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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."

First Sunday SUPPER

 *A place setting for all people.*

Please join us on the first Sunday of each month to prepare a meal together and deliver it to hungry people in the downtown Denver area. We will gather on November 6 and December 4 and prepare the food at 11:45 a.m. in Montview's kitchen. Plan to serve the meal at 4:30 p.m. We hope your hands, feet and hearts can join us.

WHAT: 1st Sunday Supper - Community Dinner

CONTACT: Tim Heasley, Dan Hinrich or Rev. Sheri Fry at fry@montview.org.

WHY: We share communion on that day so let us go out and share community with others

WHERE: Montview Kitchen

WHEN: First Sunday of the month. We will prepare food at 11:45 am and serve at 4:30 pm

WHO: All people young and old who are interested in serving a community meal and a welcome table to all people.

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FROM THE CO-PASTOR

Dear Friends of Montview,

As I write this, we are in the middle of our first snowstorm of the year, which is turning out to be less serious than predicted, but still a good reminder that we are moving into a new season. As we approach Thanksgiving and Christmas, many of us begin to think more about both food and friendship. The shorter days invite us to gather around the table with friends and family and share a meal. The colder nights invite us to warm our bodies with a cup of soup and our hearts with good conversation.

Here at Montview this is already happening once a month through the popular **Montview Supper Club**. And now there is a new program starting called, **First Sunday Suppers**, which gives us an opportunity to cook a meal together at church and then go downtown together to serve people who are hungry. Our hunger for food and our hunger for friendship are fundamental human needs and they are inextricably connected. Norman Wirzbe, in his book, *Food and Faith; A Theology of Eating*, says, "Why did God create a world in which every living creature must eat...eating joins people to each other, to other creatures, to the world, and to God through forms of 'natural communion' too complex to fathom...Eating is about hospitality and intimacy (and not just about gobbling down something to assuage the latest hunger)...We must be capable of communion, capable of entering into and seeing the value of a community that is not simply a collectivity."


That sounds like an admirable goal for a church - to be 'capable of communion.' To me this means being capable of real connection, with each other and with God; connection that is authentic, vulnerable and risk-taking. It also means opening to the suffering around us, just as we open to the suffering of Jesus when we take communion on Sunday. In Colorado, **1 in 5 families with kids are not sure they have enough to feed their children** and poverty is growing faster in our state than in any other. If we are to be 'capable of communion', then the thought of so many hungry children will break our hearts and steel our determination to do something about it. Beginning November 20th I'll be facilitating a class with Kathy Underhill, the Director of HungerFree Colorado. I hope some of you will come and let's explore together what we can do about hunger in our state - others' and our own.

May God comfort you and disturb you in this new season,



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If you made an Pledge for this calendar year, 2011, we trust that you will continue to complete that pledge. If you have not yet made a Pledge for 2011 we hope that you will do so soon. With your continued support, we will complete another successful year of programs and mission at Montview and plan for a strong future. Thank you for your generosity! *The Stewardship Committee*

LECTIONARY PASSAGES

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
November 6, 2011

Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25, Psalm 78:1-7
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, Matthew 25:1-13

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
November 13, 2011

Judges 4:1-7, Psalm 123,
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11, Matthew 25:14-30

CHRIST THE KING

November 20, 2011

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24, Psalm 100,
Ephesians 1:15-23, Matthew 25:31-46

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
November 27, 2011

Isaiah 64:1-9, Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
1 Corinthians 1:3-9, Mark 13:24-37

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
December 4, 2011

Isaiah 40:1-11, Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13
2 Peter 3:8-15a, Mark 1:1-8

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
December 11, 2011

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11, Psalm 126
1 Thessalonians 5:16-24, John 1:6-8, 19-28

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
December 18, 2011

2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16, Luke 1:46b-55
Romans 16:25-27, Luke 1:26-38

NATIVITY OF THE LORD
December 24 & 25, 2011

Christmas Eve & Day
Isaiah 9:2-7, Psalm 96,
Titus 2:11-14, Luke 2:1-14, (15-20)

Isaiah 62:6-12, Psalm 97,
Titus 3:4-7, Luke 2:(1-7), 8-20

FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS
January 1, 2012

Isaiah 61:10-62:3, Psalm 148,
Galatians 4:4-7, Luke 2:22-40

Holy Name of Jesus
Numbers 6:22-27, Psalm 8,
Galatians 4:4-7, Luke 2:15-21
Ecclesiastes 3:1-13, Psalm 8,
Revelation 21:1-6a, Matthew 25:31-46

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
January 6, 2012

Isaiah 60:1-6, Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14
Ephesians 3:1-12, Matthew 2:1-12

BAPTISM OF THE LORD
January 8, 2012

Genesis 1:1-5, Psalm 29,
Acts 19:1-7, Mark 1:4-11

SECOND SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY
January 15, 2012

1 Samuel 3:1-10, (11-20), Psalm
139:1-6, 13-18, 1 Corinthians 6:12-20, John 1:43-51

PRAYER TREE

Brenda Jess (sister of Mary Jo Bush), Family of Della Costello (sister of Carmen Brown), Rebecca Rothbaum (daughter of Sherry Rothbaum), Edie Carlson (aunt of Rebecca Gale), Connie Jungbluth and family (sister of Linda Rein), Jean Joseph (grandmother of Emily McGee), Steve Pearlman, Helen Bradley (sister of Anne Schreiner), Bill and Joanne Jordan, Angi Watters (sister of Julie Terry), Lily Foreman and family (niece of Darci Davis), Lindy Doty-Nystrom, Sarah and Andy Osani, Jim Logan, Mercedes Sherman (cousin of Rebecca Gale), Ken Houglund, Bob Chambers and his family (cousin of Marleen Stene-Trout), Carver Jones (son of Patricia Forbes), Eleanor Key (mother of Debbie Devore), Ann Williams Harper (mother of Malcolm Williams), Cathy Marsh

MEN AND WOMEN SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

Simone Holmes, Jake Murphy, Theresa Marre

WEDDINGS 9/24 Katheryn Harwood and Tyler Gomes

BIRTHS
9/30 Jack Oakson Levinsky, son of Nik and Annie Levinsky and grandson of Jeanne Robb

DEATHS
10/20 Evelyn A. Bortman
10/24 David Watters, brother of Julie Ward; brother-in-law of Ward Terry
10/23 Sarah Rember, sister of Susie Rember Roberts, sister-in-law of John Roberts
10/1 Marcia Thompson
9/24 Anoma Ward, Paul Ward's mother
9/4 Mary "Boo" Gustafson, mother of Madie Gustafson
9/12 Edward Ambler (brother of Janet Carter)
9/03 Jerry Odell (mother of Peggy Gonder)
9/02 Luke Murray (brother-in-law of Emily Simons Conklin)
8/24 Brian Griffin, brother of Carolyn Griffin

MONTVIEW PUBLICATION DEADLINES

ISSUE:
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Deadline: December 8
Mail: December 19

Email submissions to strauss@montview.org by end of day on the deadline date. Submissions received after the posted deadline may not appear in the Messenger. Digital submissions (email or on disk) are preferred. Unless previously approved, submissions must be 200 words or less.

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



WHEREVER YOU ARE

Have you ever laughed out loud while thumbing through books in the children's section of a bookstore? Have you ever come across a book there that caused you to cry out loud? I mean big heaving sobs. *Wherever You Are, My Love Will Find You* by best selling author Nancy Tillman could be the book to cause this reaction. This book is written to a child. Each beautifully illustrated page reinforces an unconditional pledge of love to this child and actually to every child and every adult in God's world. This is one of those remarkable secular books that becomes a religious teaching in the few moments it takes you to read the title, as the voice of the book becomes the voice of every one who cares for children and the voice of our God, caring parent to us all.

This book is an assurance of love in all places, times and circumstances. It is about a love that stretches through the years and the trials, the self-doubt, regret and disappointments of every life, a love that cannot be outgrown. This poem echoes with the words of Paul in 1 Corinthians as it describes a love that bears, believes, hopes and endures all things and never ends. This is a love that goes with each of us as we go out on a limb or lead our own parade; as we dance or play; work very hard or lose our work; hit a home run or strike out repeatedly in the eyes of

the world. It is a love that heals broken hearts and spirits, nearby or distance. It is a love that fills prayers for others and gives thanks each day for memories and possibilities, for pasts, presents, and futures of devotion and faith.

This book describes a love that can bend before it breaks as we process this life together always encircled by the ultimate, omnipresent love of God. It calls us to know love's result and to never step away from the responsibility and the dedication it involves. This is a book for the seasons of life, for a life filled with relationships or a life led now alone.

One illustration depicts a wooded scene of tall trees before a tiny child with a haze of cloud and stars at its center. The message of this page is that when you feel alone or sad or discouraged, just look beyond what is happening and feel my presence like the wind in your hair. This voice is that of a loving parent and seems also to be the voice of God represented in the haze and the stars. This is a message for all of us to understand and believe and to live joyfully and confidently within each hour.

I hope that this book finds you one day and that you find yourself sobbing tears of truth and joy in the middle of a bookstore when it does. Amen.

NOVEMBER & DECEMBER CHILDREN CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 6

- Our third, fourth and fifth graders will shadow the elders to serve Communion at the 10:30 service. This is a unique and wonderful opportunity for our children to participate in this sacrament that we have discussed in Sunday School.

NOVEMBER 13

- PASS - Parents at Sunday School - will meet at 9:15 today in the Green Room. Please come to make connections with other Montview families and have a conversation about our home and church Christian education partnership.
- Our fourth graders will receive their personalized Bibles from Montview Church at the 10:30 service today!

NOVEMBER 20

- 345 Fellowship meets tonight from 5:00-6:30. We will share a meal, games and a service project.

DECEMBER 4

- Our first and second graders will shadow the elders to

serve Communion at the 10:30 service today. We hope that your children can join in this important worship learning experience.

- Montview Christmas Concert - 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

DECEMBER 11

- Lessons & Carols Service - 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

DECEMBER 18

- Christmas Craft Fair - Join us from 9:15 - 10:15 in the Study Group Room. *There is no Sunday School today.*

DECEMBER 25 & JANUARY 1, 2012

- Sunday School is not in session on these Sundays. Childcare will be available from 10:00 - 11:30 for ages birth through 2nd grade.

JANUARY 8, 2012

We will resume Sunday School, Assembly, Cantate Choir and begin Pulpit Players rehearsals.

Happy Holidays from the Montview Staff!



Montview Youth

FAITH UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Rev. Sheri Fry, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry

HOMELESSNESS

We lie in our beds in the dark. There are pictures of our family on the bureau. A patch of moonlight catches our clothes thrown over the back of the chair. We can hear the faint rumble of the furnace in the cellar. We are surrounded by the reassurance of the familiar. When the weather is bad, we have shelter. When things are bad in our lives, we have a place where we can retreat to lick our wounds while thousands of people, many of them children, wander the dark streets in search of some corner to lie down in, out of the wind.

Yet we are homeless even so in the sense of having homes but not being really at home in them. To be really at home is to be really at peace, and there can be no real peace for any of us until there is some measure of real peace for all of us. When we close our eyes to the deep needs of other people whether they live on the streets or under our own roof – and when we close our eyes to our own deep need to reach out to them – we can never be fully at home anywhere.

- First Sunday Supper 1st Sunday of the month
- Operation Christmas Child November 13
- Thanksgiving Dinner at Denver Inner City Parish November 21 & 22
- Clothing Drive for Kids in Denver November & December
- Mitten Tree Mittens & Hats for Metro CareRing December

We hope your hands, feet and hearts can join us!



Please join us in Operation Christmas Child

We would like to invite you to join us in a unique mission project to deliver gift filled shoe boxes to children in need around the world. Please follow the chart below and donate an item according to the first letter of your last name. Bring items

to the box labeled Operation Christmas Child in the Commons by November 13th. Following the 10:30 worship service on November 13th we will assemble the shoeboxes together and share a meal.

| | AGES 2-4 | AGES 5-9 | AGES 10-14 |
|-----------------|----------|----------|------------|
| TOY | ABC | DEF | GHI |
| SCHOOL SUPPLIES | JKL | MNO | PQR |
| HYGENE ITEM | STU | VW | XYZ |

If you would like to donate an additional item please consider age/size appropriate clothing or non-perishable candy.

ANNUAL INTERGENERATIONAL CHRISTMAS TEA

DECEMBER 18TH - 9:15 AM IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

Montview has enjoyed our Annual Christmas Tea tradition for decades. We hope that members, new and old of all ages will want to contribute to the celebration. It takes lots of cookies and treats, as well as servers and runners to keep the tea going through the morning! Please consider signing up for a 45-minute

shift, especially if you haven't in the past. We welcome individual members, couples, teens, and parents with their children to help make this celebration a success. Watch for signup sheets in the Narthex and Commons. Contact the church office for more information 303-355-1651.



*Christmas
Mission Market
December 4
8:30 am - 12:30 pm in Fellowship Hall*

Join JAM & MOB as they host the Christmas Mission Market sale in Fellowship Hall. In an effort to provide a more spiritual aspect of gift giving for the Christmas season, the Montview youth will be hosting a sale featuring items from UNICEF, The Gathering Place, Nepal, Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania, Bethlehem, Guatemala, Ipoderac Orphanage in Mexico, Women's Bean Project, A Greater Gift (Serrv), Malawi, Creator Mundi, Refugee Crafts, Earthlinks and many more. Proceeds from the sale benefit women, children and families from these countries and organizations. This market features handmade gifts, food items, cards, books and sacred art from around the globe as well as supporting the work of local artists.



CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA ORDER FORM

Deadline: Friday, December 9TH

PLEASE PRINT

Name _____

Phone _____

Given in memory or honor of (limit 2)

Or other words you would prefer: _____

I wish to pick up the plant.

I wish to have the plant delivered to a homebound person after Christmas.

Return order form with \$16 (make checks payable to Montview Boulevard Presbyterian Church, 1980 Dahlia Street, Denver, CO 80220) to Diane Cooper or drop in the boxes in the Commons & Narthex

Churchwide FORUMS

NOVEMBER 6 • PROF. AMY-JILL LEVINE

Our 2011 Lectureship speaker, Prof. Amy-Jill Levine will speak about *The Bible and (Homo)sexuality*.

NOVEMBER 13 • MAE CANNON

Mae Cannon will be our adult education speaker with a reception and book signing to follow. Mae Elise Cannon is a pastor, writer, and academic who cares deeply about God's heart for the poor and the oppressed. She is the author of *Social Justice Handbook: Small Steps for a Better World* (IVP, 2009). Cannon is an ordained pastor in the Evangelical Covenant Church (ECC). She was formerly the executive pastor of Hillside Covenant Church located in Walnut Creek, California and also served as director of development and transformation for extension ministries at Willow Creek Community Church in Barrington, Illinois.

FOUNDATIONS

for Faith



ENGAGING OUR TRADITION • EXPANDING OUR PERSPECTIVE

NOVEMBER 20 - DECEMBER 4 AT 9:15 AM

HUNGER FREE COLORADO

Join Rev. Ian Cummins and Kathy Underhill, Executive Director of HungerFree Colorado, for an exploration of hunger issues in Colorado and what we can do to help.

ADVENT PREPARATION

Russ Wehner will resume the Amy Jill Levine video series on Great Figures of the New Testament that began earlier in the fall. The videos will focus on key Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany season characters: John the Baptist, Mary, and The Magi.

49ers Contemporary Forum

an educational forum for all ages - 9:15 am in the McCollum Room

NOVEMBER 20 • 2011 YOUTH WORKTRIP TO THE YAKAMA INDIAN RESERVATION

DECEMBER 4 • PAT PASCOE PRESENTS "HELEN RING ROBINSON: COLORADO SENATOR AND SUFFRAGIST"
Colorado elected Helen Ring Robinson, the second woman in a state senate in 1912. As "the housewife of the senate," she passed a women's minimum wage law, tried to allow women to sit on juries, and extended the months of free public schooling.



DECEMBER 11 • RADIO STATION KVOM PROUDLY PRESENTS: THE PULPIT PLAYERS FAMILY CHRISTMAS RADIO HOUR!

Old Time Radio returns to Miller Center, as the Pulpit Players Family fills the airwaves with cheesy patter, silly advertisements, goofy sound effects--and lots of holiday music. Come join the "studio audience" in Miller Center, and be ready to sing along!

NIFTY NINETIES - LAVERYN TALMAGE

When asked about her plans for the next decade, LaVern Talmage said, "Six years ago I almost died. So I must still be here for a reason. I think the reason is to go forward with my art." But she also wants to play the piano more and get out her guitar again.

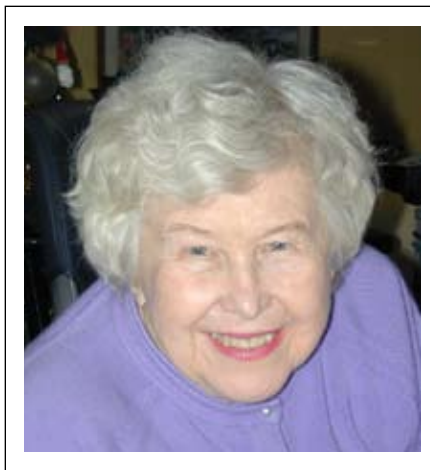
LaVern Marie Hunicke was born October 19, 1921, to Alonzo and Caroline (Meyer) Hunicke in St. Louis, Missouri. She attended elementary school there until her father, who was an architect and builder, decided to move to Florida for the warmer climate. They moved back and forth between Florida and Missouri several times.

When LaVern was thirteen years old, her sister married, leaving her the only child at home. The times she remembers best from her childhood were walking to and from school with her friends when they "goofed around," especially on the two-mile walks to junior high and Maplewood High School. They went ice skating at the Arena nearly every week. Her first date was an invitation to a roller skating party. They also did a lot of bicycling, and her father took her to church every week. Since both her mother and father came from very large families (eight and five siblings), there was a lot of visiting of relatives.

LaVern's father had been a machinist until he taught himself architecture by taking a class through the mail and started drawing house plans which LaVern reviewed with him. His first building project was a little house he built down the street from where they lived. The neighbors were hired to help with the excavation and construction. That was the beginning of her father's building career.

After LaVern finished high school her father insisted that she take a year at Rubicon Business School where she learned typing, shorthand and other secretarial skills. After working one year as a secretary her father agreed to send her to college. Her first year of college was at the University of Miami where she joined Chi Omega sorority. In her second year she attended Washington University in St. Louis where she met her future husband David Wilson Talmage at a Sunday night young people's group at Central Presbyterian Church in Clayton, Missouri. She was there with another guy, but when David came in she thought, "There's a nice husband for someone." Fortunately, he asked her out.

LaVern has always been especially talented in drawing and all other forms of art. She wanted to be a dress designer when she was younger. She recalls that her father, who grew up on a farm, laughed at her picture of a cow with two udders. (Note: A cow has one udder and four teats.)



At Washington University LaVern was an English literature major; she envied her roommate who was an art major. She did take one art course, but most of her education in art came from the University of Colorado Denver and the Emily Griffith Opportunity School after they moved to Denver and after her children were out of school. She has tried design, painting, pottery and sculpture.

David and LaVern were married toward the end of World War II on June 23, 1944. David finished medical school three months after they were married and

they moved to Atlanta for David's nine months internship. While they were there, LaVern attended Agnes Scott College for her junior year. The Army sent David overseas and LaVern worked in an advertising agency and lived with her parents in Florida. That was her favorite job because she likes writing. It was always easy for her to get a job because she knew shorthand and bookkeeping.

When she was twenty-seven years old in 1948, LaVern contracted polio. She was in the hospital five months and in rehabilitation for a year. Her father helped by taking her to swim in the ocean every day. She became strong enough to stand up with two leg braces and crutches.

Her first child, Jenny, who became a school music teacher, was born before she had polio. After she had polio they had four more children: Marilyn Talmage-Bowers, a psychologist, David Talmage a computer scientist, Mark Talmage, a doctor, and Carol Talmage who works for the Colorado Department of Human Resources. (They have ten grandchildren: Tim and Chris Bock, Kaitlyn and Madigan Talmage-Bowers, Melissa and Steven Talmage and Garrick, Morgan, Alexa and Zachary Talmage.)

LaVern is multi-talented. She sang in the choir for fifteen years and plays piano and guitar. At Rev. Dusty Taylor's request she started the Montview Visual Arts Guild which she managed for fourteen years. They produce all the wonderful art shows at Montview.

In spite of her history of polio, LaVern did a lot. She got down to one brace with tons of rehabilitation. She wonders now how she did it all. Though she has broken eight bones, besides raising five children, she went around the world twice.

LaVern regrets that she did not learn more about music. In the theatre and music group of the Medical School Faculty Wives she wrote the music for thirteen songs for a musical called "Extra Spatial Spots." It was performed at hospitals all over Denver.

Her advice to young people: "Think long range and hang in there."

Montview in the World

◀◀◀ Tutoring ◀◀◀ Metro CareRing ◀◀◀ Africa ◀◀◀ Nepal ◀◀◀ Mexico

Habitat for Humanity ◀◀◀ Water Park Hill ◀◀◀ Ukraine ◀◀◀ Guatemala



PREMIUM TEA FROM THE NEPAL HIMALAYA

Often grown on steep rocky slopes where little else is cultivable, tea is grown by some of Nepal's poorest farmers. For decades Nepal tea growers have sold their leaves to the large tea estates across the border in Darjeeling, India, where the leaves were processed, packaged and sold as Darjeeling tea for outlandish prices. Recently,



with the cooperation of IDE (International Development Enterprises) and help from local businesses, Nepali growers have begun to process their own crop and reap the profits they deserve. Through our contacts at IDE we have brought premium Nepal-produced tea to Denver for your enjoyment!

Stop by the Commons for a tea-taster on Sunday November 4th (after both services). Tea will be available for sale at the Christmas Mission Market (December 4th, 9 - 1), or contact Lindy Doty: 303-759-9389 or lindydoty@aol.com.

BLACK TEA (\$12) - One of the finest teas produced in Nepal, this premium black tea has a unique depth and complexity. Bold enough to be served with milk if that's your style. Packaged in an authentic hand-woven bamboo envelope. (100 gr/3.5 oz/32 cups)

GREEN TEA (\$10) - Unlike many green teas, this carefully aged leaf yields a smooth, earthy brew with all the health benefits of green tea yet never bitter. Good hot or iced. Beautifully packaged in a Tibetan silk drawstring bag. (100 gr/3.5 oz/32 cups)

All proceeds benefit development projects in Nepal.
-Lynn Hetterich

VIRTUAL GROCERY STORE: METRO CARERING

Tired of lugging groceries and toiletries to church for distribution through Metro CareRing? Then check out Metro CareRing's latest opportunity to make donating easier: virtual grocery shelves. Simply go to fooddrive.metrocarering.org on Metro CareRing's web site www.metrocarering.org. Pictures of foods and prices will

appear from which you may choose. Should you prefer to bring canned and packaged foods and toiletries to church, we are glad to deliver them to Metro CareRing. Metro CareRing is grateful for your contribution!
- Rosalie McCall-Johnson

HEARTS FULL OF HAPPY

From Montview member, Sue Leister's blog, *Hearts full of Happy* at www.heartsfullofhappy.com.

"I was talking to the teachers one morning in the staff room...that's where everyone waits out the day because most teach three or four classes per day...and asking them how the school could be improved, etc. One woman who talks seldom looked at me and said, "You are different. Many many people come here and talk to the director, look at our school, some even teach, but you are different." I laughed and said, "Well I'm older. She said, "No, God sent you to us." I was overwhelmed." Sue is teaching English in the Bethel Church Primary School in Dembi Dollo, Ethiopia. She will return to Denver in early November.

BARBARA REED MEMORIAL BLOOD DRIVE

Bring a friend and spend an hour catching up during the Barbara Reed Memorial Blood Drive scheduled for Sunday, November 6th, 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 jvernon1225@comcast.net to schedule your appointment.



LOVE UNBOUND: A JOURNEY THROUGH GRIEF INTO LIGHT

On Wednesday, December 7 at 7:00 p.m., Montview will host an evening of music and remembrance to honor the darkness and light of grief during the holiday season. Rebecca Gale and Steve Pearlman will play songs from their repertoire, provide space for prayers, and host a candle lighting ceremony for all in attendance to name the experiences of loss in their lives, including the passing of loved ones. Love Unbound has emerged out of the former Service of Remembrance in recognition of the longing in all of us to fully celebrate the Christmas season. Contact Rebecca Gale (rebecca@rebeccagale.com) for further information.



MONTVIEW QUILTERS

The Montview quilters are a group of women quilters organized for fellowship; to promote cooperation and exchange of ideas while inspiring philanthropic endeavors. The quilters meet on Monday mornings from 9:30 am to 12:00 pm in the church reception room.

The Montview quilters are currently making quilts for children undergoing cancer treatment. Brent's Place in Aurora is a residency for these children and their families as they receive treatment. We have made two auction quilts for Brent's Place raising approximately \$500 to help the center. To date we have donated approximately 45 quilts to

this charity. Help us make a difference in the lives of these children

There are several ways you can contribute to this group.

1. You can participate by joining the group in making quilts. No experience is necessary. We will help you to learn to quilt.
2. You can participate by donating 100% cotton quilting fabric or a gift card to one of the local quilt shops.
3. You can donate a sewing machine that is in good working order. Recent models of machines are best in case we need parts for repair. - Judi Creed

THIRD QUARTER MEMORIALS

CHIP KING MEMORIAL

Jeff & Marilyn Ackermann
Lorraine Alcott
Rev. Amelie Buchanan
Robert & Beth Duncan
Harry & Linda Fegley
John & Peggy Gonder
Madie Gustafson
Richard & Dorothy Harvey

William & Susan Hiatt

Henry & Susan
Higginbottom

Sarah Hite

Joe & Patricia Jensen

Steve Lass & Diana Poole

Robert & Martha Longway

Todd & Maura Mackintosh

Craig Maginness & Ellen Reath

Steve & Nancy Pearlman

Rose Protector

John & Katy Shaw

Anne Torrance

Don & Erika Weinshenker

DOROTHY GARLINGTON

MEMORIAL

Don & Erika Weinshenker

PAULINE SARGENT

MEMORIAL

Martha Fitzpatrick

Karen Race

Gerald & Barbara Roberts

WILMA BALAY MEMORIAL

Harry & Linda Fegley

Martha Fitzpatrick

John & Peggy Gonder

Sarah Hite

Peter & Ruth Philpott

Dennis & Barbara Shull

ADVENT UNPLUGGED: PREPARING FOR THE HOLIDAYS IN A NEW WAY

Advent is one of the most meaningful seasons in the Christian calendar, but how do we get there? On December 3 from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. you will have time to reflect on your priorities, learn a new spiritual tool, engage with the advent stories from our tradition, and feel the support of your church

community. Facilitated by Doug Wysockey-Johnson, executive director of Lumunos, national retreat leader, and author of Called Together. Cost: \$20. For more information or with questions contact Rev. Ian Cummins at cummins@montview.org.

MANY, MANY THANKS...

To our beloved Montview Community..., Alison and I would like to express our most heartfelt and sincere gratitude for all the love and support we received after the passing of our beloved dad and husband, Chip. The love and caring meant the world to us. Thank you. ~ Suzy and Alison King

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PATHFINDERS • NOVEMBER 11

Pathfinders will be meeting at Ellen Oakes home, 2325 Birch St, Denver, 80207 on November 11 at 7:00 p.m. This month bring your favorite book you would like to share with the group. This is a great way to learn of different books you have not read. Please RSVP to Ellen Oakes at 303-333-8991 or to Jan Fitzpatrick at 303-642-5836. The Pathfinders are single women from the ages of 40+. For more information contact Diane Cooper at cooper@montview.org.

PRAYER SHAWL – MONTVIEW KNITTERS • NOVEMBER 20

Join the Montview Knitters one Sunday a month in the Library Lounge from 11:30-1:30 p.m. for light refreshments, fellowship and knitting. Warm and cozy Prayer Shawls are knit from an easy pattern; we'll have supplies for sale. (Next month we'll meet on December 18.) Contact Ellen Reath at 303-355-5062 or magreath@central.com or Ellen Oakes at 303-333-8991 or choot@msn.com for more information.

MEMBER PAT PASCOE SPEAKS ON HELEN RING ROBINSON • NOVEMBER 30

Member Pat Pascoe will talk about her book, Helen Ring Robinson: Colorado Senator and Suffragist at the Tattered Cover on Colfax at 7:30 p.m. on November 30. Pat has written a biography of the first woman state senator in Colorado, Helen Ring Robinson, a progressive Democrat, who was elected in 1912 before any woman served in Congress or the British Parliament. See patpascoe.com for more information.

TOUCHED BY PREGNANCY LOSS? - Have you experienced and been touched by pregnancy loss or the death of a child? Are you interested in socializing with others who can empathize and relate? If you would like to connect with friends like you over coffee, dinner, a movie, etc., please contact Sarah Osani at 720-473-3600 or sarah.osani@gmail.com.

Christmas Eve at Montview

Family Christmas Services - 3 & 5 PM

Candlelight Communion (Childcare Available) - 7 PM

Christmas with the Westminster Choir - 10:15 PM

Traditional Christmas Service - 11 PM

UPCOMING HOLIDAY BUILDING & OFFICE HOURS

November 24 - 25 Building Closed
December 16 Closed at Noon
December 24. Building Open at 1 for Christmas Eve Worship Services
December 25. One Worship Service at 10:30 AM - Building Closed at 12:00
December 26 & 27 Building Closed
December 28 & 29 9 AM - 4 PM
December 30. 9 AM - 1 PM
January 1, 2012. One Worship Service at 10:30 AM - Building Closed at 12:00
January 2, 2012. Building Closed



~ 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)

Christmas

with the Choirs & Orchestra of Montview

Sunday, December 4 at 5 p.m.

Free & open to the public

Festival of Lessons & Carols

December 11

Join us for traditional Christmas hymns and the telling of the Christmas story as we prepare for the coming of the Christ child. Service begins at 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

November 2011

6. 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Daylight Savings Ends

Worship Services 8:15 and 10:30 AM

The Rev. Ian Gregory Cummins preaching

All Saints Day - World Communion

Child Care 8:00 AM Sunday School 9:15 AM

Blood Drive 8:00 AM Timbel Choir 4:00 PM

Churchwide Forum: Jubilate Choir 5:00 PM

Amy-Jill Levine 9:15 AM

7.

Montview Quilters 9:00 AM

Orion Club

Men's Group 7:30 PM

8.

TAC Tutoring 3:00 PM

Worship & Music 7:30 PM

9.

Heritage Committee 9:00 AM

Wednesday Morning

Women's Group 10:00 AM

Montview Mentors 3:00 PM

Faith in Action 7:00 PM

Wednesday Night

Book Study 7:00 PM

10.

Communications 8:30 AM

Westminster Choir 7:00 PM

11.

Friday AM Bible Study 7 AM

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12.

New Member's Class

8:30 AM

Mayfathers Dinner

6:30 PM

13. 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Worship Services 8:15 and 10:30 AM

The Rev. Dr. Cynthia Cearley preaching

Congregational Meeting - 10:00 AM

Child Care 8:00 AM

Montview Community

Organizing Ministry 12:15 PM

Churchwide Forum: Friends of Sabeel CO 3:00 PM

Mae Cannon 9:15 AM Timbel Choir 4:00 PM

PASS 9:15 AM Jubilate Choir 5:00 PM

Sunday School 9:15 AM Jubilate Choir 5:00 PM

Global Mission 11:45 AM

14.

Montview Quilters 9:00 AM

Deacon Meeting 7:00 PM

Personnel Committee 7:00 PM

15.

Men of Montview S 7:00 AM

TAC Tutoring 3:00 PM

Session Meeting 7:00 PM

16.

Heritage Committee 9:00 AM

Montview Mentors 3:00 PM

Wednesday Night

Book Study 7:00 PM

17.

Thursday Morning Women's

Breakfast Group 7:30 AM

Choir Board Dinner 6:00 PM

Westminster Choir 7:00 PM

18.

Friday AM Bible Study 7 AM

MONI Time 9:15 AM

Differs 6:00 PM

19.

Officer Training

Retreat

8:30 AM

20. Christ the King

Worship Services 8:15 and 10:30 AM

The Rev. Ian Gregory Cummins preaching

Child Care 8:00 AM Timbel Choir 4:00 PM

New Member Reception 9:00 AM Jubilate Choir 5:00 PM

Sunday School 9:15 AM 3, 4 & 5 Fellowship 5:00 PM

Prayer Shawl Ministry 11:30 AM

21.

Montview Quilters 10:00 AM

22.

TAC Tutoring 3:00 PM

23.

Building Closed

24.

Building Closed

Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

10:00 AM

Central Christian Church

25.

Building Closed

26.

27. 1st Sunday of Advent

Worship Services 8:15 and 10:30 AM

The Rev. Sheri Fry preaching

Child Care 8:00 AM

Sunday School 9:15 AM

28.

Montview Quilters 9:00 AM

29.

TAC Tutoring 3:00 PM

30.

Heritage Committee 9:00 AM

Wednesday Morning

Women's Group 10:00 AM

Montview Mentors 3:00 PM

Finance meeting 6:30 PM

December 2017

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| <p>4. 2nd Sunday of Advent Worship Services..... 8:15 and 10:30 AM The Rev. Dr. Cynthia Cearley preaching Christmas with the Choirs & Orchestra of Montview - 5 pm Child Care 8:00 AM Christmas Mission Market 9:15 AM Sunday School 9:15 AM First Sunday Suppers Cooking..... 12:00 PM Friends of Sabeel CO..... 3:00 PM First Sunday Suppers Serving..... 12:00 PM</p> | <p>5. Montview Quilters..... 9:00 AM Orion Club Men's Group 7:30 PM</p> | <p>6. Men of Montview S. 7:00 AM TAC Tutoring..... 3:00 PM Building & Grounds..... 6:30 PM</p> | <p>7. Heritage Committee..... 9:00 AM Montview Mentors 3:00 PM Love Unbound: A Journey Through Grief into Light 7:30 PM</p> | <p>8. Messenger Deadline Westminster Choir 7:00 PM</p> | <p>9. Friday AM Bible Study... 7 AM Patrifinders..... 7:00 PM</p> | <p>10. Wayfarers Dinner 6:30 PM</p> |
| <p>11. 3rd Sunday of Advent Worship Services 8:15 and 10:30 AM The Rev. Ian Gregory Cummins preaching Festival of Lessons and Carols - 5 pm Child Care 8:00 AM Sunday School 9:15 AM 49er's Christmas Program..... 9:15 AM Montview Community Organizing Ministry..... 12:15 PM Drifters 6:00 PM</p> | <p>12. Montview Quilters..... 9:00 AM Personnel 7:00 PM</p> | <p>13. TAC Tutoring..... 3:00 PM Session Meeting 7:00 PM Worship & Music 7:00 PM Colorado Symphony's Messiah - 7:30 PM</p> | <p>14. Heritage Committee..... 9:00 AM Wednesday Morning Women's Group..... 10:00 AM Montview Mentors..... 3:00 PM Faith in Action..... 7:00 PM Colorado Symphony's Messiah - 7:30 PM</p> | <p>15. Thursday Morning Women's Breakfast Group..... 7:30 AM Westminster Choir 7:00 PM</p> | <p>16. Friday AM Bible Study ... 7 AM WOM Time 9:15 AM Building Closed at 12:00 PM</p> | <p>17.</p> |
| <p>18. 4th Sunday of Advent Worship Services..... 8:15 and 10:30 AM The Rev. Sheri Fry preaching Christmas Craft Fair and Christmas Tea - 9:30 AM Child Care 8:00 AM Christmas Tea..... 9:15 AM Christmas Craft Fair... 9:15 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry, 11:30 AM</p> | <p>19. Montview Quilters 9:00 AM</p> | <p>20. Men of Montview S. 7:00 AM Messenger Tuesday... 10 AM Volunteer Christmas Party 12:00 PM TAC Tutoring..... 3:00 PM</p> | <p>21. Heritage Committee... 9:00 AM Montview Mentors ... 3:00 PM</p> | <p>22. Westminster Choir - 7:00 PM</p> | <p>23. Friday AM Bible Study- 7 AM</p> | <p>24. CHRISTMAS EVE Family Services 3:00 & 5:00 PM Candlelight Service - 7:00 PM Childcare Available MOB Past & Present - 9:30 PM Christmas with Westminster Choir 10:15 PM Traditional Christmas Service 11:00 PM</p> |
| <p>25. Christmas Day ONE WORSHIP SERVICE..... 10:30 am The Rev. Dr. Cynthia Cearley preaching Child Care 10:00 AM Building Closed 12:00 PM</p> | <p>26. Building Closed</p> | <p>27. Building Closed</p> | <p>28. Building Hours 9 AM - 4 PM Heritage Committee..... 9:00 AM Wednesday Morning Women's Group..... 10:00 AM</p> | <p>29. Building Hours 9 AM - 4 PM</p> | <p>30. Friday AM Bible Study- 7 AM Building Hours 9 AM - 1 PM</p> | <p>31.</p> |