



The Window

First United Methodist Church, Loveland, CO
January 26, 2025

HUMAN RELATIONS DAY IS THIS SUNDAY

On Sunday, January 26, we will recognize United Methodist Human Relations Day. This is a special Sunday across our denomination, focused on fostering better relationships and supporting community and youth outreach. Your gifts support important programs like Community Developers, United Methodist Voluntary Services, and Youth Offender Rehabilitation. To donate, pick up a Special Sunday Offering envelope at the back of the sanctuary and drop your donation in the offering plate. You may also click [HERE](#) to give online.



Braver Angels

BRAVER ANGELS WORKSHOPS COMING TO FUMC

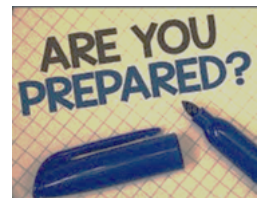
Braver Angels is a nationwide nonprofit organization that seeks to bridge the partisan divide by teaching people skills in civil discourse. From their vision statement: "Embracing values of respect, humility, honesty, and responsible citizenship, our goal isn't to change people's views of issues, but to change their views of each other." On **Sunday, February 2**, there will be two opportunities to learn more about this organization and how you can be involved. All are invited to an "Introduction to Braver Angels" at either 11:30 am or 4:00 pm. Register by clicking [HERE](#). Then, on **Saturday, February 8** from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm, all are invited to a "Depolarizing Within" workshop to begin learning new skills. Register by clicking [HERE](#). You can also register for both by going to fumcloveland.com and clicking on Upcoming Events. These events are free but registration is necessary. You can attend either or both of these dates. These are open to the public, so invite friends and family too! Questions or need help registering? Contact Pastor Lee at lee@fumcloveland.com or (970) 667-0876. **FUMC**

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

FUMC Women's Fellowship will meet **Thursday, January 23 at 12:00 pm in West Coy Hall**. Our project this month is to bring the small square Kleenex boxes for our church. Darlene Lowe will share some stories about her life. All women are welcome. Feel free to bring a guest. Please RSVP to Darlene Lowe at Aldarlowe@gmail.com.

ARE YOU PREPARED FOR A DISASTER?

Connecting Neighbors is a training initiative from UMCOR to enhance disaster preparedness in local congregations. We've just seen a disaster painfully played out before our eyes in Los Angeles, California! The Alexander Fire and others nearby threatened our own communities last August. Any of our Mountain Sky Conference communities could experience disaster at any time. Please prayerfully consider attending this FREE training (with meals provided), taking place here at FUMC, Friday, February 21 from 5:00 - 7:30 pm and on Saturday, February 22 from 8:30 am - 2:00 pm. 22 and invite others to join you! For more information and to register by February 7, read more [HERE](#).



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 \(signupgenius.com\)](http://FUMC Loveland: Worship Liturgists (signupgenius.com)).

FIRST SUNDAY ALTERNATIVE WORSHIP EXPERIENCE

The First Sunday Alternative Worship is a relaxed, come-as-you-are gathering to simply worship and be together in community. **Our next worship experience will be February 2, at 11:20 am in Fellowship Hall.** The band, 10 Year Echo, (featuring our own Kevin Peffer, Guy Keith, Doug James and Casey Schultz, with lead vocalist Andrea Deepe), will help lead worship that morning. Mark your calendars and join us.

JANUARY MUSIC

January 26 - Spirit Sounds Bell Choir, Ann Jeffers – soprano.

FEBRUARY MUSIC

February 2: 10:00 am service: Chancel Choir, Kristin Rangel, violin. **February 2 - 11:20 am service:** 10 Year Echo Band (Kevin Peffer, Guy Keith, Andrea Deepe, Doug James, Casey Schultz). **February 9:** Chancel Choir. **February 16:** Chancel Choir, Rob Hoch, vocal solo. **February 23:** Spirit Sounds Bell Choir, Men's Quartet (Neal Anderson, Mike Spoon, Barry Wehrle, Bill Eads).

KING SOOPERS COMMUNITY REWARDS

Thank you to the 96 households who already donate to FUMC when shopping at King Soopers! From October 1, 2024 - December 31, 2024 FUMC has received \$781.95! If you are interested in linking your King Soopers account to FUMC, there are instructions on a convenient business card at the Ask Me Desk. For assistance or questions please call Andrea Ortega at 970-631-2971.



BUCKHORN CAMP FUNDRAISER LUNCH

Each year FUMC, Trinity, and Union send a group of kids to summer camp at Buckhorn and we need your help in providing scholarships to families to help defray the cost. There will be many ways to give but coming up we have a very special Lunch Fundraiser on **February 9 from 11:15 am - 1:00**

pm to raise money for Buckhorn scholarships. You will be served a delicious hot meal in Coy Hall after church. Tickets for the meal are \$10. Please purchase a ticket to this meal on Sunday January 26 or February 2. You may also reserve a ticket online following the below link or by scanning the QR code. **Please either purchase a ticket in person OR reserve one online.** Please do not do both. Thank you for your support! **To reserve tickets online, follow this link:**

<https://forms.gle/3sFpQo6EsHVU4AEy5> or scan this QR code:



BUCKHORN SUMMER CAMP 2025

Camp Buckhorn is just a short drive away to a beautiful mountain campsite full of stimulating activities and spiritual connections. They offer a full week camp for campers entering 3rd through 10th grades or a mini camp for campers entering 2nd - 4th grades. Additional information on Buckhorn Camp can be found at their website (<https://www.buckhorncamp.org/summercamp>). Is your child interested in summer camp? If so, please email Matthew Utley at youth@fumcloveland.com and let him know and he will provide you with more information!

JOY FELLOWSHIP

Trinity UMC's JOY Fellowship meets again on **February 4 at 11:00 am**. JOY Fellowship is a monthly luncheon and program for adults age 55+. FUMC adults are warmly welcomed to join them each month. There is no cost to attend, but donations are welcome. In February, they are hosting the Thompson Valley High School singers who will perform Valentine's Day type music, with a potluck pasta meal. Look for a sign-up sheet at the Ask Me Desk or contact Rev. Lee to RSVP.

PURA VIDA (VIRTUAL) WORK TRIP

This week, a team from FUMC is in Guatemala to help construct a two room home for a Guatemalan family. We're depending on virtual team members to help out. Join the team virtually with a \$250 donation to receive daily progress updates via email during the construction week. Or contribute what you can to help cover construction costs. To make a donation, visit https://www.puravida.org/virtual-trip.html?trip_id=112. Let's once again Raise the Roof!

YOUR GENEROSITY MAKES AN IMPACT!

Over the Christmas season, FUMC's generosity has made an impact in the lives of many. The Missions/Social Concerns Committee says THANK YOU for all of these ways you gave: First, with the money received from the King Soopers Community Rewards program and gifts from the congregation, we gave 180 \$40 gift cards to the Salvation Army to be distributed to unhoused/low-income senior adults. Second, through the Angel Tree program, more than 40 children in our area received gifts "from their incarcerated parent." Third, the total Christmas offering collected was \$8,790.75. This is being distributed equally among the three recipients.



Kay Neckel says thank you to those who rang the bell at Sam's Club on behalf of the Salvation Army. From FUMC's efforts, \$3,822.26 was collected. Olga Duvall, Loveland Service Center Director, wrote in a thank-you letter: "With your generous support, we were able to meet our \$120,000 goals, allowing the Loveland Salvation Army to provide Christmas meals to the poor, shelter the homeless, groceries for the struggling families, and toys for children...Of every dollar collected by the Loveland Salvation Army, 83 cents returns to [this] community...".

YOUTH MINISTRY

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

Sunday January 26: Regular lunch and youth group after church (11:15 am - 1:30 pm)
Confirmation starts (6:00 - 7:45 pm at FUMC Fort Collins)

Sunday February 2: Regular lunch and youth group after church (11:15 am - 1:30 pm)

Sunday February 9: Youth will help with Buckhorn Fundraiser

Friday February 14 - Monday February 17: Ski Trip to Glenwood Springs

Sunday, February 23: Regular lunch and youth group after church (11:15 am - 1:30 pm)

PERSONALS

Prayers:

Brock, son of Kim & Rich Laue, continued healing

Gregg Geis, rehabilitation for broken hip

Pat Lutz, hospice care

Rick Tessean's brother Bob, in hospice care

Leslie Kittel-Young, Marcia and Richard Kittel's daughter, successful cancer treatments

Death: Rev. Jed Pancoast's memorial service will be this Saturday, January 25, at 1:00 pm in the sanctuary with a reception to follow in Coy Hall. All are welcome



Birthdays: January 20-26

Sally Allen

Bill Boegli

Steve Farnham

Gregor Goody

Lynette Mannering

Christian Williams