

First United Methodist Church, Loveland, CO July 6, 2025

Our mission: Loveland FUMC strives to bless and serve our local and world communities while living the teachings of Jesus Christ. We accept people as they are and strive to live in harmony with God and all of divine creation.

COME WORSHIP UNDER THE BIG TREE

Come join us for a time of worship, reflection and connection at our **Worship Experience THIS Sunday, at 11:30am** under the Big Tree. Come relaxed and just as you are. Doug James will lead music with his guitar and vocals. Invite your friends! You'll be Bring your own chair.

WEDNESDAY MISSION MEAL

Mark your calendar for the next **Mission Meal** on **July 30th**, beginning at 5:30pm. The FUMC Missions/Social Concerns Committee hosts these dinners as a way to bring people together and raise funds that will be given to causes in need. FUMC member "Chef" Carl Williams will cook a delicious meal. This month's **menu** will be a summer-perfect fruit salad, roasted chicken, rosemary potato medley, gravy and ice cream for dessert! Tickets are \$10 per adult and \$5 per child 10 & under. 100% of the money received will go into the Missions fund to be used to respond quickly to local, national, or worldwide fundraising needs as they arise. Please let us know you're coming in advance so we have enough food! You can sign up and pay at the church on Sundays, July 20th & 27th, or sign up online by July 27th by clicking HERE, then pay at the door. Questions? Contact Barry Wehrle at 732-754-2235 or barrywehrle@gmail.com.

SUMMER CHOIR

Come sing with us! This is an opportunity for people interested in singing without an evening rehearsal to join current chancel choir members to sing one anthem and help lead worship. We will meet at 9:00am in the choir room THIS SUNDAY July 6th and on August 3rd to learn an easy anthem (song for choir) under the direction of Nicole Ceciliani and then sing it for church that day. Please consider this whether you just want to sing in the summer or if you're interested in singing during our regular season, August-May. Please call (no texts) or email Kathryn Peiffer, 970-624-8971, kpeiffer@fumcloveland.com. We hope to see you soon!

REV. LEE ON SABBATICAL

From July 1st - August 11th, Rev. Lee will be on a sabbatical leave. With a couple of exceptions, please direct any pastoral care concerns to Rev. Leslie during this time. She can be reached at leslie@fumcloveland.com or by her cell phone at (719) 650-9449. See one of those exceptions below.

REV. LESLIE OUT OF THE OFFICE

One of those exceptions (mentioned above) when Rev. Leslie will be out of town for a few days off is July 16th-21st. Please direct any **emergency** pastoral care requests during those days to **Rev. Bryson Lillie at 970-217-1811**. For non-emergency requests, please email Rev. Leslie at leslie@fumcloveland.com or leave her a message at 970-667-0876.

FAITH BUILD WITH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Join us **Saturday**, **July 26th**, **7:30am-2:30pm** to help build a home with Habitat for Humanity. No experience necessary. Lunch will be provided by FUMC. Sign up at the Volunteer Hub or click here to sign up online.

NEW OFFICE HOURS & OFFICE MANAGER

FUMC is happy to welcome Pam Day as our new Office Manager! Read more about Pam in *The Insight*. There are also new office hours during which you can reach Pam for reserving room(s), listing information in The Window, and conducting other business. Pam can be reached at office@fumcloveland.com and (970) 667-0876. Office hours are Monday-Thursday from 8:00am-3:00pm (closed during lunch hour) and Friday from 8:00am-Noon.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL UPDATE

As many of you know, FUMC, Trinity UMC, and First Congregational Church have been working on another combined Vacation Bible School in July. The leaders share this update: "We had a great start with some volunteers stepping forward, but after taking a closer look at availability and commitments, our planning team had to make a tough call. Rather than squeeze something in that isn't quite sustainable, we've decided to cancel VBS this year and shift our energy toward planning a different kind of family event later this summer. We think this might actually open the door to something new and meaningful." To read the full letter, click here.

FELLOWSHIP TIME HELP NEEDED

Fellowship time on the first and third Sundays of each month is enjoyed by many of us. In order for there to be fellowship time after the month of June comes to a close, hosts (people who set up the coffee pots, set out plates and cups, and clean up) are needed beginning in July. Sign up sheets are located at the Volunteer Hub.

LOVELAND PRESCHOOL STAFF SENDS THANKS

FUMC received a nice card of thank you's from the Loveland Preschool staff. We'll share a few words each week. **From Liz**, teacher: Thank you so much for the warm welcome! We couldn't be more grateful for such a wonderful new home!

PLEASE HELP US! TURN OUT THE LIGHTS.

FUMC is a busy place. Whether on Sunday morning or during the rest of the week, if you're in a group/committee that meets at FUMC, please take a moment to notice if lights are still on in the area of your gathering...room,



hallways, restrooms. If there are lights still on and no other groups are meeting nearby, please take a moment to turn the lights off before you leave. This helps FUMC conserve energy and keeps our utilities charges lower. Thanks for being attentive and helping out in this small way!



SPECIAL MUSIC IN JULY

July 6 – (10:00) Summer Choir, Sarah & Ben Clegern – duet (11:30) Alternative service outside: Doug James – guitar/vocal

July 13 – Susan Harding & Steve Hanna – bassoon duets, Ben Clegern – vocal solo

July 20 – Melanie & Kevin Peffer – flute and piano

July 27 – High Plains Flute Ensemble

HELP NEEDED ON THE SOUNDBOARD

Volunteers are needed to assist with running the soundboard during the Sunday morning service. Training is available and prior experience is not required. Volunteers would not be expected to work every Sunday. Please contact Ryan Millard at av@fumcloveland.com to ask questions or volunteer.



Family Programming Coordinator - Desiree Aragon -

familycoordinator@tumc-loveland.org

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Sunday school is on summer break, but nursery support will continue every Sunday, including during our Alternative Worship Experience on the first Sunday of each month at 11:30am.

Thank you for your continued support!



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

Upcoming 6th Graders: You will begin receiving invites and information on youth events in July, coming soon.

If you are going into the 6th grade this August or are a youth who has not been receiving emails about youth programming please contact Matthew at the email above.

The youth are home safe from Nashville TN and Matthew is home safe from Korea! We look forward to sharing our experiences with the church community.

PERSONALS

Prayers:

Bob Eatman, hospitalization Juliana Hoch, hospitalization

Susan Harding, broken foot. Susan requests prayer that the ligaments in her foot aren't damaged so she can avoid surgery.

Stanette Martin, recovery from double knee replacement

The memorial service for Jack and Jane Gill will be held on August 30 at 1:00pm at Link Library Center, 501 8th Ave, Greeley 80631. All are welcome.



Birthdays: July 1 - July 7, 2025

Reeve Barrett Summer Williams Jodie Moore Russ Steen Richard Stiverson Mereda Darnell Larry Hagan Laurie Mullins Daren Gartner