

Community News and Events

February 21, 2010

Take the Community News with you as a reminder to pray during the week. Talk to God as you read the items listed. Praise Him for the joys. Bring the mentioned people and events before His throne of grace.

Concerns

Please continue to remember Kathleen Klein and Jim and Corinne Anderson in your prayers. Their health situations are difficult. Cards would be appreciated.

Marilyn Tapp is moving toward a surgery date, Feb. 23rd. Pray for rest and peace for Marilyn and Don and their family.

On Feb. 26th, our wonderful Administrative Assistant, JoAnn Buckman, will be having gallbladder surgery. Please pray for complete healing and for JoAnn's family to move smoothly through her recovery.

A memorial service for Don Montgomery was held at FPC this past week. Please pray for comfort and peace for Faye and their daughters, Michelle and Melinda and their families. Others who have lost spouses in recent months are Ida May Else, JoAnn Sansom, and Betty Schmidt. Thank you for your continuing support for these bereaved.

Mary Lisle has been hospitalized with a great deal of back pain. A procedure was performed this past week. Cards would be great as well as prayers for Mary's comfort, and Bob and Mary's strength
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Email Prayer Chain

If you have a prayer need simply email Mary Haight at mhaight@ctos.com.

Evening Service/Worship Concert

Tonight at 6:00pm in the Sanctuary, join the Praise Band as they lead songs all based on scripture with special guests: The Chancel Choir, Handbell Choir, and organ. *Childcare available.*

Shingles Vaccine Clinic

Feb 24th - off site
Call Nurse Ellen for details.

Peacemaker Ministries Conflict Coaching and Mediation Training

March 18-20, 2010 at Cherry Creek Presbyterian Church, Englewood. Costs (not including meals and lodging on your own):

- March 18, Conflict Coaching Only - \$129.00
- March 19 & 20, Mediation Only - \$495.00
- Combined Conflict Coaching and Mediation - \$595.00

Get information or register at www.peacemaker.net

Note: If you register with Craig Conrad as a member of the FPC Peacemaking Team, you receive \$10.00, \$40.00 or \$50.00 discounts respectively for these events. Please contact him at 353-0058 or 301-4714 for information.

Support the Mexico Mission Team

There are two easy ways to support our Mexico Mission Team. 1) Purchase "fair wage" coffee in the Atrium. \$10 per 12 ounce bag. 2) Purchase tickets to our Support Dinner on Sunday, March 14 at 6:00pm. \$25 per plate.

Manhattan Declaration Support

In November of 2009, a group of prominent Christian clergy, ministry leaders and scholars released the Manhattan Declaration at a press conference in Washington, DC. The declaration speaks in defense of the sanctity of life, traditional marriage, and religious liberty. The Session at FPC has formally endorsed the Declaration and encourages you to visit the website www.manhattandeclaration.org and join them in supporting the initiative with your signature.

Video/Computer Person Needed for Tech Team

We need volunteers willing to help run the computer for our screens on Sunday mornings. The time commitment is approximately one Sunday per month. Some computer skills are necessary, but ample training is provided. Please speak with Marvin Easter or TJ Wilson if you are interested.

Room at the Inn Gala

Can you spare \$30 (\$10 for children 6 yrs and up, under 6 free) for food, music, and a free family picture? See Mary Moenkhaus or Jean Smith to get your tickets for the Hearts for the Homeless Gala 2010 to be held at the First United Methodist Church, 917 10th Ave. on March 20th from 5:00pm- 8:00pm.

Each church is challenged to sell 24 tickets and to provide a family friendly basket for the silent auction. So if you can't go, you can still help by donating something for the basket. Proceeds from this dinner go to support the day to day operations of Room at the Inn.

Help the East African Community

The East African Community needs your help. Refugees from Somalia, men and women, are struggling to learn English and move towards higher education. We need teachers to teach beginning English to this motivated and fun group of people who are new to our country and our community. If you know English you qualify to be of service. No prior experience needed except a loving and open heart. Want to know more? Contact Jane Gilmore at janeandtad@earthlink.net

Opening up Your Home

Thought any more about opening your home once a month to an international student? Friendship families are in short supply. The need and possibilities for love and ministry right here in your home are endless. Contact Jane Gilmore for more information, janeandtad@earthlink.net.

Capital Campaign Update

Amount pledged:	\$691,575
Pledges received:	\$386,280
Unpledged money received:	<u>\$ 36,428</u>
Total Received to date:	\$422,708
Original Loan Balance:	\$747,837
Paid on debt reduction:	<u>\$422,708</u>
Current Balance of debt:	\$325,129

Adult Ministries

Women's Ministry

Women at the Well

Join us for our new Bible study "Stepping Up: The Journey through the Psalms of Ascent", by Beth Moore (Psalms 120-134). We will gain a new appreciation for the life of faith, and a greater fellowship with the God we worship. Contact: Linda Randolph 352-3030

Women's Ministry Movie Night

Come for a night of southern cooking, friends and a movie on Feb. 28th at 5:00pm in the Celebration Center. Cost is \$5 per person. No childcare available. Sign up in the Atrium before Feb. 23rd.

Women's Evening Bible Study

Our evening Bible study for women will resume March 8th at Kay Stein's home, 2501 52nd Ave. Ct. The study will be Beth Moore's "Stepping Up: A Journey through the Psalms of Ascent". The group will meet from 6:30pm-8:00pm and will run for 7 weeks. Please call Kay Stein (506-0262) or Jan Rogstad (353-7184) if you have questions or would like to have a workbook ordered for you. (\$14.00)

If you have questions about anything regarding these women's events or the upcoming year, please call Linda Randolph at 352-3030.

Francis House Ministry

12:00pm - every Tuesday.

Lightseekers *(seasoned adults)*

Join us Saturday, March 6th at 10:00am. We will take a tour of the Model Train Museum at the Freight Station, 680 10th St. \$5. Meet there. Lunch afterwards downtown. Contact: Mary Fagerberg, 353-1743.

Children and Youth Ministries

PIT Stop (Parents in Training)

PIT Stop sign up deadline is today! Stop by the table in the Atrium to reserve a spot for you and your family.

All Students Grades 6-12 [AXIS]

Sunday mornings at 9:45am in the Youth Center.

Middle School Students [252]

Wednesdays 6:00pm-7:30pm in the Youth Center. This Wednesday night is

our Pizza Night! Invite your friends and bring \$3.

High School Students [1321]

Meeting tonight at 5:00pm at Andy & Emilie Casseday's home: 3025 41st Ave. Contact Andy with any questions (590-4168).

Middle School Winter Retreat

[Snowbound] We return today at 4:30pm.

Please pray for us as we finish an amazing weekend and drive home.

Contact Information

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Wednesday Nights @ First Pres. 6:00pm-7:30pm (January 13th - April 28th)

Adult

God's Story of Salvation:

Understanding the Bible's Big Picture

Pastor Doug Brown is teaching this course. Students will learn the plot structure and key moments and figures of the Bible; the relationship between the Old and New Testaments; and the key themes that run through the Bible.

Middle School

Middle School Students [252]

Wednesdays from 6:00pm-7:30pm in the Youth Center. Friends are always welcome.

6th-10th Grade Girls

Girls Ensemble at 5:30pm with Marvin in the Sanctuary.

Children

Children's Choir and Pioneer Club

1st-5th grade kids will be making music, memorizing Scripture and munching together! Cost \$20/child *(includes snack and supplies)*

Infants-3yrs: Childcare in Nursery

4 yrs, 5 yrs and K: Pioneer Club
Scooters in Room C-7

Cost \$15/child *(includes snack and supplies)*

Child care provided upon request