Habitat Build Day

All Are Welcome!
(16 and older)
Saturday, August 24,
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Help paint and do finish work!
Lunch Provided
Sign up Sunday in Baldridge Hall or
using the "sign me up" slips
Contact Becky Clark 209-6977

PERFORMANCE BY:

RAY OF SUNSHINE SIGNING CHOIR

SUNDAY AUGUST 11,
4:00 P.M.

FREE ADMISSION

MONTROSE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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What happened and what didn’t at General Conference 2019

At the conclusion of General Conference 2019, many United Methodists are wondering what the decisions made will mean for each of us and our congregations. Let’s take a look at what we know, and what is still to be resolved.

What happened? The global United Methodist Church met in St. Louis, Missouri, February 23-26, 2019. During the four days together, United Methodists from around the world gathered for worship, prayer, conversation and several decisions. The Traditional Plan was passed which means our current statements about homosexuality, same-sex marriage and the ordination of LGBTQ persons have not fundamentally changed. The 2016 Book of Discipline statements are avail-
The changes proposed by the plan are mostly about ordination of LGBTQ clergy and how to resolve issues when a clergy violates our human sexuality stances by, for example, performing a same-sex marriage now means punitive repercussions of a mandatory minimum sentence of one-year suspension without pay.

The Traditional Plan received 438 yes votes (53 percent) and 384 no votes (47 percent). Those results indicate the diversity of thought United Methodists have on these issues. This also means it is likely there are people in your church who agree with the outcome and others who do not.

A disaffiliation plan, sometimes called an “exit plan,” was also passed. This provides guidelines for congregations who wish to leave The United Methodist Church “for reasons of conscience” regarding issues of human sexuality.

Who made these decisions? The General Conference consisted of delegates elected from their annual conferences on four continents. Half of the delegates are clergypersons and half are laypersons. Bishops preside at General Conference sessions, but do not vote. The General Conference is the legislative body of the worldwide United Methodist Church.
What happens next? The next scheduled General Conference is to be held in Minneapolis on May 5-15, 2020. This topic and others will come before new clergy and lay delegates elected by each annual conference, to discuss and adopt or vote down new legislation.

What didn’t happen? Let’s clarify a couple of things. LGBTQIA people have not been banned by The United Methodist Church. Paragraph 4 of the Book of Discipline has not been changed. It still reads, “The United Methodist Church acknowledges that all persons are of sacred worth. All persons without regard to race, color, national origin, status, or economic condition, shall be eligible to attend its worship services, participate in its programs, receive the sacraments, upon baptism be admitted as baptized members, and upon taking vows declaring the Christian faith, become professing members in any local church in the connection.”

We acknowledge, however, that many LGBTQIA people, their loved ones and allies were hurt by the speeches, rhetoric and decisions of the General Conference. We pray for healing and forgiveness.

**We will listen**

**A note from Pastor Lisa:** We, as a United Methodist Church, have been called to build the kingdom of God here in Montrose, Colorado. Over the next few months you will see “Listening
Sessions” on the calendar of the church. There will be at least one each month to allow each person within the congregation who desires to share their thoughts and feelings on this and other topics relating to our community and congregation, to do so. We will practice gracious and compassionate listening. We will learn how hard it is to simply listen to another without commenting or rebuking or planning what we may say in response.

My hope is that we who may be deeply divided in our thinking, can come to learn more about one another and better how to live out the call to love like Jesus, here in our town. I hope you’ll sign up and attend at least one of these times together so we might strengthen our resolve to “joyfully love all, serve all, and share Jesus Christ with the world.”

See you in worship,
Pastor Lisa

Do You Do Online Shopping? Consider using umsmarket.org

When you sign up and use UMCMarket.org for on-line shopping, a percentage of your purchase price will be donated to our church.
Did you know about our great nursery programs?

**Quick Care** runs every Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Drop your child(ren) off for developmentally appropriate activities while you run errands, attend doctor’s appointments or enjoy a morning of relaxation.

Price: $15 per child
Ages: 6 Months–6 Year

**Weekly Activities**
August 5, Barn Yard Week
August 12, Up in the Air Week
August 19, Bug Week
August 26, Masquerade Ball Week

*Need a moment alone?*

Try Quick Care
Every Tuesday & Thursday Morning
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
$15.00 per child

**Not a member?**
**Not a problem.**
**Open to the Public!**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
CHURCH OFFICE 512-349-3716

August 2019
Join us for Parent’s Night Out on the 2nd & 4th Friday of the month. The price is as follows; $15 per child or $30 Family Max.

**August 9th:** Pizza, Pajama and Game Night

**August 23rd:** Masquerade Party
Join us as we create masks and have a scavenger hunt. We will have themed snacks and end the night watching The Princess and the Frog.

Please RSVP for PNO to Jessica @ (970) 275-0999
Quick Care & Parent’s Night Out are open to the community!
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August 2019
Birthdays

Landon Farley 08/01 Beverly Powell 08/15
Sandra Eastman 08/03 Donald Stoutt 08/15
Kelly Thompson 08/03 Acacia Sharrow 08/15
Barbara Cencich 08/05 Connie Pittenger 08/18
Jack White 08/06 Gin Miller 08/20
Simon Bray 08/07 Janet Rogers 08/21
Tom Hurshman 08/08 Harold Dodge 08/24
Pat Lukert 08/10 Anne Grant 08/24
Jerry Skees 08/10 Richard Schultz 08/25
Kim Ficco 08/10 Beverly Farley 08/25
Cindi Loesch 08/11 Paul Zaenger 08/27
Cheri Forrest 08/12 Paul Burke 08/27
Roy Rogers 08/13 Mary Black 08/30
Jane Forni 08/13 Gerald Bramer 08/30
Ezekial Waxler 08/13 Kenneth Jewell 08/30
A.L. Grant 08/15 Niels Meewis 08/31

Anniversaries

Jon & Rachael Coddington 08/07 Steve & Trish Gray 08/20
Stanley & Ramona Cornforth 08/07 Adam & Sarah Seymour 08/20
Ken & Norma McBryde 08/14 Bob & Cathee Nielsen 08/21
John & Erica White 08/17 John & Linda Pavlich 08/27
Mark & Cathy Evans 08/17 Lisa Petty & J.C. Croy 08/30
Van & Janey Smith 08/20 Dick & Sandy Eastman 08/31
Dick & Elaine Baker 08/20 Warren & Marijo Ache 08/31
Brown Bag Book Club

The Brown Bag book Club will be meeting in the alcove (back of the sanctuary). This month’s meeting will be August 20, 11:45 a.m.

This month’s selection:

A Piece of the World
by Cristina Baker Kline.
Financial Peace University

Are you (or do you know someone):

- Living paycheck-to-paycheck
- Having difficulty paying off debt or getting deeper in debt
- Not saving and investing for a future retirement and/or children’s education
- Or have questions about managing money

Consider getting help by learning and implementing universal methods and strategies that have worked for millions of people. Starting in September, Montrose United Methodist Church (MUMC) will sponsor a proven educational program called Financial Peace University (FPU). The educational program was started 25 years ago by Dave Ramsey, a nationally well known financial teacher. FPU is a 9 week video course which includes an interactive workbook and 45 minute weekly meetings. FPU has been sponsored by MUMC before and is soliciting interest for a September-October class. For more information about the classes go to https://www.daveramsey.com/fpu.

Contact Rich Hanna at 970-901-6517 if your are interested or have questions.
Several years ago, the church put together a group of people from the congregation to study what the vision and mission of the church would be through the year 2020. There were surveys and studies and intentional plans put in place to carry out the work of building the kingdom of God here in Montrose through the United Methodist Church.

We are now six months away from beginning the year 2020, and a new task force has been put together to look at the NEXT five years. This groups of people are a cross section of the congregation and represent most groups and demographics inside our body of faith. These people will spend the next several months meeting, researching, studying and learning what our community’s needs are, our congregation’s desires are, and how we can live into the church God is calling us to be in 2025 and beyond.

If you’d like to talk with any of these people, please reach out, ask questions, tell them your desires and hopes, and let us dream together how we can continue to serve Christ in Montrose Colorado, inside and outside our church buildings!

In Service of Christ,

Marshall Pendergrass, Team Leader; Barb Sharrow, Facilitator & Lisa Petty, Pastor

Team Members:
Elaine Baker
Lee Elliott
Nancy Johnson
John Pavolich
Sarah Seymour
Emily Vigil
Craig Wolverton
Andrea & Danny Wood
It’s July and UMW will be gearing up next month already. It’s a short summer this year, as far as weather goes. Next month, in August, there will be a few meetings:

**August 3rd** - Mission U, Delta UMC (*see next page*)

**August 15th** - Mary & Elizabeth Circle meets at 7pm.

   Hostess: Annie Hauck

**August 22nd** - Faith Circle meets at 1:30pm.

   Hostess: Melba Teague

**August 26th** - Executive Board meets at 9am in Baldridge Hall

The full schedule starts in September and info on that will be in the August newsletter. If anyone is interested in learning more about our UMW and what we’re all about, please contact one of the officers. The office has our contact information. We would love to have you.

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**The Purpose of United Methodist Women:** The organized unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is: To know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; To develop a creative supportive fellowship; and To expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.
What is Mission u??

Feel like you need to have your batteries energized?? Consider participating in a Mission u study. These studies will be held at the Delta UMC on Saturday, August 3rd. These are all day studies and the registration fee includes lunch. These studies are co-sponsored by the Mountain Sky Conference United Methodist Women and Board of Global Ministries. Each study has a corresponding book which you will need to purchase on your own or check one out from the UMW bookshelf.

The studies being offered in Delta are:

In *Mark and Radical Discipleship*, author Janet Wolf explores what it means to live a life of radical discipleship today using the Gospel of Mark as the foundation. Wolf explores the timeless issues of poverty, gender, justice, liberation, equality, and others using Mark as a guide.

*United for Change* by Ellen Blue is the first in a two-year study commemorating United Methodist Women’s 150th anniversary in 2019. It will provide a historical survey of UMW and its predecessor organization and amplify the voices that shaped the work through an overarching story of United Methodist Women changing the face of mission.

There are registration packets on the Welcome Center in Baldridge Hall. For further information, contact Connie Pittenger.

If you miss the Delta Mission u and would like to go to the Cortez Mission u contact Sharon Hayes 970-240-3505.

August 2019
All Church Events this Month

All Church Camping Trip

**Date:** August 16-18, 2019  
**Location:** Vega State Park

Each person will have to book their own site. Spaces 201 thru 208 are open now and are close together.

You can book online on our website www.montroseumc.org, then clink “Summer Registration Links”

**Please consider going it will be a blast.**

Once you have reserved a spot, please let Becky or Butch know so we can keep a list of who is attending.

If you have any questions or have reserved a spot, contact Butch or Becky Clark 209-9942 or 209-6977

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**Guys Night Out/ Ladies (& kids) Night In**

**August 30th 6:00-9:00 pm**

Activity & Details: Whole group will meet here, at the church, for a short devotion and then the group will split.

**GUYS:** Bowling (18+)

**LADIES & KIDS:** Stay and Play, activity TBD

Suggestion? Please call the church office!

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**August Newsletter Deadline is**

**Monday, August 19!**

Submit a Publicity Form (found taped to Rachael‘s desk) with details of an upcoming event to Rachael in the church office via email to:

secretary@montroseumc.org