



First United Methodist Church, Loveland, CO
May 4, 2025

LOVELAND PRESCHOOL FAIR & GRAND OPENING

This Saturday, May 3 between **11:00am-1:00pm**, come to the church to take part in Loveland Preschool's Spring Fair and welcome the staff and families to their new home! There will be vendors, crafts, face painting, storytime, and tours of the new space. All are welcome, so invite your family, friends and neighbors. FUMC will have a booth to share information about the church's ministries and we'd love to have some additional friendly folks who can help be a welcoming presence at any point during the event. We are excited to welcome LPS to FUMC!

BUILDING ACCESS TASK FORCE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for a few people to join a team of volunteers to do various tasks related to the building entry system, such as program entry codes for events and monitor alerts. Training will be provided, and no one person will be responsible for all tasks. Contact Pastor Lee if you are interested at lee@fumcloveland.com. She will connect you with team members for more info.

PLEASE 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!

FIRST SUNDAY ALTERNATIVE WORSHIP EXPERIENCE...

...is **THIS Sunday** at **11:30am** in **Fellowship Hall**. **NOTE the time change!** (You'll have time to enjoy fellowship snacks and conversation before the service begins!) **Doug James**, guitarist and vocalist for the band Ten Year Echo (also Karen James' son and Charlotte Schultz's grandson) will lead music!

MAY FUMC SERVES EVENT

Mark your calendars for the morning of **Saturday, May 17** for the next FUMC Serves project. We will be helping **Heart & Sol set up the Asian Pacific Islander Desi American (APIDA) Heritage Celebration**, which celebrates the cultures of these peoples through dance, food, music and more. The celebration takes place at the Loveland Public Library from 11:00am-3:00pm, so if you can't help with set up, come join the fun. Contact Pastor Lee for more information and to sign up at lee@fumcloveland.com or (970) 667-0876. You can also sign up at the Volunteer Hub or by [clicking here](#).

SPECIAL MUSIC IN MAY

May 4 – (10:00) Chancel Choir, (11:30) Doug James, guitar/vocal
May 11 – Chancel Choir, Melanie Pepper, flute
May 18 – Spirit Sounds Bell Choir
May 25 – Sarah & Ben Clegern, vocal duet

AN ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Larry and Kay Jones invite you to **celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary** with them on **Saturday, May 10**, in **Coy Hall** from **1:30 - 3:00pm**. The beautiful altar flowers on April 27 were given by them in celebration of their anniversary.

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 Lee at lee@fumcloveland.com to ask questions or volunteer.

METHODIST FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

High School Seniors and college students...if you would like to apply for the Methodist Foundation's Scholarship go to fumcloveland.com/ministries and scroll down until you see the "Scholarship Application" tab. The applicant or the applicant's spouse, parent, guardian or child must be a member of the First United Methodist Church of Loveland. **Completed applications will be accepted at the church until TOMORROW, Friday, May 2, 2025.** Please put applications in the Loveland Methodist Foundation mailbox outside of the office door.

HELP US BEAUTIFY OUR SPACE!

We're looking for ideas to bring new life to the north cinder block wall in Coy Hall and we'd love your input! Whether it's a creative pattern, or a unique design that complements our new flooring, we want to hear your suggestions. Our goal is to brighten the space and make it more inviting for everyone. If you have ideas or would like to help, please reach out to Design and Décor Committee Chair, **Marlene Thurman at mlouise1210@aol.com or 970-461-8420.** Let's work together to create something special for all to enjoy!

BUILDING A LEGACY MEN'S RETREAT

Johnstown UMC is holding a men's retreat open to all men, regardless of church affiliation. We encourage you to invite friends, relatives, and colleagues to join us. We'll be heading to the stunning **Buckhorn Camp & Retreat Center** in the Rocky Mountains from **August 22nd to 24th** for a weekend of reflection, fellowship, and practical learning. We'll be exploring the phases of life and how to apply John Wesley's principles of "earn all you can, save all you can, give all you can" to your current stage. This is a chance to step away from the daily grind, connect with other men, and discover how to live a life of intentional and impactful stewardship.

To learn more about the retreat and registration details, please visit

<https://johnstown.church/mensretreat>. This page will be updated in the coming weeks as details are finalized. Please note, space is limited for this event.

GET YOUR YARD SIGN AT THE ASK ME DESK

Help spread a message of kindness in our community. Campaign for Kindness yard signs now available at the Ask Me Desk. \$10 donation.



Family Programming Coordinator - Desiree Aragon -
familycoordinator@tumc-loveland.org

SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

May is here. That means we are coming to the end of the school year and the beginning of Sunday school summer break. Volunteers are needed to lead our children for only a couple of weeks before the break, May 11th and May 18th. Can you please help out as a Sunday school lead or shepherd? The curriculum will be provided for both Sundays. If you have questions, contact Desiree Arragon at familycoordinator@tumc-loveland.org. To sign up to help on one of the Sundays, click here: [Sunday School Signup](#)



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

May 4: No youth group - Confirmation Retreat

May 11: No youth group - Mother's Day

May 18: Senior Recognition Sunday; youth are encouraged to attend service (10am) and the following reception to support our graduating seniors (will end by Noon).

May 25: No youth group - Memorial/Graduation Weekend

June 1: Mission Trip Meeting (start at 11:15am)

Senior Recognition Sunday:

We will be recognizing our graduating seniors **Sunday May 18** during service and with a brief reception in Coy Hall following worship. If you have a graduating senior who you would like to be recognized by the church please contact Matthew Utley.

Safe Sanctuary Training: May 18th 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm:

Do you work/volunteer with youth and/or children at the church? Please join us **Sunday, May 18th** to update your safe sanctuary knowledge and paperwork. We will begin training in Coy Hall directly after the Senior Sunday reception (around Noon). Hope to see you there! If you cannot make it please contact Matthew Utley (youth@fumcleveland.com) to schedule a one on one training.

PERSONALS

The beautiful altar flowers on April 27 were given by Larry and Kay Jones in celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary. See above for a special day to help them celebrate!

Prayers:

Geoff Young, Leslie Kittel Young's husband (Richard and Marcia Kittel's son-in-law), medical decisions and recovery from foot surgery
Jack & Jane Gill, both in hospice care.

We give thanks for the life of Helen Fellows, who passed into eternal life on April 13. We remember in prayer her daughter and son-in-law Alicia & John Mitchell and their family. A memorial service will be held on May 15 at 1:00pm at FUMC. All are welcome.

We give thanks for the life of Trish Moreland, who passed into eternal life on April 15, and hold in prayer her family and loved ones. A memorial service will be held on May 3 at 3:00pm at FUMC, all are welcome.



Birthdays: April 27- May 3

Joel Woodward

Ed Frey

Bob Eatman

John DeMallie

Grace Haskins

Bill Eads