

# The Lyons Community Church

## Mid-Week Message

Thursday, April 9, 2015

Dear Neighbors,

What a breath-taking celebration we had last Sunday - Jesus arose from the grave, the Blue Canyon Boys dazzled us with their soul-full music, and the church was filled with lilies, children and joy! We shared a delicious meal, we even hunted some Easter eggs, and if you are anything like me - you went home ready for an Easter NAP ;-)



Yes, I decided to take my need for R&R to an extreme, and on Monday of this week, as Regis and Lillian and I drove my mom and niece Cara back to the airport, we just kept on driving. We drove all the way to Steamboat Springs, and Regis is soaking up the last week of spring skiing as I write to you. It is wonderful to be in a new place and experience new restaurants, hot springs, and relaxed time as a family. It's something rare for us, maybe for you, too - and it reminds me of how blessed we are.

We lived in a town full of compassionate and generous people. We are surrounded by neighbors who may not agree with us, but who are willing to talk it out over a cuppa joe or a glass of wine. We are beloved children of God, and during this ongoing Easter season, we are reminded of that love as God chose to bodily show us in the form of Jesus Christ. We are reminded that love conquers death, and we are called to live as Easter People, resurrected souls which were once seeking a purpose and meaning, now filled with the fire of the Holy Spirit and ready to make a difference in the ways we live and love others.

So what now? What now that Easter is over, Jesus is raised from the dead, and we are back to our regularly scheduled lives? My friend from Iliff School of Theology, Tiffany Keith, will be joining you this Sunday to talk about blessings and testimony - what we have to say about our blessings and experience with God. She is creating a new Christian community in Colorado Springs called Stories from the Edge, and I suspect she'll keep you on the edge of your seats.



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### Sunday, April 12

**Sermon:** *What Now? Testimony!*  
- Rev. Tiffany Keith

**Scripture:** 1 John 1:1-4 (MSG)

**Reader:** Richard Salmon

**Refreshments:** The Littles

**Greeters:** John, Matt & Lauren Hunt

**Flowers:** Given by Karen Schwenn in honor of Jeanne Schwenn's birthday; additional flowers given for Marilyn Penn from the LCC Care Team

*Pastor's Message* (continued)

We'll be home late Sunday night - until then, you remain in our prayers and we hope that we remain in yours.

*Pastor Emily*

You can check out any sermons you missed, or share other updates, info and announcements with the church on our Facebook page:

[www.facebook.com/  
LyonsCommunityChurch](http://www.facebook.com/LyonsCommunityChurch)

## Easter Lilies

### Given in memory and/or honor of:

- Cora & Hugh Twiggs, and Karen Sue Breland by Sandra Willis
- All My Family & Friends by Ruth Wilson
- Joseph John Hallgring by Dawn & David Henley
- Walter Juzefczyk by Holly Beck
- Jeff Schwenn by the Schwenn Family
- Bud Schwenn by the Schwenn Family
- Jeremy Garrett and Jim & Laura Penn by Marilyn Penn
- Beverly Boguslawski by Karen Schwenn
- Daughter Lisa by Pete Wennermark
- Tony Wilkins
- Brian's successful surgery by Annie Sirotniak & Brian Whitehead
- Ken & Marie Baker by Deb & Jerry Tabor

*Apologies for any other errors or omissions.*

## Prayers...

**JOYS** Pam Browning, Dana Curton and Jeanne Schwenn all share April 17<sup>th</sup> as a birthday,

*You may make prayer requests or join the Prayer Team anytime by contacting Pastor Emily or Chair Kitty Keim ([kathkeim@earthlink.net](mailto:kathkeim@earthlink.net)).*

## Announcements

We are pleased to have Tiffany Keith with us Sunday morning **April 12th**, the Associate Pastor of First United Methodist Church, Colorado Springs. Tiffany is married with children and is currently creating a new Christian community called Stories from the Edge. She was commissioned for pastoral ministry last summer alongside our own Pastor Emily. Welcome!

Reminder: the 9Health Fair is this coming **Saturday, April 18th**, from 7:00am to 12noon in the Middle/High School gym. Many free and reduced fee medical services are offered, and many volunteers have worked to make this opportunity possible. Please support their efforts and stop by.

We will offer an open class for all ages on United Methodist History and Beliefs next Sunday, **April 19th**, and the following week, **April 26th**, from 8:30-9:30am each day in Wesleyan Hall (lower-level). The material will be the same each week, but new questions are welcome! Those considering baptism and church membership on Sunday, April 26th are especially encouraged to attend.

We will be creating a directory with photos this spring. Please correct your contact information with Karen Schwenn, and email your photos (not larger than 4MB) to [LCCOf-vice@lyonscommunitychurch.org](mailto:LCCOf-vice@lyonscommunitychurch.org). Or ask Regis to snap your photo on a Sunday morning.

