

The Sunday Flame

Classes for Children and Youth:

- **Infants to Age 3** – Loving Nursery care in Room 103.
- **Age 3 to K** - With Sandy Johnson in Room 104 (by the south stairs) at 9:10 a.m.
- **Grades K through 5** – The Summit Downstairs in 9:10 a.m. in Fellowship Hall, Downstairs (Children should be picked up at 10:00 a.m.)
- **Grades 6 through 12** – with Gary Dyer will meet today in the Youth Room at 10:00 a.m.
- **Confirmation Class** - with Jim Marshall meets today in Room 7.

Adult Classes:

Ongoing Adult Bible Study at 9:00 a.m. in Room 109:

New members are always welcome for the Sunday morning Adult Bible Study, led by Jim Moore in Room 109.

Women's Study Group 10:00 a.m.

The Women's Study Group will meet at 10:00 a.m. in the classroom off Great Hall. They are discussing the book "Boundaries" by Dr. Henry Cloud and Dr. John Townsend.

Flowers for our worship today are given by Sally Reed in loving memory of her parents and grandparents.

FAITH, GENEROSITY, JOY: YOUR CHURCH

All month we have been reminded of the wonderful things this church does every day of the week to make this world a better place. Today we all have a chance to dedicate our gifts to further our ministry in 2009. Thank you!

THANKSGIVING EVE DINNER AND WORSHIP

Wednesday, Nov. 26th, we will gather for dinner at 6:00 p.m. followed by a Thanksgiving Service of Worship at 7:00 p.m. Please join us! RSVP for dinner by Monday, Nov. 24th or on the Attendance Registration form today. Bring a non-perishable food item to share with those in need. See you there.

The Wednesday Night Proactive Parenting class will conclude with the last of the special series on Wed., Dec. 3rd from 6:30-7:30 p.m. entitled – "Raising Money-Savvy Kids in a Money Hungry World". The class will feature tips, resources and discussion that will help you instill financial wisdom in kids of any age! Join us for dinner at 6:00 p.m.

Our Advent Class this year is "Come to the Manger" and runs in the Parlor at 10:30 a.m. beginning Sunday, Nov. 30th (with Rev. Rosa) – Dec. 21st. If you would like to purchase the book it is \$6.50 and will be available at the first class or from the Cokesbury virtual bookstore on our website. Everyone is invited to join this group as we prepare for Christmas.

All Church Conference – and Chocolate!

Our All Church Conference will be absolutely yummy this year. Join us on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 30th, 2:00 p.m. for this annual review of our ministry of the past year and our hopes for the coming year. And eat some yummy chocolate treats to keep your spirits and energy high. Everyone is welcome to attend this important meeting in the life of our church.

OUR MINISTRY THIS WEEK

Sunday, Nov. 23rd

8:30-10:30 Social Time
8:45-11:45 Child Care (Infant - 3)
9:00 a.m. Worship
9:00 a.m. Adult Classes
9:10 a.m. The Summit for Kids
10:00 a.m. Adult Classes
10:00 a.m. Sunday School – Youth
10:10 a.m. Confirmation Class
10:30 a.m. Worship
11:30 a.m. Social Time – Parlor
11:30 a.m. Brass Ensemble

Monday, Nov. 24th

10:00 a.m. JAC Quilters
7:00 p.m. Women's Disc. Group

Tuesday, Nov. 25th

8:45 a.m. Whitechapel Bell Choir
9:00 a.m. Quilting
6:30 p.m. Young Sinfonia

Wednesday, Nov. 26th

12:00 p.m. Bulletin Deadline
6:00 p.m. Dinner
7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Worship

There are 2 Prayer Quilts in the Parlor today. Please stop by and tie a knot and say a prayer for the recipients.

The Church Office will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 26th and Friday, Nov. 27th. Have a safe and wonderful Thanksgiving!

Get your grocery cards for Safeway and King Soopers in Great Hall today and in the church office during the week before you do your grocery shopping and for filling up those gas tanks!

Food banks need your help! The item for DenUM for November is peanut butter.

CDs of our service are available after the service in Great Hall.

December Faithworks!

On Saturday, Dec. 6th, you have an opportunity to help out Project C.U.R.E. an organization that collects, sorts and distributes medical supplies around the world. Be at the church by 8:30 a.m. to carpool to the warehouse to sort medical supplies.

Mark your calendar now for our **Advent Adventure** on Sunday, Dec. 7th, 5:30 p.m. Carols, Crafts, Storytelling, bonfire, smores and food! All ages are welcome. We will also be collecting items for the Bags of Grace project. (See the list on the Mission Page of the November Flame or on the handouts in the hall.)

PARENTS – Our Sunday School Children are collecting diapers and other baby items in honor of Baby Jesus. Our goal is 25 packages of diapers by Dec. 25th. Children should bring the diapers with them to The Summit.

On Wed., Dec. 10th, parents will have the opportunity to involve their children in the Dec. 14th Children's Christmas Musical Presentation in church. Come to dinner as a family at 6:00. Children ages 3 - 6th grade will work with Tami Hart and Amy Strader from 6:30-8:00 while the parents have the opportunity to shop for a couple of hours. RSVP by Dec. 8th.

Military Care Packages



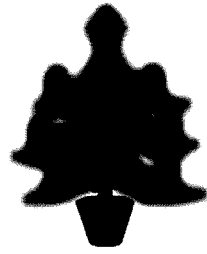
We are going to send Care Packages to our brave service men and women. A list of items needed is in the hall. Please bring any of these items and leave in the box in the hall next to the Welcome Desk. Please notify the church office if you know someone in the Military to send a package.

Please support the Same Café (So All Might Eat) on 2023 E. Colfax (at Race) 720-530-8853. Open for lunch Tuesday – Friday with dinner served Friday and Saturdays. www.soallmayeat.org.

PRAYER CONCERNS: Dawn Willbanks, surgery, Greg Dyer, Ralph Wright, Millie Malcolm, Denny Lutz (tumor), Jim Slama (recovering from shoulder surgery); Susan Duhn and family on the death of her mother; Peggy Ward's sister in law, very ill: family and friends of Stanislaw Wojno, on his death (93 yr. old great Uncle of Fred Rosa). JOY: Birth of Lila Eleanor Dano to Kathy and Mike Dano on November 13th; Our New Members

If you have a Prayer Concern/Joy, please speak to our Pastor or call our Prayer Chain -Marabeth Dial @ 303-986-0716 or the Office @303-237-7768.

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The Giving Tree is Up!

This year we will again be collecting gifts for the many needy students who attend Eiber Elementary School, near the church.

Please take a tag or two, purchase the gifts and return the gifts **unwrapped** to the church by December 14th. Many children will have a special Christmas this year because of your generosity.

Join the Women's Discussion Group as it tackles why the Gospel of love is dividing America. The group will cover Chapters 5, 6 and 7 of the Dan Merchant book "Lord Save Us from Your Followers". Even Saturday Night Live's Al Franken shares thoughts on the separation of church and state in this interesting book. Stop in at 7:00 p.m. Nov. 24th at Full Moon Books and Coffees, 6th Ave. and Garrison. For more information, contact Mary Gallivan at 303-238-4156 .

The **50+** Christmas Gathering will be on Monday, Dec. 15th at Noon in Fellowship Hall. We are collecting items for Military Care Packages and will be putting these together at this gathering. A list of items needed is posted in the hall. Watch for details on the program and the sign up for the catered lunch.

UMW Wassail Bowl



The Annual UMW Christmas Brunch and Wassail Bowl will be Wed., Dec. 17th, 10:00 a.m. in the Parlor. Save the date and plan to enjoy the good food and program . Donita Banks will present a musical program on "The Carols of Christmas". The cost is \$5.00 and reservations are due by Dec. 12th to Pat Hill at 303-985-7053.

The Ye Wanton Singers will sing for us on Sunday, Dec. 7th, 10:30 a.m. If you have not heard this a cappella group, you are in for a treat! Mark your calendar now and join us at 10:30 on Dec. 7th.

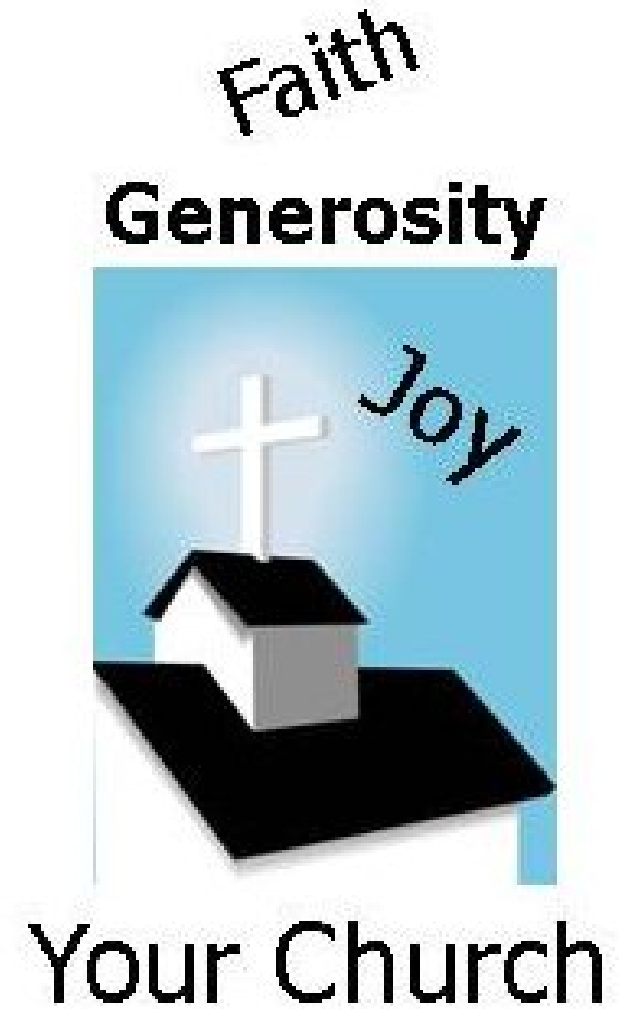
The Colorado Young Sinfonia – in Concert – Sunday, Dec. 7th, 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. The Program will be Baroque Inspiration. A freewill offering will be taken. Come and bring a friend for this evening of beautiful music by some very talented young musicians.

The Jeffco Action Center has made a special appeal for some items this Holiday season. Please bring these items to the collection box in the hallway: Blankets, food (especially soup, canned tuna and mac and cheese). Thank you for helping those in need.



Wednesday Nights Together (WNT) classes will end on Dec. 3rd and resume on January 14th with a new slate of classes. Watch for details in your bulletin and Flame for the new offerings. Dinner will be held on the 10th with Children's Rehearsal to follow.

Our Coffee Hour is dependent upon your generous donations. Please remember to add your donation to the box during fellowship time.

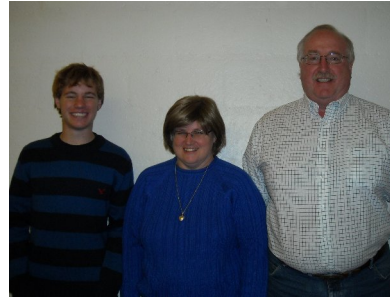


November 23, 2008

Welcome to the Lakewood United Methodist Church.
May you find the presence of God among us and be
blessed by our worship today.

Today we welcome these New Members!

Karen and Mike Bent and son, Zach Herr, are delighted to be joining the church today. Karen and Zach are transferring from Golden UMC. The Bents have been attending Lakewood as a family for about a year, although Zach was baptized at Lakewood as a baby. Karen and Mike recently celebrated their fourth anniversary. In addition to Zach, Mike has a son, Adam, who is also a high school senior. Zach plays bass for Silas. He went on the youth mission trip last year and plans to go again this year. At Golden High School, where he is a senior, he is active in cross country track and baseball. He also works as a youth baseball umpire in the summer. Karen and Mike say they spend a lot of their time following their sons' sports events. They are avid baseball fans. Mike brags that he was one of the first people to get season's ticket for the Rockies; Karen will stop at any lighted baseball field just to see who is playing. The Bents have recently gotten a new shelter dog and have a rabbit and a bird. Mike says that he loves the youth activities available for Zach; they also like the way Lakewood UMC reaches out to its local community. A big welcome to the Bent family today.



We welcome Larry Jesse to our congregation. Larry is a native Coloradoan. Larry is now retired but worked as a computer operator for 16 years. He also owned and operated two Baskin-Robbins ice cream stores in Colorado Springs. Larry says he still misses the ice cream – Pralines 'n Cream remains his favorite flavor. Larry has three grown sons and enjoys his eight grandchildren. He loves Broncos football, going to movies and listening to music. We are so glad Larry has joined the church today.

Denny Lutz has been coming to the church for a while, and we are so glad he has decided to join at this time. Denny, a native of Montana came to Colorado in 1991. Denny loves his job installing windows. Denny adores his Keeshond, Cleo and says she is one spoiled dog; she gets to accompany Denny to work. When able, Denny enjoys golf and fishing. Denny faced brain surgery last year and was able to regain his health. He may be looking at another operation, but is facing the future with the help of his faith. We warmly welcome Denny as a member.



New members, Leslie and Shawn Smitley are newlyweds, having been married for five months. Leslie was born and raised in New Orleans and Shawn was a Navy brat who got to live in many different places, the most exciting was Australia. The Smitleys attended Trinity Church when they lived downtown, but after moving to Lakewood they found a church home at LUMC. Leslie is a nurse who works for the University of Colorado in cancer research. Shawn is a controller for Mercy Housing, a national non-profit that finds and offers affordable housing. Leslie and Shawn have already found plenty to do at Lakewood, helping with the Summit and bringing dinner to homeless families during the last IHN rotation. They don't have too much spare time but

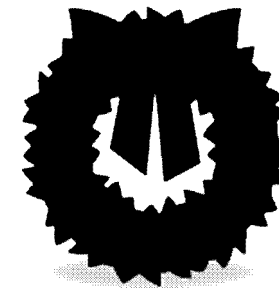
love to travel when they do. Welcome Leslie and Shawn. We are delighted you are here!

Terry and Karen Ward and their daughter Ann Marie are no strangers to the church; Terry's father Dean and brothers, Jim and Jeff, have attended Lakewood for many years. Terry is an electronic technician and works for Sypris collecting and storing satellite data. Karen is an ad composer for Dex. Ann Marie attends Metro State and is majoring in English with a minor in music. Ann Marie has been a member of the Chancel choir since September. The Wards also have a son, Matthew, who recently graduated from Metro State and is getting married next year. In their spare time, Karen likes to ride her palomino horse, White Silk. Terry and Ann Marie enjoy indoor rock climbing. We are thrilled to welcome the Wards to our church.



Thanksgiving Schedule

Wednesday, Nov. 26th, 6:00 – Dinner
7:00 p.m. Worship
(Church Office Closed Thursday, Nov. 27th and
Friday, Nov. 28th).



December Schedule

Saturday, Dec. 6th, 8:30 a.m. - Faithworks – Project Cure
Sunday, Dec. 7th, 5:30 p.m. – Advent Adventure
Sunday, Dec. 7th, 7:30 p.m. – Colorado Young Sinfonia Concert
Sunday, Dec. 14th, 9:00 and 10:30 – Children's Music Program
Monday, Dec. 15th, Noon – 50+ Christmas Gathering
Wednesday, Dec. 17th, 10:00 – UMW Brunch and Wassail Bowl
Sunday, Dec. 21st, 9:00 and 10:30 – Adult Music Program

Wednesday, Dec. 24th,
7:00 – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
9:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service with
Communion.

9:00 Worship

SONG OF PRAISE "Hosanna" Baloché/Brown
Marty and The Methodists and the LUMC Praise Choir

*HYMN OF PRAISE "Joy in the Morning" 2284

WELCOME AND GREETING

MOMENT FOR CHILDREN Amy Strader
*Loving Child Care is available for infants to age 3 in Room 103.
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Grades K through 5 may go downstairs to "The Summit".
Children can be picked up in Fellowship Hall at 10:00*

THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS
We thank God for you and welcome you today in Christian love. As members and friends, together with you in this body of Christ, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of this church. We promise with you to support it with our prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ our Lord. Welcome to our church and God bless you!

SHARING OUR BLESSINGS WITH OTHERS Jim Marshall
When we receive freely and give generously, everyone is blessed.

OFFERTORY "Thankful"
Marty and The Methodists

*RESPONSE "Give Thanks to the Lord"
**Give thanks to the Lord (3 times)
God is good and God's mercy forever endures**

SCRIPTURE 2 Corinthians 9:6-15 Jim Marshall

SERMON "Joy" Rev. Melanie Rosa

FAITH, GENEROSITY, JOY: YOUR CHURCH
SPECIAL MUSIC "God of This City"

DEDICATING OUR GIFTS FOR 2009

*HYMN OF DEDICATION "You Shall Go Out with Joy" 2279

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE "Seek Ye First" 405

Please join us in Great Hall for fellowship and refreshments.

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Attendance

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

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Count Me In for dinner Wed., Nov. 26th

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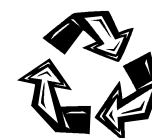
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We hope you enjoy your worship experience today and are richly blessed.



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10:30 Worship

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Welcome Visitors!

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GATHERING MUSIC

PRELUDE "All Hail the Power" arr. Ham/Varner
Donita Banks, Piano; Jim Ward, Organ

CHORAL INTROIT

*HYMN OF PRAISE "Joyful, Joyful" 89
*RESPONSIVE ACT OF PRAISE Psalm 100 821

GREETING OUR NEIGHBORS

WELCOME AND GREETING

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OFFERTORY "In This Very Room" Ron & Carol Harris
Chancel Choir

*RESPONSE "Give Thanks" 2036

SCRIPTURE LESSON 2 Corinthians 9:6-15 Bill Goodwin

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SPECIAL MUSIC "We Gather Together"
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*HYMN OF DEDICATION "Now Thank We All Our God" 102

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE "Hymn to Joy" Beethoven arr. Broughton
Jim Ward, Organ

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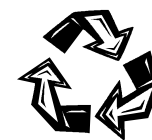
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