

The Lyons Community Church

Mid-Week Message

Thursday, March 24, 2016

As I watch the wet, heavy snow cover our home, yard and neighborhood this week, I am reminded of the heaviness of Holy Week: of the change in the city of Jerusalem almost 2000 years ago from the day a young man rode triumphantly into the city on the back of a borrowed donkey, to the moments when an angry spiritual leader turned over tables in the Temple, to his arrest, the trumped-up charges, unfair trials, terrible beatings and unjust murder on a cross on the hill of Golgotha. It was an awful week - a heavy week - a week where it was difficult to go about your daily business unaffected.

It was a week like this one. And the inches and inches of thick snow cover over all of our busy-ness, all of our plans and lists and hurry. Snow days make us slow down, savor our pajamas, a hot fire, perhaps a cup of cocoa, tea or coffee. The warm drinks seem to warm our spirits, which shudder in the chill (and for Regis, the excitement) of all that snow. We are forced to take time, to make time, to take a few deep breaths and to sit with our emotions.

A deep snowfall seems fitting for Holy Week, when the spring daffodils have already emerged, but are covered in frosty white flakes. There seems to be life, then death, then life again (at least, I sure hope, when the snow melts!) We'll discuss that new life this coming Sunday at one of our biggest services of the year. We will celebrate our resurrections - from our zombie pasts to a spirit-filled future. We'll let go of anything that holds us back, and we'll dance together into an Easter Sunday morning filled with light, love, hope (and perhaps even a little snow).

We won't have to do it alone - we'll have guest musicians the Blue Canyon Boys to lead us in a spirited worship service. And the lilies and the potluck lunch and the annual Easter egg hunt to round out the day. We'll have bluegrass and hymns, prayers and a special time for the children during our All-Age worship service. It may be loud, it may be wild - but it won't be a day you want to miss!

Hope you and yours will join us,
Easter blessings,

Pastor Emily



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Sunday, March 27, 2016

Easter Sunday

Sermon: *To Cling or Not to Cling?*
Pastor Emily Flemming

Scripture: John 20:1-4, 9-18 (MSG)

Reader: Martin Soosloff

Greeter:

Refreshments: Easter Brunch;
please bring a favorite dish to share



Prayers

Joys: Birthdays of Kim Malito, Marie Baker on 3/30, Debbie Tabor on 3/31, Bob and Laurel Shaw's anniversary on 4/2; Ray Sr's successful surgery, Barbara's ongoing recovery, Debi and Jerry's granddaughter Hannah playing volleyball again,

Concerns: Jerry T, Mark's brother Russell, Tommy Walters brother John's passing, death of master bagpiper Gordon Duncan, Coach McCartney as he ages, traveling mercies for Emily, Regis and Lillian (in TX April 8-18th), ISIS attacks around the world, political elections

Requests? Kitty Keim, Chair:

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Prayer team: Pastor Emily, Holly & Steve Beck, Mark Boys, Pam Browning, Sandi Fikes, Janet Freeman, Vance French, Alyssa Frideres, Ellen Hine, Jani Little, Steve Mikesell, Jerry & Jean Peila, Carol Pranschke, Richard & Deborah Salmon, Debbie Tabor, and Sandra Willis.



Announcements

Good Friday service at 7:00pm, Friday, **March 25th.**

Easter Egg stuffing will take place downstairs after the Good Friday Service. All adults and youth are welcome to help stuff. Please donate small toys, coins, and candy to fill the Easter eggs.

Easter brunch All are invited to the annual Easter Potluck Brunch, downstairs following the Easter Service. Any dish you bring to share will be greatly appreciated. Above all, come and celebrate the spirit of Easter!!

Bible Study Dates: March 29, April 12, 26, May 3 at Mark and Christine Boys' place (529 Goranson Ct, Lyons) at 7pm. We will cover one lecture, followed by discussion. Contact Mark mlboys1@yahoo.com or call [303-823-5885](tel:303-823-5885).

The Lyons 9HealthFair will be Saturday **April 16th** at Lyons Middle/High School, beginning, 8:00am-noon. It's time to own your health! Life-saving, professional health screenings, ranging from vision, hearing, and skin, to our popular Blood Chemistry screening are available at this year's fair. For more information contact Pam Browning or go online to www.9Healthfair.org. We could also use lots of non-medical volunteers to make this happen. If you can donate a few hours that Saturday morning, please contact Pam Browning.





Disaster Relief Training

April 22 - 23, 2016

East Boulder Baptist Church

7690 Baseline Road, Boulder

303.499.3553

Friday, April 22

Registration **6PM**

Introduction to SBDR **6:30 - 9PM** (required for new volunteers)

Saturday, April 23

Registration **8AM**

Training Units **8:30 - 11:30AM** (See Below)

Lunch Provided

Training Units **12:30 - 3:30PM** (See Below)

Training Units Offered: (subject to change)

1/2 day units: (choose 2)

- Mud Out
- Ash Out
- Shower/Laundry Unit
- Mass Feeding

Full day units (choose 1)

- Chain Saw

Cost: New volunteers, includes Background Check

non-SBC: \$30; SBC: \$40

To Pre-register: (pre-registration preferred)

1. <http://www.coloradodr.org> Here you can register pay by credit card and/or print off the registration forms
2. Or you can call Rhonda Nanney at 303.771.2480 x 250
3. Or email to Rnanney@cbgc.org then
4. Come & register at the Friday Night training