# The Lyons Community Church Mid-Week Message

# Thursday, September 22, 2016

#### Greetings Friends,

This week we will be finishing up our four-week sermon series on Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. This sermon can be found in the Gospel of Matthew. The first week we looked at the Beatitudes. The following week we looked at the section on Salt and Light. Last week our focus was on prayerfulness and the ways in which Jesus instructs us to pray. This week we close out Jesus' Sermon on the Mount with a call to action, a call to do, a call to be strong in our conviction, because our faith is built upon a firm foundation.

Jesus tells the story of two builders, one who builds on the rock and one who builds on the sand. The one who builds on the rock, represents those who listen to the word and then do something. The one who builds on the sand, represents those who listen to the word, but then do nothing. When we do something in the name of the Lord, based on the foundation and strength given to us, it is a wondrous thing that we can accomplish.

I know that for me, when I am doing something in the name of Christ, it just feels different. There is more peace, even when it is not easy; there is more joy, even when that seems impossible; there is more perseverance and determination, even when the road is difficult. Having a firm foundation in Christ truly does make all things possible.

So, as Jesus brings this sermon to a close, he offers a challenge to all. This challenge is one that leads us into action. Jesus stresses the importance of listening to his words, but then also doing something because of those words. And, like those gathered around Jesus that day, I too continue to be astounded by his teaching (and moved to action)!

I look forward to gathering together on Sunday as we close out our time with Jesus' Sermon on the Mount!

Blessings,

Pastor Emily



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## Sunday, Sept. 25, 2016

**Message:** Sermon on the Mount: Wisdom - Pastor Emily Kintzel

**Scripture:** Deuteronomy 11:18-25 and Matthew 7:24-28 (NRSV)

Reader: Mark Browning

Flowers: Pete Wennermark

Refreshments: The Brownings

Greeter: Sandra Willis

Children:



## Tonight!!

September 22, 6-7:30 pm. We have plenty of pizza and drinks, so join us!! Bring your favorite game, your family, and your friends! All are invited and welcome to come!

# **Prayers**

Joys for the upcoming birthday of Marina Appleby (9/26)

Joy: Birth of Michael Shane Brighton, born September 19th

Joy: Betsy Monteath visiting for worship

Continued prayers for Ruth Wilson

Continued prayers for Karen Schwenn

Diana Boulter - Continued prayers for daughter, Anna

Geoffrey Nicosia - Prayers for the friends and family of fallen Officer McKinley

Prayers for Jason Kintzel for rest and recuperation

Steve Beck - Prayers for Josh who is experiencing kidney failure, prayers also for his wife Sarah

Prayers for moving forward with Habitat for Humanity plans

#### **Prayer Requests**

Contact Kitty Keim, <u>kathkeim@earthlink.net</u>, 303-823-6586

Prayer team: Pastor Emily, Holly & Steve Beck, Mark & Christine 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.



Last Thursdays—Lyons Arts Stroll will be **Thursday, September 29.** 

#### **Announcements**

**Ministry Council Meeting**, Tuesday, Sept. 27, 6:30-8pm.

**Trustees Meeting**, Sunday, October 2, 11:30-12:30.

# Peaks Sub District 2016 Fall Lay Servant Ministry

Classes October 15th & November 5th - 8:30 Registration, Classes 9am – 2pm

Fort Collins First United Methodist Church 1005 Stover Street, Fort Collins CO

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