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MONTVIEW

TODAY & TOMORROW

"We are resolved to build something greater than ourselves: a vital, giving, community of faith whose work and spirit will endure beyond any of us. We are also resolved that every Montview member, each of you, will find work and fellowship and opportunities at Montview that will transform you from within."

MAY IS HABITAT FOR HUMANITY MONTH AT MONTVIEW

Montview has been actively involved with Habitat for Humanity since 1999. By providing financial support and construction volunteers we have helped to build 12 affordable homes benefiting 38 low-income family members in Metro Denver. Despite Montview's current budget shortfall we remain committed to this important local mission.

This summer we have the opportunity to continue this important work by helping to sponsor a home in Denver at 800 S. Patton. Construction is scheduled to begin in the middle of July. The build will last approximately 3 months.

Habitat for Humanity carefully selects each family from among hundreds of applicants, based on their needs and ability to repay the reduced cost of their home. In addition, each adult must complete 250 hours of sweat equity with Habitat. This year we are helping to build a house for Ali and Kamila Kased-Ruhaif and their 4 children.

OUR GOALS DURING THE MONTH

- Raise \$5,000 to match the \$5,000 provided by Faith in Action to become a full partner in the house we build.
- Provide 10 construction volunteers on each of our seven build days.



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FROM THE CO-PASTORS

Dear Friends of Montview,

With the festival of Easter celebrated and Spring on its way to full bloom, the church season of Eastertide persists. Its greatest gift is hope. A hope that is not wishful thinking or easy trust. Rather, Easter hope claims to make a difference in how we live life. It is a hope that shines clarifying light in dark places of misunderstanding, holds forth when cynicism seems the better choice and refuses to stand down when confronted by despair. Easter hope floods the human soul with confidence that is not born of human striving. It is a gift we can receive, but not create.

Pastor Victoria Safford, beautifully describes this hope. She writes, "Our mission is to plant ourselves at the gates of hope - not the prudent gates of Optimism, which are somewhat narrower; nor the stalwart, boring gates of Common Sense; nor the strident gates of Self-Righteousness, which creak on shrill and angry hinges (people cannot hear us there; they cannot pass through); nor the cheerful, flimsy garden gate of "Everything Is Gonna Be All Right." But a different, sometimes lonely place, of truth-telling about your own soul first of all and its condition, the place of resistance and defiance, from which you see the world both as it is and as it could be, as it will be; the place from which you glimpse not only struggle but joy in the struggle. And we stand there, beckoning and calling, telling people what we're seeing, asking them what they see."

To live planted in such a hope calls us to make a difference in the world, to matter to everyone who is welcomed to our community and to follow Jesus' loving path wherever we journey. What a privilege it is to share this gift of hope with each of you in our Montview community of faith.

With gratitude and blessing,



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LECTIONARY PASSAGES

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 1, 2011

Acts 2:14a, 22-32, Psalm 16
1 Peter 1:3-9, John 20:19-31

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 8, 2011

Acts 2:14a, 36-41, Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19, 1 Peter 1:17-23, Luke 24:13-35

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 15, 2011

Acts 2:42-47, Psalm 23,
1 Peter 2:19-25, John 10:1-10

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 22, 2011

Acts 7:55-60, Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16,
1 Peter 2:2-10, John 14:1-14

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 29, 2011

Acts 17:22-31, Psalm 66:8-20
1 Peter 3:13-22, John 14:15-21

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

June 5, 2011

Acts 1:6-14, Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35,
1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11, John 17:1-11

DAY OF PENTECOST

June 12, 2011

Acts 2:1-21, Psalm 104:24-34, 35b,
1 Corinthians 12:3b-13, John 20:19-23

TRINITY SUNDAY

June 19, 2011

Genesis 1:1-2:4a, Psalm 8,
2 Corinthians 13:11-13, Matthew 28:16-20

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

June 26, 2011

Genesis 22:1-14, Jeremiah 28:5-9,
Romans 6:12-23, Matthew 10:40-42

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 3, 2011

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67,
Zechariah 9:9-12, Romans 7:15-25a,
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 10, 2011

Genesis 25:19-34, Isaiah 55:10-13
Romans 8:1-11,
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 17, 2011

Genesis 28:10-19a,
Wisdom of Solomon 12:13, 16-19
Romans 8:12-25, Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 24, 2011

Genesis 29:15-28,
Psalm 105:1-11, 45b,
1 Kings 3:5-12, Romans 8:26-39,
Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 31, 2011

Genesis 32:22-31, Isaiah 55:1-5,
Romans 9:1-5, Matthew 14:13-21

PRAYER TREE

Bill Muldrow, Chip King, Suzanne Schwindt (cousin of Dianna Hankel and Marcie Ransom), Nancy Douglas, Bob Tazelaar, Steve Pearlman, Helen Bradley (sister of Anne Schreiner), Cathy Marsh, Rebecca (daughter of Sherry Rothbaum), Trish Walton (daughter of Ann Barkdoll), James Lewis, Roy Bahringer (father of Sheila Cody), Virginia Imig (mother of Sarah Imig Osani), Anneliese Gretsche (granddaughter of Priscilla Linsley),

Roy Whiting (uncle of Karen Whiting), Wally Williams, Pat Kennedy (mother of Steve Kennedy), Barbara McCollum, Paden Cormack, Elmira Baynham, Wayne Ostlund (father of Karen Kudebeh), Jack and Marvin (uncles of Dianna Hankel and Marcie Ransom)

BIRTHS

3/20 Magnolia Helene Sibley-Wilson, daughter of Kendra Sibley and Sasha Wilson, sister of Delphinium Sibley-Wilson, granddaughter of Jean Sibley

DEATHS

4/19 Eric Chusid, brother of Marc Chusid and brother-in-law of Juli Davidson
4/18 Gary Lane
4/18 Rick Norton, choir member
4/11 John Milton Davidson II, father of Montview member Juli Davidson
2/24 Tyler Jungbluth
3/25 Eugene Burkhart, brother-in-law of Shirley Burkhart, uncle of Amy, Laura and Sara
3/23 Marcia Freed
3/21 Richard Gleue, uncle of Dennis Shull
3/11 Nellye French

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MONTVIEW WORSHIP BULLETIN DEADLINES

*Information to appear in the
Sunday worship bulletin must be
submitted the **TUESDAY PRIOR**
to the Sunday in which the
information is to first appear.*

Montview Children

Sandy Prouty, Minister of Children's Ministries



LIMITS

Sometimes two books seem to fall into your experience at just the right moment. They together create a surprising array of beginning points for further consideration, discussion, journaling and action. This article resulted from two dramatically different titles I happened upon recently. One of these was Richard Rohr's latest book, *Falling Upward: A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life*. The other was a children's picture book entitled *When Sophie Gets Angry- Really, Really Angry...* by Molly Bang.

Richard Rohr's book speaks of the early and the later tasks and goals of life. The early are required for the later, for self-actualization, and for a mature faith. These early tasks and goals are part of the curriculum of parenting. We parents are the facilitators of this early work as the first and most constant source of limits in our children's lives.

Rohr states that limit situations are completely necessary if our children are to learn relationship skills and inner discipline. Children need to have some limits on their personal plans and desires. Children need to bump up against these non-negotiable limits and learn all of their lessons about community and responsibility to others. This is where we parents come in. We are the limit keepers. We help our children find the boundaries of behavior and often deal with their arguments, pleas, and anger when they face restrictions.

The story of Sophie describes a limit situation. Sophie's sister takes a toy from Sophie. It is her sister's turn and Mom holds this limit of sharing. Sophie kicks, screams, roars, and threatens to explode like a volcano but the limit

holds and the story turns.

Sophie leaves her house for some time alone. She runs at first but then slows down to notice nature. She sees rocks, hears a bird, and then climbs a tree to enjoy the view. In this time alone "the wide world comforts her." Her anger fades and she returns home to be with her family in loving relationship as they complete a puzzle together. On this typical day, Sophie bumped up against a limit, had a difficult learning experience, and grew in her understanding of herself and her place in the wide world that comforted her.

This story did not explore some of the responses available to Sophie. She didn't argue, plead unfairness, or whine. Maybe she had exhausted these on previous occasions as her parents held the limits well. Rohr might say that in this limit situation and its resolution, Sophie learned a bit more about the creative tension of law and freedom that is foundational to our spirituality throughout our lives. Sophie did not get what she wanted against the "law" of taking turns but discovered a bit more about the freedom of acceptance when the limit held. She did not get her way but she found the way of God in time alone, in beauty and forgiveness, and in love shared beyond passing circumstances.

May we be good limit keepers for our children. May we help them move into the discipline, punctuality, respect, positive self-image and persistence that limit situations teach and a well-lived life requires. May we help them discover that not getting their way can be the path to different gifts and all they want and need in God. Amen.

CALENDAR

MAY 1 • Children and Youth in Worship Awards Luncheon - Fellowship Hall after the 11:00 service. Acolytes, ushers, readers, Pulpit Players and children's choir

members will be honored. We hope that you can be there!

MAY 22 • Children's Service - Room 305 at 10:00. Please join us for this special service led by our children.

MAY 29 • Our one service schedule begins. We will worship at 10:00. Childcare will begin at 9:45.

THANK YOU

- Thank you to the Mackintosh and Knauert families for bringing the communion ele-

ments forward in April. They walked and offered these gifts for each us.

ANNUAL CHILDREN & YOUTH IN WORSHIP LUNCHEON • MAY 1

Please join us in Fellowship Hall after the 11:00 a.m. service to share a pizza/potluck meal with Montview families and honor our children and youth who participate in Montview worship programs. Please contact Rebecca Koenigberg at rebecca@koenigberg.com or 303-466-8866 to learn more details, to make a donation, and to volunteer!
- The Children's Committee



Montview Youth

FAITH UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Rev. Sheri Fry, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry

REFLECTION

Once I began going to church, the age-old religious rituals marking the turning of the year deepened and gave a fuller meaning to the cycle of the seasons and my own relation to them. The year was not only divided now into winter, spring, summer, and fall but was marked by the expectation of Advent, leading up to the fulfillment of Christmas, followed by Lent, the solemn prelude to the coming of the dark anguish of Good Friday that is transformed in the glory of Easter. Birth and death and resurrection, beginnings and endings and renewals, were observed and celebrated in ceremonies whose experience made me feel I belonged – not just to a

neighborhood and a place, but to a larger order of things, a universal sequence of life and death and rebirth...

Going to church, even belonging to it, did not solve life's problems – if anything, they seemed to escalate again around that time – but it gave me a sense of living in a large context, of being part of something greater than what I could see through the tunnel vision of my personal concerns. I now looked forward to Sunday because it meant going to church; what once was strange now felt not only natural but essential.

-Dan Wakefield
In *Returning*

The Christian Doctrine of the communion of saints is simple, really.

All it says is that once you buy the farm you still live on the farm.

All it says is that those who have gone before us are still with us.

All it says is that past generations still count and must be taken into account.

In other words, we're all in this together. All of us.

- Mitch Finley
In *Whispers of Love*

THE GARAGE SALE...

The Garage Sale...the annual fundraiser that benefits the summer youth work trips was held on April 16, 2011. The money raised from this event will be used to benefit projects we will be assigned to help with on the Yakima Indian Reservation in Wapato, Washington. We will be in partnership with The Campbell Farm located on the Yakima Indian Reservation.

With the help of all of you we raised \$9,350. Amazing!!! This garage sale has been going on at least 30 years and it takes people's discarded items and turns them into treasures for others. We thank all of you who donated your goods, picked them up, sorted them, priced them and of course bought them!

It is a week of hard work but a week of working together. There is a dedicated group of people whose

children have long ago grown up and left the youth program and some whose children were never in it or are not able to travel with us this summer as well as the current group of youth and parents who are planning to travel with us who show up to help. Everyone shows up with smiles on their faces and a willingness to work together and make this a successful event.

A special thanks to Nate Thompson who chaired this event, Chris Olson, Chair of the Youth Committee, Jean Sibley, Frank Coleman, Penny, Lorry, Anne, Susan, Brian, Beth, Dan, Marshall, Steve, Ann, Larry, MOB youth and Parents...

Working together, laughing, pricing, talking, sorting, eating, running, lifting, helping, caring, exhausting... Montview Church...I cannot think of a better community to be a part of! Thank You.

Montview in the World

◀◀ Tutoring ◀◀ Metro CareRing ◀◀ Africa ◀◀ Nepal ◀◀ Mexico
Habitat for Humanity ◀◀ Greater Park Hill ◀◀ Ukraine ◀◀ Guatemala



NEPAL WORKTRIP PRESENTATION AND HANDICRAFT SALE PHOTOS, STORIES AND PERSONAL ACCOUNTS . . .

Nepal 2010 worktrip participants will present photos and commentary about their experiences on Saturday evening, May 7th at 7:30 in the Miller Center. Medical and education team activities in a remote village and in bustling Kathmandu brought contrast and diversity to a multi-faceted early December trip.

Working in a small middle-hills village over Christmas another group helped dig trenches to install water infrastructure to assist small-plot farmers in their off-season crop production efforts. This project was done in cooperation with IDE (International Development Enterprises) – a capital campaign partner.

A second presentation will be made later (probably during the summer) by participants from the third Nepal 2010 team comprised largely of Montview youth and young adults. This group worked in a larger village right at the base of the dramatic Annapurna range on another IDE MUS (Multiple Use Water System) project.

A “Spring” Handicraft sale will be held Friday, May 6 from 3:00 – 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, May 7th from 10:00 a.m. until the evening presentation. **PLEASE NOTE** that the Montview Preschool Carnival is on Saturday so parking may be challenging, especially in the morning. - Lynn Hetterich



This Week
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This Week @ Montview is a weekly email sent to members of the congregation listing upcoming items and events. If you would like to receive the weekly This Week @ Montview email, please email Larry Strauss (strauss@montview.org.) In addition, if you are already receiving the weekly email but are unable to view the attachment, email Larry Strauss describing the error.

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for Faith



ENGAGING OUR TRADITION • EXPANDING OUR PERSPECTIVE

MAY 1, 8, 15, AND 22 AT 9:30 AM

The Book of Job

Presented by Dr. Amy Erickson

Assistant Professor of Hebrew Bible at Iliff Theological Seminary

The Book of Job addresses some of the most pressing issues and questions of our time, including the purpose of suffering, God's role in creation, the nature of faith, and the meaning of justice and redemption. But while Job asks theological questions, the book refuses to give definitive answers in a treatise-like style; rather Job is a complex and stunning work of art, presenting a kaleidoscope of contrasting theological expressions. In this four-week class on Job, we will work together to appreciate the book's theological diversity as well as its poetic artistry.

Dr. Erickson brings considerable expertise to the study of Job. She focused on Job's speeches in her dissertation and has written about depictions of Job in early Christian art for the *Encyclopedia of Early Christian Art and Archaeology*. Join us for what is sure to be an interesting and enlightening series of classes.

49ers Contemporary Forum

an educational forum for all ages

MAY 1 • Youth In Action - Students who have studied Japanese will soon travel to disaster-ravaged Japanese host town. Youth in Action is a two-year study program that teaches kids from ages 10 to 17 about Japanese language and culture. The students are required to participate in community services and their 'graduation' is a cultural exchange trip to Japan. Founder Jo Anne Harada will give us a presentation about the program as well as students' effort for helping the Japanese host town impacted by the recent disasters.

MAY 8 • Yearning For Democracy In The Middle East: Professor Ved P. Nanda. What is our role in the Lybia and the Middle East and what should our role be? What do the current conflicts mean to the United States? Our good friend, Ved Nanda, Vice Provost For Internationalization at the University of Denver, will address these questions, and much more.

MAY 15 • Report from Southeast Asia by Dr. Susan Stewart and Dr. Court Walters. Montview representatives Dr. Susan Stewart and Dr. Court Walters will give us a report from Southeast Asia. They live in Yangon, the former capital of Myanmar (formerly Burma). Court is a physician who works with a local organization who provides health care to children in 120 orphanages around Yangon. Susan has a small local organization Development consulting firm working to strengthen local communities, organizations and networks in Myanmar.

MAY 22 • Empowering Women in Uganda - Karen Sugar, founder of Denver-based Women's Global Empowerment Fund, will hold "A Conversation about Hope and Possibilities for Women in Northern Uganda" and show a video May 22. The organization provides Ugandan women access to microcredit loans, training in business development and educational opportunities, creating sustainable development and empowerment. Featured recently in The Denver Post, Women' Global was founded on the belief that microfinance is an effective tool at alleviating extreme poverty, but when bundled with educational opportunities, can be revolutionary. Karen Sugar has worked for social justice and improving the lives of women for most of her adult life. She founded Women's Global Empowerment Fund in 2007 after learning about microfinance in graduate school and writing her master's thesis on the subject.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOTHER'S DAY DIAPERS DRIVE • MAY 1, 8 AND 15 - Honor your mom this Mother's Day with a donation of diapers, formula, or baby food to a low income or homeless mother served by Metro CareRing. Collection boxes will be in the Commons and near Sunday school classrooms May 1, 8, and 15. Giving to a struggling mother you've never met is a beautiful way to celebrate motherhood!

WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY • MAY 4, 11, 18, 25, JUNE 1 AND 8 - The Wednesday Evening women's book study group will reconvene starting Wednesday, May 4, and continue through June 8, meeting in the McCollum Room at 7:00 p.m. We will be reading *In the Land of the Believers: An Outsider's Extraordinary Journey into the Heart of the Evangelical Church* by Gina Welch. A self-characterized secular progressive, the author had some less-than-favorable preconceived notions about evangelical Christians when she decided to investigate further by going undercover at Jerry Falwell's Thomas Road Baptist Church in Lynchburg, Virginia. Join us as we experience her journey and discover the common ground we may share with evangelical Christians.

DENVER GAY MEN'S CHORUS SPRING CONCERT • MAY 6-8 - Denver Gay Men's Chorus Spring Concert, "The Road Home," will take place May 6 and 7 at 7:30 p.m. at Arts and Culture Center, 1477 Columbine Street at Colfax Avenue in Denver, and Sunday, May 8 at 2:00 p.m. at St. Andrew United Methodist Church, 3350 E. White Bay Drive in Highlands Ranch. Advance tickets prices are \$22 (adults) and \$18 (students); children 12 and under are free when accompanied by an adult. Tickets may be purchased www.rmarts.org.

SOJOURNERS POTLUCK AND NEPAL PRESENTATION • MAY 7 - On Saturday, May 7, 2011 in the Miller Center at 7:30 P.M. there will be a presentation about Montview's work in Nepal with slides from the trips taken by Montview members. Sojourner's will meet at 6:00 P.M. in the Green Room for a Potluck dinner and then attend the program together. Table settings will be provided. Please bring a dish to share with others and beverages for your family. Nepalese goods will be for sale in the McCollum room from 10:00 A.M. until 9:00 P.M. . If you plan to attend the dinner and presentation, please R.S.V. P. to Ellie Talmage at 303-344-4378 or ellie322@comcast.net.

VILLAGE WOMEN'S HEALTH PARTNERSHIP IN ETHIOPIA • MAY 12 - Denver Doctor Margaret Muldrow a medical and Cosmetic Dermatologist is offering a Mother's Day celebration and Fund-raiser at her clinic on May 12th from 7 am to 7 pm. All cosmetic supplies, laser time and staff time has been donated. 100% of all proceeds from this beauty extravaganza will go to the Village Women's Health partnership in Ethiopia which Dr. Muldrow has opened. This partnership will provide health care for women which is desperately needed in Ethiopia. Call or email Lynn for further information and to schedule: 303-830-2900 or Lynn@migsmd.com.

PATHFINDERS • MAY 13 - Pathfinders will meet Friday, May 13 at 7:00 p.m. to watch the movie Temple Grandin: Meet the autistic woman who became a leading animal behavior expert and professor at CSU. We will meet at the home of Scottie Annable, 4720 E Pinewood Circle, Centennial 80121. For more information, contact Diane Cooper in the church office. Please RSVP to Scottie at 303-796-9063 or Scottie@ScottSci.com. The Pathfinders are single women from the ages of 40+. For more information contact Diane Cooper at cooper@montview.org.

SPRING CLEANING 2011 - CLEANSING OF THE CHURCH • MAY 14 - Is there a weed you really want pulled or bare paint spot on a wall that is bugging you? Ever wonder what is under the pew cushions you sit on each Sunday? Now is your chance to connect with other Montview folks to spiff up your other house (Montview Church just in case you were confused.) Join us May 14 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. for the Annual Cleansing of the Church. Many tasks including: outdoor yard work and planting, sanctuary cleaning - pew cushions and polish, door and window cleaning and maintenance, painting, light fixture maintenance, miscellaneous cleaning, roof and gutter debris removal. Bagels, donuts, juice, snacks and childcare for kids will be provided.

GARDEN CLUB AND SPRING CLEANSING • MAY 14 - The garden club is planning a spring cleanup of the outside of the church while the church is being cleansed inside. We need your help! We will be completing a wide variety of tasks including edging, pruning, and fertilizing. That's where you come in. We need a couple of jet vacs, an edger and a fertilizer spreader...and someone to operate each of them. We will meet at 9:00 a.m. with the rest of the church cleansing crews. Please email Pam Johnston at johnstonpm@yahoo.com with any questions. Hope to see you!

PRAYER SHAWL MEETING • MAY 15 & JUNE 19 - Stop by the Library Lounge from 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. for light refreshments, fellowship and knitting. The Montview Knitters will meet April 10, May 15 and June 19 . Contact Ellen Reath at 303-355-5062 or magreath@ecentral.com or Ellen Oakes at 303-333-8991 or echoot@msn.com for more information.

NEW TO MONTVIEW? INTERESTED IN MEETING OTHER MONTVIEW WOMEN? ENJOY EATING BREAKFAST OUT? • MAY 19 & JUNE 16 - The Montview Women's Breakfast Club meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at LePeep Restaurant on York Street, just north of 18th Avenue (the East side of City Park.) The early risers among us meet at 7:30 for food and fellowship, but you can arrive any time up until about 10:00a.m. for breakfast or coffee. It's a great way to enjoy breakfast out and connect or reconnect with Montview Women. If you have questions, call Pastor Cindy (303-355-2095 X101) or Shirley Burkhart (303-756-6521.) Hope to see you May 19 and June 16th!

BARBARA REED MEMORIAL BLOOD DRIVE • MAY 29 - Bring a friend and spend an hour catching up during this Memorial Day weekend at the Barbara Reed Memorial Blood Drive scheduled for Sunday, May 29th, in the McCollum Room from 8:00 AM - 12:00 noon. Your donation can help save the lives of 3 people, and it is so easy! Please call Jamie Vernon at 303 394-9901 or email her at jvernon@q.com to schedule your appointment.



~ STATEMENT OF MISSION ~

We believe that the love of God surrounds us. Our call is to nurture this love in ourselves and each other. Through prayer, worship, education, outreach, and mission, we seek to foster spiritual fulfillment, community, tolerance, peace, non-violence, and social justice. We dedicate ourselves and our church to follow the Spirit of Christ by word and deed.

(Adopted by Session, July 1998)



CLOSING THE GAP

As many of you know, over the last six weeks we have made a special effort to close the \$80,000 gap in our 2011 budget. The response from many of you has been remarkable, and we thank you for your extraordinary generosity. If you're a Montview member who has not yet made a 2011 pledge and can now do so, please contact Dan Gasser (gasser@montview.org)

in the Finance office. If you would like to make a special gift to Montview to support our ministry in the Denver community and beyond, please contact pastors Ian (cummins@montview.org) and Cindy (cearley@montview.org). Together we continue to be a place of hope, faith and service in a hurting world.

SUMMER CHOIR

Summer Choir sings all Sundays in June. Rehearsal in the Choir Loft at 9:00 a.m., worship service at 10:00 a.m. All singers are welcome.

SUMMER READING SESSIONS

- **Thursday, June 2**
John Kuzma, conductor
Schubert: Miriam's Song of Triumph
Mass in Ab
- **Thursday, June 9 - TBA**
- **Thursday, June 16**
Duain Wolfe, conductor
Faure: Requiem
- **Thursday, June 23**
Mary Louise Burke, conductor
Beethoven: Mass in C

CALLING ALL STAGE RATS & WANNA-BE THESPIANS!

Musique & Masque is looking for feedback from YOU to decide whether to mount a fall show in September of this year. The format would be the same as our last show, working through August and into September, with performances the 3rd weekend of September. If you can commit to that time frame, and would like to get back on stage, please add your name to the list by e-mailing me (jean.sibley@ucdenver.edu) or calling me (303-722-4207) prior to May 15. If there is sufficient interest, we will proceed. Miller Center is calling out to us! Jean Sibley on behalf of the staff of M&M