Range Community College. There are multiple members of the congregation who would like to help her with tuition.

Building Requests: The Boulder Stars Show Choir would like to use the choir room on Monday evenings. Motion was made to grant room request.

Laura Stephenson has been accepted to the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary! Pastor Debra is filing the required paperwork for Atonement as Laura's home congregation.

Reports from Committees:

Vacation Bible School was a great success. We had more than 30 children attending this year.

Christian Faith Development

"It's for Everyone!"

The CFD schedule for Summer 2009 on Sundays after church continues the tradition of interesting travelogues by our members. We are looking for members who would like to share some of their most interesting travels with us. Contact Bob Matheson to get your presentation on the schedule.

August 2 - Travelogue

August 9 - Travelogue - *Laura Stephenson - Indonesia*

August 16 - Travelogue - *Atonement Youth New Orleans*

August 23 - Travelogue - *The Bundy family in France*

August 30 - Council-led discussion - *(Mission statement and possibility of 2 services)*

Sept 6 - Labor Day - *Pastor*

Debra - Churchwide Assembly

Prayers...



Dee Soppeland; Jeanne Nijhowne and the Excavation Team

...& Praise

Thanks and appreciation go out our kitchen and nursery ministry workers and to all our Fellowship hosts!

My dear Atonement church friends,

Thank you for your beautiful expressions of sympathy at the death of my husband, Gene. Your words, hugs, offers of help, and prayers are a source of comfort and strength. The treasured cards and notes are filled with your love and concern. I am so grateful.

Pastor Debra's visits, phone calls and warm friendship to Gene and me were so thoughtful and caring. Her ministry and prayers were ever present during the difficult times. Pastor Chad extended compassion and friendship to me and my family, even during his hectic week of Bible school. His blessing and prayer at Gene's bedside will always be a cherished memory.

Dear friends, you are my 'family'.

With gratitude for God's amazing Grace,

Dee Soppeland



Attendance:

Month of June

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| 7 | 185 |
| 14 | 150 |
| 21 | 143 |
| 28 | 151 |

Opportunity to Assist

Lutheran Family Services of Colorado Refugee Needs:

- 1) Help LFS provide a home for newly arriving refugees. LFS will supply a list of items needed to furnish an apartment. Collect gently used items (furniture & household items) and appropriate food. Notify LFS when you have the majority of items. Bring items to the apartment and prepare it for occupancy when you are given an arrival date for your family.
- 2) Help LFS provide a warm welcome, basic needs and practical help to a newly arrived refugee family. LFS will provide training. Work with a team of 4-6 people for 4 to 6 months. Befriend the family while providing assistance with cultural adjustment.

For more information contact Rita Harding at 303-389-2336 or rita.harding@lfsco.org.

"Sky's the Limit!"

An all-you-can-eat ice cream benefit for Sky Ranch will take place on Sunday evening, August 23, from 6:00 – 8:00 pm at First Lutheran Church in Longmont. First is located at 803 Third Avenue, two blocks west of Main. The Conference will provide ice cream, bowls and toppings. Your offerings will go 100% to Sky Ranch; we are working with Thrivent Financial to get matching funds as well. This is a great opportunity for youth and families to have a reunion with people you've met at both Sky Ranch and Rainbow Trail this summer. It's a great chance for our conference to be together and support a valued ministry. See you there!

Worship and the Arts *presents*



NOTEWORTHY DUO

Sunday, August 2 at 4:00 PM

Lisa Schroeder (flute) and Michael Nigro (classical guitar) join their musical talents to create Noteworthy Duo.

Their vision is to reach a non-classical audience, inspire the classical listener, and to touch just one life with a "noteworthy" performance. Noteworthy's interest in South American Music can be heard throughout their extensive flute and guitar repertoire. Free-will offering.

2004 with the mission of making available the unique healing benefits of harp music combined with the power of scripture and prayer. Karin Gunderson is Harp Practitioner for Hospice of the Valley in Phoenix, Arizona, and is fondly known as the "singing harpist." Karin plays harp and sings for as many as 50 Hospice patients and their families each week. The amazing experiences she has shared with so many patients and family members at Hospice have inspired the vision for the Heavenly Harp recording concert ministry. Free-will offering.

Jane Bender Moore, mezzo-soprano

Sunday, August 30 at 4:00 PM

The MEO String Quartet, Artists-in-Residence at Atonement, will join Ms. Bender Moore for this special program to benefit the Boulder Chorale. Please join us. Free-will offering.

Community Sunday with Kutandara Marimba

**Sunday, September 13 at
9:30 AM**

Boulder's Kutandara Center provides multicultural experiences for youth and adults that deepen their understanding of themselves, their communities, and cultures other than their own. The Kutandara Center ensembles appear throughout the region, offering performances of music from Zimbabwe, African and Caribbean drumming, and education in Shona language. You won't want to miss this

Sunday as Kutandara joins us in worship!

Women's Bible Study



In August and early September, the Women's Bible Study group will be working on preparing school kits for Lutheran World Relief to ship overseas for children returning to school after the disruption of war. Volunteers are needed to sew sturdy cloth school bags. (The material and sewing instructions are available for anyone interested.) In addition, donations of specific types of school supplies (e.g., blunt scissors, pencil sharpeners, crayons, etc.) are needed to fill the bags. For further information, see the display in the church fellowship hall or contact Sonna Miller at 303-648-1766.

Women's Bible Study group will be meeting on Thursday, August 6th from 11:30 am to 1 pm. Our discussion on Mary Among the Disciples will be led by Pauline Farrow. Please note that the August Study Session will be held at Carol Winston's home, 380 Erie Drive, Boulder. Lunch will be provided. All are welcome to attend!!

Directions: From the church parking lot, go south on Inca Parkway to Caddo Parkway, go west (right) on Caddo Parkway to Erie Drive (last cross street), turn left on Erie Drive to second house on the left.

Boulder Renaissance Consort

Saturday, August 8 at 7:30 PM

The Boulder Renaissance Consort, formed in 1980, specializes in performing music from the Middle Ages and Renaissance. Notable appearances from recent seasons include performances with the Colorado Shakespeare Festival, at the Colorado Governor's Mansion and Denver Art Museum, the International Congress on Medieval Studies at Western Michigan University, and for the American Orf-Schulwerk national conference in Seattle.

Tickets available at the door:
\$15/general admission
\$12/students and seniors

Heavenly Harp

Saturday, August 15 at 7:30 PM

The not-for-profit ministry of Heavenly Harp (Karin and Joy Gunderson) was founded in

Atonement's ONE Lutheran

Information Corner:

Information about how we as a ONE Lutheran church can raise awareness and take action to end poverty.

Verse of the Month: *“Those who oppress the poor insult their Maker, but those who are kind to the needy honor him.” — Proverbs 14:31*

United Nations Millennium Development Campaign

The Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) represent the world's biggest promise, inspired by the Millennium Declaration agreed to by world leaders at the United Nations in 2000. The eight goals aim to halve world poverty and hunger, achieve universal primary education, improve health (especially for children and pregnant women), combat HIV/AIDs, malaria and other diseases, empower women, improve access to clean water and sanitation, and protect the environment, all by 2015. The eighth goal represents the partnership between developed and developing countries. Developed countries will increase the quantity and quality of aid; ease market access, and reduce the debt burden of the developing world; while the developing world would improve its governance and development policies.

With the review summit on the Goals fast approaching in 2010, and the 2015 deadline for achieving the Goals looming large, time to achieve the Goals is running out. We are faced with a series of challenges including rising energy prices, food shortages and price hikes, and the impacts of climate change. Most troubling, we are in the midst of a financial crisis and a slowing global economy, which is expected to further impact the delivery of aid to poor countries at a time when the need is

greatest. According to the Food and Agriculture Organization, the economic crisis has resulted in 100 million more people going hungry, taking the total number of hungry people in the world to a staggering one billion.

At the same time, only \$9.4 billion of the \$28.3 billion - less than a third pledged at the Gleneagles Summit in 2005 to be delivered to Sub-Saharan Africa by 2010 - has actually been delivered. Ahead of the UN General Assembly's high-level summit on the economic crisis on June 24-26, the UN Millennium Campaign presented a new analysis which indicates that finding money for aid is a matter of political will - not lack of resources - and called on donors to finally meet their aid commitments. Since the inception of aid (overseas development assistance) almost 50 years ago, donor countries have given some \$2 trillion in aid. And yet over the past year, \$18 trillion has been found globally to bail out banks and other financial institutions. The amount of total aid over the past 49 years represents just eleven percent of the money found for financial institutions in one year. The UN Millennium Campaign urgently called on rich countries gathering at this week's high level summit on the economic crisis to make no further excuses that they lack resources and to urgently deliver on their aid commitments.

What Can We Do?

With just six years left to the 2015 deadline for the achievement of the Goals, we cannot afford to let this happen. You can join the campaign and help us to Stand Up and Take Action! Visit www.standagainstpoverity.org for more information.

Time for a Financial Checkup

Seventh in a Series from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans

By Deidre G. Farrell, Bruce Hoelster, and Tim McNamara

For most people, checkups are a regular part of life. Dental visits, auto maintenance appointments and even glances in the bathroom mirror all help people monitor performance, catch potential problems and assure that all is – or will be – well.

What's true of teeth, engines and grooming is also true of finances: regular checkups are required. Why? Changes both great and small affect the strategies people have developed to achieve their financial goals. Unfortunately, too many people act as though once their financial program is in place their work is done. This isn't so.

As a general rule, people should review their financial program at least once each year. Certain life changes – the birth or adoption of a child, a change in marital status (married, divorced, widowed), the death of a family member or changes to one's health – should serve as reminders that a financial tune-up is in order.

Other changes in personal economics can also have a huge impact on people's financial programs. These may include shifts in employment status or salary (e.g. loss of job or a pay cut/freeze), home ownership changes, significant changes in total assets or debt, the receipt of an inheritance, and tax law changes can all make previous plans obsolete.

It is a rare person who hasn't been affected in the last 12 months by changes in the economic landscape, yet many people don't stop to consider how these changes affect their overall financial program.

How can a person perform a financial checkup? For those with a do-it-yourself mentality, a number of print and electronic resources exist to help them monitor their finances. However, most people can benefit from the knowledge, experience and insight that financial services professionals offer.

Qualified financial professionals can help people evaluate their present financial strategies and keep abreast of new laws, regulations, products and economic developments. Even more important, financial professionals can challenge unrealistic assumptions people may have and help them overcome money management's greatest threat: procrastination.

To live is to experience change. How and where change will appear is impossible to predict, but a financial checkup is one sure way to make certain a person's financial objectives – and his or her sense of financial confidence – keep pace with all that occurs.

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Sanctuary Painting Project

As summer's color fades, Atonement's Sanctuary color renews!

Worship and Music, along with Renewal Committee members, took on the Sanctuary painting project. We came up with a fresh neutral (any idea how many choices there are??) and an accent color that will enhance the vibrancy we all feel in worship at Atonement. Look for an easel in the narthex to depict the changes and for the transformation sometime in August.

HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING AT RAINBOW TRAIL



LifeSpark Energy Partners

[a way that Atonement supports community services]

Cindy began using LifeSpark in 2005, after being diagnosed with lung cancer that had spread to her brain and bones. “One of the main sources of my healing has been Reiki and Healing Touch treatments from my LifeSpark providers (in the past three years I have had three providers).”

“This type of energy work is truly amazing and has always had a deep impact on me.

Physically, I am able to get relief from tension and pain. With cancer, I do notice stress a lot more and I have physical pain from neuropathy (side effect of my treatment) and from cancer in my bones. **Mentally**, my scattered mind is quieted and I can feel peace and inner space when the session is over.

Emotionally, I am on a real roller coaster, and the sessions create some inner space, and help me work with my waves of emotions.”

“For me, the healing energy is a vital part of my paradigm for maintaining the best possible health that I can. I feel the benefits are even beyond what I can physically or mentally be aware of. This program has given me an opportunity to receive healing work that I otherwise would not have been able to afford and it has provided a critical aspect of healing.”

Cindy is one of many individuals receiving sessions in Boulder through the LifeSpark program. LifeSpark Cancer Resources is a non-profit organization that matches volunteer Reiki and Healing Touch providers with individuals with cancer. Each volunteer is matched with one person for three to six months and hands-on sessions are provided each week. Close relationships develop and those receiving services report relief in physical symptoms as well as a feeling of being supported and nurtured. Services are offered to individuals with any stage or any type of cancer.

Reiki and Healing Touch are hands-on energy based therapies that use a gentle light touch. They are known to diminish the harsh side effects of chemotherapy and radiation, and research suggests that they can reduce pain, depression, anxiety, and fatigue.

One participant in the program recently commented “After my Reiki session I felt an incredible sense of calm and well-being that lasted for days. I began scheduling my entire week around these sessions.” Another commented “It really helped with the pain, and I was able to sleep again.”

LifeSpark’s program not only improves their experience of cancer treatment, but also helps them stay with their medical treatment and therefore recover more quickly. “My chemotherapy treatments made me really sick and I lost a huge amount of weight. These sessions helped me tolerate the drugs, and I am now in remission.”

LifeSpark’s Energy Partners program is a grass-roots, volunteer based effort with over 40 volunteer Reiki and Healing Touch providers, and a growing number of other volunteers. They come from diverse backgrounds and geographic areas within the Metro-Denver area. Sessions are offered at three hospitals, two churches, and a clinic. LifeSpark is particularly grateful to St Atonement Lutheran Church for providing space for this important service.

Atonement Lutheran members and staff are invited to attend and to learn more about this caring and innovative organization. Please visit www.LifeSparkNow.org or call 303-425-5670.

Sandy Priester, Executive Director

West Nile Virus Update

By Pauline Farrow, Parish Nurse

It is that time of year to consider protection from the West Nile Virus. It has been an especially wet spring/summer making ideal breeding conditions for mosquitoes between now and the first freeze which is usually in October. As the weather warms up the mosquito switches from feeding on nectar to human blood. Boulder County is monitoring the Culex mosquito that carries the virus. It takes 3 to 14 days after the mosquito bite to develop the infection. Most people infected with the West Nile virus have no symptoms. Mild symptoms last a few days to a week, and include flu-like symptoms: fever, headache, muscle aches, backache, no appetite, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, skin rash and swollen lymph glands. Less than 1% of infected people may suffer more serious neurological symptoms of encephalitis, meningitis, or paralysis. Death is rare, but it has happened. Since the Swine Flu (H1N1) is also present, contact your physician if you experience any flu-like symptoms.

Since it only takes one bite to become infected and you cannot identify which mosquito is carrying the disease, health officials are recommending following the “four” Ds to prevent West Nile.

DEET-enhanced insect repellents.

Dress in long sleeves and pants.

Dusk-to-dawn protection - avoiding outdoor activities when mosquitoes feed.

Drain standing water outside homes. (see home maintenance tips)

You may worry about exposing yourself or your child to any potential toxin unless it is absolutely necessary. Insect repellents with DEET (N, N-diethyl-m-toluamide) were developed over 50 years ago for military use and have been used by the general public since 1957. It has an excellent safety record if used properly. In rare instances, DEET has caused skin irritation or inflammation, but only when misused. If your doctor advises you to avoid DEET or you do not want to use DEET, there are approved plant-based (soy) repellents. These are not as effective and work for shorter periods of time. To minimize the risk of DEET reactions for you and your children, follow these guidelines:

- Always follow directions before applying to skin. Read the container.
- Choose a product with the right amount of DEET. The higher the concentration of DEET, the longer it lasts. Products containing 30% or more DEET are not for use by children.
- Do not use on infants less than 2 months of age. Cover with mosquito netting.
- Avoid contact with face and hands so it does not get into your eyes or mouth.
- Do not let your child apply their own insect repellent. Adults should supervise application.
- Do not spray in a closed room. Apply outdoors or in a well-ventilated room.
- Avoid combination sunscreen-insect repellent products. Sunscreen needs to be applied repeatedly and generously, while insect repellent should be applied sparingly. You need one product for bug bites and another for sunburn prevention.
- Wash repellent off when you are safely away from mosquitoes. (Shower or bathe)
- Spray clothing with insect repellent. DEET does not harm nylon or natural fibers (cotton or wool), but can damage plastics, synthetic fabrics, leather, and painted or varnished materials. Keep away from eyeglasses and watches. Spraying can also kill your grass.
- Do not rely on bug zappers, as mosquitoes are not attracted to light.
- Apply in moderation. Children under age 2 (some say 3 years) should have no more than one application of DEET a day. Never apply repellent on cut, scraped or sunburned skin.

Home Maintenance tips include: Check for broken window and door screens, clean gutters, change bird baths every 4-5 days, do not over water your lawn, check for items that hold water for more than 2 days, cover trash cans, maintain aquatic ponds by using Bti dunks, and check for leaking water facets.

For more information, you can contact Boulder County at www.bouldercountymosquito.net or their hot line (303) 441-1460.

Yours in Christ,

Pauline Farrow

Birthdays

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| Bill Markland | 8/2 |
| Gloria Ellefson | 8/4 |
| Rebecca Scarborough | 8/5 |
| Andrea Kelly | 8/6 |
| Joan Briggs | 8/7 |
| Jim Eraker | 8/8 |
| Conor Ishimi | 8/9 |
| Ashley Wallace | 8/10 |
| Rachel Baumgartner | 8/12 |
| Maddie Stallman | 8/12 |
| Doris Bjornson | 8/13 |
| Bill McDowell | 8/13 |
| John Olson | 8/13 |
| Sydney Swennes | 8/13 |
| Kay McLaughlin | 8/14 |
| Luke Nickerson | 8/15 |
| Kelly Moran | 8/16 |
| Audrey Schlack | 8/18 |
| Brett Solonycze | 8/18 |
| Stan Jackson | 8/19 |
| Ester Matheson | 8/21 |
| Nancy Schaefer | 8/21 |
| Dani Broshar | 8/23 |
| Chris Cole | 8/30 |
| Jim Kelly | 8/30 |
| Kathy Twaddell | 8/31 |



Anniversaries

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| Jim & Deborah Kelly | 8/3 |
| David & Loralyn Solonycze | 8/3 |
| Alan & Kathleen Redman | 8/8 |
| Herm & Joan Schempp | 8/8 |
| Bill & Joann Markland | 8/11 |
| Craig & Kathy Twaddell | 8/13 |
| Barton & Kris Kiburz | 8/14 |
| John & Kathy Erickson | 8/17 |
| Tom & Lynda Reisinger | 8/18 |
| John Olson & Jana Evelsizer-Olson | 8/20 |
| Jerry & Janet Gilland | 8/23 |
| Bob & Dorothea Steinke | 8/23 |
| Bob & Ester Matheson | 8/30 |
| Jeff & Sandy Ramsey | 8/31 |





August

Sunday Worship Calendar 9:30 AM

We thank all those who offer their gifts in leading worship this month.

| 9:30 am | August 2 Pentecost 9 | August 9 Pentecost 10 | August 16 Pentecost 11 | August 23 Pentecost 12 | August 30 Pentecost 13 |
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| Liturgy | Now the Feast and Celebration | ELW Setting Ten | Now the Feast and Celebration | ELW Setting Ten | Now the Feast and Celebration |
| Readings | Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15 Psalm 78:23-29 Ephesians 4:1-16 John 6:24-35 | 1 Kings 19:4-8 Psalm 34:1-8 Ephesians 4:25 – 5:2 John 6:35, 41-51 | Proverbs 9:1-6 Psalm 34:9-14 Ephesians 5:15-20 John 6:51-58 | Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18 Psalm 34:15-22 Ephesians 6:10-20 John 6:56-69 | Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9 Psalm 15 James 1:17-27 Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 |
| Assisting Minister | Tim Snyder | Kathy Lindholm | Tim McCandless | Cherie McCandless | Dennis Koster |
| Greeters | Sydney Swennes Kent Bowron | Jeff Stair | Joan Schempp Jeff Stair | Ed & Kay McDowell | Solonycze Family |
| Ushers | Jeff Stair Tracy Moran | Sydney Swennes Kent Bowron | Norm Cizek | Leo & Mary Nelsen | Jim & Jeanne Fetterman |
| Lector | Marilyn Morris | Jody R. | Steve Vahl | Dorothy Weaver | Carl Christensen |
| Acolyte | Katie Moran | Tim Snyder | Clara Frostman | Chris Eraker | Solonycze Family |
| Altar Care | Jan and Bob Bundy | Kate Crawford | Joy and Gary Symes | Robinson Family | Joan Schempp |
| Communion Asst. | Jane Moore Joan Schempp | Jody R. Pauline Farrow | Kathy Stith Tim Snyder | Jim Eraker Jeff Stair | Jeff Stair Katherine Christensen |
| Musicians | Noteworthy Duo (classical guitar and flute) | Debbie Holland, violin Heather Samuelson, flute | Tim Snyder Linda Wisler | Jane Bender Moore | Family Choir |

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| <i>August 2009</i> | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | 1 9:00 AM Native American Collection Pick-up |
| 2 8:00 AM Morning Prayer with Holy Communion 9:00 AM Fellowship Time 9:30 AM Worship with Noteworthy Duo, Children's Church 10:45 AM CFD: Travelogue 2:00 PM Children's Chorale Auditions 4:00 PM Noteworthy Duo Recital | 3 OFFICE - CLOSED | 4 9:00 AM LifeSpark Sessions-R12 6:00 PM Boulder Stars Choir- 7:00 PM Film Festival@Grace Lutheran | 5 9:00 AM Children's Spanish Class 9:00 AM LifeSpark Sessions 6:30 PM Prayer Group | 6 9:00 AM LifeSpark Sessions 11:30 AM Women's Bible Study/Lunch 6:30 PM Hospice Care 7:00 PM First Thursday Committee Meetings | 7 9:00 AM Children's Spanish Class-R11 9:00 AM LifeSpark Sessions 6:00 PM First Friday Fellowship@Carter Home | 8 7:30 PM Boulder Renaissance Consort Concert |
| 9 8:00 AM Morning Prayer with Holy Communion 9:00 AM Fellowship Time 9:30 AM Worship, Children's Church 10:45 AM CFD: Travelogue | 10 OFFICE - CLOSED 7:00 PM Adult Education Committee 7:00 PM Executive Committee Meeting @ Pastor Debra's Home | 11 7:00 AM Early Bird Breakfast/Bible Study 9:00 AM LifeSpark Sessions 6:00 PM Boulder Stars Choir 7:00 PM My Story Writing Group | 12 9:00 AM Children's Spanish Class 9:00 AM LifeSpark Sessions 3:00 PM Pastoral Care Team 6:30 PM Prayer Group 7:00 PM Worship & Music Cmte | 13 9:00 AM LifeSpark Sessions 7:00 PM Church Council | 14 Pastor Debra to Churchwide Assembly 9:00 AM Children's Spanish Class 9:00 AM LifeSpark Sessions | 15 Pastor Debra to Churchwide Assembly 7:30 PM Heavenly Harp Concert |
| 16 Pastor Debra to Churchwide Assembly 8:00 AM Morning Prayer with Holy Communion 9:00 AM Fellowship Time 9:30 AM Worship, Children's Church 10:45 AM CFD: Travelogue | 17 OFFICE - CLOSED Pastor Debra to Churchwide Assembly | 18 Pastor Debra to Churchwide Assembly 9:00 AM LifeSpark Sessions 6:00 PM Boulder Stars Choir 6:00 PM LifeSpark Quarterly Meeting 7:00 PM Stephen Ministry Peer Support | 19 Pastor Debra to Churchwide Assembly 9:00 AM LifeSpark Sessions 6:30 PM Prayer Group | 20 Pastor Debra to Churchwide Assembly 9:00 AM LifeSpark Sessions 2:15 PM Music Class 6:30 PM Hospice Care | 21 Pastor Debra to Churchwide Assembly 9:00 AM LifeSpark Sessions | 22 Pastor Debra to Churchwide Assembly |
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| 30 Old Time Hymn Sunday 8:00 AM Morning Prayer with Holy Communion 9:00 AM Family Choir Rehearsal-SA 9:00 AM Fellowship Time 9:30 AM Worship with Family Choir, Children's Church 10:45 AM CFD: Congregational Meeting/Purpose Statement & Guiding Principles 2:00 PM Diet of Bookworms 4:00 PM Recital Jane Moore/MEO | 31 OFFICE - CLOSED 7:00 PM Boulder Chorale | | | | | |

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Details to come, but a few things to note now:

Sept. 9 – Wednesday Night Life begins:

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| 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. | Supper served |
| 6:00 – 7:00 | Carillon Bell Choir rehearsal |
| 6:00 – 7:00 | Children's Music |
| 6:00 – 7:30 | Confirmation |
| 6:15 – 7:00 | Bible Study Group |
| 6:00 – 7:00 | SpiritSong rehearsal |
| 7:00 – 7:30 | Prayer Group |
| 7:00 – 8:30 | Sanctuary Choir rehearsal |