



First United Methodist Church, Loveland, CO  
October 13, 2024

LOVELAND PRESCHOOL



A PARENT COOPERATIVE PRESCHOOL

### A GOD-WINK OPPORTUNITY

On August 23rd, Loveland Preschool (LPS), a cherished place for early childhood education in Loveland for 60 years, received notice that their lease would not be renewed as of the 2025/2026 school year. They immediately began looking for a new long-term home, as they had only about two months to locate a new place and notify the State by November 1st, or they would go out of business.

After many conversations between FUMC and LPS, and many hours of research, on 10/07/2024 Church Council voted in favor of approving the preliminary architectural plans and taking the next steps toward a lease with LPS and welcoming them to their new home at FUMC.

On 10/17/2024, the FUMC Charge Conference, the governing body in any local UMC church, (made up of Church Council members and retired clergy who hold membership in the church) will meet to take the next step in the process by voting on approval of the intent to lease space to LPS, approve the preliminary architectural plans, begin gathering renovation bids and developing the lease agreement.

This charge conference will be an open meeting. Anyone who is interested in knowing more about this marvelous opportunity is welcome to attend as a non-voting guest. The meeting will begin at 5:30pm in the Sanctuary.

### HURRICANE HELENE DISASTER RELIEF

Hurricane Helene has devastated parts of the southeastern U.S., bringing catastrophic wind, rain and flash flooding to many states and communities. To give toward UMCOR's disaster relief for those impacted by the devastation, click [HERE](#). The Advance # to reference for your giving is #901670.



### VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BREAKFAST AND LAITY SUNDAY

**THIS Sunday** is the last day to **RSVP** for the **Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast**. On **October 20** FUMC staff will say thank you to all the laity volunteers who help FUMC "be the church". **Before worship, between 8:15 and 9:15 am**, the FUMC staff will serve breakfast to anyone who volunteers in the missions and ministries of the church. This includes those who serve at FUMC as well as those who serve in the community on behalf of FUMC with one of our community partners (see [Ministries – FUMC Loveland](#) for a list of partners). If you are a volunteer, please **RSVP** to Pastor Leslie at [leslie@fumcloveland.com](mailto:leslie@fumcloveland.com) or Pastor Lee at [lee@fumcloveland.com](mailto:lee@fumcloveland.com), or sign the RSVP form on the Ask-Me Desk. We look forward to sharing our gratitude with a good meal and time together!

### TRUNK OR TREAT AND CHILI COOK OFF: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

Get your spooky costumes out and join us for the **Trunk 'R Treat on Sunday, October 27 from 2:00-4:00** in the First UMC parking lot. Afterwards join us at Trinity UMC for the **Chili Cook Off at 4:30 pm**. To make this a successful church and community event, we need your help in the following ways: sign ups for Trunks and Chilis available at the Ask Me Desk.

1. Decorated car trunks at which the children will Trick or Treat. Candy provided.
2. Treats! A bin will be in Lobby Court for donations.
3. Chili or Pie: Bring your best recipe to Trinity to compete in the Chili Cook Off!



## FUMC SERVES: JOIN US FOR A FUN SERVICE PROJECT

**Heart & Sol of Loveland** is a nonprofit organization that seeks to celebrate diversity within the Loveland community. In partnership with the Loveland Museum, they are holding the annual Dia de los Muertos celebration on November 2 at the museum with performances, activities and crafts for all ages. One of the activities is distributing sugar skull kits to families for their ofrendas (altars), and Heart & Sol is asking for volunteers to help package those kits on **Saturday, October 26 beginning at 9:00am**. Supporting Heart & Sol is one way we can **build bridges and celebrate God's diversity in our community**. Please consider joining this service project, and contact Pastor Lee with any questions at [lee@fumcloveland.com](mailto:lee@fumcloveland.com) or (970) 667-0876.



## GRIEF & LOSS PRESENTATION AND LUNCHEON

**On November 6 at 11:00am**, Rev. Lee will present on the topic of grief and loss to Trinity UMC's JOY Fellowship. JOY Fellowship is TUMC's monthly luncheon and program fellowship for adults 55+. FUMC folks are invited to attend this luncheon and all of the JOY Fellowship gatherings in the future. Look for a sign up sheet at the Ask Me Desk, or contact Pastor Lee at [lee@fumcloveland.com](mailto:lee@fumcloveland.com) or (970) 667-0876. There is no cost to attend, but there will be a donation basket at the luncheon.

## LOVELAND CROP WALK WAS A SUCCESS THANKS TO YOU!

Thank you, church family, for your generous support of our combined CROP Walk with First United Presbyterian Church. We had just over thirty walkers on our walk day, which was super! Our goal was to raise \$3,000 and we beat it! We are still waiting for the final count to come in, but we raised over \$3,300 to fight hunger, provide disaster relief, and fund clean water and education opportunities here at home and around the globe. Thank you from the bottom of my heart! -Sarah Clegern

## WOMEN'S RETREAT

Registration for the women's retreat on **Saturday, October 19** is full but you can still sign up to be on the waitlist. Contact Brenda Henry at [favy@hotmail.com](mailto:favy@hotmail.com) to get on the waitlist.

## OCTOBER MUSIC

October 13 - Spirit Sounds Bell Choir, Chancel Choir.

October 20 - Clarinet Ensemble with Joanne Scheihing, Ann Jeffers - soprano.

October 27 - Chancel Choir.



## BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION FOR CHARLOTTE SCHULTZ

There will be a celebration for Charlotte Schultz's 90th birthday on **Saturday, October 26 at Mirasol Event Center, 1153 Finch St in Loveland from 1:00-4:00pm**. Everyone is welcome to come and wish Charlotte a happy birthday!

## GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP AT ZION LUTHERAN

Zion Lutheran Church will hold a grief support group based on the book *Understanding Your Grief: Ten Essential Touchstones for Finding Hope and Healing Your Heart* by Alan D. Wolfelt. This 11-week grief support group **will meet on Thursday evenings 6:30-8:00 pm starting October 17**. If you are interested in joining this group, contact Pastor Lee at [lee@fumcloveland.com](mailto:lee@fumcloveland.com).

## IS GUATEMALA IN 2025 ON YOUR BUCKET LIST?

FUMC has an opportunity to send a mission team to Guatemala. The trip will continue to build our long-term relationships. We will be working with Pura Vida and will depart for our construction trip on Jan 21, 2025. If you have questions, contact Rob Proctor at 970-481-2133.



## [YOUTH MINISTRY](#)

Mid & Senior High Youth Coordinator - Matthew Utley -  
[youth@fumcloveland.com](mailto:youth@fumcloveland.com)

**Sunday, October 13:** No Youth Group - Ignite

**Sunday, October 20:** Lunch and Youth Group after church, 11:15 am - 1:30 pm.

**Sunday, October 27:** Trunk R' Treat, 11:15 am - 4:30 pm - help set up, clean up, and run carnival games

**Sunday, November 3:** Lunch and Youth Group after church, 11:15 am - 1:30 pm.

## YOUTUBE VIEWS

The number of YouTube views for September totaled 386.

## [PERSONALS](#)

### Prayers:

Jed & Dolores Pancoast, move to care facility in Westminster

Lew Graff, health

Darlene Lowe, appendectomy

Mindy Stiverson, health, hip surgery Oct 31

Ted Nutting, recovery from fall and hip surgery



### Deaths:

A memorial service for **GlennaDene Cline**, who entered eternal life on **July 20**, will take place on **Friday, October 11 at 10:30 am** at Loveland Good Samaritan Village Chapel with a reception to follow.

We give thanks for the life of **Arnie Mills** who entered eternal life on **September 24**. A memorial service will be held on **Friday, October 11 at 10:30 am** at FUMC. We remember in prayer his wife, Gail Mills and their family.

A memorial service will be held at FUMC for **Mary Sue Woodrick** on **Saturday, October 12 at 1:30 pm** with a reception in Coy Hall following the service. Mary Sue entered eternal life on **July 29**.

We give thanks for the life of **Rev. George Franke** who entered eternal life on **September 29**. We remember in prayer his wife, Barbara and their family. A memorial service has been planned for Sunday, **November 10 at 2:00 pm** in the sanctuary with a reception in Coy Hall following the service.

We give thanks for the life of **Margaret Sumner**, who entered eternal life on **September 26**.

**Altar Flowers:** Provided by Andrea Ortega in memory of Grandma Judy, Gramps and MIL Wendy. Also to celebrate Grandpa Ortega's 94th birthday.



### Birthdays: October 7-13

Jim Burns  
Don Darnell

Debra Guddeck  
Joyce Hirning

Linda Pennock