Mountain View's Vision: A future where peace is found, and God's love prevails. Mountain View's Mission: To love unconditionally, grow spiritually, and serve faithfully through Christ.

Mountain View Messenger

March, 2024

Sunday, March 21

Palm Sunday and Easter Egg Potluck starts at 10:30 am

Thursday, March 28

Maundy Thursday Service starts at 7 pm

Friday, March 29

Good Friday Service starts at 7 pm

Sunday, March 31

Easter Sunday Service starts at 10:30 am

Spring Forward March 10



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MOUNTAIN VIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH INFORMATION

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WORSHIP

Sunday Mornings 10:30 am ON-LINE WORSHIP

YouTube-https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0F41LQaQe1gW5S_4h1VIRg

IN SERVICE OF THE CHURCH

Church Council

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All of the Ministry Teams NEED your help! If you have an interest in a team, you can contact the office at 719-687-3868 or email the contact noted. Ushers, greeters, and mobile greeters are ALWAYS needed.





Growing up I went to a Summer Youth Camp called Silver Lake in Sharon, Connecticut. One of my favorite songs we'd sing was a new one called, "They'll know We are Christians". The song is in our black hymnal "The Faith We Sing." # 2223. Today we are arguing over who and what a Christian is and that's because we all have our own idea of what a Christians is. It's not enough to sing "They'll know we are Christian by our love." I remember being asked by a famous Opera Singer our choir had done a benefit concert with, whether I knew Jesus as my Lord and savior. I told him that I faithfully attended church. He replied "That is not what I asked you." His idea of who and what a Christian was, was different from mine.

Today, we have different kinds of Christians. Besides those who call themselves Born Again Christians and Christians who go to church, there are many who call themselves Biblical Christians. They profess to only follow what the Bible says. Then there are those Christians who only follow the teachings of Jesus. There are those who call themselves Progressive Christians who focus on how to address and fix issues of injustice. There are many who call themselves Christian Nationalists. Christian Nationalism is getting a lot of attention because of the upcoming Presidential Election. And, then there are those who believe that the word Christian is just a general label we use to distinguish one group from another.

Instead of dividing us, being a Christian today should unite. That was the Apostle Paul's intent in starting churches. Paul's goal was to unite believers from different traditions as the Body of Christ. As Paul told the Galatians in 3:28-29 "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus." Jewish Christians who followed Paul to Galatia, challenged his teaching and said that they had to do certain things to be a Christian. We are doing the same thing to today's Christians.

The song "They'll know we are Christians" reminds us all that at the heart of being a Christian is God's love. That love is made manifest in what Jesus did for us on Easter. Easter is central to our understanding of what it means to be a Christian. Just as Jesus died and resurrected to bring life from death we as Christians are called to bring new life to a world broken by sin and death. We are called to confront those forces which bring death to our bodies, mind and spirit and free people to build God's Kingdom. That is one of the reasons why the church is concerned with any event that causes human pain and suffering.

We may all have our different understanding of who and what a Christian is but we all can be Resurrection Christians who bring life and love and compassion and forgiveness in those places where there is pain and suffering. As Resurrection Christians we can make this world a better place not just for ourselves but for our neighbor. All we have to do is look and act. If nothing else we can unite around the words of the song "They'll know we are Christians by our love."

March 31st is Easter. Our Easter celebration will include a baptism. Easter was the day the early church would baptize new believers into the fellowship of the church. Baptism was seen as a symbol and act of new life and resurrection. If you have made a profession of faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and feel God' grace calling you to be baptized please let us know and we will include you in the service. Also be sure to invite your friends to the service.

One other note of interest is our evolving website and Facebook pages where you can find out what ministry is going on at Mountain View. Shout out to Marci Nickelsburg, Marie Bryant, Sandy Rucker and Angela Thelin for their efforts in helping to grow our media and online presence.

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In the meantime I encourage you to be a Resurrection Christian.

Grace and Peace

Pastor Jeff



Church Council met on January 27th, and I am pleased to report that great progress is being made in many areas of Mountain View UMC.

Clas shared a wonderful update and message regarding our attention to our financial challenges and the importance of building our Ministry and community within MV. And our "marketing" efforts are providing important updates to our website and social media presence celebrating the many opportunities and ministries along with our community lunches and Monday School offerings.

As many of you know, I am blessed to be able to lead the "Soul Reset" group. I believe there is a real connection to that program and our Church as a whole. I ask each of you now, "what is your calling?"

From a message in Soul Reset: "I have been on the mountaintops and in the valleys, and I have discovered that we need a reset in our souls. We need to share stories so that others will too!"

Mountain View UMC is in a Reset! We need to be a church that allows for authenticity, vulnerability and transparency, where it's okay to not be okay, and people can honestly tell their stories or we will continue to hear about burnout, stress and more. The Bible gives us a roadmap to wholeness. It starts and ends with Jesus.

Jesus saws in Matthew 11:28-30 "Walk with me and work with me – watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won't lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. Keep company with me and you'll learn to live freely and lightly." (The Message)

MVUMC means so much to me and to all of our congregation and we have an important role in Woodland Park/Teller County and beyond. But we will only succeed in our ministry if we are all in this together. God Bless you all!

Clarke Becker; Church Council Chair and Lay Leader





Adult Education Ministry

Monday School Offerings



Christianity in Anglo-Saxon England

Mike Bryant, 6 weeks, 6pm, beginning 4/8/2024 to 5/13/2024

Easter is our most important holiday, but you won't find that word in the New Testament—it comes from the pagan goddess of fertility, evidence of the Church's strategy for converting the barbarians. In this class we examine both the conversion and how Christianity united the Anglo-Saxon tribes when the Vikings tried to conguer Britain.

In Person and Zoom 828 5381 8270



Accessing the Holy Spirit: The Prayer of Saint Francis

Barbara Royal, 7 weeks, 4pm, beginning 4/8/2024 to 5/20/2024 Using two lines each week from The Prayer of Saint Francis or if you choose, a section from Kent Nerburn's book that illuminates the way of the Spirit found in the Prayer, we will rely on the Holy Spirit to show us how we can further bless our lives and world. We will use an ancient form of

Christian prayer to access the Holy Spirit to help us stay alert to God's words rather than our own. Those who wish can share with the group what has been revealed to them. Who knows, perhaps Spirit may be using us to author a book! You can purchase *Make Me an Instrument of Your Peace* by Kent Nerburn, from Amazon.

In Person and Zoom 838 1605 9558



Items needed are: Ziplock bags Gallon-Size Quart-Size Snack-Size Dog food

Non Perishable food items:

Bottled water Juice boxes Instant oatmeal packs Granola bars Energy bars Trail mix Raisins Peanuts We are gathering items for Blessing Bags to hand out to the homeless or anyone that needs it. Items will be collected through February and assembled on **March 20 at 10 am.** There is a box in the Narthex for your donations. If you are interested in assembling the bags, contact Angela Thelin (203) 824-2750 or <u>athelin512@gmail.com</u>. The bags will be brought down to Springs Mission in Colorado Springs where they will distribute to the homeless. If you would like a community lunch that day, contact Sandy at 719-687-3868.

Fruit (single serve packs like applesauce, fruit cocktail), with spoon Hot cocoa/spiced cider packs Instant coffee packs Tea packs Beef jerky sticks

Necessities/Personal Items Hand warmers Band-aids Baby wipes Hand sanitizer - small pocket size First aid kit – travel size Washcloth/towel Brush/comb/hair elastics Feminine products Lotion Toothpaste Toothbrush Floss Soap Deodorant Shampoo/conditioner or the 2 in 1 Sunscreen Chapstick Heavy socks

you.

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CONTEMPORARY CHRISTIAN ROUNDTABLE is an informal discussion group that meets live and on Zoom. Class meets in the Multi-Purpose Room at 8:30 am on Sunday mornings. We For more information or to participate by Zoom, call Sam Gould at 719-694-3408.

LIVING BIBLE class is held at 9:00 am on Sunday morning. We are continuing with our series "Genesis to Revelation." Our Lenten study is Adam Hamilton's "The Lord's Prayer." Please do not hesitate in joining us for this exciting 6-week study, join online, by phone, or in For in person class, please join us in our church Conference Room (Room person. 109). For information. Rucker more please contact Tim at timrucker@hotmail.com or 303-818-3697. Links to join Living Bible: Dial-in number (US): (701) 791-9045 Pletcher18 Live video feed: https://fccdl.in/i/pletcher18

WOMENS ENRICHMENT—Our current study is "God Never Gives Up on You" by Max. Please contact **Vickie Huffor if you are interested.**

CALLING ALL LITURGISTS!

The liturgist begins each Sunday's service with the Call to Worship and generally reads one of the scriptures before returning to the congregation. We currently have a few regular liturgists, but this position is open to anyone who is willing to volunteer. The Liturgist Coordinator sends out periodic requests for liturgists. You choose your Sunday(s). If you are interested, please reply to <u>loisdauels@aol.com</u>. The first Sunday of the month, a communion server also serves as liturgist and is scheduled by Marcia Myers (<u>mdmyerswp@yahoo.com</u>). Please let us know if you are interested.

THANK YOU!

YOUR READING IS APPRECIATED!



Children's Sunday School: Preschool to 5th Sunday, March 21 grade. Children join in service and after children's time they will leave for upstairs.

Youth Group: 6th grade thru 12th grade will meet after children's time in the Youth Room upstairs.

Palm Sunday and Easter Egg Potluck starts at 10:30 am





Congregational Care

HOME COMMUNION

Sometimes illness and infirmity make it difficult to come to worship service. It may even cause you to miss out receiving Holv on Communion. Pastor Jeff, with



the assistance of the Congregational Care Team, is once again offering home communion. If you would like Pastor Jeff or one of our communion stewards to bring the communion element to your home, you may call the church office (719) 687-3868 to schedule a time for them to come. And remember, everyone is welcome to receive communion in the United Methodist Church. You don't have to feel worthy or good and you don't have to be a member of the church.

How is your blood pressure?

Congregational Care Team will be taking Blood Pressure in the Narthex prior to worship on the 2nd **Sunday of every** month.

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Auditor Wanted: We are looking for a person who, together with Diane Browning, can audit the financials for Mountain View UMC for 2023. The work is scheduled to take place in May and June, 2024.

Please reach out to Clas Thelin at 203-435-6100, email chthelin@gmail.com or Sue Burks at 252-414-0732, email mtviewumctreasurer@gmail.com

\$25,833 Still Needed	Room to Breathe and Grow	Donate We now have a DONATE button on our website: <u>www.mt-viewumc.org</u> ! Click on DONATE on the Home
Pledges through 2025 - \$107,167	3/4 of the Way to Goal \$99,750	page. Scroll down and click on the blue button and away you go! Please note that there are costs involved with on-line donations. If you use a credit card, there is a 1.5% base Donorbox charge plus a 2.9%+\$.30 credit card charge. If you use checking account information, there is only the 1.5% base
60al through 2024 - \$88,667 Pledges through 2024- \$79,772	1/2 of the Way to Goal	Donorbox charge. MVUMC is enrolled in the City Market Community Rewards Program. If you
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Pledges Collected - \$45,984	1/4 of the Way to Goal \$33,250	for your Reward Card number. After you have the account set up, go to My Account and find Community Rewards. Search for KV972 (that's us!). Click enroll and go shop! From the last period, we received \$88.79 from 12 households. For additional information please contact Wendy Davis at wendylouzeller@aol.com or 719-660-8935.

Finance Ministry's Financial Facts

Mt. View United Methodist Church Financial Facts as of JANUARY 2024

4 ((Room To Breathe And Grow (RTBG) Campaign Items Highlighted in Orange))

	Monthly		Monthly Year to Date		ate	YTD Annual	
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance	
Tithes & Offerings (pledged) (1)	19,135	15,790	3,345	19,135	15,790	3,345	
Tithes & Offerings (unpledged) (2)	1,662	4,288	(2,626)	1,662	4,288	(2,626)	
Pledged RTBG Campaign Booked to 01 Fund (3)	870	2,816	(1,946)	870	2,816	(1,946)	
Pledged RTBG Campaign Booked to 02 Fund (3)	4,000		4,000	4,000	-	4,000	
Unpledged RTBG Campaign Booked to 01 Fund (3)	953	500	453	953	500	453	
Other Revenue	580	586	(6)	580	586	(6)	
Transfers from Restricted Funds-General	-	-		-	-		
Transfers from Restricted Funds-RTBG	3,692		3,692	3,692	-	3,692	
Total Revenue	26,891	23,979	2,912	26,891	23,979	2,912	
Total Expenses (4)	(16,511)	(19,409)	2,898	(16,511)	(19,409)	2,898	
Revenue in Excess of Expenses	10,380	4,570	5,811	10,380	4,570	5,811	
Designated RTBG Mtg Fund to Vectra Mtg Ckg (5)	(983)	-	(983)	(983)	-	(983)	
Mortgage Principal Reduction	(5,926)	(5,973)	47	(5,926)	(5,973)	47	
Operating Fund Net Cash Flow (6)	3,471	(1,404)	4,875	3,471	(1,404)	4,875	
Restricted Fund Net Cash Flow	(2,775)	-	(2,775)	(2,775)	-	(2,775)	
Combined Funds Net Cash Flow (7)	696	(1,404)	2,100	696	(1,404)	2,100	

Notes for JANUARY 2024:

(1) Pledged Tithes & Offerings were over budget for the month by \$3,345 and over budget for the year by \$3,345

(2) Unpledged Tithes & Offerings were under budget for the month by \$2,626, and under budget for the year by \$2,626

(3) Total RTBG Offerings received were over the pledged budget for the month by \$2,054, and over the pledged budget for the year by \$2,054.

The 3 year Room to Breath and Grow Campaign goes thru 2025.

(4) Expenses were under budget for the month by \$2,898, and under budget for the year by \$2,898

(5) Total Designated RTBG Mtg donations transferred this month to Vectra Mtg Checking was \$983. These transfers will no longer happen due to all bank accounts soon being

consolidated together at a single Park State Bank checking account. All RTBG Funds received YTD (\$5,823) are now either in Vectra checking, Designated RTBG Mtg Fund

held in PSB Consolidated Checking, the new Restricted Building Fund-RTBG held in PSB Consolidated Checking, or have been applied to mtg payments. See RTBG Cash Flow Report below.

Soon, all RTBG funds will either be in the Restricted Building Fund-RTBG in PSB Consolidated Checking, or will have been applied to mtg payments.

(6) Operating Fund Net Cash Flow was positive for the month by \$3,471, and positive for the year by \$3,471, which is \$4,875 better than budgeted

(7) The combined cash has increased this year by \$696

Balance @ 01/31/2024		Current Mon	th	Year to Date	
\$	559,883	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
From RTBG Funds & Operating Fun	ds	5,926	5,973	5,926	5,973
From Restricted gifts			-		-
Total		5,926	5,973	5,926	5,973

			YTD Increase or			
Cash Allocations	Current	Beginning	(Decrease) in			
	Month	of Year	Cash Balance			
*Operating and Designated Fund Balances:						
Operating Fund Balance Held in Consolidated Checking	13,567	10,936	2,631			
Designated Bldg Insurance Reserve Held in CD start Jan 2024	27,500	27,500	-		RTBG Cash Flow	
Designated Capital Assets Reserve Held in Consolidated Checking	4,761	34,761	(30,000)			
Designated Capital Assets Reserve Held in 6 month CD start Jan 2024	30,000	-	30,000	RTBG \$ INCOME 2023		45,984
Designated SPRC Reserve Held in Consolidated Checking	5,808	5,808	-	RTBG \$ INCOME YTD		5,823
Designated RTBG MTG Fund Held in Consolidated Checking	1,578	738	840	RTBG TO MTG 2023		(29,533)
Total Consolidated Checking & CDs Cash Balance	83,214	79,742	3,471	RTBG \$ TO MTG YTD		(3,692)
				RTBG \$ BALANCE		18,582
*Restricted Fund Balances:				Located in:		
Consolidated Checking-RTBG Mortgage Funds	4,000	-	4,000	Designated RTBG MTG Fund		1,578
Consolidated Checking-Principal Payment Funds		-	-	Vectra RTBG Mtg Chkg Acct		13,004
Consolidated Checking-Restricted Funds	50		50	Consolidated Checking-RTBG		4,000
Restricted Building Savings Account Balance-for Principal Only Payments	859	628	231			18,582
Restricted Checking Fund Balance	18,462	22,809	(4,348)	(RTBG \$ used	for one 1/2 mtg pmnt Jan 2024)	
Restricted Mortgage Checking Fund Balance-from Gen \$\$	14,767	14,767	-	(Each 1	/2 mtg pmnt is \$3,691.625)	
Restricted Mortgage Checking Fund Balance-from RTBG \$\$	13,004	15,713	(2,709)			فسحامه وستودعون وردرا
Total of all Restricted Fund Balances	51,141	53,916	(2,775)			
Total Combined Cash for All Funds (5)	134,354	133,658	696			

* Coming soon: Only 1 bank account (checking) holding all funds at Park State Bank: Operating, Designated, and Restricted

Hospitality and Special Events Ministry



March 6 FREE LUNCH 12 noon Stroganoff and English Peas RSVP by Monday at Noon 719-687-3868

719-687-3868 mountain.viewumcwp@gmail.com



March 20 FREE LUNCH 12 noon

Chef's Choice RSVP by Monday at Noon 719-687-3868

mountain.viewumcwp@gmail.com

FREE LUNCH 12-1 pm 1st and 3rd Wednesdays

RSVP by Monday noon please!

KELLV'S ROA

Mountain View United Methodist Church 1101 Rampart Range Road Call 719-687-3868 for your reservation mountain.viewumcwp@gmail.com





Integrational Ministry

Integration Team – is led by Angela Thelin with support from Elaine Gould. The Integration role is to reach out to people who have come into the church and visited or call on past members who haven't been visiting church in person.

Greeters - The coordination of greeters is led by Angela Thelin. Greeters welcome members and visitors on Sundays and special services. An important role in making everyone feel welcome.

Mountain of Fun Group – Coordinated by Angela Thelin. This group is two fold. To strengthen the bonds between our members who are part of this group and also to invite family and friends to the activities we will be hosting to create an environment of fun!

Dinner Groups – coordinated by Angela Thelin. Dinner groups are comprised of 8-10 people. Can meet in home, or restaurant or can meet at lunch or dinner, depending on the groups choice. We have two groups to date.



The Integration Team is coordinating the Dinner Groups. We did these before COVID and they were a lot of fun. Dinner groups build connections with fellow church members. Meeting over a meal bonds people together.

How it works:

- Groups will be assigned by the Integration Team pairing newer members with longtime members. They will be a group of 6 or 8.
- Each month a member of the group will host a dinner at their home, or you can decide to go out.
- Host will determine the menu based on the group's dietary restrictions.
- Host determines with the group the date and time to meet. It can be a lunch or a dinner.

Mountain of Fun Group



- Host provides the main dish. If eating out, host may pay for apps or dessert.
- Participants of the group will bring a salad, rolls, vegetable, dessert or appetizer.

Groups are encouraged to change members once a year in order to ensure you meet new members.

We started some groups already but if interested. please email or call Angela Thelin at athelin512@gmail.com or 203-824-2750. lf emailing or calling, the information needed is you name(s), whether you want to be with singles or couples, your phone, email, and whether your preference is to Eat In/out, and whether you want a group that meets days or nights.

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We are starting the Mountains of Fun Group to strengthen the bonds of love and care among our members and invite friends and families to join us for activities and to show that we are an active and fun congregation! Some ideas for activities were cooking classes, meet for drinks/happy hour, mine tour, movies, meet for dinner, events in Springs, etc. Church members who would like to join the Mountain of Fun Group would be responsible for organizing an event to keep things going. We will try to meet monthly. If you are interested in joining the group, please email Angela Thelin at <u>athelin512@gmail.com</u>. Once joined, we will keep you posted on upcoming activities.

Mission Ministry

2024 COMMUNION OFFERINGS

Jan - Faithful Hearts Feb - TCRAS Mar - UMCOR Apr - Nighthawk Ranch May - Swim Across America If you have a group you would like to see benefit from our Communion Offerings this year, please contact 719-687-3868 or email

Staff/Pastor/Parish Relations Committee The Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) is a standing committee of the church. Chief among the SPRC's duties are the tasks of encouraging, strengthening, nurturing, and supporting the pastor and staff while also promoting unity within the congregation. The SPRC members (Mike Bryant, Elaine Gould, Jo Lied, Rusty Merrill, Craig Miller, Cheryl Price, Barbara Royal, and Beth Tinsley) are always available to receive your suggestions for

strengthening the overall ministry of our staff and congregation. Please feel free to share your ideas or input.



The Worship Team at MVUMC is responsible for three areas that affect the worship services:

- Technology: Provides the video, sound equipment and steaming for YouTube broadcasts.
- **Music**: This includes the choir, bell choir, summer bell choir, soloists, instrumentalists, vocal quartet, and Changing Hearts group.
- **Sanctuary care**: Decorating for seasons of the church services (Lent, Easter, Advent, and Christmas) and other occasions as necessary, care and cleaning of the altar paraments, banners, communion and other special events. Organizing volunteers as ushers communion servers, liturgist, altar flowers, memorial and funeral services.

Each committee welcomes new volunteers and provides training, call the office or Ann Snipes (720-427-1828), to be directed to a committee. We especially need volunteers for sound booth, ushers, and liturgist.

HELP! We need someone to drive the cart before and after worship. Contact 719-687-3868 if you can help!





Safety and (MERT) Medical Emergency Response Teams

We are starting the New Year with a variety of weather conditions. Safety and MERT along with our Snow Removal Team (SNORT) are attempting

to make our church surroundings as safe as possible. We are ever vigilant in watching and assisting you to make your worship experience as care-free as possible.

The MERT and Safety team members strive to keep up on all possible certifications and are always seeking more ways to improve our training with a variety of resources.





We are always looking for more shepherds! If you would like to help watch over our flock, contact the office and ask for Tim. If you see the congregational carrier cart

(Connie) driving around, please know that this is for your safety, and also a wonderful way to greet folks exiting their vehicles. If you do not see the cart and/or are in need of assistance, PLEASE call Tim's cell phone (303)818-3697. Someone will be there as soon as possible.



We all need a hand sometimes we need a grab bar installed, a ramp put in, batteries changed in our smoke detector, a light bulb changed that we cannot reach ... things like this.

- If you find yourself in this position, contact the church office to get added to the list.
- If you have some spare time and can help, contact the church office to find out what is on the list!

Church Office 719-687-3868 mountain.viewumcwp@gmail.com

Listen When He Speaks

March

Scripture Reading

The Plot

- Day 1: 1 C@rinthians 1:18-2
- Day 2: Matthew 20:17-19 and 3≈hn 11-12:11
- Day 3: Luke 19:28-44
- Day 4: Luke 19:45-20
- Day 5: 3≈hn 12:27-50
- Day 6: Luke 22:1-23 and J&hn 13:1-30
- Day 7: 38hn 13:31-14
- Day 8: 3≈hn 17

The Crucifixion

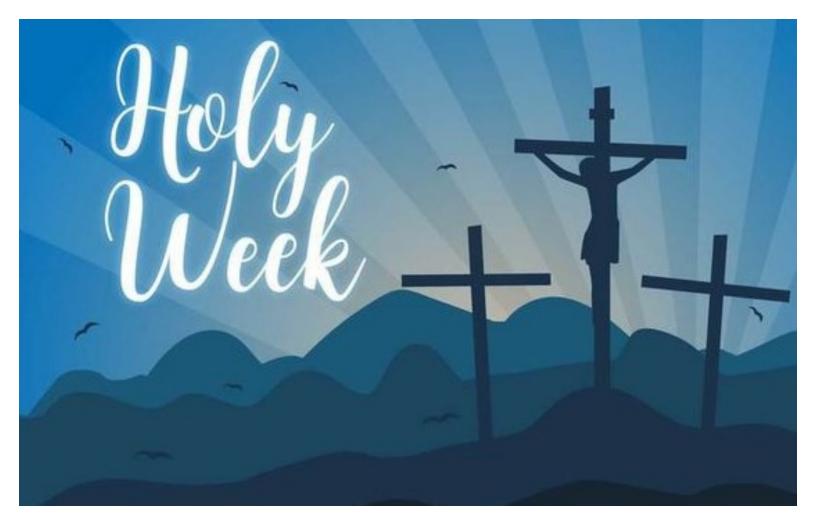
- Day 9: Matthew 26:36-56
- Day 10: Luke 2:54-65 and Matthew 26:57-68
- Day 11: Luke 23:1-25 and 3≈hn 18:28-19:1-16
- Day 12: Matthew 27:27-44 and Luke 23:39-43 and J≈hn 19:25-27
- Day 13: Matthew 27:45-56 and Luke 23:44-49 and J&hn 19:28-37
- Day 14: Psalm 22 and Isaiah 52:13-15, 53 and J&hn 15:9-17
- Day 15: Mark 151:42-47 and Matthew 27:62-66 and Matthew 16:13-27



- J&hn 20;1-18
- Day 17: Luke 24:13-49 and 1 C≈rinthians 15:3-4
- Day 18: J≈hn 20:19-31
- Day 19: J≈hn 21
- Day 20: Mark 16:14-20 and Acts 1:11
- Day 21: R≈mans 5-:14
- Day 22: R@mans 8:1-17 and Galatians 3:26-4:7

The Gospel

- Day 23: Acts 2
- Day 24: Acts 3
- Day 25: Acts 4:1-31
- Day 26: Acts 5:12-42
- Day 27: 3≈hn 15:18-25 and Hebrews 1-4
- Day 28: 1 Cerinthians 15:1-23 and Remans 3:21-26, 10:9-17
- Day 29: 1 Peter 3:13-17 and C&lessians 4:2-6
- Day 30: 2 Timethy 2:23-26
- Day 31: 1 Timethy 4:12-16



Day 1: Palm Sunday Matthew 21:1-11 and Zechariah 9:9

Day 2: Fruit and Faith Matthew 21:18-22 and John 15:1-17 and Mark 11-20-26

Day 3: Parables and the Greatest Commandment

Matthew 21:28-45 and Matthew 22:34-40 and Mark 11:28-34

Day 4: Anointing and Betrayal

Matthew 26:6-16 and Mark 14:3-11 and John 12:1-11

Day 5: The Last Supper Matthew 26:20-30 and John 13:1-30 and 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Day 6: Good Friday

John 19:16-37 and Luke 23:44-46 and Isaiah 53 and 1 Peter 1:18-21

Day 7: Holy Saturday Matthew 27:62-66 and Colossians 1:19-20

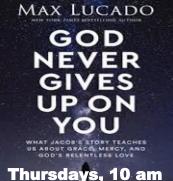
Day 8: Resurrection Sunday Matthew 28:8-7 and Luke 24:1-7 and Mark 1:5-7 and John 20:1-9 and 1 Corinthians 15:13-18

Day 9: Go and Tell John 20:10-18 and Matthew 38:16-20 and 1 Corinthians 15:3-7

Day 10: Because He Lives Hebrews 10:10 and 1 Corinthians 15:58 and Galatians 2:20

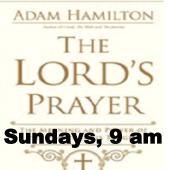
UPCOMING EVENTS

Ruth Hoffman 1186 Ptarmigan Drive RSVP please 303-906-4903



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March 2 10-3 at Calvary UMC

DISTRICT GATHERING 2024

Inspiring Hymn Stories Led by Diane Browning 6 week study beginning February 19 6 pm In Person Only Call 719-687-3868 to sign up

Sunday, March 21 Palm Sunday and Easter Egg Potluck starts at 10:30 am Thursday, March 28

Maundy Thursday Service starts at 7 pm

Friday, March 29

Our Lady of the Woods Catholic Church 116 South West Street

Good Friday Service starts at 7 pm

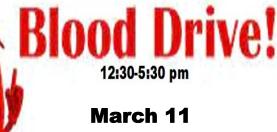
Sunday, March 31

Easter Sunday Service starts at 10:30 am



Ginny George Memorial Service March 16 11 am

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Our Congreg



Meet Your New Neighbors With a Gift Bag from **MVUMC**....and from you. Your new neighbors are moving in throughout Teller County all summer long. Meet the new folks in your neighborhoods as they arrive and bring them a gift of a nice MVUMC reusable tote bag and ink pen, as well as a welcome letter and information from the church.

Add your own gift to the bag... of a baked good or kitchen towel or something if you like. Make our new residents know that they are welcome to be our guests any time here at Mountain View. Bags are available for you to pick up at the tables and counter in the narthex.

WINDOW/BUMPER STICKERS—We have 100 oval window/bumper stickers available for your cars with our beautiful MVUMC logo! These are given at no the Invitational Ministry Team. Be a part of easily



interest about it with folks who are curious when they see it Please see Sue Burks or Carol Goll to pick one up for each of your cars.



PLACE OF WORSHIP MOUNTAIN VIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Teller-favorite This church community holds a mission of "Love unconditionally, grow spiritually, and serve faithfully Mountain through Christ." View goes beyond a place of worship though, also serving community а site for as community events and performance space.

VOICES IN PRAYER

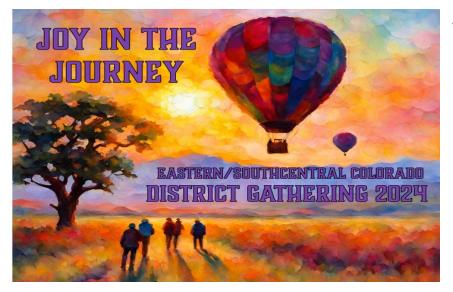
Are ready to receive your prayer requests. There is a dedicated button on the church's web site for your confidential prayer requests. The rest is up to God and your team members. A link to UpperRoom.org/Prayer Wall has also been added for additional service on your prayer request. Please note this service is **NOT** confidential but you will have many more voices praying for you if you choose. Your voice will help make our service the greatest possible gift to each other and the world.



Please call Jo Lied, 719-726-0668, to schedule a Sunday to put flowers on the altar. Let Sandy know the reason for the honor or event and she will place in the bulletin for the designated Sunday Service. Flowers need to be on the altar by 10 am and picked up by Wednesday please.

PRAYER SHAWLS

We have some lovely prayer shawls available for those who would find comfort in them. We would also gladly accept prayer shawls for any who take comfort in making them. Contact Sandy at 719-687-3868 if you are interested.



Saturday, March 2nd, 10 am to 3 pm Calvary UMC in Colorado Springs Preacher: Bishop Karen Oliveto

Register Online Now!

https://mtnsky-reg.brtapp.com/ ESCODistrictGathering2024

Cost \$20 to be paid online when registering.

Worship in the morning, followed by lunch (provided), with workshops in the afternoon.

RECLAIM, RENEW & REVIVE OUR CONNECTION!

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Gather in person or online with friends old and new at our first event for the new Eastern/Southcentral Colorado—ESCO for short—District. We cover 50,000 square miles as we share the life-transforming grace of Jesus Christ.. Our day together will look something like this ...

- 9:00 am Joint ESCO Choir gathers to practice making a joyful noise! Music will be sent out to practice ahead of time.
- 10:00 am Gathering and Fellowship
- 10:30 am Worship, Bishop Karen Oliveto Preaching
- 12:00 pm Lunch, provided by Mission Catering Quiet Disciples will be recognized and celebrated.
- 1:00 & 2:00 pm Workshop sessions 1 & 2 (choose at registration)

Workshop Sessions

Joy in Being with Travis Walker—a look into spiritual practices that bring joy into our present moment. Conventional, unconventional, and art-based spiritual practices will be discussed along with how to incorporate spiritual practices into daily life..

Joy in Prayer with Janine Rose—refreshing your prayer life by integrating your communication with God into the everyday.

Joy in the Wesleyan Way of Grace with Lisa Nordan—our Methodist way of understanding the pervasive presence of grace in the world in our lives is just what we and the world need today.

Finding Joy in Prison with Mike and Sandy Spahr—with may years of experience in prison ministry, the Spahrs bring us their insight into this mission to which Jesus calls us.

Joy in the Community Collaboration with Carrie West—mission and ministry outside the walls is nothing new, but the 21st century presents us with a new environment in which to operate. Explore what outreach can look like today.

Joy in Fresh Expressions of Faith with Sherry Ferriman and Major Rettig—not many of our churches are bustling with new members and attendees. Connecting with the "nones and dones" around us—those with little no, or negative experiences of church—is something we need to work to understand and accomplish.

BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES

March 2024

Sunday Monday Tuesday		Wednesday Thursday		Friday	Saturday	
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3	4 Inspiring Hymns	5	6	7 Mike Snipes' Birthday Women's Enrichment	8 Men's Breakfast	9 Jackie Bader's Birthday
-	6:00 pm		FREE Lunch	10:00 am	7:30 am	
10 Blood Pressure before worship	2nd Cup of Coffee 9:00 am Inspiring Hymns 6:00 pm	12 Brooke Smith's Birthday Carol & Mike Theimer's Anniversary	13	14 Karin & Lee Taylor's Anniversary Women's Enrichment 10:00 am	15 Men's Breakfast 7:30 am	16
17 Safety Tip Sunday	18 Diane Browning's Birthday Inspiring Hymns 6:00 pm	19	20 Bill & Vickie Huffor's Anniversary Colleen Wakeley's Birthday FREE Lunch	21 Women's Enrichment 10:00 am	22 Men's Breakfast 7:30 am	23
24 Michael & Ruth Hoffman's Anniversary Potluck and Easter Egg Hunt	25 Martine Vogel's Birthday 2nd Cup of Coffee 9:00 am Inspiring Hymns 6:00 pm	26	27	28 Don Jones' Birthday Women's Enrichment 10:00 am Maundy Thursday Worship 7 pm	29 Men's Breakfast 7:30 am Good Friday Worship 7 pm	30 Kitty Guillory's Birthday
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