



Montrose United Methodist Church

**“Joyfully, To Love All, To Serve All, and To Share
Jesus Christ With the World!”**

Pastor’s Ponderings “A Wesleyan Way of Living”

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Many people have told me they have appreciated “The Five Marks of a Methodist” sermon series I have been sharing. They have expressed that it is very helpful to learn about the history and distinctive Biblical beliefs of our Christian denomination. So, my next series will continue to help us dig deeper into our heritage with more of the thinking of the founder of the Methodist movement, John Wesley.

The book, *Three Simple Rules, A Wesleyan Way of Living* by Rueben P. Job will provide helpful insights and Biblical foundations for this sermon series. The book is based on the rules for living that John Wesley wrote for his “Societies.” These Societies were broken into smaller groups of 12 who met regularly for prayer, study, support, and accountability in their Christian journey together. The three basic rules were: Do no harm, do good, and attend upon the ordinances of God—or as Rueben Job puts it, “Stay in love with God.”

Sunday, May 15, is Pentecost Sunday, celebrating the birth of the Christian Church from Acts 2:1-21. My sermon that day will be “Happy Birthday, Dear Church!”

The “Three Simple Rules” sermon series will follow:

May 22: “Do No Harm” —Galatians 5:13-19

May 29: “Do Good” —3 John 2-8, 11

June 5: “Stay in Love with God” —Colossians 2:6-9

June 26: “Three Simple Rules
That Will Change the World” —Colossian 3:12-14

The Christians called “United Methodists” continue to be world changers. Thank you for being an important part of a movement that makes a true difference for good across our community and across the globe, through the love of Jesus Christ.

In Christ’s Love,

Pastor Steve

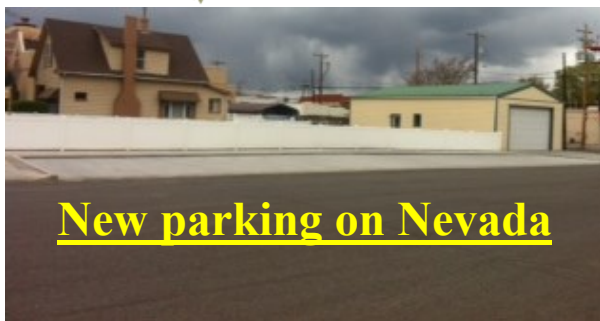


Mission Goal Reached

Through the generosity of our church we have met our 13% missional giving to the Rocky Mountain Annual Conference. The first mission priority of every Methodist Church is to support connectional giving of our church. May we rejoice and praise God that this money will enable the church to

support the global mission for Jesus Christ. All you have to do to give to the Wider Mission Giving Fund is write Wider Mission Giving Fund on the memo line on your check. Together we can do far more than we can ever do alone.

-Elaine Baker, Lay Leader



New parking on Nevada

Thanks to the United Methodist Men the new parking spaces on Nevada Ave next to the community garden are ready for use! The spaces will be striped in the near future. We just ask that you not park in the driveway for the garage so that the bus can be used as needed. This was a VERY major project for the Methodist Men and they hope it fills a need for our congregation!

Children's News



June 17-19

East Elk Creek Group Campsite at Blue Mesa Reservoir

We hope you can join us this year for the church camping trip. The East Elk Creek campsite is beautiful with lots of tree's, a small lake and a creek that runs through. The fishing is great and the kids can play in the creek safely. There is a large pavilion with picnic tables for community meals. There is no cost except for your food! It's a great spot for those with campers or tents. Contact Becky for more information.

**Last day of Sunday School for
children is May 22nd**

Vacation Bible School

June 13-16

Our theme for Vacation Bible School
this year is

“Thailand Trek”

God Loves the World

“For God loved the world so much that
he gave his one and only Son, so that
everyone who believes in him will not
perish but have eternal life.” John 3:16
God loved the world. God didn’t just
love you, your neighborhood, your
community, he loved the entire world.
We hope your children can join us for
our 4 day morning program
Register at www.montroseumc.org



We will honor our Sunday School teachers on May
22nd during Worship. Take a moment sometime this
month and thank your child’s teachers.



June 17-19
**East Elk
Creek Group
Campsite**

**Call the church office to reserve
your spot by June 13th!**

Beautiful area with lot's of tree's
Covered pavilion with picnic tables
Great fishing right there in the creek or
lake

Hiking, relaxing, visiting!

Best of all it's FREE!

Bring your own food, we eat potluck
style

Camp trailers or tents


***If you can't come for the weekend
come up on Saturday for a picnic
lunch at 12:30 pm. The area is
handicap accessible.***



Baldrige Hall Roof

Observe the ceiling tiles in the hallway leading to Baldrige Hall and in the room itself. Water-stains? Yes. The roof is leaking and needs to be replaced. The cost is estimated to be \$63,000. We're proud of the fact that our church has no debt so we're starting a fundraiser to reroof Baldrige Hall. Thanks to the generosity of Hans Croeber, Memorial we are starting with \$10,000. We will re-roof as soon as we raise the money. Thanks for your generosity. Questions - contact any member of the Board of Trustees.

- Barbara Kastellic
- Rick Moslet
- Simon Bray
- Emily Vigil
- Paul Zaenger
- Ray Ross
- John Pavlich
- Barb Sharrow
- Mariah Hutto



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	
1 Holy Communion 8:15 9:45 & 11:15worship 9:15 & 10:30 fellowship 9:45 Sunday school/all ages 12:30 Kitchen training/PAH 5:00Community Sunday supper 5-7:30 youth group	2 7am UMM breakfast 9am UMW Ex board 5:30 Missions Ministry	3 10a Pastor's Bible Study 1-3 prayer shawl ministry 3:00 Staff meeting 7:00 SPRC	4 3:00 5:30 6:45 8:00
8 Mothers day Graduate Celebration 8:15 9:45 & 11:15worship 9:15 & 10:30 fellowship 9:45 Sunday school/all ages 5:00Community Sunday Supper No youth group	9 1:00 Caregiver Support	10 10a Pastor's Bible Study 1-3 prayer shawl ministry 3:00 Staff meeting 7:00 Stew/Finance	11 3:00 5:30 6:45 8:00
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Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Worship planning Bell practice Sounds of Faith Celebration Voices	5 9-11 Quick Care 10:45 prayer group 5:30-7 Nat'l Day of Prayer/Courthouse 7:00 Taize Service	6 	7 10am Usher Training 3:30 music teams practice
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Birthdays of the Month

Rita Kitzmiller	05/03	Danny Melendrez	05/22
Ronda O'Brien	05/05	Caitlin Warner	05/22
Dick Barnhart	05/09	Phyllis Jones	05/23
Don Koeltzow	05/09	Alison Burke	05/23
Kathy Koeltzow	05/09	Shannon Pittman	05/24
Chris Tarman	05/08	Bev Price	05/26
Jim Burrichter	05/12	Bonnie Koehler	05/26
Sally Burrichter	05/12	James Unruh	05/27
Tammy Randall-Parker		Brandon Bingaman	05/27
05/13		Billie Walker	05/28
Orville Kline	05/16	Becky Clark	05/29
Andrea Wood	05/16	Dillon Lehman	05/29
Donald Ferguson	05/17	Bob Hatcher	05/30
India Kane	05/19	Rachael Coddington	05/30
Sharon Grable	05/21	Dena Brooks	05/31
Warren Kinzel	05/22		

ANNIVERSARIES

Jack & Nadine Ward Sr. 05/15

Patrik & Caroline Davis 05/17

Tom & Jennifer Hurshman 05/19

Richard & Marge Hanna 05/22

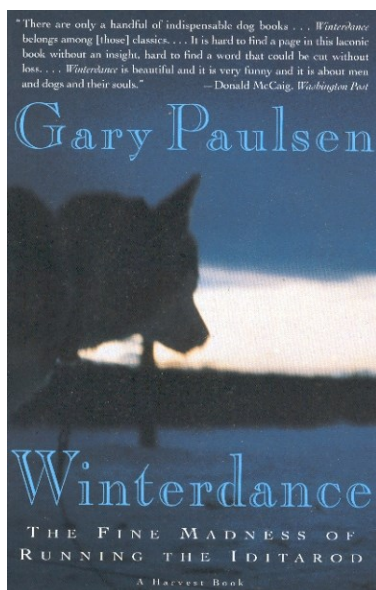
Stan & Sharon Hayes 05/27



Brown Bag Book Club

Our May selection is
“Winterdance: The Fine
Madness of Running the
Iditarod” by Gary
Paulsen.

We will meet on Tuesday
May 17th at 11:45 a.m. in
Baldridge Hall.



Youth News



Vacation Bible School June 13-16

Can you help with VBS? Is God calling you to mentor younger children? We have a few different spots open, especially crew leaders to guide the children from station to station. It is 8:30-11:30 Mon-Thur. Pray about it! Maybe God is asking you to try something new and different!

**Tween Night will be Friday May 13th
6:30-8:00 pm. Bring a friend! This
group is open to 4th-6th graders!**

Youth helpers are always welcome

Grand Mesa Camp

Senior High camp (completed 9-12th grades)

July 10-14 \$205.00

Mid High Camp (completed 6-8th grades)

July 14-18 \$205.00

Scholarships are available—application forms are on the youth bulletin board in Baldrige Hall

All registration is done online this year at

www.grandmesacamp.com

Save The Date!

District Youth Day at
Banana's Fun Park

June 5 4:30-9:00

Cost is \$18.00 each including dinner. Reserve
your spot by

May 31

Youth Fellowship Sunday Nights

5:00-7:30 pm dinner, devotions and games

May 1st—Planning team 4:00 pm

Youth group 5:00 pm

May 8th—Mother's Day

No group—love on your Mom

May 15th—Kickball @ Park

May 22nd—Capture The Flag

**May 29th—Memorial Day weekend spend
some time outdoors! No group**



Upcoming Happenings

--**Monday, May 2:** Executive Board Meeting, 9:00 a.m.

--**Wednesday, May 11:** Luncheon, 11:30 a.m.

Program: Belize Mission

Hostesses: Mary Olive Circle

Cooks: United Methodist Men: Indoor Picnic in

Baldrige Hall

NO RESERVATIONS are needed. Just come and join us. Cost of Luncheon is \$5.00

Thursday, May 12: Luncheon in Cortez, Program: Shelter from the Storm of Domestic Violence

RSVP to Sharon Hayes by May 8 at 970-240-3505 or sshayes@bresnan.net. Carpooling suggested.

--**Sunday June 12, UMW Sunday will be celebrated.** If you would like to participate please sign-up on the volunteer sheet in Baldrige Hall by the Cookie Monster.

The Purpose of United Methodist Women:

The organized unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is: **To know God** and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; **To develop a creative** supportive fellowship; and **To expand concepts** of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.



The annual Bridge of Love offering sponsored by the Conference Board of Global Ministries at Annual Conference will benefit three programs/agencies that minister with people on the margins:

1. **ADVANCE #3022144 - UMCOR Global Refugee/Migration** - around the world there are millions of refugees who have been displaced from their homes due to war, persecution and violence. They are in search of safety, protection and a chance at life. Those who embark on their treacherous journeys include Syrians, Iraqis and Afghanis migrating northward. Funds go to partner churches and organizations that are providing alternative possibilities for survival; food, water and shelter along the traveled routes; and emergency assistance to communities overwhelmed by the influx of refugees.
2. **Crossroads Urban Center, Salt Lake City** - provides services to hungry, homeless and/or low-income people. It is also a major participant in two committees that co-advocate with low-income people to address issues such as simplifying "Food Stamp" applications; Medicaid funding; low-income housing; and affordable public transportation.
3. **Denver Urban Ministries (DenUM)** - provides emergency and stabilization services to people in need. In addition, DenUM provides Employment Services to help job-seekers overcome barriers to employment. These clients are often people recently released from the Department of Corrections or are homeless.

We invite you to place your loose change in the jars placed around the church on May 22nd, May 29th & June 5th, the first three Sundays prior to the annual conference.



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