



The Window

First United Methodist Church, Loveland, CO

January 14, 2024

IF YOU LOVE TO READ, THEN WE NEED YOU!

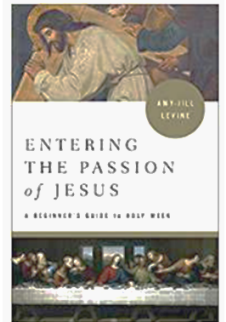
Liturgists are needed to serve during our worship service on Sunday mornings. To sign up to serve as a liturgist, click on this link: [FUMC Loveland: Worship Liturgists \(signupgenius.com\)](https://www.signupgenius.com/FUMC-Loveland-Worship-Liturgists).

HUMAN RELATIONS SUNDAY IS JANUARY 14

This Special Sunday is celebrated to raise awareness for the development of better human relations through community and youth outreach. Offerings on this Special Sunday support Community Developers, United Methodist Voluntary Service and Youth Offender Rehabilitation programs.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

Lent begins this year on Ash Wednesday, February 14. Lent isn't only about sacrificially giving up something. It's also about adding something to your spiritual walk. Join us to explore our risk-taking Jesus through worship services, Lenten reflections and a fascinating Lenten book study, based on the book *Entering the Passion of Jesus*, by Dr. Amy-Jill Levine. You have two options to attend the book study. Wednesdays, February 14 - March 20, in Youth Range from 2:00-3:30 pm (led by Pastor Leslie, in-person and on Zoom). Mondays, February 19 - March 25, in Youth Range from 6:00-7:30 pm (led by Ann Kessler, in-person only). This will be our third, and final (for a while), study of Dr. Levine's engaging look into Jesus and the 1st Century New Testament world. Sign-up for the study at the Ask Me Desk. Or, call or email Pastor Leslie at leslie@fumcloveland.com or (970) 667-0876 to sign up. Books cost \$13.50 and will be ordered on January 30.



JANUARY MUSIC

January 14 - Chancel Choir, Barbara Diers Blackman, soprano; January 21 - Spirit Sounds, Rob Hoch, vocalist; January 28 - Chancel Choir, Wyatt Sanderson, saxophone.

GUATEMALA MISSION TRIP IN NEED OF FUNDS

Pura Vida has worked for a period of 20 years in the country of Guatemala. In addition to their work in the fields of education and health, more than 2,000 volunteers from 40 states have helped to build adobe and cinder block homes for 49 families who were in extreme need of safe housing. These volunteers also helped in the construction of classrooms at Caserio Rosario and San Jose Pacho schools. Over 14 churches / organizations were represented with FUMC being prominent among them. We are headed to Guatemala on February 8-17 to build again and we are in need of approximately \$1,300 to completely fund this effort. You are invited to help by placing a check marked "Pura Vida Build" in the offering plate or going to www.puravida.org/fumc and making your contribution there. Thank you!

FELLOWSHIP TIME

Happy New Year! The new sign-up sheets for Fellowship Time are now posted on the kitchen door in Coy Hall. We are in need of host and treat makers on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month. Please sign up the next time you are at church or email Betsy Elliott at elliott1710@comcast.net Thank you.



FUMC WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

FUMC Women's Fellowship will meet Thursday, January 25 at 12:00 pm in West Coy Hall. Phyllis Wehrle will present the program. She will tell us about Susanna Wesley, the mother of John and Charles Wesley. Many people say that she is the Mother of Methodism, because of the strong influence she had on her children. Our project this month is to bring cans of fruit for the lunches that the Youth Groups have on Sundays. All women are welcome to join us for our meeting. To RSVP, contact Darlene Lowe at aldarlowe@gmail.com.

FUMC FINANCIAL INFORMATION THROUGH DECEMBER 2023

Income YTD	\$659,196*	Budgeted Income YTD	\$644,842*
*Includes Dedicated Disbursements:	\$51,170	*Includes Dedicated Disbursements:	\$51,170
Expense YTD	\$610,489	Budgeted Expense YTD	\$ 653,221
Surplus/Deficit YTD	\$48,707	Budgeted Surplus/Deficit YTD	(\$8,379)
Contact Karen Lumpkin at business@fumcloveland.com for additional financial information.			

DID YOU KNOW?

132 access cards, fobs, and tags are presently assigned to staff, members, constituents and contractors. Several people stated recently they were locked out of various Holiday events. Interestingly enough, all had been issued cards, fobs, and tags. Remember, these cards, fobs, and tags are electronic keys. If you've been issued an electronic key, please conduct a search for it. That strangely shaped dark gray thingy hanging from your keychain is it. Maybe your fob is on a keychain you no longer carry. Your card could be hiding in an old purse or wallet. Perhaps your tag is in an old cell phone case, or stuck to an old cell phone. Once you've located your card/fob/tag, simply swipe it over the black keypad/readers at any of the three electronic entrances for entry. If the entry is locked, the LED will change from red to green, open the door, and enter. A green LED means the entry is already unlocked. (If you have searched carefully and are unable to find your electronic key, it is important that you contact Keith Flaming so that key can be deactivated and another assigned to you if needed.)

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Coordinator - Shannon Heusinkveld - shannonh@fumcloveland.com

YOUTH MINISTRY

Mid & Senior High Youth - Matthew Utley - youth@fumcloveland.com

Sunday, January 14 & 21, 11:15 am - 1:30 pm - Youth Group and lunch in Youth Range.

Sunday January 28 (Parent Meeting) - 11:15 am: We will have a parent meeting in Youth Range to sign updated permission forms and go over some of the larger events for the year. Snacks will be provided. If you are planning on attending the ski trip please have your payment ready.

February 16 - 19: Ski Trip in Glenwood Springs: Our annual ski trip to Glenwood Springs, CO is coming soon! You do not have to ski to attend this trip. In addition to skiing we will go sledding and swim in the Hot Springs Pool. Contact Matthew for more information.

GENERAL INFORMATION

YOUTUBE VIEWS

There were 508 Youtube views of our worship services for the month of December.

DONATE TO FUMC WHEN YOU SHOP!

Donations to FUMC are generated through King Soopers Community Rewards program every time you shop, and it does not take away from your own rewards! To sign up: 1) Sign in or create an account at www.kingsoopers.com; 2) Click King Soopers Community Rewards at the end of the page; 3) Search UK667 and click enroll. Questions? Call 970-631-2971.

HOW TO ORDER ALTAR FLOWERS

Go to www.fumcleveland.com and click on the Altar Flowers tab to sign-up. Click on “click here” under Choose the Date. It will take you to Sign Up Genius. Find the date you wish to provide flowers for. Click the select tab. Scroll to the bottom and click the Save & Continue tab. Fill out the information including who you are donating flowers in honor or memory of. *You will need to contact Rows Flowers* at 970-667-2300 as soon as you sign-up to order and pay for your arrangement and tell them the date you signed-up for. As long as you sign-up by the Wednesday before the Sunday you wish to donate flowers, your name and the name of who you are honoring will be printed in the Window. For questions or assistance or if you don't have computer access, contact Patty Gregory in the office at 970-667-0876.



INSTAGRAM

FUMC Loveland is now on Instagram. Here is a QR code link if you would like to follow what is happening at FUMC.

ONLINE GIVING

Our church has online giving capability. Go to our website, www.fumcleveland.com and click on the menu tab labeled “Give & Support.” You will have the option of a one-time giving, or to set up recurring giving. Simply point your smartphone camera to the QR code on the left to take you to the secure giving page, or log on to fumcleveland.com. **Recurring giving**, through our secure online link or through your bank's Bill Pay option, is a wonderful – and easy – way to honor your giving commitment and plans to FUMC, whether you are in the church in person, or even away from home.

PERSONALS

Altar Flowers: Flowers on the altar for Sunday morning are given in memory of Peter Skeffington, Love, Julie & Family.

Birthdays: January 8-14

Georgia Chenoweth	Chris Guddeck	Doug Pennock	Nancy Westbrook
Karissa Fidler	Mary Kelman	Nita Star	

ONGOING CLASSES AND GROUPS

CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP AT FUMC

Caregivers who have a loved one with Alzheimer's, dementia or cognitive impairment are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Barb Franke at (970-301-1615) or Barbie Clark at (970-667-7445). Meets on the **first Wednesday of the month at 3:00 pm in West Coy Hall. Our next meeting is February 7.**

CENTERING PRAYER MINISTRY

This method of meditation creates space for you to simply sit in the presence of God and helps you cultivate an awareness of God's presence at all times. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions, support each other in their practices, and receive a focus for the month to take into their personal practices. **Monthly in-person meetings** are held the **first Wednesday** of each month from **12:00 - 1:00 pm in the sanctuary** and **second Sunday** of each month from **11:15 am - 12:15 pm in West Coy**. You can choose which meeting to attend, no need to attend both. The first 10 minutes are devoted to instruction in the practice, so if you don't need instruction feel free to arrive 10 minutes later! In addition, a weekly video will be posted on the FUMC website to support your ongoing practice. No need to register. Contact Pastor Lee at lee@fumcleveland.com with questions at or call (970) 667-0876.

CHARITY QUILT GROUP

The Charity Quilt Group meets the **2nd Saturday of each month from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm**. For more information, call Kay Neckel at 970-663-3434. **Our next gathering is January 13.**



GAME DAY FUN AND FELLOWSHIP

FUMC Game Day meets on the last Wednesday of the month at Joyce & Harvey Hirning's home, 2925 9th Place Ct SW, from 1:00 - 3:00 pm. Call Joyce at 218-205-4777 to join in the fun. **The next game day is January 31.**

HOLY HAPPY HOUR GROUP MEETS ON ALTERNATE MONDAYS

Holy Happy Hour meets on the **2nd and 4th Monday's of the month from 5:00 - 7:00 pm** at Verboten Brewery. For more information, contact Tom Thompson at revtgt@hotmail.com.



SEARCHERS CLASS

On Sunday January 14 Dave Mills will present a program entitled *Is Now The Time To Buy An Electric Vehicle?* Dave will explore the pros and cons of EV's as well as give information on new models and coming improvements on charging, range and cost. We will also hear from church members who own EV's: Charlie & Carolyn Bouchard have a Volkswagen ID.4 and Mark & Betsy Elliot have a Hyundai Ioniq 5. Hope you can be there! Searchers meet at 8:45 am in Rooms S030 & S040 in Fellowship Hall.

WEIGHTS WITH ANITA

Join us **Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 10:30 am each week on Zoom**. Questions? Contact Anita Williams at anitaandroger@msn.com.

WOMEN OF THE CLOTH

This group is for anyone that is interested in any of the needle arts. **We meet in West Coy Hall every Friday at 9:30 am.** (Unless the church needs our space.) Everyone is welcome. For more information call Ann Eatman at 970-215-3757.

Y.A.R.N. (YOU ARE REALLY NEEDED)

Meets on **Tuesdays in West Coy Hall from 10:00 - 11:30 am**. Create prayer shawls, scarves, hats, etc. for people in need. For more information, contact Melinda Bart at 970-988-5957, mbart6868@gmail.com or Cindy Crawley at (770) 601-2749, clcteach4th5th@aol.com.