

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

August, 2022



FREE DINNER
PROVIDED



**August 8th-11th
5:30p-8:00pm
Pre K- 5th grade**

1101 Rampart Range Road
Woodland Park, CO

Register Online

<http://www.mt-viewumc.org/>

Name Tags—everyone should have one now—
please check the board in the hall way between the
Narthex and the Fellowship Hall. Let Sandy know if
you don't have one. If you have two, please put the
extra one in the basket on the floor.

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We all go through times that test our faith. And after we go through them and life gets back to normal, we appreciate that despite the pain and inconvenience we went through, God was with us every step of the way. It is like the famous poem, Footprint In the Sands says, "At those times when you didn't see my footprints, it was when I was carrying you."

The difficult part of going through difficult times is dealing with the changes that have occurred. The hardest question we have to answer is "What did you learn from the experience?" The answer to that question is important, because it marks the beginning of a new way forward in our lives and in our faith. My experience with people is they either move forward with resentment, anger and pain or they move forward with hope and forgiveness. I think that through this Pandemic and coming out of it as we now are that there are a lot of people who are letting resentment and anger guide their way forward. This resentment and anger is only made worse by being stoked by all the negative events happening in the world: Inflation, the price of gasoline, mistrust in our leaders and government, the war in Ukraine. The list goes on and on.

Of course, what we are going through now is nothing new. People have been going through this cycle for millennia. Through it all, the church has been there to give people hope and direction in their lives, especially in answering that difficult question "What have you learned." Think for a moment about what the early church was like. In the book "After Jesus, Before Christianity: A Historical Exploration of the First Two Centuries of Jesus Movements" the authors (one of which was a former professor) talk about how there was no formal church but instead pockets of people living in different parts of Palestine who shared in a belief in Jesus as the Messiah. They would gather at a time when Roman oppression and cruelty were at its zenith. Believers were dying all the time. They could have easily learned from that difficulty to go forward in anger, resentment and hate; and resign themselves to the suffering they were experiencing. But they created hope. They stood up to evil and death by taking the story of a Jewish carpenter and teacher who suffered a horrible and unjust death and with the help of the Holy Spirit transformed that story to one of resurrection and new life, thus giving the world and us a new direction to live. A direction filled hope and love and community and the Kingdom of God.

One of the scriptures I recently preached on was the Parable of Good Samaritan in Luke 10. We all are familiar with the story of how a man was robbed and beaten and left for dead by the side of the road. The sight of the man in the ditch however didn't stop the traffic. People walked on by, going on their way. But a Samaritan, someone whom we know was supposed to be an outcast and who was always treated as scum and less than worthy of care, saw the man and helped. Despite his own difficult circumstances he stopped and helped the man and thus started a new way and direction for us to follow.

That parable helps gives this church the general direction we should be going. We are all in some way beaten and hurt. But we are also a people of hope who have learned the hard way that God is with us all the time and especially the hard ones. We, like that Samaritan, are called to create and help people follow a new path for people during and after their difficult



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experiences. One that leads to love and hope and renewed connection with the God who is grace and love and forgiveness and inclusivity.

I believe that God has a specific and unique path for this church to create and share with people. In the coming months, together we will be exploring that path and seeing where God is leading us. I hope that you are excited as I am right now to begin.

On a more personal note, Colleen and I thank you for your gracious hospitality to us since we have arrived and your offers to help us. As I write this article, on a Tuesday, we have learned that our “stuff” is now on its way to Colorado Springs and should arrive on Thursday. The next step is for the agent there to bring it up the last 15 miles to our new home. It’s been difficult for us, but through your love and help we once again know that God is with us. And what have we learned? That we are not alone but that God sends Angels like you to help us and support us.

I am humbled and excited to be your Pastor. God bless you all. I hope to see you and meet you soon in church. I’m finishing up my one-on-one visitations with all the leaders of the church and so will soon begin my visitations with you, in your home and or business. In the meantime, if you need me I am available, except for Fridays and Saturdays, Those are the days I am taking off unless there is a pastoral emergency,

Grace and Peaces,

Jeff

Jo Lied’s Information in the Printed Directory is Incorrect—her email is belljopt@cs.com and her cell phone is 719-726-0668. Thank you.



A Reminder to Keep Giving Current This Summer

From your Finance Team Leader, Lee Taylor

Our Mountain View UMC enters this summer in a healthy financial position, thanks to members who are current on their 2022 commitments to giving. To date, non-pledged giving is on target with our projections. Careful spending has been held within budget. As of this past month, cash flow is

adequate to meet current obligations. Your giving and our expense management has been commendable.

I ask that you continue to keep your financial support of the church strong during the summer and fall months. You can do this in several ways: 1) give during worship at least one Sunday a month when you are in worship and not traveling; 2) set up a monthly draft for electronic transfer so that you don’t have to remember to write the check while you are away; or 3) set up an automatic payment through your own bank to the church on a regular schedule. Our Financial Secretary (who handles all income), Jerry Burnham, will be glad to help you privately with any of these last two methods.

Summertime ministry expenses do not end while members are on vacation. The mission of the Church continues. In fact, as our ministry teams and age-level ministries gear up for the fall, we will have additional expenses to cover in July and August. Your finance leaders appreciate your dedication.



Children and Youth

- ⇒ **Children's Sunday School:** Preschool to 5th 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.



NEED A MISSION?

- ⇒ **Mobile Greeter** to operate Congregational Carrier.
- ⇒ **Invitational Team Leader** to work on reaching out to the community and inviting them to be part of MVUMC.
- ⇒ **Offering Counters.** To count the weekly communion offerings and deposit with bank.
- ⇒ **Safety Team volunteers.** Good observers and communicators. No experience necessary. We will train.
- ⇒ **Greeters and Ushers:** To greet new and existing members before Sunday service.
- ⇒ **Sound Booth Operators.** Volunteers to learn the sound booth duties for our worship services.
- ⇒ **Children's Ministry Team.** To teach Sunday School or Youth Group on Sunday mornings.

For more information contact Sandy at 719-687-3868 or mountain.viewumcwp@gmail.com.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Friday

9:00 am—12:30 pm

719-687-3868

mountain.viewumcwp@gmail.com

IN-PERSON WORSHIP:

Sunday Mornings 10:30 am

ON-LINE WORSHIP:

Sunday Mornings 10:30 am

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

Facebook-<https://www.facebook.com/RampartRangeWP>



GIVE ONLINE

Visit Our Website

www.mt-viewumc.org

Make an online donation through our website with our DONATION Button



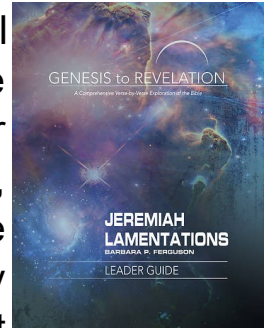


Adult Learning and Sharing Opportunities

⇒ **CONTEMPORARY CHRISTIAN ROUNDTABLE** currently meets online Sundays from 8:45 am, to 9:45 am. You are free to join us from 8:30 am to 8:45 am for informal sharing and chat. For the latest meeting information, please call Fred Tinsley email ftinsley@coloradocollege.edu or at 719-661-3980 .



⇒ **LIVING BIBLE** class is held at 9:00 am on Sunday morning . We will continue studying "Genesis to Revelations" and are studying the series of books of **"Jeremiah and Lamantations"** Please join our Living Bible class online, by phone, or in person. For in person class, please join us in our church conference room (Room 109). We are prepared and ready with study materials for anyone to join in at any time. For more information, please contact Tim Rucker at timrucker@hotmail.com or 719-689-5510. Links to join Living Bible: Dial-in number (US): (701) 791-9045 Pletcher18 International dial-in numbers: <https://fccdl.in/i/pletcher18>



⇒ **WOMENS ENRICHMENT MINISTRY** Bible class will be using the Upper Room through Labor Day. The group will be decided on their next study soon so if you cannot make it, call Sandy to voice what you would like! Thursday's at 10:00 am in the church conference room.



⇒ A new class for "old" seniors. **BALANCE!** This is for someone who can no longer do a full hour at the gym. We will work on balance, strength, activities of daily living, walking, sitting/standing, specific exercises to prevent falls, improve posture, range of motion in specific muscle groups. We will work on stairs/steps, dressing, getting up and down to the floor, coordination (gross and fine motor skills) and address any specific difficulties that participants may be experiencing. Call June Essing for details on where and when! 719-687-6854.



UPCOMING EVENTS

**Women's
Second Cup of Coffee**
2nd and 4th Mondays at 9 am
Lydia Eell's house
785 Westwood Trace
719-687-1827



**Mountain View Men's
BREAKFAST**
Every Friday at 7:30 am at Grandmother's Kitchen


Women's Enrichment
Thursdays at 10



**Safety Tip
Sunday
August 21
Fire Mitigation**



**Women's Emmaus
1st & 3rd Saturday
9 am
June Essing's
2109 Lee Circle
Drive**



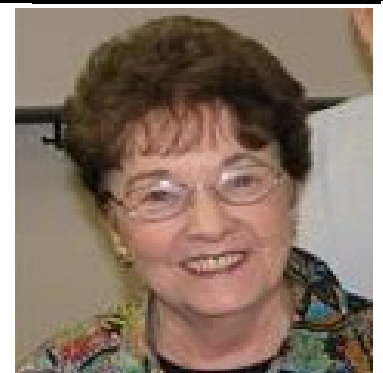
Serving Communion
August 8
9:30 am
Sanctuary



FREE
SonSurf
BEACH BASH VBS



FREE DINNER PROVIDED



**Memorial Service
for Vangie Oliver**
September 3
10:00 am

Walk to Emmaus
THE UPPER ROOM



Women's Walk #184 – October 20-23
Men's Walk #185 – October 27-30

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5:30p-8:00pm
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SOUL RESET
September 17 - 11 am



Our Congregation



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.

Thanks to all who called and sent cards during my recent health issues. I am better each day. Gary Myers

Thank you for being such treasures!

The birthday wishes, vacation cover, and at-the-phone ready coverage.

I cannot thank you enough!

Sandy



Anyone have an interest? We need some help! Let the office know.

719-687-3868

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.

ALTAR FLOWERS

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.

The Happy Hoofers—Sloth (we get there when we get there!) Hiking Group is welcoming new members..

We hike on Tuesday mornings, usually meeting at the Senior Center parking lot at 8:30 or 9:00 am during the winter and 8:00 in the summer when it gets hot.

We usually hike 3-5 miles and only hike in the winter when the weather cooperates. Our pace is slow as we enjoy nature. We try to hike trails in Teller County but go down to the Springs when the ice and snow get too bad.

If interested, please contact Rusty Merrill at church or on merrillfarm73@gmail.com



MEMBER OF
**FEEDING
AMERICA**

Community Cupboard hours:

Monday, Wednesday & Friday,
9:30—11:30 am
414 North Highway 67,
Woodland Park

The Little Chapel Food Pantry in Divide distribution dates are the 1st and 3rd Mondays, **2:00-5:30**. Little Chapel Food Pantry continues to need clean plastic bags and egg cartons. There are containers in the narthex for these items. Volunteers always needed.



Community Partnership has an ongoing need for school supplies. Please visit their website at <http://www.cpteller.org/> for additional information. Patricia Metz has also volunteered to be a point of contact. Her home # is 719-687-1005 and cell # is 719-246-1507.

Did you know that shopping at any King Soopers store can earn extra money for Mountain View? Fifteen members who are enrolled in the King Soopers Community Rewards program netted \$123.62 for our church coffers this past quarter. You can sign up on-line or stop by the service desk to take part in this easy and profitable way to support our congregation.

Your mission committee



Wood Chopping—Help at the wood yard the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month from 9 am to 12 pm. The yard is behind the fire station located at 1010 Evergreen Heights in Woodland. Please bring a pair of work gloves, protective glasses and water. For more info contact Jim Grover (687-1239) or Wendy Davis (660-8935)



Serving Communion Class—

Pastor Jeff is leading a class for anyone interest in helping to serve Communion. He will explain where you stand, what you say, any any other task needed. The first class will be on **Monday, August 8 at 9:30 am in the Sanctuary.**

Worship Services



2022 CHURCH COUNCIL

Chairperson	Sam Gould	sam.gould1942@gmail.com
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Bob Barth	wayne1944@aol.com

2022 COMMUNION OFFERINGS

Jan - UMCOR Tornado Victims—\$754
 Feb - Aspen Mine Center—\$747
 Mar - Christian Faith Ministries—\$769
 Apr - UMCOR Sunday—Ukraine—\$4,398
 May - Senior Center—\$610
 Jun - Swim Across America—\$912
 Jul - Status Code 4
 Aug - Local Fire Departments
 Sep - Red Bird Mission
 Oct - World Communion Offering
 Nov - TBD
Dec - TBD

Thank you for your generosity!

Come Sing with Us!!!

**Woodland Park
 Community Singers
 Monday 6:30—8 pm
 mvumc**



BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES

August 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday																																																																																											
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<i>14</i> Dale Petersen's Birthday June Essing's Birthday	<i>15</i> Bill Huffor's Birthday Clarke & Joni Becker's Anniversary Nitia Schroeder's Birthday	<i>16</i>	<i>17</i> Jackie & Steve Bader's Anniversary Jo Lied's Birthday	<i>18</i> Charles & Joy Bostian's Anniversary Debby & Ian Elliott's Anniversary Karen Vickery's Birthday	<i>19</i> Ann & Mike Snipes' Anniversary	<i>20</i> Brooke & Kardyn Smith's Anniversary Joanne Thies' Birthday Stephanie Witman's Birthday																																																																																											
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<i>28</i> Enrique & Kay Sanchez's Anniversary Julie Matthews' Anniversary Margaret VanAnrooy's Anniversary	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i> Marci Nickelsburg's Anniversary	<i>31</i> Carol Goll's Anniversary Joanne & Paul Thies' Anniversary Larry Larson's Birthday	<div>Jul 2022</div> <table> <tr><td>S</td><td>M</td><td>T</td><td>W</td><td>T</td><td>F</td><td>S</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>1</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td></tr> <tr><td>10</td><td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td></tr> <tr><td>17</td><td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td></tr> <tr><td>24</td><td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td><td>29</td><td>30</td></tr> <tr><td>31</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr> </table> <div>Sep 2022</div> <table> <tr><td>S</td><td>M</td><td>T</td><td>W</td><td>T</td><td>F</td><td>S</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>1</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td></tr> <tr><td>10</td><td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td></tr> <tr><td>17</td><td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td></tr> <tr><td>24</td><td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td><td>29</td><td>30</td></tr> </table>			S	M	T	W	T	F	S						1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31							S	M	T	W	T	F	S						1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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Financial Facts

Mt. View United Methodist Church Financial Facts as of June 30, 2022

	Monthly		Monthly Variance	Year to Date		Annual Variance
	Actual	Budget		Actual	Budget	
Tithes & Offerings (pledged) (1)	11,839	17,652	(5,813)	108,441	105,912	2,529
Tithes & Offerings (unpledged) (2)	2,486	5,079	(2,593)	26,184	29,725	(3,541)
Other Revenue ^	(523)	9	(532)	225	54	171
Transfers from Restricted Funds	1,275	-	1,275	19,514	-	19,514
Total Revenue	15,077	22,740	(7,663)	154,364	135,691	18,673
Total Expenses (3)	(12,874)	(15,685)	2,811	(89,976)	(100,183)	10,207
Revenue in Excess of Expenses	2,203	7,056	(4,852)	64,388	35,508	28,880
Purchase of Capital Assets *	-	-	-	(9,196)	-	(9,196)
Receipt of 403(b) Receivable	-	-	-	1,000	-	1,000
Mortgage Principal Reduction	(7,452)	(6,166)	(1,286)	(42,452)	(36,999)	(5,453)
Operating Fund Net Cash Flow (4)	(5,248)	889	(6,138)	13,740	(1,491)	15,231
Restricted Fund Net Cash Flow	(1,759)	-	(1,759)	(14,939)	-	(14,939)
Combined Funds Net Cash Flow (5)	(7,007)	889	(7,897)	(1,199)	(1,491)	292

*Purchased 4 combo wireless mics with Hunt Memorial funds on 2/8/22 & 6 person parking lot cart on 4/21/22

^ In June, Building Use Donations year-to-date were moved from other revenue to go against the Trustees' electricity expenses for budget relief from high utility rates-per vote of finance committee

Notes for June 2022:

- (1) Pledged revenues were under budget for the month by \$5,813, and over budget for the year by \$2,529
- (2) Unpledged revenues were under budget for the month by \$2,593, and under budget for the year by \$3,541
- (3) Expenses were over budget for the month by \$2,811, and over budget for the year by \$10,207
- (4) Operating Fund Net Cash Flow was negative for the month by \$6,138 and over budget for the year by \$15,231.
- (5) Combined cash has decreased this year by \$1,199

Mortgage Principal Reduction from beginning 2022 balance of \$742,963.02:

Balance @ 06/30/2022:		Current Month		Year to Date	
\$		Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
	700,511				
Operating Funds		6,177	6,166	37,053	36,999
Restricted gifts		1,275	-	5,398	-
Total		7,452	6,166	42,452	36,999

Cash Allocations

Operating and Designated Fund Balances:

	Current Month	Beginning of Year	YTD Increase or (Decrease) in Cash Balance
Operating Fund Balance	43,529	29,788	13,741
Designated Bldg Insurance Reserve	27,500	27,500	-
Designated Capital Assets Reserve (no monthly increase during 2022)	37,409	37,409	-
Designated SPRC Reserve (no monthly increase during 2022)	5,808	5,808	-
Total Checking Cash Balance	114,246	100,505	13,741

Restricted Fund Balances:

Building Savings Fund Balance	824	1,278	(454)
Restricted Checking Fund Balance	20,626	28,392	(7,766)
Restricted Mortgage Checking Fund Balance	13,451	20,170	(6,719)
Total of all Restricted Fund Balances	34,901	49,840	(14,939)

Total Combined Cash for All Funds (5)	149,147	150,345	(1,199)
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