

The Lyons Community Church

Mid-Week Message

Thursday, April 21, 2016



Dear brothers and sisters,

I've only been away 10 days, but it feels like an eternity. And my, how good it is to be home! I am looking forward to catching up with those of you whom I haven't seen at meetings and Bible studies this week. I heard you were well-cared-for in my absence (many thanks to Rev. Amy Durfee West and all of your excellent Lay Leaders!) You even survived the Snow-pocalypse with grace.

Speaking of grace - that's our focus for this Sunday as we pick up where we left off in the life of United Methodism's founder John Wesley. We left John in England, where he had just returned from a huge failure in the US and was ready to quit preaching all together. Everything he touched seemed to break or malfunction, a feeling I know many of us can relate to in life.

But God has a funny way of turning things around when we least expect it. It was true for Wesley, and it's still true for us today. The Lord extends the unfathomable gift of grace to us though we don't deserve it - and if you're not sure what grace is or how it affects us, this week's sermon is for you. When you look in the mirror, what do you see? This week, the kids and I will sing a song with you called Masterpiece (so there's a hint of how God feels about each and every one of us).

If you need a smile, a little sunshine, some laughter, a hug or warm hand extended, a hot cuppa Joe, someone to listen or care, or just want to hear some beautiful music - why don't you join us on Sunday at 11am? I'd sure love to catch up with you!

Many blessings,

Pastor Emily



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Sunday, April 24, 2016

Sermon: How the Gift of Grace Changes Us - Pastor Emily Flemming

Scripture: Ephesians 2:8-10 (NLT)

Reader: Pam Browning

Greeter:

Refreshments: The Brownings and the Amsburghs

Children: Jani Little



Pentecost Sunday

Sunday, May 15th is Pentecost, the literal birth day of the church. Please consider **wearing red** to celebrate the fire of the Holy Spirit which helped to create us (we'll be kicking off a sermon series on "Home" that Sunday).

Prayers

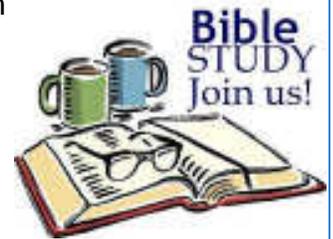
Joys: birthday of Regis Schoedel (4/22), Dana's birthday last week, Ian and Zeke doing Children's Music Ministry last Sunday, Vance's lovely offering of song last week

Concerns: Ray Sr.'s cousin Mike Thomas passed away, Mary Beckstrom, travelling mercies for Pastor Emily & family, issues with the construction, also remembering "we" are the church... not just the building, prayers for the possible merger of the Rocky Mountain and Yellowstone Conferences of the UMC

Requests? Kitty Keim, Chair: kathkeim@earthlink.net, tel. 303-823-6586 **Prayer team:** Pastor Emily, Holly and 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 and Deborah Salmon, Debbie Tabor and Sandra Willis.

Announcements

Bible Study will be April 26th and May 3rd at the home of Mark & Christine Boys (529 Goranson Ct, Lyons) at 7pm. Contact Mark Boys at mlboys1@yahoo.com or call [303-823-5885](tel:303-823-5885).



Worship Committee meeting in Wesleyan Hall (downstairs) on Tuesday, May 3rd at 1:00pm.

OUR Center – Urgent need: The OUR Center's Food Pantry is in urgent need of cereal, canned meats, canned fruit and peanut butter. Please bring donations to 250 3rd Ave in Longmont weekdays 8-5 or weekends 10-2. Call 303-772-5529 with questions.



www.ourcenter.org. Thank you!!

Sunday May 22

Mark your calendars! We are planning to clean up around the church yard on **Sunday May 22nd** from 9:00-11:00am. We will then celebrate a worship service in our work clothes (maybe even outside if the weather and yard are nice?). Bring your garden tools, work gloves, and water bottles - we want to make our church as beautiful on the outside as it is on the in-



Host Families Needed

I work with a non-profit organization that is in search of families willing to serve as host parents to high school cultural exchange students this fall. Here is a link to some stories from previous host families that detail the positive impact that hosting a student can have on a family <http://usa.international-experience.net/hosting/meet-our-host-families/>. Also, a link to the current students available can be found under "Meet our Students" via a PDF or a search function. <http://usa.international-experience.net/>

International Experience (IE) works with students who are generally one year students who have good conversational English skills. Although our students primarily originate from Germany, Austria and other European countries, we also have students from Thailand, Spain, and Italy. We are CSIET certified and have a paid local coordinator in place for every student who is responsible for vetting the host family and supervising the student with monthly check-ins.

Kristin Pagel [507-581-8432](tel:507-581-8432)



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