



This month at a glance:

Social Ministry

Monday, Oct. 3, 6:30 p.m.

Senior Support Dinner

Thursday, Oct. 6, 5 p.m.

Jesus Study Group

Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25 at 6:30 p.m.
in Stapleton

WELCA Circle

Oct. 15

Men's Breakfast Group

Saturday, Oct. 1, 8:30 a.m.

Church Council

Meeting Monday, Oct. 12, 7 p.m.

O.W.L.S.

Thursday, Oct. 20, 11:30 a.m.

Book Club

Thursday, Oct. 20, 6:30 p.m.

Happy Hour

Friday, Oct 14, 6:00 p.m.

Choir and Bell Choir

Bell Choir: Wednesdays at 6 p.m.

Choir: Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

Bible Study

Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m.



Clergy from 7 Park Hill faith communities close out the special 9/11 interfaith service. See note on page 4.



Oktoberfest Fun! (clockwise from top left) Kids enjoy the jumping castle, new friends from Messiah and St. Thomas churches, clergy from St. Thomas and Messiah process for the combined service, PDO parents handle face-painting duties, Messiah members Dave Edwards and Jurgen Mohr help set-up.

A simple and convenient way to give

This fall, consider signing up for electronic giving. Messiah relies on the financial support of the congregation and electronic giving offers an easy way to give on a recurring basis. Please contact the church office for details.



"The Christian life is about entering into a relationship that involves one in a journey of transformation."

Marcus Borg

A note from your Pastor Wolfgang Stahlberg

On the way Jesus asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” And they answered him, “John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.” He asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Messiah.” (Mark 8: 27-29)

Who is Jesus?

This is perhaps the most important question for us as Christian believers in the 21st century. Christianity is unique in that at the center of our way of believing we find a person, while the other two “Abrahamic” religions, Judaism and Islam, center

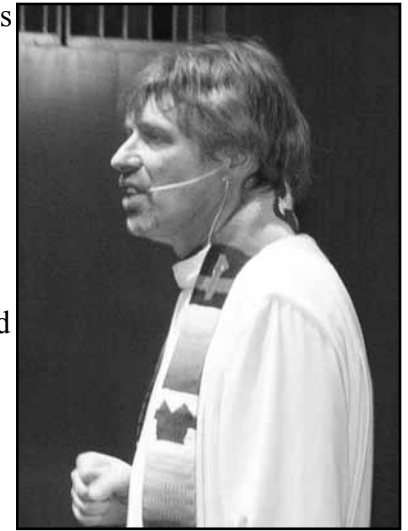
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around a book, the Tanakh (Hebrew Bible) and the Qur’an, respectively. For us, Jesus is more important than the Bible,

which Martin Luther called “the manger, in which Jesus is laid.”

Jesus was a historical person, born in Nazareth as a member of the poor peasant class in Galilee, the northern area of the Roman province of Judea. He lived during the first decades of the Common Era. He was a prophetic Jewish preacher and teacher, a healer and exorcist, and the founder of a movement. His non-violent message of the “Kingdom of God” and his way of living this kingdom were countercultural to the domination system of the Roman Empire and its Jewish collaborators. Most of Jesus’ public activity took place around the Sea of Galilee. When he took his movement to Jerusalem, the “power-house” in Judea, the Romans arrested and executed him with a little help from their friends in the Temple.

For the followers and friends of Jesus the crucifixion was a disastrous shock. But when they experienced Jesus after his death as a divine reality in their lives, they were inspired and empowered to continue “the way” of God’s Kingdom. Paul’s letters to different communities of Jesus followers and the gospels became testimonies of their convictions of who Jesus was: the true “Son of God,” the “Anointed One” (Messiah) and “Lord.” This message was not only a spiritual message of faith, but also a political message of resistance against “the powers that be.”



Our Christian tradition is very rich. It gives us different perspectives, personal stories, political statements, shared experiences, and hopeful approaches to life. We are part of an “unending conversation,” of a process of transformation, of a communal way of living as Christians. We share our experiences, we challenge traditional explanations, we pray, study, and live the presence of God’s love in our midst. In our conversations, we are in relationship with God and with each other!

During October and part of November, we will continue these conversations in a study group, “A Progressive Approach to Jesus.” All are welcome (see the description on p.4). And as always, I also welcome comments on sermons, classes, etc.!

Shalom

Pr. Wolfgang

Imagining God in Progressive Christianity

Dr. Katherine Turpin, Associate Professor of Religious Education at Iliff School of Theology
Faith Matters Lecture Series of the Progressive Christian Alliance Colorado
Friday, October 21, 2011, 7:00 pm at Calvary Baptist Church, 6500 E. Girard Ave, Denver,
(NE Corner of S. Monaco and Hampden)



Group Ministry

Leah Peden, Director of Group Ministry and Education

Adult Forum Schedule

- October 2 Second Wind (*see article on right*)
- October 9 Messiah Mountain Task Force
- October 16 MCC member, Vickie Mohr, Introduction to early memory loss.
- October 23 No Adult Forum – Congregational Meeting
- October 30 Bock lecture series presenter, Diana Butler Bass

From the Social Ministry Team

There is still time to participate in the “Plant Another Row” ministry for 2011. We will be accepting your garden vegetables each Sunday in October. The fresh vegetables are taken to a neighborhood food bank and shared with neighbors in need.

On the first Sunday of each month we focus on Messiah’s food bank. Bring your non-perishable donations on October 2 and place them in the baskets located in the entryway to the church.

Join the team! We are looking for new team members as well as coordinators for the Holy Hammers (Habitat for Humanity) and Fair Trade Coffee ministries. If you are interested, call Leah at 303-355-4471 ext. 11. Our next meeting is Thursday, October 13, 6:00 p.m.

Oktoberfest 2011

Thanks to the many volunteers who made this celebration of family, friends, and community a huge success.

Volunteer Ministry Cards

If you haven’t returned your volunteer ministry card, please do so soon! You will find blank cards on the sign-up table in the parlor.

Looking Ahead

In November, the Social Ministry team will sponsor a Christmas Angel Tree for Lutheran Family Services. The gifts we provide will benefit refugee family members and foster children. Watch for more details in upcoming Moments and November’s Messenger.

Second Wind Fund, Adult Forum Oct. 2

During the 2001 – 2002 school year, four Green Mountain High School students committed suicide. Needless to say, the students at GMHS as well as the entire community were profoundly affected. Following the four suicides, in September 2002, Green Mountain Presbyterian Church initiated the Second Wind Fund. Sixty-six people participated in a walk/run and raised money to help GMHS students. Church members met with high school counselors to determine how to use the funds most affectively. In December 2002 Second Wind Fund counseling services were made available to GMHS and its feeder schools. In the spring of 2003 services expanded to cover Lakewood, Bear Creek, and Alameda High School students as well as their feeder schools. Since its inception, over 2400 students have been referred through affiliate programs and none have been lost to suicide.

Ken Wiig, a member of Highlands Lutheran Church and a representative of the Second Wind Fund, will join us for the Adult Forum Sunday, October 2 to share more of the SWF story.

The Adult Forum on October 9th will be devoted to questions and answers about Messiah Mountain Retreat Center. This will be an opportunity for our new members to learn about it and for our long time members to review the details of the retreat center. Bring your coffee and questions.



Bock Lecture Series

Dr. Diana Butler Bass is coming to Messiah October 28-30, 2011. Spiritual and Religious: The Shape of Congregations for a Vital Future.

Dr. Bass is an author, speaker, and independent scholar specializing in American religion and culture. She holds a Ph.D. in religious studies from Duke University and is the author of seven books including: *A People's History of Christianity: the Other Side of the Story* (HarperOne, 2009). Her best-selling *Christianity for the Rest of Us* (2006) was named as one of the best religion books of the year by Publishers Weekly and Christian Century.

Please take a flyer (or several) and plan to attend this event!

Lecture schedule:

Friday, 10/28:

7:00 p.m.

Saturday, 10/29:

9:00 to 10:30 a.m.;

11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.;

Lunch 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Sunday 10/30 worship: 9:30 a.m.;

11:00 a.m., Adult Forum

King Soopers Cards Update

Thanks to all of you who have purchased the cards and are reloading them. We have sold and reloaded to a total of \$3200 as of September 6. Our goal is to reach \$5000 so that we earn 5% of their total value. We still have a ways to go for this to begin generating funds for Messiah.

If you have not gotten one yet, please order this month and give your check to Sandy Fischbach or Jim Krebs in the office. We will place another order at the end of October or when new purchases reach \$200.

Study Group: A Progressive Approach to Jesus

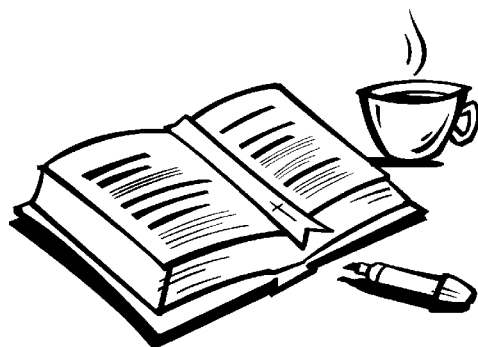
Why does Jesus matter to us? Is Jesus more important than the Bible? What does Jesus disclose to us about the character of God? Are we aware of the two different realities the name Jesus represents, the pre-Easter Jesus and the post-Easter Jesus? Do we separate the two realities? What was Jesus trying to bring to humanity that was not here before? Is Jesus one of us? If Jesus did not die for our sins, why is he important? What does it mean that Jesus is the Way, and that his message is the Kingdom of God? What is our response to Jesus?

These and other questions will be leading our conversations. We will meet for seven Tuesdays from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at a home in Stapleton. (*Please call the office for the address.*) Each of the seven study sessions will begin with a 25-30 minute DVD segment. If the group decides so, we will have a light snack and a glass of wine.

Please **sign up** for this study group in the parlor. If you know that you will miss one of the sessions, sign up anyway, the group will fill you in on what you missed. Everybody is welcome! If you have any questions please talk to Pr Wolfgang.

The Sessions (Topics are subject to change, if the group requests it):

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| Oct 4 | Report on Jesus |
| Oct 11 | The Life of Jesus |
| Oct 18 | The Message of Jesus |
| Oct 25 | From Jesus to Christ |
| Nov 1 | Who Killed Jesus? |
| Nov 8 | Death and Resurrection of Jesus |
| Nov 15 | Jesus Is Lord |



O.W.L.S. (Seniors)

The Messiah Seniors will meet Oct. 20, 2011 at 11:30 a.m. for a brief service in the chapel before we enjoy a potluck lunch in Fellowship Hall. All Messiah seniors are welcome, so bring your favorite food and enjoy fellowship with your friends and relax for a program. This month we will watch a "film."

Messiah Mountain Fall Picnic

The picnic at Messiah Mountain on October 2 at 2 p.m. will be your last opportunity of this year to enjoy this outing and to likely see the fall colors at what should be their best. Meat and drink will be provided but you are asked to bring a favorite side dish for all to enjoy. Please sign up in the East entry so we know how much food to prepare.

Messenger to be sent electronically

Beginning this month, in an effort to save money and be more "green," all Messiah members and friends who have provided their e-mail address to the office, will receive the newsletter electronically. If you want a paper copy of the Messenger, please come by the office and pick it up!

Messiah Book Club

October's book club will meet on the 20th. We hope to finish discussion of *Christianity for the Rest of Us* by Diana Butler-Bass. This is in preparation for the Bock Lecture Series on October 28th and 29th when Ms. Butler-Bass will talk to us about the shape of congregations for a vital future.

This is a very pertinent topic for our congregation especially at this time. If you are unable to read the book before the 20th, please join us anyway. We continue to meet at Susan Anderson's house at six o'clock and begin with a small potluck dinner.

Also, I urge you to attend at least one of the lectures on the 28th and 29th.

Progressive Christian Education

Men's Breakfast Group

Our next breakfast is probably the same day you get this newsletter, Saturday, Oct. 1 at 8:30 a.m. Men of all ages are invited. Following breakfast we sometimes accomplish a few small tasks around the church.

Schedule now to join us in November on the 5th. We always have an interesting meeting on a variety of subjects. YOU are the program. It's most helpful if you sign up in East entry.

Bible Study

We are reading **The Letter to the Hebrews** together. This anonymous letter from the end of the first century CE has 13 chapters. We will read the letter and discuss it as a group. Everybody is welcome. If you have not been part of this study group but are thinking about joining, ask one of the seasoned members of the group, if they enjoy their Tuesday mornings at Messiah! Hopefully we will manage to finish reading the book before Christmas! If you have any questions, please talk to Pr. Wolfgang

New Member Orientation

We will gather for a new member orientation on Monday, October 3 at 6:30 pm in the church parlor. Wine and cheese will be served, and we will get to know those who are interested in joining Messiah Community Church.

We will share a little history and a lot about the future of our community. We will talk about our ministries and where your interests, gifts and talents connect to Messiah's ministries and goals. Please come if you have been visiting and worshipping with us for some time!

We will officially receive the new members during our worship service on October 9.

If you know somebody who might be interested but does not get the newsletter yet, please inform them about this opportunity. Please call the office 303-355-4471 to let us know about your intention to come.

Congregation's Vote on the Future of Messiah Mountain Retreat Center by Dave Edwards and Pr. Wolfgang

Last year, the Messiah Mountain Task Force performed a comprehensive study of the Messiah Mountain Retreat Center (MMRC), located in Indian Hills, Colorado and owned by Messiah Community Church (MCC). The task force was not asked to make a specific recommendation about what to do with MMRC, but was encouraged to present several options, depending upon whether title to the property was to be retained by MCC or transferred to a new owner.

If ownership were to be transferred, the task force offered several scenarios under which this could be accomplished, depending upon whether it was sold or donated. Likewise, the task force laid out options about how MMRC could be utilized if a decision was made for MCC to retain ownership. These included continuing as it is now, allowing use only by MCC, or expanding its usage beyond the current capabilities.

The major issue is whether MCC will continue as owner of MMRC or if ownership will be transferred through sale or donation of the property.

On Sunday, October 23, 2011 Messiah's congregation will conduct a special congregational meeting to vote on the issue. **That will be the only decision to be made that day - will MCC relinquish ownership of MMRC or will MCC keep MMRC?**

Following the vote, Messiah's Council will study the available options and make a plan for the future of MMRC.

This is an important matter, so all members of the congregation are urged to attend the congregational meeting and vote as their hearts guide them. If you are undecided about how to vote, pray for the Lord's guidance. Even if you think you know how to vote, pray for guidance that your decision is best for Messiah Community Church. Messiah's constitution does not allow for proxies or absentee ballots when voting as a congregation, so plan to be at the meeting if you want to be a part of the decision.



Congregational Meeting

The task force report is available in the office, and you are urged to study it as a part of your discernment. Plan to attend the Adult Forum on October 9, where members of the Messiah Mountain Task Force will answer questions and discuss their report.

Come and vote on October 23!

Park Hill Interfaith Service on 9/11 at Montview

It was a spectacular day and wonderful to work together with seven other clergy people from three other denominations, a temple and a mosque. All in attendance were moved and inspired. Some comments:

“That was the best interfaith service I’ve ever been to.” “Truly inspirational. Extremely well done. So much variety and each ‘minister’ was outstanding. I’m so glad it was packed!” “John Lennon’s ‘Imagine’ brought out the tears and the kleenex!” “As I look back over all the interfaith events we attended this weekend I consider the service at Montview one of the outstanding highlights. I hope it’s just the beginning of a new alliance among all our Park Hill congregations. Congratulations and gratitude for all you did to make it happen!” “The service was deeply moving. It was very apparent how much planning went into the service and how well the various clergy worked together. There was even a clip of the service on Colorado Public Radio. Many thanks for the wonderful service!”

Caution: this is satire! In her radio show, Dr Laura Schlesinger said that, as an observant Orthodox Jew, homosexuality is an abomination according to Leviticus 18:22, and cannot be condoned under any circumstance. The following response is an open letter to Dr. Laura, written by a US man, and posted on the Internet. It's funny, as well as informative:

Dear Dr. Laura:

Thank you for doing so much to educate people regarding God's Law. I have learned a great deal from your show, and try to share that knowledge with as many people as I can. When someone tries to defend the homosexual lifestyle, for example, I simply remind them that Leviticus 18:22 clearly states it to be an abomination ... End of debate. I do need some advice from you, however, regarding some other elements of God's Laws and how to follow them.

1. Leviticus 25:44 states that I may possess slaves, both male and female, provided they are from neighboring nations. A friend of mine claims that this applies to Mexicans, but not Canadians. Can you clarify? Why can't I own Canadians?

2. I would like to sell my daughter into slavery, as sanctioned in Exodus 21:7. In this day and age, what do you think would be a fair price for her?

3. I know that I am allowed no contact with a woman while she is in her period of menstrual uncleanness - Lev.15: 19-24. The problem is how do I tell? I have tried asking, but most women take offense.

4. When I burn a bull on the altar as a sacrifice, I know it creates a pleasing odor for the Lord - Lev.1:9. The problem is my neighbors. They claim the odor is not pleasing to them. Should I smite them?

5. I have a neighbor who insists on working on the Sabbath. Exodus 35:2 clearly states he should be put to death. Am I morally obligated to kill him myself, or should I ask the police to do it?

6. A friend of mine feels that even though eating shellfish is an abomination, Lev. 11:10, it is a lesser abomination than homosexuality. I don't agree. Can you settle this? Are there 'degrees' of abomination?

7. Lev. 21:20 states that I may not approach the altar of God if I have a defect in my sight. I have to admit that I wear reading glasses. Does my vision have to be 20/20, or is there some wiggle-room here?

8. Most of my male friends get their hair trimmed, including the hair around their temples, even though this is expressly forbidden by Lev. 19:27. How should they die?

9. I know from Lev. 11:6-8 that touching the skin of a dead pig makes me unclean, but may I still play football if I wear gloves?

10. My uncle has a farm. He violates Lev.19:19 by planting two different crops in the same field, as does his wife by wearing garments made of two different kinds of thread (cotton/polyester blend). He also tends to curse and blaspheme a lot. Is it really necessary that we go to all the trouble of getting the whole town together to stone them? Lev.24:10-16. Couldn't we just burn them to death at a private family affair, like we do with people who sleep with their in-laws? (Lev. 20:14)

I know you have studied these things extensively and thus enjoy considerable expertise in such matters, so I'm confident you can help.

Thank you again for reminding us that God's word is eternal and unchanging.

Your adoring fan,
James M. Kauffman, Ed.D. Professor Emeritus, Dept. Of Curriculum, Instruction, and Special Education
University of Virginia

PS: It would be a darn shame if we couldn't own a Canadian.

Messiah Birthdays

in October

Please inform the office if you are not listed

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| David Monson | 15 |
| Jacque Stallman | 16 |
| Bonnie Monson | 18 |
| Clark Lyda | 20 |
| Molly Habib | 25 |
| Noah Miller | 26 |
| Patty Cordova | 27 |
| Alice Meyer | 28 |
| Monica Mohr | 28 |
| Herb Pabst | 28 |

Thank you!

I want to thank everybody for their prayers and concern. I can no longer drive and do not have the energy to come to church anymore, but I want you to know the church is in my prayers and I miss it so much.

Betty Blanchard

Thank you to everyone who has sent cards and get well wishes to me after my hip surgery. They bring a smile to your face and brighten your day. I hope to be back at church very soon and seeing everyone.

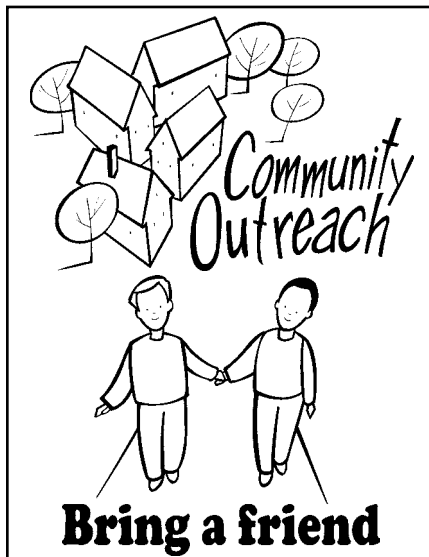
Tammy Heid

A big Thank You to Pastor Wolfgang, Eric and Ricardo for the beautiful service on Gary's passing, and a special thanks to Jim and Susan Krebs and Sandy Fischbach for all the help they gave us.

The cards and phone calls from the congregation meant a lot to my family and me.

All of the caring and loving concerns made life a little easier and everything was so much appreciated. Thanks again!

Inga Wieland



Messiah Community Church has a new director of choir and handbells!

Our new choir director is Ricardo de Souza Melo, who is originally from Brazil. Besides being a choir and handbell director, he is also a singer, musician and composer. He is married to Angela Powers Melo, and their son Colm is seven years old. They recently moved to Colorado from Illinois. Ricardo has a vast musical experience, mostly in classical style, but also with popular music. He has a Bachelors Degree in Music Performance – Choir Directing. His main instrument is bandoneon. He has also studied Gregorian Chant. Ricardo has founded and directed several choirs. He has worked in several churches, mostly in United Church of Christ congregations, as choir director and as music director.

From the Community

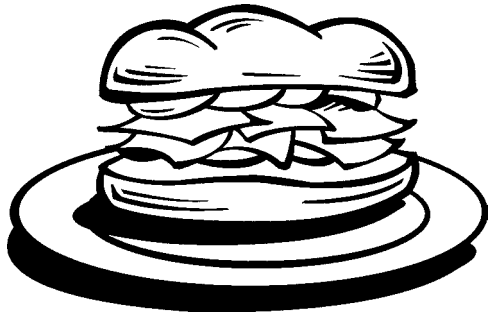
September 25th we welcomed into the Christian Community Keira and Riley Johnson through baptism.

Happy Hour

Join us for happy hour on Friday, October 14. Everyone is welcome, so we hope to see you around 6:00 PM. for food and drinks at Charlie Brown's on 10th and Grant Streets.

"It's the happiest hour of the week." (A. Rue)

Have any questions? Contact Scott Anderson at 720-232-3521.



Here's something a little healthier. This recipe from "Messiah's Stirring Moments" cookbook from the '60s, was submitted by Charlia Powell.

DIETER'S COTTAGE DIP

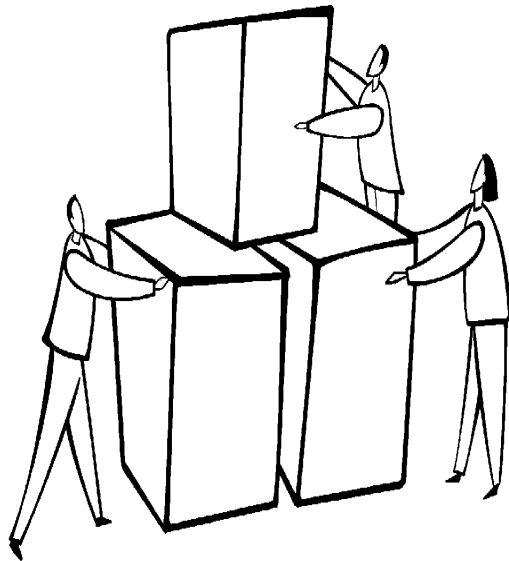
1 - 12 oz. carton (1 1/2c.) cottage cheese

1 T. Salad spice and herb mix (Low-calorie Good Seasons is good)

1 T. Mayonnaise or Salad Dressing

Put all ingredients into blender and blend until almost smooth. Chill. Sprinkle with parsley.

Serve with celery, carrot sticks, sliced zucchini, cauliflower etc.



Thanks, volunteers!

Messiah Women

Carolyn Steen Smith

We treasure our women's group that regularly meets at Messiah. It is a special community of women who support each other because of so many similar experiences. We enjoy the support and friendship of all our church friends.

The mission statement of WELCA states: *As a community of women created in the image of God, called to discipleship by Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, and support one another in our calling. Engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church the society and the world.*

Our mission statement reminds us of what we are committed to do. One of the things we are committed to, as well as the church as a whole, is to take better care of our environment. As you look at your yard do you have a patch that never seems to get enough water? Always brown? Consider re-seeding it with grass native to Colorado that requires much less water.

If you have other "save our environment" ideas share them with us. We always can use a little reminder.

We look forward to this year of growing and sharing, you are welcome to visit. Please join us.

WELCA Circles

Anna

Anna Circle will not meet in October

Rebecca

This month, Rebecca Circle will meet the third Saturday of the month, October 15th. We continue to meet at one o'clock in the church library. This year Rebecca Circle has chosen to focus their energies on supporting scholarships for our youth to attend either Sky Ranch or Rainbow Trail youth camps. Ways that you can support these scholarships will be forthcoming. We also plan to sponsor another Jesus Leaves the Sanctuary.

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

I invite you to a **special congregational meeting to be held on October 23**, after worship at 11 a.m. The only topic of business at this meeting will be a discussion and then a vote of whether or not Messiah Community Church should retain ownership of Messiah Mountain Retreat Center.

Before this meeting, there are two opportunities to learn more about the Retreat Center. An Adult Forum, hosted by members of the Messiah Mountain Task Force, will be held on Sunday, October 9 at 11:00 a.m. Also, their detailed report compiled in June of last year, is available for you to read. To receive an electronic version of the report call Jim Krebs (303-355-4471 ext. 10) or pick up a printed version at the church office.

This upcoming vote is important and *your* input is necessary. **The decision made on October 23 will be crucial in shaping the future of Messiah.** Please attend the Adult Forum, read the report, and then come to this meeting prepared to make an informed decision.

In anticipation of our continued ministry together,

Sherrill Morris
President, Messiah Community Church



Assisting in Ministry Schedule

| | Assisting Min. (Dennis Bangtson) | Lector (Sue Edwards) | Laity Prayer (Liz Piester) | Children's Hom. (Denise Larson) | Greeters (Juliann Jenson) | Communion Svcs. (Dennis Bangtson) | Acolyte (Juliann Jenson) | Altar guild (Katie Anderson) |
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| October 2 | Mike Gill | Dave Edwards | Sherrill Morris | Family Service | Gill family | F.Sitone, S. Edwards | Miles Gill | K. Anderson, S. Schroeder |
| October 9 | Dennis Bangtson | Carolyn Smith | TBD | Park Gamble | S & K Anderson | J. Krebs, L. Peden | Becca Wainess | D. Buhr, F. Sitone |
| October 16 | Barb Ritchen | Monnie Walter | Linda Barry | Roger Miller | Carolyn Smith | D. Edwards, M. Franzke | Riley Cain | T. Heid, the Leslies |
| October 23 | Dennis Bangtson | Crystal Campbell | Dave Edwards | Heather Varnell | D & S Edwards | C. Wyatt, S. Morris | Miles Gill | D. Buhr, K. Anderson |
| October 30 | Mike Gill | Rachel Hutson | Mike Gill | Sue Edwards | J & S Krebs | D. Bangtson, L. Peden | Amy Wainess | K. Anderson, C. Smith |
| November 6 | Dennis Bangtson | Sue Edwards | Susan Krebs | Family Service | MA & P Weber | J. Krebs, S. Edwards | Charles Gamble | TBD |

Sunday School Teachers through November are: PK,K-the Gambles; G1-3, Marita Franzke, Patty Cordova; G4-7, Sue and Amy Wainess

Please find your own replacements. Notify Jim of any changes by the Wednesday of your scheduled week.



Messiah Calendar for October

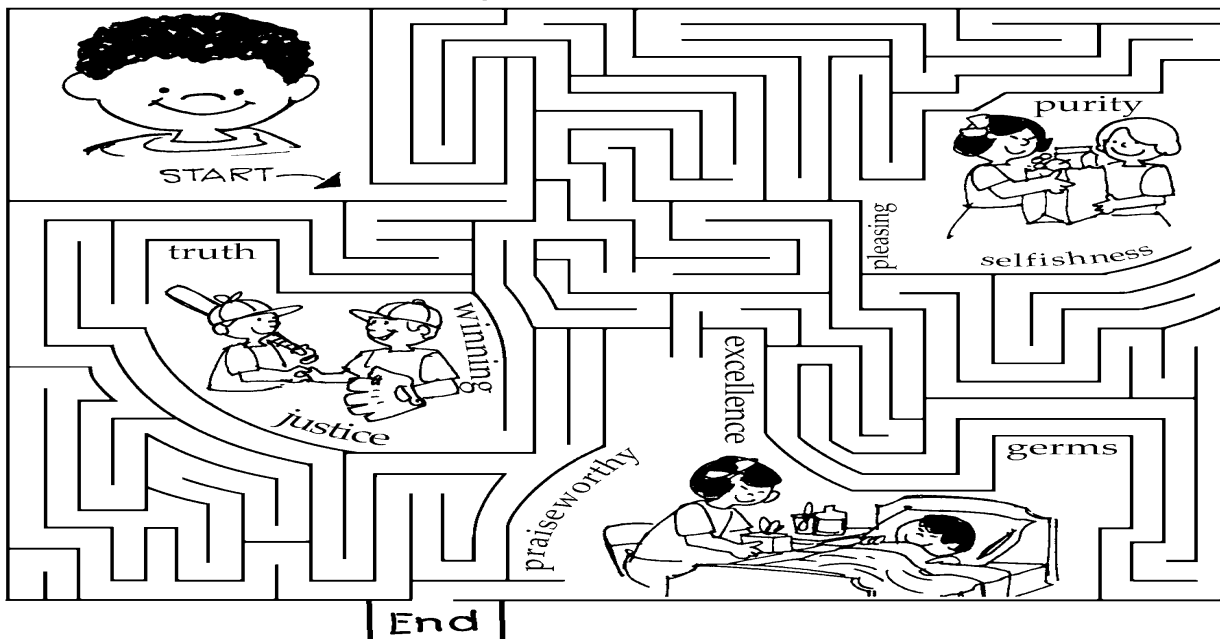
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Think about These Things

Philippians 4:8 encourages us to think about certain things.



Circle traits mentioned in the Bible and find your way through the maze.





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Sunday Worship

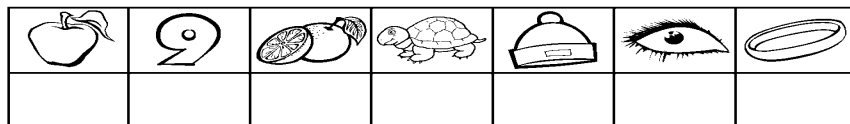
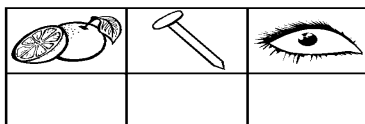
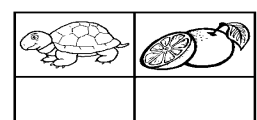
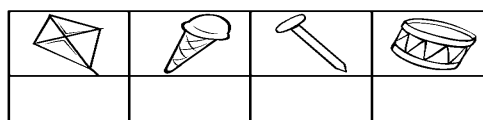
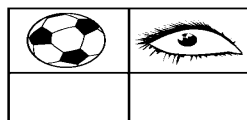
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Children leave the service at approx. 9:40 for Sunday School.

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Word Puzzle

Write the first letter of each picture in the box below the picture.



Answer
 Be kind to one another.

