



The Montrose Messenger

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

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Come enjoy time at the park
with your church family and
a tasty frozen treat! Bring
the kids, invite your
friends, co-workers and
neighbors. All are welcome!

This event NEEDS you! Sign up
to help in many different areas
that include; set up, games,
server or clean up! Large or
small your help will be greatly
appreciated.

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Pastor Lisa's Lines

What A Wonderful Welcome!

Dear MUMC,

I cannot say, "Thank You" enough, for all the ways in which you have made me and my family feel welcome in this family of faith. The dinners, desserts, books, produce, canned goods, cards plants and invitations have been so thoughtful and kind. Several anonymous gifts and many more that I've still not written cards of thanks for, I hope that this serves as a heartfelt acceptance of your gifts. We have been blown away by your generosity!

With this pastoral transition coming at such a late time in the season, I am still aware of the hardship this has brought for some of you, emotionally and spiritually. Please know that my door is open and I would love to listen if you want to talk.

I am also very aware of the stirrings of the Holy Spirit here. I am excited for the ways in which God is moving in this community and body of Christ and am looking forward to a year of learning, listening and loving together.

We have been called by God to build the Kingdom of Jesus Christ. I am hopeful that we can do this as a team, working together to try out new ideas for outreach, stretching our arms wide for an inclusive invitation to those outside our doors, and going beyond our walls to meet people where they are to share of ourselves.



Often, we find that resorting to doing things “as we’ve always done”, while comfortable and easy, is not always the best or most inclusive way. My hope and prayer for us this year would be one of experimentation: trying out new and innovative ways of sharing God’s love in all our ministry areas.

We are called to worship, pray, play, give, serve and witness. God is so good and I can’t wait to do all of these things together with each of you. Over the next few months, I’ll be inviting you to sign up for Pie with the Pastor, which will be an opportunity for me to meet you on a more personal level and get to know what you are passionate about. If the provided times don’t work, feel free to call the office and set up a time to come in and talk.

At camp I was reminded by one of the Young Adults on our 7 mile Crag Crest Hike, that with all the majesty of the mountains, the still waters of the lakes and the wispy beautiful clouds in the sky, we humans are God’s prize possession. Don’t forget that. We are God’s prize! Be God’s prize this day.
(Deuteronomy 26:18)

See you in Worship,

Pastor Lisa

New Faces & New Names!

This summer has brought new faces to our church family and such as Pastor Lisa and her family. They are starting to learn our names and we are learning theirs (Lisa, JC, Kalib & Wesley)! With these people, we are beginning some other new things, such as naming! This newsletter has been renamed the Montrose Messenger and will continue to contain all of the upcoming events for the Montrose United Methodist Church.

With this new name, we have renamed the publication that is sent out via email once a month with things for sale and then some, to “Montrose Marketplace!” Have something to sell? Contact Rachael in the church office at secretary@montroseumc.org or call the church office!

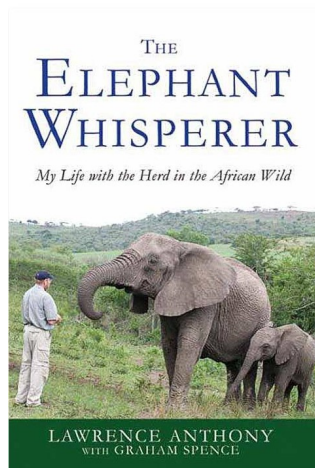
Want to make sure the church and those from the community who pick up this publication know about the happenings in the church, also contact Rachael by the publication deadline: 2 weeks prior to the end of the month!

Thanks for being patient and loving to one another and to Pastor Lisa as we work at being Christ to the world together with new faces and names!



Brown Bag Book Club

The Brown Bag Book Club will be meeting Tuesday August 15 at 11:45 a.m. in Baldrige Hall. This month's selection is: The Elephant Whisperer; My Life with the Herd in the African Wild by Lawrence Anthony



Lay Servant Leader Courses

Western Colorado *Lay Servant Ministries*

Course Registration & Certification History for Certifying for Renewing as Lay Servants, working toward Lay Speakers and/or Personal Enrichment

Advanced Course: **Leading in Worship**, Led by Dr. Susan Yeager & Ellie Young

Basic Course: **Leading Worship**, Led by Rev. Charles Thompson
September 15th (6-8:30 p.m.) & September 16th (8 a.m. – 4 p.m.)

Location: Grand Valley UMC, Parachute, Colorado
132 North Parachute Avenue, Parachute, Colorado

Lunch provided; \$10 for class (love offering will be taken for lunch).

Please make checks out to First UMC – Grand Junction, and send to Gayla Jo Slauson, 659 Challinor Lane, Grand Junction, Colorado, 81504. Or, you may send your registration via email to gslauson@coloradomesa.edu and pay at the class.

Please obtain the book in advance if possible.

Basic Course Book: *Lay Servant Ministries, participant's book; by Sandy Zigler Jackson and Brian Jackson, ISBN 978-0-88177-626-3.*

Advance Course Book: *Worshiping with United Methodists (revised), by Hoyt Hickman, ISBN 978-0-6873-3526-8*

If you are having trouble getting a book, please contact

Gayla Jo Slauson at 970-623-9671 at least three weeks prior to the class.

Additional Lay Servant Ministries Fall classes 2017

Basic Lay Servant Ministries or Advanced Course:

Discover your Spiritual Gifts

September 29 (6:30—9:00 p.m.) & September 30 (8:30 a.m.—4 p.m.)

Father Dyer United Methodist Church,
310 Wellington Rd, Breckenridge, Co.

Contact Faye Veal to register:

6334 Deframe Way, Arvada, CO, 80004,
email fayeveal@aol.com or phone 303-403-0464
Cost is \$30 per class, please register for only one.

Please send fee with registration form. The fee includes books.

Registration information required: Name, address, email, phone, church and district

Work Camp at Grand Mesa Camp

26269 Old Grand Mesa Road, Cedaredge, CO 81413-8504

September 8, 9, 2017 (Friday and Saturday, only)

The Board of Trustees is once again sponsoring a **WORK CAMP** to get special projects completed which do not get the special attention needed during the busy summer camping season. We are inviting you and your friends to come and join us during these two days to work on the various projects listed on the reverse side. Come for one day or both days.

Housing will be provided in the Lodge and cabins. A suggested donation of \$3 per meal will be accepted to cover the cost of the food. Meals will be provided beginning Friday noon, Sept. 8th, and ending with the noon meal on Saturday, Sept. 9th.

Fellowship

**Fun
Fun**

**Good
Food**

Work Projects

Painting (always) –Interiors and Exteriors

Put boats in winter storage (Craft Hall)

Repair sinks and toilets in bathhouses.

Do **many, many** minor repairs

Repair Windows in Cabins and Girls' Bathhouse

Take signs down for winter storage

Clean all cabins and other buildings thoroughly and winterize

Drain all the water lines

Split logs for fireplace use

Chipping up the slash (tree branches)

Other projects which may arise during the summer

**COOKING FOR THE WORKERS/WASHING THE DISHES/Packing
up the equipment in the Dining Hall for Winter Storage**

**Registration
forms are
available in
the church
office!**

Equipment Needed

Lots of Energy and Desire to get projects completed

- Gloves
- Tools: hammer, drills, saws, Electrical tools
- Painting supplies: Masking tape, sprayer, brushes, rollers, pans, etc.
- Cleaning supplies: window cleaner, wisp brooms, rags, etc.
- Floor buffer for Recreation Hall
- Plumbing Tools
- Electrical Tools
- Commercial Chipper
- Chain Saws

Please put your name on ALL your personal tools!!

Grand Mesa Christian Association

530 22 ½ Road, Grand Junction, CO 81507-4211

Methodist Men Meeting Schedule

The Methodist Men meet Monday mornings at 7:00 a.m. for breakfast and a short program in Baldrige Hall unless other wise indicated. The meeting schedule is as follows:



Monday

September 4,
September 18,
October 2
October 16

Saturday, October 28
Meet @ Denny's

Monday

November 6
November 20
December 4
December 18

- (Christmas Breakfast with wives and guests)

Children's News

SUNDAY
SCHOOL
KICKOFF



Sunday September 10th 9:45- 10:45

For Preschool- 4th Grade

“Donut” forget to join us for our Sunday school kick off! We will enjoy donuts and juice, crafts, games and get to know our Sunday school teachers.

Are you interested in helping teach Sunday school or just volunteer for a one-time event? I would love to meet with you to discuss what options are available.



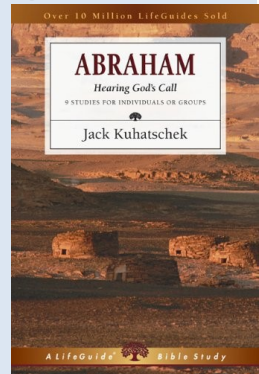
Bible Study & Dinner

Thursdays 7-8:30 p.m.

at Becky & Butch's House



We are starting a study on Abraham: *Hearing God's Call* by Jack Kuhatschek



Upcoming Social Events

August 5th Game Night at the Seymour's 7 p.m.

Please contact Sarah or the church office for the address.

August 26th - Hiking at Black Canyon 9 a.m.

Meet at the Church at 9 a.m., we will decide a trail as a group.

Please pack a lunch/ snacks and water. Closed toe shoes are a must.

Young People's News

For 5th-8th graders, high school students & young adults!



August 5th Game Night @ Seymour's

August 6th Family Swim Party

August 20th

Back to school Sundae

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Parent Meeting

September 10th UMYF Fall Kick-Off

Messy Game Night



Back to School Sundae August 20th 4PM

Buckley Park

Please join us at Buckley Park to kick off back to school Sunday. We will enjoy good old fashioned ice cream sundaes, music, games and a school blessing from Pastor Lisa. More information will come in the Sunday bulletin.

August 6th

Family Swim Party
3-5:30 p.m.
\$4 Youth \$6 Adults
Join us for our last Youth Group of the summer. All youth and their families are invited to swim at the rec center. Please bring a snack to share.


August 20th

Youth/Parent Meeting
6-6:30 p.m.
Baldrige Hall
Information about things to expect this fall, fundraisers, participation forms and youth group meeting times.


September 10th

Sunday school
Kick-Off
9:45 a.m.

August 2017 Month

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
		1 1-3 prayer shawl ministry 2:00 Crafty Ladies 7:00 SPRC	2 9-11 Ballet class 3:00 Worship 5:30 Bell Choir
6 <i>Holy Communion</i> 8:15 9:45 & 11:15worship 9:15 & 10:30 fellowship 9:45 adult Sunday school 3-5:30 Youth group 5:00Community Sunday supper	7 9-11 Ballet class Noon Women's Emmaus 1:30 Communications meeting 5:30 Missions Ministry	8 9-12 Quick Care 1-3 prayer shawl ministry 2:00 Crafty Ladies 7:00 Stew/Finance	9 9-11 Ballet class 3:00 Worship 6:45 Sound of Music 8:00 Celebration
13 UMW SUNDAY 8:15 9:45 & 11:15worship 9:15 & 10:30 fellowship 9:45 adult Sunday school 5:00Community Sunday supper	14 9-11 Ballet class Noon Women's Emmaus 1:00 Caregiver Support 	15 9-12 Quick Care 1:45 BBBook Club 1-3 prayer shawl ministry 2:00 Crafty Ladies 7:00 Trustees	16 9-11 Ballet class 3:00 Worship 6:45 Sound of Music 8:00 Celebration
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trose UMC Calendar

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Net class Ship planning Choir	3 9-12 Quick Care 10:45 prayer group 7:00 Young Adult Bible Study	4	5 7:00 Young Adult Game Night
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Birthdays

Landon Farley	08/01	Roy Rogers	08/13
Shawna Kane	08/01	Glacier Kane	08/14
Sandy Eastman	08/03	Bev Powell	08/15
Kelly Thompson	08/03	A.L. Grant Jr.	08/15
Tracy Moore	08/03	Acacia Sharrow	08/15
Sherry Neill	08/03	Don Stoutt	08/15
Jack White	08/06	Connie Pittenger	08/18
Simon Bray	08/07	Gin Miller	08/20
Tom Hurshman	08/08	Janet Rogers	08/21
Pat Lukert	08/10	Anne Grant	08/24
Jerry Skees	08/10	Donna Hale	08/25
Cindi Loesch	08/11	Paul Zaenger	08/27
Shane Forrest	08/12	Paul Burke	08/27
Jane Forni	08/13	Mary Black	08/30
Richard Mills	08/13	Dwayne Bramer	08/30
Dyllan Pittman	08/13	Kenny Jewell	08/30
		Niels Meewis	08/31

Anniversaries

Scott & Lisa Armentrout	08/05	Mark & Cathy Evans	08/17
Ronda O'Brien & Todd Moser	08/05	Shannon & Kristy Pittman	08/17
Stanley & Ramona Cornforth	08/07	John & Erica White	08/17
Jon & Rachael Coddington	08/07	Steve & Trish Gray	08/20
Bob & Elsie Dawirs	08/10	Adam & Sarah Seymour	08/20
LaMoine & Donna Brown	08/12	Dick & Elaine Baker	08/20
Ken & Norma McBryde	08/14	Van & Janey Smith	08/20
		Bob & Cathee Nielsen	08/21
		Dennis & Kathy Devor	08/25
		John & Linda Pavlich	08/27



Upcoming Happenings

United Methodist Women

August 5- Mission u in Salt Lake City:

Connie Pittenger & Sharon Hayes are attend-

ing

August 7- Executive Board meets in Baldrige Hall at 9:00 a.m.

August 24-1:30 p.m. -Faith Circle meets-Hostess Bev Price & Co
-Hostess-Linda Goodhue.

Other Circles do not meet in August

No luncheon in August

August 28-Monday 9:00 a.m.—Executive Board Meeting

We are now preparing for our financial event in November, THE BAZAAR. Ladies will be gathering each week on Tuesday, at 2:00 p.m., Room #1, down stairs, to put together crafts to be sold at the bazaar. Please come and enjoy being productive as well as fellowshipping with other women. You are welcome to bring your own project to work on or work on a group project.

We will celebrate UMW Sunday on August 13th. If you would like to be an active participant, please let your Circle Chair know or Sharon Hayes.

Plans are being made for the Utah/Western Colorado District Celebration to be held in our Montrose Church September 8th and 9th. Registration forms are available on the table in the breezeway. We are urging **ALL** Montrose UMW members to attend. For more information contact Sharon Hayes at 970-240-3505 email,

sshayes@bresnan.net .

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 simple beginnings

The First Methodist Episcopal Church was completed at the corner of North Second Street and Cascade Avenue in 1886. By 1908, the brick church, pictured above, was in dire need of repair, and plans were started for a new church to be located at its present location on the corner of Park Avenue and South First Street.



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One Hundred Years Ago in Montrose, the M.E. Church, and the World

Barbara Kastellic: member Board of Trustees of Montrose United Methodist Church and Montrose County Historical Society

Sometime in early 2016 upon arriving at church for Sunday Services, I looked at the cornerstone that I had seen countless times before and suddenly realized, “Oh my, that cornerstone denotes an important event 99 years ago!” Thus began my treasure hunt for century old historical information concerning my church, my community, and that mysterious cornerstone – which no one, not even Waymakers.com (that does research on dated buildings and cornerstones) seemed to have any information.

My quest took me to the archives in the Montrose County Historical Museum for several hours researching file information and the very delicate and yellowed pages of early Montrose Newspapers. In 1917, the area had two weekly papers, The Enterprise and The

Montrose Press; and a daily paper, The Montrose Daily Press. Without benefit of instant news from computers, cell phones, faxes, emails, face book, etc. the local papers kept all of Montrose County remarkably well-versed on international, national, state, and local affairs.

INTERNATIONALLY in Europe, the “War to End All Wars” (World War I), with the Allied Forces in combat against the Central Powers of Germany, had begun in 1914. The local papers kept their readers well informed about the successes and failures of both sides as well as the sinking of ships and subs. An interesting article early in 1917 stated that Germany was trying to convince Mexico to unite with the Central Powers and attack the United States. In exchange Mexico would get financial aid from Germany as well as large portions of Texas, New Mexico, and Arizona --- This was known as the Zimmerman Telegram.

NATIONALLY Woodrow Wilson was inaugurated for his second term as President on March 5, 1917. His narrow victory was due to the slogan “He kept us out of war”. Wilson had been successful in his determination that the U.S. was to remain neutral until April 6th of 1917. Congress, with

Wilson’s encouragement, approved uniting with the Allied forces and officially declared the U.S. at war. The two arguments for this declaration of war were the Zimmerman Telegram as well as Germany’s unrestricted submarine warfare policy of damaging and sinking any and all ships in the war zone headed to Great Britain, whether they were private, passenger, or unarmed merchant ships.

COLORADO Buffalo Bill Cody died in January and was buried at Lookout Mountain. Mining production and profits were at an all time high, but not without an even higher price of human life. In April, near Trinidad, the Hastings Mine explosion was the deadliest disaster in Colorado history; 121 miners were killed.

MONTROSE news early in the year included county wide farm and ranch news; school news of both male and female sport teams; lots of local club and church news; and social activities including weddings, births, funerals, tea parties, and travel and visitor plans of local residents. Most business advertisements did not include their addresses as the community was small enough that everyone knew where the businesses were located. J.C. Penney advertised colorful women's shoes for \$3.99, men's work shirts for 49¢ and khaki jeans for \$1.49.

All news was quite typical for a rural area until that day in April when the U.S. entered the war. News articles appeared featuring stories of local fathers, sons, brothers, and husbands volunteering to go into the armed services, and instructions about where and how to register for the mandatory draft. A few months later, there would be news of Montrose County soldiers being injured or killed while serving. Schools, clubs, and churches had a variety of events to support the war effort.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL (M.E.) CHURCH events appeared each Saturday evening edition in the "church columns" where the various churches listed their weekly programs. The M.E. pastor was J.T. Coulter. Sunday services were held on the corner of Park Avenue and S. First (in the "hole in the ground", the basement of the new construction in what is now Park Avenue

Hall) with Sunday school at 9:30 a.m. and morning worship at 11:00 a.m. At 6:30 p.m. the Epworth League held a devotional meeting (Epworth League was a young adult Christian organization {ages 18-35} associated with the Methodist Church and was the predecessor to Methodist Youth Fellowship - MYF). A Sunday evening service of song and message was held at 7:30. Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. was a pastor led prayer meeting and choir practiced Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

January 26, 1917 – The Ladies Aid Society decided to have State Dinners to raise funds for the new church. The Ladies Aid Society was the predecessor to Women’s Society of Christian Service (W.S.C.S.) followed by United Methodist Women (U.M.W.). The Ladies Aid Society met monthly on the third Friday. Instead of Circles, they had Divisions based on geographical locations: North Side, South Side, Loutsenhizer, and Spring Creek. The Ladies Aid Society sponsored many, many State Dinners for several years. In her book, *They Came with Bible and Spade* (The First United Methodist Church, 1983, p34) Irma Harrison wrote about these special dinners. “(They) were among the most financially and socially successful affairs in Montrose. On these occasions, people were seated according to the state from which they had come. . . Attendance was not limited to Methodists - anyone interested in having dinner with other people coming from the same state made reservations, paid a fee for the meal and spent the evening enjoying good food while involved in ‘back home’ chit-chat. Some years there would even be people from foreign countries attending.”

Throughout early-mid 1917 – there were several short articles in the “Saturday Night Church Column” about State Dinners being planned as well as meetings where the future construction of the new church building was discussed with promises that it would soon be underway.

March 2, 1917 – The old Methodist Church at the corner of N. 2nd and Cascade was torn down. The cornerstone of the old building held a time capsule dated April 17, 1886. The Montrose Daily Press article stated, “The cornerstone was opened and the tin box containing many old time relics, coins, money, pictures, papers, etc. deposited there nearly a third of a century ago was carefully removed. . . The box was somewhat rusty and corroded, showing that it had become wet at some time in the past, but the contents were intact.”

June 15, 1917 – Headline: “Two Sunday Schools Hold Children’s Day Exercises in Montrose”. The article stated, “The Methodist and Congregational Sunday Schools held their Children’s day exercises Sunday, the former being in the evening and the latter in the morning . . . It was entirely patriotic and very impressive.”

It was necessary for the Congregational program to be held in the Methodist basement, as their church had been totally destroyed in a fire earlier in the year. Also destroyed in that fire, was their newly purchased pipe organ. The M.E. church did not purchase their pipe organ until 1920.

August 3, 1917 – Paul Blackwell, a nationally renowned thespian known as “a reader of plays”, appeared at the Methodist Church to read The

Fortune Hunter. Price for admission was “thirty and five cents” (35¢) with proceeds going to the Methodist Building Fund.

August 24, 1917 – Headline: “Will Start work on Methodist Church Early Next Week” The article stated, “Work is scheduled to start on the new Methodist Super Structure Monday of next week. . . A.L. Brown, well known carpenter, will have charge of the job. This insures the work being faithfully and perfectly done. More finances have been secured this week.”

The Monday referred to in the article would have been **August 27, 1917**. I could find no further references to the building project in 1917 papers.

Final note and personal satisfaction: This quest started with my curiosity about the 1917 cornerstone. As stated earlier, I could find NO information in local papers, the Montrose Historic Society files, or through computer research. Perseverance does have its reward. Last month (July), a small leather bound note book containing notes and purchases by the 1917 building committee was located in our own church files. On a paper dated **Sept. 21, 1917**, I discovered that the committee had, “Moved and carried the bid of \$34.00 for the cornerstone F.O.B. Montrose made by S.L. Tomlin of Salida, be accepted. And Revd Coulter was to notify him”.

CELEBRATING
100
YEARS



Cleaning Day

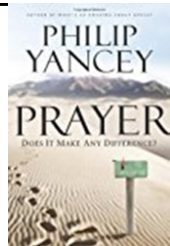
Classrooms are all ready for the start of Sunday school. Wednesday the 19th was cleaning day. The task of cleaning was done by Sharon Hayes, Connie Pittenger, Micki Kintner, Trish Gray, Barbara Kastellic, Jennifer & Tom Hurshman. Many thanks and appreciation to all that participated!

-Blessings Nancy

NEW ADULT BIBLE STUDY

I'm praying. Is God listening?

Philip Yancy probes the very heartbeat – the most fundamental, challenging, perplexing, and deeply rewarding aspect – of our relationship with God:



PRAYER. What is prayer? Does it change God's mind or ours – or both? If God knows everything, what's the point of prayer? Why do answers to prayer seem so inconsistent and capricious? How can I make prayer more satisfying?

Join us for this six session study of our relationship with God.

WHEN: Beginning Sunday, August 6 at 9:45 a.m.

WHERE: Room 1 in the Basement

From Grocery Bags

"PLARN" WORKSHOP

First TUESDAY of each Month

Room 1 (downstairs) 1 to 3 p.m.

Bring clean bags, scissors, and *spirit*!



To Sleeping Mats

August 1