

Montrose United Methodist Church "Joyfully to love all, Serve all and to share Jesus Christ with the world!"

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Pastor's Ponderings... "We Are All Witnesses!"

³¹ Seeing what was to come, he spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, that he was not abandoned to the realm of the dead, nor did his body see decay.

³² God has raised this Jesus to life, and *we are all witnesses* of it. –*Acts 2:31-32*

We are all witnesses to the resurrection of Christ? I am getting old, but I'm not that old! I wasn't there when Jesus rose from the dead. You weren't there when Jesus rose from the dead. How can we be witnesses to the resurrection?

We are witnesses to Jesus' Spirit alive and active in the *Body of Christ*—the physical, spiritual resurrection of Christ *in US and in all Christians!*

Now you are the *body of Christ*, and each one of you is a part of it. -1 Corinthians 12:27

Jesus who was crucified, is Jesus who has been raised from the dead, and *all of us are witnesses* to the fact through the eyes of faith, the inspiration of prayer, the witness of Scripture, the ways we live our lives (We witness the Living Lord in *our own* Christ-like thoughts, words, and actions, when we fully trust in Christ!), and the ways we see *other Christians* live their lives.

Christ IS Alive! Hallelujah!

In the Power and Love of the Resurrected Christ,

Pastor Steve



The Wesley Bell Ringers



Of
Christ United Methodist Church, Salt Lake City, Utah
Directed by Katie Lay

In Concert

Saturday, June 24, 2017 7:30 p.m.

Montrose United Methodist Church 19 S. Park Avenue Montrose, CO 81401

Get more involved, house a musician! Sign up sheets are in the breezeway.



Upcoming Happenings <u>United Methodist</u> Women

- --May1 -Monday- Executive Board Meeting-9.00A.M. Baldridge Hall
- --May10 Wed. Luncheon -11:30 A.M. Baldridge Hall-Mary & Elizabeth Circle-Hostess
- -- Program: Travels with Stan Hayes —Picnic Lunch prepared by United Methodist Men
- --May 18-Thursday-Mary and Elizabeth Circle-5:30P.M. Hostess-Pam Shippy

Program: Hike in Baldridge & Cerise Park.

- --May 25-Thursday-Mary Olive Circle-Lunch –Eat Out-11:30 A.M.
- --May 25- Thursday- Hope Circle-Luncheon-12:00 noon Hostess-Judy Best
- --May 25- Thursday -Faith Circle 11:30 A.M.-Lunch- Eat Out Hostess-Connie Pittenger
- --May 11-Thursday Cortez UMW Annual Area Luncheon –Noon- Free Lunch- Program on bullying and suicides-RSVP to Sharon Hayes 970-240-3505 by May 7

Plans are being made for the Utah/Western Colorado District Celebration to be held in our Montrose Church September 8th and 9th. If you would like to join the planning committee or have suggestions, please contact Sharon Hayes at 970-240-3505 email, sshayes@bresnan.net. Your help will be welcomed.

Come join this active group of women!

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.

From Grocery Bags

May



"PLARN" WORKSHOP
First TUESDAY of each Month
Room 1 (downstairs) 1 to 3 p.m.
Bring clean bags, scissors, and *spirit*!

To Sleeping Mats



Easter Weekend Bible Reading Vigil

This year's 11th annual Bible reading vigil went successfully, with 53 people joining in to read or witness and others who helped out in various ways, plus those who came to listen over the course of the weekend.

At the conclusion of the Good Friday service, we began where we had left off last Easter morning (Job 9:1) and read non-stop for 36 hours, ending on Easter morning at Acts 21:30, where we will begin at the close of next year's Good Friday service. We usually cover just under half of the Bible each year, as we did this

Those involved find it to be a very spiritual way to bridge the gap between the Crucifixion and the Resurrection of

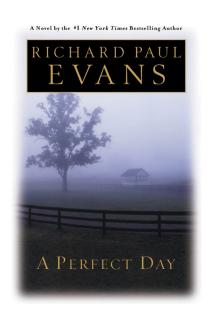
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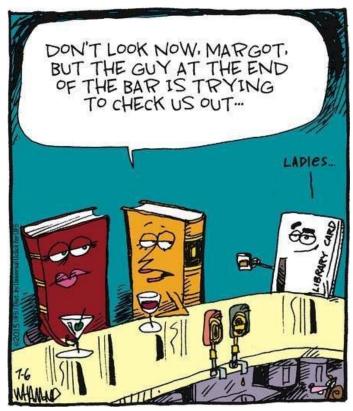
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our Lord Jesus. Many thanks to all the folks who participated and helped out!

The Brown Bag Book Club

The Brown Bag Book Club will meet on Tuesday May 16 at 11:45 a.m. in Baldridge Hall. This months selection is "A Perfect Day" by Richard Paul Evans. Bring your sack lunch and join the conversation.





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	We
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Birthdays

Rita Kitzmiller	05/03	Danny Melendrez	05/22
Ronda O'Brien	05/05	Alison Burke	05/23
Chris Tarman	05/08	Phyllis Jones	05/23
Dick Barnhart	05/09	Shannon Pittman	05/24
Don Koeltzow	05/09	Laura Devor	05/25
Kathy Koeltzow	05/09	Bev Price	05/26
Sally Burrichter	05/12	Bonnie Koehler	05/26
Orville Kline	05/16	James Unruh	05/27
Andrea Wood	05/16	Brandon Bingama	n 05/27
Donald Ferguson	05/17	Billie Walker	05/28
La Donna Mills	05/18	Becky Clark	05/29
India Kane 05/19		Rachael Coddingto	on 05/30
Sharon Grable	05/21	Bob Hatcher	05/30
Warren Kinzel	05/22	Dena Brooks	05/31



Anniversaries

Richard & Marge Hanna 05/22/

Jack & Nadine Ward Sr. 05/15

Richard & La Donna Mills 05/23

Patrik & Caroline Davis 05/17

Tom & Jennifer Hurshman 05/19

Stan & Sharon Hayes 05/27



Children's News



Vacation Bible School June 5th –8th, 9:00 - 11:30 a.m. For Preschool-5th grade

Hero Central VBS will take kids on awesome adventures alongside some of their favorite Bible heroes and discover the qualities that make us truly heroic in God. VBS Hero Central uses epic music, spectacular science, crafty crafts, heroic recreation, and fantastic Bible stories to help kids (and leaders) discover their strength in God! Early drop off will be available again this year. This is a great event to invite your children's friends to! Online registration is ready! Registration link is on the church website

www.montroseumc.org



Grand Mesa Camp 2017

Camp is all about making new friends, being outdoors in the great Colorado Mountains, and taking some time to work on our faith. How's that relationship with you and God? Come for campfire, boating, crafts, music, fishing, worship, games and more!!

Elementary Camp July 24-28 Completed 3rd-5th grades. \$215 (paid by 6/15)

Family Camp July 28-30
For families of all ages and types!
\$ 50 for Adults, \$40 for ages 13-18, \$30 for ages 6-12, \$20 for ages 3-5, 3 and under free Maximum Family Cost-\$175.00



Scholarships offered for Grand Mesa Elementary camp. Application forms are on the bulletin board in the Sunday school area.

Friday Night Awesomeness

5th-8th Grade

Friday Nights 7:00-9:00 pm

- May 5th—Fun at Baldridge Park
- May 19th Bananas Fun Park and Lock in with G.J.

Save The Date

Grand Mesa Camp

- Mid High Camp July 16-21 completed grades 6-8
- Elementary Camp July 24-28 Completed grades 3-5
- Family Camp July 28-30
 for families of all ages!
 Scholarships are available. Register online at www.grandmesacamp.com

<u>Vacation Bible School</u> June 5-8! All youth are invited to help as small group leaders or station helpers. Contact Becky or Sarah if you can help that week!

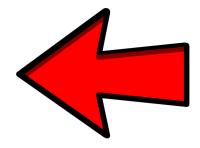
HIYA NEWS

High school and Young Adults

Sunday Night 6-8 pm

- May 7th 5:30 pm Seattle Mission team meeting
- May 7th 6-8 pm Fun at the Pitchfork!
- May 14th—Mother's Day enjoy your family
- May 19th—Banana's and Lock in with G.J.
- May 21st—Graduation Day! No group June

Save the Date



The prayers and support I have received from this congregation have been so uplifting during my cancer battle! Meals, treats, gift cards, phone calls, and so many greeting cards and in-person expressions of care and concern have all contributed to my recovery and good spirits. The Holy Spirit has been strong in my life through this process because of the comfort of my family of faith here at MUMC. You have all been a great blessing to Paul and I, and we are so very thankful for you.

With love in Christ, Nancy Zaenger

Thank you

Dear MUMC family and friends; Jerry and I are so touched. We received many cards expressing caring thoughts and prayers for us after the death of my mother, Georgia Ecord. So many of you mentioned keeping those happy memories close. Thank you, we are and we will. We believe Georgia is very happy in heaven and that gives us peace. We are blessed to have such caring friends. Thank you. Jerry and Penny Madsen