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SEPTEMBER 2010 NEWSLETTER

Mark's Meditations

Let the past stay in the past

We have all heard of Steve Jobs and Steve Wozniak the founders of the Apple computer company, but most of us have not heard of Ron Wayne, Apple's other founder. Wayne bailed out of the firm after only 12 days because he was afraid it was too risky of a venture and thought he would lose too much. His original 10 percent stake in the company would now be worth more than \$22 billion if he had held on to it. "I left Apple for reasons that seemed sound to me at the time. Why should I go back and 'what if myself?' Wayne said recently in an interview with the Chicago Tribune. At age 76, he is living off Social Security checks and earnings from the sale of stamps and coins.

Many people can look back at their lives and think about buying this house or that or making this choice or that, but you cannot change the past. People who cannot get beyond things in their past often are giving up their future. Jesus' forgiveness is all about new beginnings, starting over, being born anew, or "born again". Each time we pray or take communion our sins are forgiven, we are filled with grace and we move into a new life.

Our past should be something we learn from, that matures us and helps us grow. It should *never* be a weight or a source of pain. Learn from it, pray, and move on.

In Christ, Pastor Mark

FROM FINANCIAL SECRETARIES

Due to the church's financial short fall in the amount of \$29,000, the third quarter statements will only be issued by request. IF you would like a hard copy of your third quarter statement, please contact the church (249-3716) or one of the Financial Secretaries (Barbara Rogen or Barbara Kastellic) and they will be happy to print out your statement. End of year statements (fourth quarter) WILL be issued in January of 2011.

Barbara Kastellic



WOW !!! Our library looks BRAND-NEW !!!

The church library in the basement (you *did* know we had a library downstairs, right? It's off the lower passageway, next to the Park Ave. hall), has been totally renovated, thanks to the hard work of many hours by Nancy Johnson and Dan Orlik, our

maintenance man. They painted the room, which meant taking down all the books; laid new carpet; brought in two tapestry-upholstered wing chairs; and changed the beat-up rectangular table for a round oak one, which will have four padded straight chairs to go with it. New, improved ceiling heating was installed prior to the redecoration as well. We didn't realize how dingy and dark the previous paint job had become. Now the place *sparkles* – COME AND SEE!

Thank you, thank you, Nancy and Dan, for all your hours of work and willingness to expend your time and energy on the *wonderful* transformation!

UPPER ROOM CANCELLED

The church's Upper Room magazine has been cancelled.

If you wish to order your own you could order it on line at upperroom.org or by calling 1-800-972-0433.



CANNING JARS

Are you getting **ready to can** and find your jar supply is not what you need? Before you go and buy new ones, we have some boxes of quarts and pints given to us from Hans Croeber.

We have them stored in the garage.

Come by and pick up what you need here and give a donation.



HAND & FOOT CARD CLUB

HAND AND FOOT CARD CLUB is a monthly gathering of fun and fellowship that has been meeting on the 2nd Friday in Baldrige Hall for years. Due to some conflicts, the club has voted to move to the 2nd Thursday of the month. Same place, same fun, just a day earlier.

Next gathering is September 9th at 7:00 pm.

Remember, there is pinochle club at 2 pm on Fridays.

Call Sue McCulloch at 249-0859

The Brown Bag Book Club will next meet on Sept. 21st at 11:45 a.m. in Baldrige Hall.

The book to be discussed is Strength in What Remains by Tracy Kidder. Join us!!

Signs on Church Property

"This is a ch_ _ch. What is missing?"

Global Young Peoples Convocation, Berlin Germany 2010

Olivia Smith and I were honored and blessed to be able to attend the Global convo in Berlin. There was worship every morning with music by two different praise teams made up of young people from Germany and Russia. They sang songs we knew in English and we learned some new songs in German. One of my favorites was "Naher Zu Dir" Nearer to you. It keeps running through my mind! There was a different speaker each day, pastors from Africa, Russia, Germany, and Sweden. The theme for the convo was Unity and each speaker preached on Ephesians 4. Rev. Pavel Serdyukov talked about what can unite different Christians. The cross can unite all people, just the cross, just Jesus. Our differences don't matter. He talked about how we all need to do more than just wear a cross around our necks. We need to carry our cross; the one God calls us to carry, not the one we like to carry and share the Holy Spirit with the world around us.

The service that stands out the most is the one we had at the Berliner Dom which is a huge Protestant (originally Lutheran) cathedral. We sang the familiar "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" with the huge organ playing. It was truly amazing. We heard the scriptures and prayers read in 5 different languages at all our worship services.

I was encouraged with hope for the future and for right now by watching the young people from all over the world discussing and debating important issues for the Methodist church. To see the passion they have and

the desire to be involved in the issues facing the global church was inspiring. The legislative delegates spent 2 full days in assembly. There were many petitions on a variety of topics including lowering abortion rates, genocide, same sex marriages, climate justice, extrajudicial killings, DMYP membership, funding for leadership development and inclusiveness. If you would like more details on the legislation you can visit the website www.globalyoungpeople.org.

Olivia and I had the opportunity to visit with young people and adults from all over the world. The perspective is so different in Africa, Russia and the Philippines. It was very eye opening to see the Global United Methodist Church in action. Thank you so much to everyone that helped make this trip possible.

In this time of economic struggle for our church (and many others) I think it is important to note that no church budget funds were used for this trip. If you would like to hear more about the trip and see videos and pictures we will be sharing information during worship on September 12th and also between services.

Becky Clark & Olivia Smith



LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

The United Methodist Church of the Resurrection is sponsoring its 11th annual leadership institute October 7 & 8, 2010 at its Leawood Campus, (South of Kansas City), Kansas. Last year 2000 leaders from around the world attended the leadership institute (LI). This year's LI theme is "The Future of the Church". At the LI you will hear various presentations on new ideas and innovations that will: help churches reach out to the unchurched, help members grow deeper in their faith, and empower congregations to transform their community in the name of Christ. Reduced registration fees are available up till September 11th.

If you want to know more about the event go to www.cor.org and click on the leadership + renewal tab. You can also contact Rich Hanna at 209-7961 for more information. Rich will be out of town August 31-September 6th.

UNITED METHODIST 101

Would you like to learn more about the United Methodist Church, what United Methodists believe, or more about our local church specifically?

We call United Methodist 101 our membership class in case you would like to join, but it is also a general information class.

Sessions begin Sunday, September 19th, in Park Ave. Hall, at 9:30 am to 10:30 am and last 4 weeks.

For more information call Sheila Reeves at 249-3716 or Dick Baker at 249-3735.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

UMW - Our first monthly luncheon is right around the corner - Wednesday Sept. 8th at 11:30 a.m. at Baldrige Hall (we'll be finished by 1:00). Mary Lou has planned a delicious lunch for us, and it is still \$4 per person. Our speaker in September will be Vicki Proffitt from The House of Promise in Olathe. If you have never heard Vicki speak, you are in for a real treat.

Guests are welcome, and their first visit is free. It would be wonderful if every UMW member could plan to come and bring one guest! Please let your circle caller know you are coming, or call Mary Lou Jeffers at 249-6057. Reservations are due by Monday, Sept. 6, but if your plans change at the last minute - come anyway! There is always room for one more! We have planned a great lunch and program for you - see you there.

Communications At Local and Conference Levels

Bonnie Koch, Communications Committee Chair

Wondering what's happening at MUMC this fall? Want to reconnect with a class you were involved with in the past? Looking for a new direction to try?

The best way to find out about the many offerings available at MUMC is to explore the Tables of Opportunities that will be set up in Baldrige Hall after each Sunday morning service on September 12th. You can discover what different committees are doing, what new classes will be available, the latest outreach options – an abundance of possibilities to explore. So grab a cookie and a cup of coffee and set off to get the latest update on what we, as a church community, are all about.

Not only do we want our own church members to know what opportunities there are at MUMC, we also want the entire Rocky Mountain Conference to know as well. We have submitted information to the Conference about our Jesus Is King Orphanage mission, sharing the accomplishments of the 2007 mission group that traveled to the orphanage to meet the children and distribute supplies. Their ongoing efforts to raise monies for completion of the orphanage building were highlighted as well as their return trip this fall. If you would like to view the article go to the Rocky Mountain Conference website, click on “Conference Boards, Committees” on the left hand side menu, click on number 40, “Montrose UMC – Jesus Is King Orphanage”, or use the web address

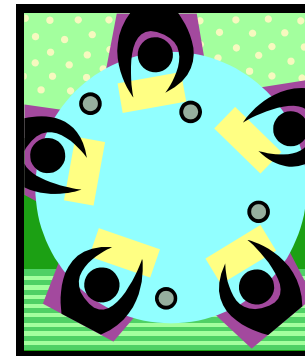
<http://rmcumc.org/rmc/conference-boards-committees/755-montrose>

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

Mark gave a report about the new Gunnison church. He is working on trying to help them get a space at Western State to use for worship instead of the nursing home space that they are currently using. He also summarized the report given by the District Superintendent at the August 15th luncheon. There was discussion about “blended” services. Mark proposed that we offer a blended service at 8:30, a traditional service at 11:00 and a contemporary service on Saturday night. The committee supported that proposal.

Duane would like to donate the money for the power point music. The worship committee gratefully accepted the donation.

The next meeting will be September 27th at 7 PM.



ANNIVERSARIES

- 09/04 Kathy and Kurt Zelazny
- 09/04 Tania Hajjar and Chris Tarman
- 09/05 James and Micki Kintner
- 09/05 Donna and Scott Morton
- 09/07 Don and Laurene Barnett
- 09/09 Howard and Ruth Heath
- 09/09 Kara and Marcus Caudill
- 09/10 Eva and Gary Preslan
- 09/13 Jim and Kristi Garner
- 09/15 Hal and JoAnn Johnston
- 09/16 Gordon and Virginia West
- 09/18 Jeri and Michael Rea
- 09/18 Joan and Vern Dunham
- 09/19 Elizabeth and Eric Fellows
- 09/27 Janet and Roy Rogers

BIRTHDAYS

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- 09/03 Van Smith
- 09/03 Yvonne Williamson
- 09/03 Kara Caudill
- 09/04 Bob Miller
- 09/04 Carole Schultz
- 09/04 Erin Skees
- 09/06 Margaret Goodhue
- 09/06 Kylie Tait
- 09/07 Lynn Hubert
- 09/09 Celie Matteson
- 09/10 Beth Marston
- 09/11 Melba Teague
- 09/14 Barb Slater
- 09/14 Sharon Rasmussen
- 09/16 Joyce Vernon
- 09/17 Sharlene Martinson
- 09/17 Bill Patterson
- 09/17 Cassie Nielsen

- 09/18 Ross Hauck
- 09/19 Jean Balderston
- 09/19 Nathan Garner
- 09/20 Joel Forrest
- 09/21 Tannon DeJulio
- 09/22 Everett Gilbert
- 09/22 Irene Carver
- 09/22 Linnaea Zaenger
- 09/23 Ed DeJulio
- 09/24 Pat Lawson
- 09/24 Craig Wolverton
- 09/25 Tom Barrett
- 09/27 Kelly Marston
- 09/27 Sierra Kearns
- 09/29 Karie Hassell
- 09/30 Katherine Tertipes
- 09/30 Don Allen
- 09/30 Shirley Lehl
- 09/30 Kate Donohoe

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Children's Department News



Women's Bible Study starts September 9, 9-10am – in the back of the sanctuary. For women of all ages. Child care provided. This is a great way to stay in love with God while meeting new friends!

Want to have fun? Come to Sunday School 9:45-10:50am, every week!

Volunteers Needed In The Children's Department-

- MOPS Childcare – Starting in September we need people to help provide childcare during the Mothers of Preschoolers meetings, 9-11am once or twice a month.
- Children's Action Committee – This advisor board meets once a month. They give advice to the children's direction and volunteer at special events. A great way to help our church grow in ministry!

- Playgroup starts September 24 – This fun activity is for toddlers and preschools and their parents. Come play together! Second and Friday of each month, 9-10:30am.
- Quick Care starts September 9 – Need a little break? Parents can drop their children off to run errands, go grocery shopping or attend an appointment. Every Thursday 9-11am.
- MOPS Starts September 17 – For Moms with children birth through preschool, 9-11am. A great way to meet other moms and children!

RETHINKCHURCH



Youth News

UMYF Schedule

Mid High (grades 6-8) meets 4:30-6:30 pm

Senior High (grades 9-12) meets 5:30-8:00 pm

September 5th—Labor Day weekend no group

September 12th—Capture the Flag

September 19th—Catch Phrase

September 26th—Bigger/Better Scav. Hunt

We will eat dinner together as a group at 5:30

And worship from 6:00-6:30

Youth After School Program Begins August 25th

It's Wednesday afternoon, and school is out early. What are you going to do? Come and hang out with other youth in the community. Meet Becky at the church at 2:45 pm. Those who would like to go to Jovis Coffee will head out at 3:00 pm and those who want to stay at the church can do that. It's a great time to hang out with friends, play basketball, games, listen to music and have some chill time.

Fall Sunday School Starts Sept. 12th

The mid high class (6th-8th grades) will be “Which Way to God”.

This class helps youth understand classmates and neighbors who believe in Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, and Buddhism. It will encourage young people to respect those of other faiths—and to share their own faith in the One who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

The senior high class (9th-12th grades) will be “Is Anybody There?”

This class helps youth get in touch with the One who really loves them. Youth will have the opportunity to deal honestly and biblically with their questions and doubts about talking to God and “walking” with Him every day.

Important Dates!

Black Canyon Triathlon Fundraiser

October 2nd. This is your chance to earn money for Rejuvenation! More details will be coming.

Rejuvenation

Rocky Mountain Conference Youth Event for all youth.

November 5-7 in Estes Park

July 2010 CONTRIBUTION REPORT

Month	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	MO AVG.
**PRE	\$8,400	\$8,400	\$10,250	\$300	\$0	\$0	\$3,915	
JAN	\$45,120	\$34,923	\$28,461	\$25,030	\$27,263	\$33,204	\$21,970	\$30,853
FEB	\$31,387	\$28,908	\$25,161	\$27,640	\$30,637	\$25,723	\$31,069	\$28,646
MAR	\$25,325	\$36,858	\$32,967	\$33,440	\$28,035	\$25,856	\$24,725	\$29,601
APR	\$31,491	\$32,520	\$31,455	\$32,172	\$35,509	\$22,189	\$23,127	\$29,780
MAY	\$30,880	\$42,755	\$30,727	\$29,794	\$25,172	\$34,148	\$34,045	\$32,503
JUN	\$29,481	\$26,951	\$28,066	\$24,860	\$25,109	\$21,635	\$20,607	\$25,244
JUL	\$27,306	\$25,693	\$22,566	\$31,695	\$34,532	\$34,174	\$28,586	\$29,222
AUG		\$31,528	\$29,106	\$27,027	\$24,077	\$21,764	\$22,565	\$26,011
SEPT		\$27,701	\$28,298	\$34,419	\$27,092	\$23,734	\$22,274	\$27,253
OCT		\$24,588	\$26,975	\$32,049	\$35,777	\$29,480	\$28,555	\$29,571
NOV		\$36,886	\$59,147	\$34,462	\$34,382	\$24,035	\$25,178	\$35,682
DEC		\$31,468	\$46,497	\$43,464	\$40,425	\$46,740	\$42,556	\$41,858
Total**	\$220,990	\$380,779	\$389,425	\$376,052	\$368,012	\$342,682	\$325,257	

totals include envelopes and tithes, plate offerings and Sunday School offerings

**2010 Prepays are not included in the total, but rather in December of previous year.

5 Sundays

Tithe Info-- to date
2010=152 pledges, 297,802.00
2009=146 pledges, \$280,218
2008 152 pledges, \$266,310
2007=148 pledges, \$276,438
2006=159 pledges, \$274,807
2005=160 pledges, \$250,590
2004=174 pledges, \$245,281
2003=192 pledges, \$282,186
2002=185 pledges, \$245,669
2001=178 pledges, \$221,222

Capitol Expenditures pledge info
2010=43 pledges, \$23,544

4 Sundays in Aug

Envelopes and Tithes	\$ 30,439.00
Plate	\$ 615.44
S.S.	\$ 2.01
	<u>\$ 31,056.45</u>

Average monthly income to cover budgeted expenses

\$37,000

Average weekly income to cover budgeted expenses

9,000

SEPTEMBER 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 1-3 prayer shawl ministry 7:00 SPRC	1 8:15 Pilates 9:30 Staff Meeting 10:00 AMC Assistance 2:45 Teen After School 5:30 Bell Practice 6:45 Sounds of Faith	2 11:30 prayer group 6:00 Emmaus potluck. 6:00 Grandparent support	3 9-11 MOPS morning out 7:00 Sat Music Team	4 9-12 Wkend Blessings 5:30 Saturday service with communion
5 <u>Holy Communion</u> 8:30 & 11:00 Worship 9:30 & 12:00 Fellowship 9:45 Sunday school for all ages; CV 6-8:30 UMYF	6 office closed Labor Day 7:00 UMM Breakfast 6:30 Music dept meeting?	7 1-3 prayer shawl ministry 4:00 Adult Action/Fellowship 7:00 Stew/Finace	8 8:15 Pilates 10:00 AMC Assistance 2:45 Teen After School 11:30 UMW Luncheon 5:30 Bell Practice 6:45 Sounds of Faith	9 9:00 W. Bible Study begins 9-11 Quick Care 11-1 AMC Luncheon 11:30 prayer group 5:30-8 Nursery clean 7:00 Card Club	10 6:00 Parent's Night Out 7:00 Sat Music Team	11 9-12 Wkend Blessings 5:30 Saturday service
12 8:30 & 11:00 Worship <u>youth missions lead</u> 9:30 & 12:00 Fellowship 9:45 Sunday school for all ages; CV Tables of Opportunity 6-8:30 UMYF	13 8:15 Pilates 9:00 HENS 9:00 AMC Assistance 11:15 Caregiver Support 4:00 Cong Cong mtg 5:00 Communication mt 6-10 Scrapbooking	14 10:00 Pastor Bible Study 12:30 prayer shawl ministry 11:45 Brown Bag Book Club	15 8:15 Pilates 9:30 Staff Meeting 10:00 AMC Assistance 2:45 Teen After School 5:30 Bell Practice 6:45 Sounds of Faith 5:30 Staff Meeting	16 9:00 W. Bible Study 9-11 Quick Care 11:30 prayer group 6:00 Grand Parent Support 7:00 Taize Service	17 9-11 MOPS 7:00 Sat Music Team	18 9-12 Wkend Blessings 5:30 Saturday service
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