Dear Friends of Montview,

As children head back to school and Montview returns to two Sunday services (8:30 and 11:00), we reflect on the gifts and joys of this past summer. Summer is a slower time for the church, but much is still happening. For example, all the baptisms, weddings, and memorial services that take place almost every week in our beautiful sanctuary. Young lives are welcomed into the community, couples make commitments of love before family and God, and long-time members are celebrated for their lives of faith. It’s easy to take for granted how important these moments are in people’s lives and the role the church plays in providing space to encounter the Sacred.

This summer was a special one for me, Pastor Ian, as I enjoyed a three-month sabbatical. I spent three weeks with my parents in Georgia, building a small, cedar canoe with my dad. Then my parents and I met up with my wife, Laura, and our kids for a week at the beach near Charleston. And finally, Laura and I spent a week in upstate New York for our 20th anniversary, where we spent our first year of marriage. The last part of the sabbatical was spent mostly back here in Denver, with small trips with our kids and simple days together as a family. The pace of ministry can be challenging on family life and I was grateful again and again this summer to serve in a community of faith that understands the importance of sabbaticals for its ministers.

I return with renewed energy and excitement for this remarkable community of faith and our ministry together.

I, Pastor Clover, was given the gift of depending more upon the congregation and staff this summer as Pastor Ian was on a much-deserved sabbatical. First of all, thank you to the whole congregation for your support, flexibility and good humor. Thank you also for your positive feedback about the inspiring preaching of our exceptional guest preachers. At the program staff level, ministry did not slow down! Sandy Prouty stepped into more responsibility as she helped craft and lead worship each week. Peter Hulac visited and supported countless parishioners who struggled with illnesses. Sadly, Montview released many saints into God’s arms the past few months, and Pete’s pastoral care support was invaluable. Adam Waite, you are always a rock star! We welcomed our new Minister of Youth and Families, Amanda Osenga, and we applaud Amanda for diving right into the deep end of the youth ministry pool as she immediately led both MOB and JAM mission trips.

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We give thanks for each and every staff member—part-time and full-time!—as all staff took on more responsibility this past summer to serve the needs of this congregation, always with loving spirits and generous hearts. If you get a chance, please say thank you to our staff members for their faithful work well done.

In the pages that follow, you’ll find glimpses of our life together, imperfect but faithful, as we live out our particular call to follow Jesus on the corner of Montview and Dahlia. You’ll find stories of care and support for each other, of service and compassion for strangers, and grateful worship of the Spirit that sustains us, comforts us and encourages us to grow toward lives more generous and kind. To that loving God, we give thanks with joyful hearts.

In God’s grace,

Clover

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In our Montview Children’s Ministry, as we now make the slow turn from summer and sacred art to the soon first days of the school/church year, I am again intrigued by the four-point nexus of curiosity, creativity, joy and presence. This might be a side effect of focusing on our remarkable children. Their vital approach to each day, each project, each new learning seems to reflect this place where curiosity, creativity, joy and God’s presence join in the best of our human nature.

Much has been written about curiosity being the driving force behind our advancement as a species. I recently heard that Neanderthals would explore until they came to a physical barrier such as a mountain range. They would stop there. Homo Sapiens, however, did not stop. They pursued the question of what was beyond that topography. They kept moving, asking and answering questions and their curiosity was our survival.

From curiosity we can easily move to a consideration of creativity. New questions and new answers are engines of advancement. Asking how and why in industry, medicine, science and art lead us forward in invention, efficiency and beauty and to a deep sense of something greater than ourselves.

We ask questions and we create and in the process of risking both, we can stumble upon two other things. One is joy. Ingrid Fetell Lee defines joy as an intense momentary positive emotion. Joy is a jump up and down moment in contrast to happiness which is a longer positive experience. She says that joy is a connection point among we Homo Sapiens. We find joy in similar visuals like cherry blossoms or confetti or designs of repeated shapes and colors. We delight together in these sights beyond logic and analysis. We feel and sense and perceive joy. We call it good. We stumble into the presence of God as we do.

This year our children in grades 1-5 will begin Sunday School with a unit on creation. This study is admittedly too vast to put on paper and teach in five lessons. Creation is the everyday evidence of an extravagant God who made the heavens and the earth and filled each with intricate beauty. God is revealed in each leaf and star, each flower and insect, each pattern and symmetry that surround us in large and small views. God is revealed in creation as we humans know joy; as we ask questions of wonder and love; as we realize the small voice of God, our source of new, sometimes crazy, ideas and solutions.

Curiosity, creativity, joy and God’s presence are joined in each of us. If you have forgotten, spend time with a child. She will help you rediscover the curiosity that caused our ancestors to keep going beyond the next mountain. He will help you understand what Picasso knew of risk and creativity as he made each masterpiece of genius and paint. She will help you remember joy in the color of a flower or the funny stripes on a caterpillar. He will help you feel God’s closeness and the energy and renewal of the Holy Spirit. She will help you redefine gratitude and live it each day.

So, here are some things we adults can do. We can listen intently to children’s habit of questioning and regain this habit for ourselves. We can follow a child to the markers and crayons and bravely recapture our sense of creativity as we join in. We can practice looking where children look, noticing what they notice, smiling when they smile and jumping up and down with them. Joy will be ours. We can strive to experience the world as they do. Children realize they have little control while we adults assume so much. Children have a deep appreciation for moments when they can open themselves to daydreaming and listen for God’s still small voice of guidance and grace while we adults get caught in our plans, expectations and cell phones. Let’s daydream with them.

Children are our reminders. May we remember with them.

Blessings,

Sandy Prouty
Minister of Children and Families
Greetings, Montview Community!

How wonderful it is to be with you and to be looking forward to the fall together! And what a joy it has been to begin to get to know the youth of Montview. Joining the MOB (high school youth) in Chicago, I was impressed by their fortitude as one by one half of the group came down with a gnarly 24 hour virus. They cared for one another, laughed at the absurdity, continued to serve around the Chicago community as they were able, and most impressively no one complained. Equally impressive was the work ethic among the JAM (middle school youth) while in Ghost Ranch. There was no task too large for these young youth. They exceeded my expectations with their commitment and focus to the work we were invited into.

It’s been a full summer and now that vacations are ending and school is back in session we are getting used to new rhythms. For the youth at Montview, we are moving out of a season of interim and into a new season of stability and growth.

JAM Ghost Ranch 2018 Worktrip

Despite its name, Ghost Ranch is anything but dead. The Montview JAM (middle school youth) trip to Ghost Ranch was packed with work, fun and personal growth. Our group was blessed with the opportunity to provide service at the ranch and within the community.

The first service project that we participated in was to help re-vegetate a small canyon that had been destroyed after the 100-year flood in 2015. Part of this project included transplanting willow branches from a fairly vegetated part of the cove and re-planting them near a stream.

Our second service project was at a nearby lake which, because of the drought in New Mexico, is about 15 feet lower than it usually is. Our project was to re-create a path for those who are taking their paddle boards, kayaks and canoes down to the lake. By reforming the dirt, mud, and rocks our crew made the lake more accessible to the local community.

Our final service project was to re-paint a basketball court for a Boys and Girls Club in a nearby town called Espanola. We measured, taped, painted the lines and recreated the logo of the club on the court. In eight hours of work, our youth team transformed the court for the many kids who get support from this club.

When our group was not completing a service project we went on many adventures. Some of these included hiking to the top of Kitchen Mesa and Chimney Rock, swimming in the river and paddling around the lake, supporting each other as we climbed the high ropes course, walking around El Santuario de Chimayo, becoming masters of the game of Hearts, or wandering in the gorgeous lavender fields. We also got the incredible opportunity of learning about our own spiritual journeys through a labyrinth and in discussions with our new youth minister, Amanda.

This was my (Anabel) second year of being part of the service trip to Ghost Ranch. This week brought me personally closer to God through the service that we did, the phenomenal landscape, and the relationships made with other youth, our leaders and the community at Ghost Ranch.

I’m incredibly grateful to the “renovation team” that has closely been attending to the youth program during the interim time, caring for the youth, establishing a top notch youth leadership team, ensuring that Sunday school curriculum is ordered, planning summer mission trips and fundraisers, keeping up with weekly communications, and giving their time and energy in ways that have been impactful and unseen.

My hope is that this faith community will be a place where our youth will be embraced for who they are, will discover their gifts and passions, will find friendships that will be supportive and trusting and will be challenged to discern what they believe to be true.

As we move into this new season together, I’m aware that new brings great excitement, and it is with great expectation that we look towards the year ahead. New also moves us into places which are often unfamiliar and perhaps a little bit uncomfortable. Let us go forward with great boldness, open to the unexpected ways that the Spirit may move among us.

Grace and Peace,

Minister of Youth and Families

By Arabel Whiteside Renz, Montview JAM member
A Fond Farewell

Dear Montview friends,

It is with great joy that I will always be able to tell the story of how I had the honor of working at Montview Church. It is with sadness I must say that time has come to a close. As I reflect back on these last eight months, I remember laughing uncontrollably in staff meetings, being challenged by the questions the youth asked me every Sunday, and walking alongside the amazing youth of this church. My time here has been filled with so many inspiring opportunities, and both good and hard work. I can honestly say that the youth who continued to attend all of our events put in just as much hard work, and the program would not be where it is if the youth had not stayed committed to the core of what JAM and MOB are. I am pleased to report that this youth ministry is in a strong place going forward, and I know that Amanda will continue the growth and formation of this group. Many of you might have heard that Amanda joined us in Chicago for the MOB work trip, and I was thankful beforehand knowing she would be there because I knew it was a great opportunity for her to get to know the youth. I was even more thankful that she was there when so many people, including me, got sick. Amanda stepped right into a leadership role, which she was not expecting to be in, while I was sick, and it is so clear that she will lead this group through great times for many years.

There is nothing quite like working with youth. I am so thankful for Montview Church and the youth here for reminding me of that and lighting that fire in my heart again. I am happy to announce that I will continue to work with youth, and beginning on August 1, I will be the Director for Youth and Young Adult Ministries at First Congregational UCC in Boulder. This is a position I am so excited for, and I know my time at Montview has prepared me well.

Thank you all for the ways that you have guided me in my time here! I encourage you to hold this youth group in your prayers, to love them, guide them, and let them guide you.

Grace and Peace,
Rev. Matthew Benz-Wittington

Temporary Youth Ministry Coordinator

MOB Chicago Worktrip

The MOB (high school youth) group took a work trip to Chicago, Illinois in June, and for many of us, it was an amazing and eye-opening experience. We stayed at a church in west Chicago and did some great work in the community most of which involved helping the people in need. Our group split into multiple smaller groups and we all went to different sites, including making food to give to people who needed a meal, we helped a food pantry make bags of food and multiple other sites. Going to Chicago was an amazing experience where the youth got to make an amazing impact on the community.

By Louie Aldridge, Montview MOB member

Photos from the MOB Chicago worktrip are courtesy of Deb Saint-Phard.
Introducing the 2018 Short Sessions

**Just the craziest time in your life? Busier than you thought possible? Can’t squeeze in another thing?**

Grab a piece of Thursday night for yourself. Try a Short Session with the welcoming Westminster Choir. From warm-up to sing-throughs to fellowship and beyond, these are 90 minutes of magic -- your community in harmony.

You deserve a break. Pick one or more sessions: 1, 2 or 3. And Voila! You’re in, singing for a Short Session this autumn with the Westminster Choir.

You’ll rehearse on Thursdays for 90 minutes and sing with the choir on Sundays for the 11 a.m. service (except for Short Session 2—only one concert performance.). Imagine the joy you’ll give, and get. Imagine your life expanded by reclaiming your “chorister” status. You’ll be nurtured, musically and spiritually.

You are invited to participate in as many short sessions as you’d like. No audition is required. And it’s free. Find details below.

**SHORT SESSION 1: HIGHLAND CATHEDRAL**

Few pieces stir the soul like singing Highland Cathedral, with bagpipe, organ and percussion accompaniment. Why not join Westminster Choir for the first Short Session? Together we’ll learn to sing this epic piece, arranged by John Kuzma. You’ll also be part of works by Ralph Vaughan Williams with brass, Dave Brubeck with jazz trio, and folk songs from Africa and South America.

Eight Weeks: September 6 - October 25
Rehearsals Thursday Nights 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.
Sing Sundays at 11 a.m.
Highland Cathedral Montview performance, Reformation Sunday, October 28.

**SHORT SESSION 2: CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

Our annual Christmas Concert is a memorable musical and spiritual journey, as we learn and perform some of the most glorious music of the season, accompanied by the professional Montview Orchestra.

2018 selections include music by Gerald Finzi, Randall Thompson, Dan Forrest and John Rutter.

Five Weeks: Thursday Nights in November
November 1 - 29, 7 - 8:30 p.m. (Not including Thanksgiving), Saturday morning workshop, Oct. 7, and Saturday morning rehearsal Dec 1
Concert, Sunday Afternoon, December 2.

**SHORT SESSION 3: ADVENT & CHRISTMAS**

In addition to participating in our annual Christmas Concert, you will join in beautiful choral music for Sunday morning Advent worship, including movements from Gabriel Fauré’s *Requiem* and Aaron Copland’s *The Promise of Living*. Please note: rehearsals for Short Session 3 will last an hour longer: two and a half hours. Short Session 3 prepares us for a Sunday morning presentation of Advent Lessons & Carols with optional candlelight Christmas Eve services.

Eight Weeks: November 1 - December 24.
Rehearsals Thursday Nights 7:00 - 9:30 p.m.
Sing Sundays at 11 a.m.
Lessons & Carols, Sunday, December 16.
Christmas Eve, Monday December 24th.

To learn more contact Minister of Music Adam Waite at waite@montview.org.

With Peace,

Minister of Music
Choristers Gather at Montview to Explore the Power of Sacred Jazz

Singers from Montview’s Westminster Choir invited other interested choristers to gather here every Thursday evening in June. Together, we read through a series of influential sacred jazz compositions. The 2018 Summer Choral Reading Sessions, open to all area singers, featured choir directors Craig Robertson, Montview’s Director of Youth Choirs; Adam Waite, our Minister of Music; David Kates, Director of Music at Littleton UMC and Vicki Burrichter, Artistic Director of the Boulder Chorale. Under their batons, we discovered music by Ellington, Poulenc, Honegger, Brubeck and others that was often stirring and always worthwhile.

Reading through new and different choral literature exposes Westminster singers to an expanded repertoire, excellent Denver-area conductors, and sharpens everyone’s sight-reading skills.

The Summer Choral Reading Sessions are an established tradition of Montview’s music program.

By Juli Davidson

Dear Edwina Church Musical

DEAR EDWINA, the annual Musique & Masque Fall Show, is coming to Miller Center! Don’t miss the opportunity to experience this fun, toe-tapping show. Montview’s youth are featured in this production, with back-up vocal support by adults in the company. Who wouldn’t want to experience Susie and the Napkins swinging to some doo-wop music, or to hear Vladimir singing about Frankenguest, an unruly birthday party attendee? Or perhaps you’ll be intrigued by the Fairy Forkmother teaching us all how to set a table properly. There’s something for everyone. Bring the whole family!

Presented by Montview’s in-house theater company, Musique & Masque, composed of more than 70 players and staff, ranging in age from 6 to 70.

Time: Friday, September 14, 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, September 15, 2:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, September 16, 2:00 p.m.
Location: Miller Performing Arts Center.
Cost: General Admission: $15; Patron Seating: $25. Tickets on sale before/after church on Sundays and in the church office during the week.
Contact: Jean Sibley at jeanannsibley@gmail.com or 303-722-4207.
Mission and Service

Montview responds to God’s call to address the needs of our community and the world. Join us for one or more of our Churchwide Mission Projects this fall. There is truly something for everyone!

September / Stedman School Supply Drive
Location: Commons
Situated just nine blocks north of Montview, 85% of the children at Stedman Elementary School are eligible for free or reduced-price lunch. Help us collect NEW school supplies for Stedman all month long. Drop your #2 pencils, glue sticks, post-it notes, markers, colored pencils and crayons in the marked bins in the Commons.

October 7 / Mission Sunday
Homeless Packet Project
Location: Gallery Room. Time: 12:15 p.m.
Join us on Mission Sunday to assemble these simple but very important outreach bags, which can be kept in your car and easily handed out to our homeless neighbors. Help us fill the bags and/or bring granola bars, tuna packets, crackers, boxes of raisins, water bottles and adult-sized socks for those in need.

November 4 / Rice & Beans Ministry
Location: Gallery Room. Time: 12:15 p.m.
Did you know that 1 in 10 Coloradans experiences food insecurity? Help us create meal-sized rice and bean packets to stock the shelves of our partners at Metro Caring, Inner City Parish and the Greater Park Hill food pantry. We’ll share a meal together in Fellowship Hall before creating meals for our neighbors in need. Look for an invitation via email and be sure to RSVP to help us get a head count for this event.

Ongoing Mission Opportunities at Montview:

Park Hill Tutoring
Montview members provide weekly tutoring at Park Hill Elementary School in the after-school programs. For more information, contact Lois Bray at braybilo@comcast.net.

Central Visitation Program (CVP)
CVP is a low-fee supervised visitation program that provides a safe and comfortable environment in which children and non-residential parents are able to visit and spend time together. The courts may order the non-custodial parent to visit with the children only under the supervision of a third party. This parenting time is supervised by volunteers and allows children the opportunity to develop a meaningful relationship with their parent. For more information, contact Eric Durland at bedurland@gmail.com.

Senior Support Services / Soul Food
This Montview mission partner is a day shelter for hungry and homeless seniors in the Denver area. They serve three meals a day and provide individualized case management to help their clients. If you would like to help the Montview Soul Food volunteers prepare and serve a meal, contact Paul Heitzenrater at p.r.heitzenrater@comcast.net.

Women’s Homelessness Initiative (WHI)
Montview provides sanctuary and hospitality for women experiencing homelessness. Teams of volunteers cook and serve dinner for 25 guests who stay in Fellowship Hall on Monday nights in September, November, January, March, May and July. Other volunteers set up the cots, build breakfast bags, offer one-on-one hospitality and stay overnight to create a safe space for these women in crisis. To get involved, reach out to Susie Pappas at susiepappas@hotmail.com or Clair Howell at camh45@comcast.net.

Warmly,

Jennifer Seward
Mission Life Coordinator
Building Community: Montview Celebrates its 2018 Habitat for Humanity Project

Montview’s decades-long support for Habitat for Humanity of Metro Denver is a close-to-home mission project that engages members of all ages. This year Montview sponsored a four-bedroom duplex in the Sheridan Square community that will ultimately include 63 affordable energy-efficient homes close to several schools. Our goal for 2018 was to raise $10,000 and provide 60 construction volunteers to help build the home.

Our fundraising campaign, “May is Habitat for Humanity Month,” kicked off with the high-energy, entertaining “Founding Fathers” skit, which was written and produced by Dennis Shull and presented by a very talented group of Montview youth on Mother’s Day. They rocked the sanctuary and got funds flowing into the collection plates. Thanks to the many people who contributed, we not only met but also exceeded our fundraising goal this year!

A hardy group of 45 construction volunteers ranging in age from 16 to 70+

filled 56 construction slots. They worked on the first phase of the build from early June to mid-July, constructing and raising walls, nailing down flooring and securing trusses with thousands of nails. This year our crew members painted siding with feet on the ground before it was installed. Volunteers also installed blue wrap and Styrofoam insulation on the exterior of the home. Popsicles provided by crew chief Ellen West were their daily reward, along with the satisfaction of helping another family obtain a beautiful home of their own.

Montview families who preferred not to swing a hammer supported the crews by bringing wonderful lunches to the worksite. This was a great chance to participate and see what the project involved while involving children in the process.

Other groups will continue construction on the project, which will be completed in the fall. Look for details of the home dedication later in the year.

2018 Mission Trip: Befriending the Boys of Ipoderac

Nineteen Montview members and friends traveled to central Mexico for a week in July to convivir (live with) the boys and staff at Ipoderac, a nonprofit home for street children Montview has supported since 2002. For over 50 years, the home has been life-changing for the boys, ages 5-22, who choose to live there.

Longtime Montview member Mary Buckley made the arrangements. We broke into small groups and were assigned to a house where we talked, played and helped the boys with chores. Our gift was a framed photo we took of the boys in each house. We shared pizza and ice cream and celebrated their graduations with the local community.

We were struck by the boys’ politeness and the way older boys guided younger boys. After high school graduation, the boys move to the final house, where they get jobs or continue their education.

We also toured the construction site for the girls’ home, which opens in December, guided by the incoming director, Paola. She described the unique empowerment program for girls ages 9-14.

Montview youth built the soccer field a few years ago, which needs upgrading, and Montview’s last capital campaign contributed funding for a guest house. Currently, annual mission funds provide scholarships for the older youth.

Ipoderac is meeting a great need by providing a home and education where the children learn good values and life skills. All of us left with a greater appreciation of this special program.
Montview Race & Privilege Steering Team Hosts Community Discussion of Citizen: An American Lyric

This summer Montview members and community friends came together in conversation to discuss the New York Times bestseller, Citizen: An American Lyric by Claudia Rankine. Through the thoughtful facilitation of community change agent Bill De La Cruz, participants entered into discussions including how to talk about race, how to catch our own unconscious bias, how privilege impacts our ability to engage in social justice, the urgency of addressing systemic racism, the call of Christians to this work, and how to respond to racism when we find it in ourselves, others and the systems that surround us.

Participants ranged from youth through our most senior members making the conversations dynamic and engaging.

Citizen is a unique piece that calls the reader to experience the book – rather than engaging with it as an intellectual pursuit. This connected directly with the vision statement of the Race & Privilege team: “To do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with our God, Montview Church embraces deep faith and deep listening, speaks truth to power and holds everyone equal in God’s image: every race and people.” The community came together to practice our faith, our listening, our truth telling and to more clearly honor God’s image in all people.

As Montview continues to work through this journey of becoming an anti-racist organization and a community that embodies the spirit of Christ through intentional inclusion, engaging with each other and our community in brave ways will be critical.

Stay tuned for more opportunities to learn and grow in this space as the work of Montview Church and the Race & Privilege Team continues.

Adult Education is Coming Back!

This year we have chosen the theme Mercy Matters to guide our preaching and the adult education offerings. Meetings will be on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. Our impressive facilitators and speakers will present thought-provoking topics, including:

- The True Meaning of Mercy
- Mercy In Scriptures
- Mental Health and Gun Violence
- Mercy In Our World
- What Does the Bible Say About Money?
- Why Does Inequality of Income and Wealth Persist and Grow?
- Mercy In Action

We hope that you will join on this journey toward Mercy. Books are on sale in the Commons on Sundays.

More details coming soon!

Fall Wednesday Night Life (WNL)

Wednesday Night Life
Closer to God. Closer together.

A four-week book study on Mercy Matters: Opening Yourself to the Life-Changing Gift by Dr Mathew Schmalz, will be facilitated by Zack Warren and Rex Eaton. They will discuss Mercy and Self, Mercy and Others, and Mercy and God. Meetings will be on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. on the following dates: Sept. 26, Oct. 3, Oct. 10 and Oct. 17. Books are on sale in the Commons on Sundays.

More details coming soon!
This fall you’ll be hearing a lot at Montview about mental health, suicide and guns. Why is that? Colorado is the ninth leading state in the incidence of suicide, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control. In 2017, three in four gun-related fatalities in Colorado were suicides. At the same time, firearms were used in half of all suicides in Colorado. Experts say many of those suicides could be prevented.

Montview, in partnership with other congregations that make up Colorado Faith Communities United to End Gun Violence (CFCU), wants to help reduce the number of gun-related suicides through an educational program that trains congregants to intervene effectively.

On September 30, Andrew Romanoff, president and CEO of Mental Health Colorado, will speak at 10:00 a.m. during the Adult Education hour about the intersection of guns, suicide and mental health. He is also expected to discuss the Caring 4 Denver initiative that will be on the November ballot. Denver voters will be asked to approve a one-quarter-cent sales and use tax to raise money for mental health programs.

Montview hosted a general meeting of CFCU in May at which public health professionals defined the problem of gun-related suicides and outlined an intervention training program. The training is called QPR, short for Question Persuade Refer.

Many of us may have known someone who was depressed but were reluctant to ask them if they were contemplating suicide. Trainers in the QPR method assert that asking the question in a skilled way could save that person’s life.

In the two-hour training session, public health professionals teach participants to question a person about suicide, persuade that person to get help and refer the person to appropriate resources.

There are two training sessions at area churches this month:

- Thursday, September 6, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., Temple Micah, 5209 Montview Blvd.
- Thursday, September 13, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., Arvada United Methodist Church, 6750 Carr Street, Arvada.

At the same time, other efforts are under way at Montview to shine a spotlight on the issue of suicide and to identify ways in which Montview could try to prevent suicide and to support church members who have been touched by such tragedy. A listening session was held in August to discuss activities such as mental health screenings and a ceremony to honor those who have suffered a loss related to suicide.

And church member Phil Worth is organizing a Montview team for the Second Wind Fund Walk/Run on Saturday, September 15. The Fund aims to reduce the incidence of suicide in children and youth. For information, go to secondwindwalkrun.org or contact Phil at pjworth66@comcast.net.

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**2018 Montview Distinguished Lectureship**

**ELAINE PAGELS**

Sunday, November 18 at 7:00 p.m. & Monday, November 19 at 7:00 p.m.

Montview Boulevard Presbyterian Church | Free and open to the public

Dr. Elaine Pagels is the Harrington Spear Paine Foundation Professor of Religion at Princeton University. A preeminent scholar of early Christianity, her many best-selling books include *The Gnostic Gospels*, *The Origin of Satan*, and *Revelations: Visions, Prophecy, and Politics in the Book of Revelation*. The recipient of a MacArthur “genius” Fellowship, a Guggenheim Fellowship, and a National Humanities Medal from President Barack Obama, she has also won a National Book Award and a National Book Critic’s Circle Award. Her next book, *Why Religion?*, draws from her own life experiences to rethink our connection to the spiritual dimension of human experience.

**“ART, MUSIC, and POLITICS in the BOOK OF REVELATION”**

Sunday, November 18, 7:00 pm

Dr. Pagels will present on the book of Revelation. Then, in dialogue with Dr. Timothy Beal, she will demonstrate the enormous influence of this book in Western culture and how it has played itself out in politics from the first century till today. Pagels’ recent book, *Revelations*, and Beal’s new book, *The Book of Revelation: A Biography*, will both be available for purchase.

**“WHY RELIGION? A PERSONAL STORY”**

Monday, November 19, 7:00 pm

Drawing from her latest book, *Why Religion?* (to be released November 6, 2018), Dr. Pagels will share how she, given her relatively secular background, grew fascinated with questions about Christian origins and became an historian of gnosticism and early Christianity, and how that story is interwoven with events in her life that impelled her to ask the questions that she asks in her books. Here she will speak in a more personal way.
COMMUNITY @ MONTVIEW

The Montview “Spot” at City Park Jazz

Montview folks at City Park Jazz. Photo courtesy of Linda Orosz.

The Communications Committee started a new tradition this summer by creating a gathering “spot” for members and friends to enjoy the Sunday night City Park Jazz concerts together. The idea is to socialize with each other, but also to be a welcoming and visible presence to others in the community who may be curious about Montview. Each Sunday different families, committees, supper clubs and social groups sign up to host “the spot” by staking out an area, putting up the Montview banner, and providing some simple refreshments. Each week the gathering has grown and seems to have the traction to become a long lived summertime tradition.

Montview’s Inaugural Appearance in the Park Hill 4th of July Parade

Seventeen souls filled out the ranks of the Montview contingent in the Park Hill 4th of July Parade this year. Decorated bicycles, banners, kazoos, 22 lbs of candy, a super soaker and one pup made up the menagerie that was cheered with shouts of encouragement from the packed sidewalks. Thank you to all who marched (and cheered.)

Online Church Directory

Montview launched its first ever online member directory in June. The directory will allow members to communicate more readily with each other and to keep the congregation’s information accurate and up-to-date. Participation is optional, but encouraged. It is a great way for a large church like Montview to stay connected using your computer or smart phone, with the ShelbyNext app. Please sign up today using the login and password and instructions that members were sent via email. For more information contact Bob Cloud at 303-355-1651 x108 or bobcloud@montview.org.

Social Media Ambassadors

By Linda Klein Orosz

Montview at City Park Jazz. Photo courtesy of Linda Orosz.

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Some happy faces at the Park Hill Parade. Photo courtesy of Linda Orosz.

Montview folks at City Park Jazz. Photo courtesy of Linda Orosz.

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The Montview “Spot” at City Park Jazz

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Montview’s Inaugural Appearance in the Park Hill 4th of July Parade

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Hey there, Facebook friends! Yes, I am talking to you—those of you who spend a few minutes or a few hours a day on social media. We are asking you to turn your habit into a helping hand for Montview.

We would like to extend our reach in the community by enlisting you to “follow” Montview’s Facebook page, Instagram and Twitter accounts and to “share” the many terrific opportunities to question | think | serve | grow with your followers and neighbors.

If you are a member of NextDoor, invite your neighbors to our Celebration Sunday on September 9. Or invite them to our “Dear Edwina” production. Or a lecture. Or Adult Education. Or JAM and MOB gatherings.

And let us know if you see your neighbors filling the pews. We have a great thing going here at Montview and we want to share it!

By Jan Paul
Exploring Earth Care Congregation Status

The author, Wendel Berry, wrote “We have lived our lives by the assumption that what was good for us would be good for the world...We have been wrong. We must change our lives so that it will be possible to live by the contrary assumption, that what is good for the world will be good for us. And that requires that we make the effort to know the work world and learn what is good for it.” To me, the idea of “what is good for the world will be good for us” sits squarely in the ecological theology realm Montview members explored during the month of April. Over the course of that month, the idea of forming a “Green Team” bubbled up to work and learn what is good for the earth. I have been meeting with members who expressed interest in “greening” the church, including Karen Kudebeh, Debra Efird, Janet Fitzpatrick, Erika Walker, and Kathleen Wells to explore the process of becoming an Earth Care Congregation and reviewing the actions and pledge requirements.

The Presbyterian Church (USA) has developed a program for congregations interested in becoming more involved in being stewards of God’s earth, including “greening” the congregation. The program is called Earth Care Congregations. Earth Care Congregations are congregations that have committed to the “Earth Care Pledge” and accomplished a specific number of actions toward caring for God’s earth in four categories: worship, education, facilities, and outreach. To become certified as a PC(USA) Earth Care Congregation in the first year, a church fills out the Earth Care Pledge and tracks its commitments to earth care in the four categories. Congregations earning 25 points in each of the four categories will be certified as an Earth Care Congregation and receive various honors. Congregation members are also invited to participate as individuals by completing similar actions in their homes.

Members of the Montview Earth Care Team will be holding a meeting on September 23 after the 11:00 a.m. service to share our thoughts on becoming an Earth Care Congregation. More information will be provided at that meeting about the process, timeline and ways to get involved. The initial idea is to work with the Montview leadership, pastors, and staff to complete the Earth Care Congregation pledge worksheet this fall. We would then use that information and member input to determine if being an Earth Care Congregation is in the best interest of the church.

If you are interested in learning more about Earth Care Congregations you can access A Guide to Greening Presbyterian Churches at this link: www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/environment/earth-care-congregations/. Note Colorado only has two other PC(USA) Earth Care Congregations: St. Andrew Presbyterian Church in Boulder and Wellshire Presbyterian Church in Denver.

If you are interested, prior to the September 23 meeting, email Brian Murphy at coloradomurph@gmail.com.

By Brian Murphy

Deacon BBQ 2018: Fun! Fun! Fun!
Betty Jean Scherer will be the first to tell you that she may be featured as one of Montview’s Nifty Nineties, but as far as she is concerned “I’ll be 29 in September!” Betty Jean’s sense of humor is well known by those who get to know her. She describes herself as “mean and ornery” which is really ‘code’ for loves to tease and get to know people.

Betty Jean grew up in Peoria, Illinois and was raised by her maternal grandparents who were first generation German-Americans. Betty Jean, who loved to dance, was pressed by a friend to come on a blind date with a Navy Vet, to go dancing. Even though Myron was really quiet, he kept asking her out. After seeing each other for 2 years, they got married.

Betty Jean and Myron’s daughter attended Colorado State University and decided to stay after college. Gradually, the whole family moved to Colorado. Once Myron retired, Betty Jean and Myron moved to the Denver area. After attending a small Presbyterian church, they decided to come for a service at Montview. Immediately, both of them felt as if they had stepped into their Presbyterian church back in Peoria... the stained glass windows, the large choir & the friendly members. To the surprise of both Betty Jean and Myron, they realized that about 5 or 6 Montview members were friends and acquaintances from Peoria.

Betty Jean enjoys being around people and helping others. She volunteered regularly at The Medical Center of Aurora until 2016. When she has been there occasionally as a patient, numerous nurses and doctors still greet her and want to catch up.

Betty Jean’s cheerful spirit and outgoing personality have kept her young and involved with a wide network of friends and family. While she is not able to drive and get herself to church more recently, she feels close to the Montview community and friendships that grew over the years.

and the members develop close friendships over the years. After moving to Denver, Betty Jean met a Montview member who was in a branch out here and she was able to continue her involvement with the sorority.

Myron was an active member of the Masons, as well as The Shriners. Betty Jean, having been in Job’s Daughters, joined the Eastern Star and has been a member for 73 years. When Myron passed away in 2003, his memorial service at Montview included members of his Masonic Lodge who were included in the service.

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Jim Stoever grew up far to the east in Ridgefield Park, New Jersey. Always athletic, Jim became quite good at roller skating and ice skating with a dance partner. He and his partners entered a few local competitions. While he did not earn a spot on an Olympic team, they did have fun! After graduating from high school in 1943 he enlisted in the Navy and was sent to St. Lawrence College in far upstate New York. When the war ended he finished his studies at what is now Fairleigh Dickinson University in New Jersey. He received a Mechanical Engineering degree and lived in New Jersey before being offered a job in Albuquerque working at Sandia National Laboratories, a prime contractor for the Defense Department. He did research there for 33 years.

On a visit to New Jersey for Christmas a mutual friend introduced him to Louella. She was a Special Education teacher. After a long-distance courtship they married and raised a family in Albuquerque. Over the years, Jim coached Little League, became proficient at repairing cars, household appliances, and fixing almost anything. When he was in junior and senior high schools he discovered that he enjoyed taking wood-working classes. He continued this hobby and interest and has made numerous lovely pieces of furniture for their home and countless gifts for others.

After retirement, Jim and some friends from Sandia Labs started volunteering at the Albuquerque Civic Light Opera Theater. It quickly became a four days a week commitment building sets for musicals and plays, organizing lights, and making anything they requested. The most ambitious set was for “Singing in the Rain” where they had to engineer ‘rain’ to fall onto the stage! Another activity that became a huge part of Jim’s retirement in Albuquerque was the New Mexican Mountain Club. He was active as a participant and a leader of hikes.

Louella and Jim, during their 46 years of marriage, have enjoyed traveling in recreational vehicles to all 50 of our states. In fact, they traded in 3 motor homes with high mileage on them! During different summers they volunteered to work at Yaquina Bay Lighthouse in Newport, Oregon and and Snow Mountain Ranch in Winter Park, Colorado.

Jim and Louella decided to move closer to their son, Montview member Eric Hilty, so they moved to Colorado Springs where they lived for 12 years. After Eric’s marriage to Sarah and the grandchildren were born they were driving to Denver so frequently they decided to move here 9 years ago. Now they keep busy attending all the sport and school events for their teen-age grandchildren. They also enjoy their two rescue Schnauzer dogs who are ‘therapy dogs’ who visit hospital patients with Louella.

Jim and Louella did not need to search for a church home in Denver since Eric and Sarah were already members at Montview and they had visited the church many times. They have found that volunteering has been a continuous and enriching part of their lives and share with others the advice, “Doing for others rewards you.”
Joan is among a very small number of Montview members who live close enough to church to hear the carillon bells. Joan has lived in the Montview neighborhood during all of her school years. During her childhood, Joan lived in one of the bungalows that provided space for Montview’s current ‘south campus’. Joan’s parents were Montview members and donated the funds to provide outside lights on the church. Joan remembers an idyllic childhood with her identical twin sister and older sister riding their bikes to school; participating in Christmas plays at Montview and caroling in the neighborhood during the holidays.

After high school, Joan attended C.U. and graduated right after WWII. Shortly after meeting and marrying Bud (Merritt) Perkins, Jr., the young couple moved to Colorado Springs where, in the span of 4 years, they welcomed 3 boys into their family: ‘Perk’ (Merritt, III), Russell and Randall. While the children were young, Joan ended up a single parent. She worked for the 1st Presbyterian Church in Colorado Springs as the secretary to the Minister. Even though she was working full time, she made time to volunteer for the Cub and Boy Scout troops in which the boys participated, volunteered at the boys’ school and was active in church. Randy remembers his mother as being strict and having high expectations for the boys. Now grown, the 3 boys have often been told that their good values are apparent.

In 1965, Joan moved up to the Denver area, continued to work and to help her mom. Joan rejoined Montview and was active as an usher, volunteered when church dinners were held and participated in the Mariners. Joan fondly remembers the dinners together and the warm fellowship that was shared among the members of the group. As her mother reached her 90’s, Joan moved into the house on Grape Street allowing her Mom to stay in her home until she passed away. Joan remained in her Mom’s house which has lovely antiques from multiple generations of Coloradoans.

Joan’s favorite number is ‘7’. Not only does ‘Perkins’ have 7 letters but all the boy’s first names have 7 letters. The first 2 boys were born on the 7th day of the month. Randy was due on the 7th, but ended up arriving early.

Joan is a little slower getting around these days, but she enjoys ‘brain games’, reading, and going on outings. Randy, while still working full time, moved in with Joan a few years ago to help her continue to live in the Grape Street house. He has restored Joan’s ‘85 Oldsmobile Calais (which she purchased on 7/7/86 for $7700) and has won 1st place ribbons in car shows. Joan enjoys going to car shows, taking drives to see former family houses, churches and neighborhoods. She loves the Colorado mountains and enjoys family gatherings at Merritt’s family cabin in Nederland.

Joan feels very blessed to not only live in Park Hill in a home that she loves, but to be a member of Montview over the past many decades. She values the visits of Pete Hulac and the companionship of two dedicated Montview companions: Megan Parsons and Mary Evelyn Eckford. Over several years, Megan and her children visited Joan regularly. Even though the Parsons family moved, they still stop by when they are in Denver for a visit. Mary Evelyn has been visiting Joan for several years and continues weekly visits.

When asked what advice she has lived by, Randy was quick to provide a memory. As the boys were growing up, Joan stressed the value of always telling the truth. Randy remembers Joan repeatedly sharing Numbers 32:23, “You may be sure that your sin will find you out”. Joan feels that Montview has been a steady support during many decades of her life. She appreciates the care, support and love that she has experienced from the Ministers and Montview community.
NEW MEMBERS

Received June 2018

RACHEL FRIGILLANA
Rachel is retired from her work as a medical-surgical nurse at Mount Sinai Hospital in New York City. She has also lived in the Philippines. She moved to Denver two years ago with her sister.

SAMUEL GILLILAND
Sam and his wife Ali live in Park Hill with their 18 month old son Henry. Sam grew up in Kansas City where he was involved with his church’s youth group. He is an anesthesiologist. In his spare time Sam enjoys cycling, hiking, fishing, cooking, and spending time with Ali and Henry.

JEFFREY AND KIMBERLY KIRKWOOD
Jeff is originally from Los Angeles, and Kim is a native Coloradoan. Jeff served 30 years in the Navy. He currently works in the aerospace industry. Kim is recently retired from the aerospace industry. One son Jeffrey lives in New York, and their other son is Jacob, who is 8 years old. Jeff enjoys fly fishing, cycling, fitness, and good wine. Kim also enjoys cycling, as well as singing, cooking and spending time with family.

REBECCA AND DAVID PUSTER
Becky and Dave met in a church choir in Colorado Springs. They are already active at Montview, both singing in our choir. Dave is recently retired from the Army but continues to serve as a consultant. They moved to Cherry Creek from Ft. Knox. Becky likes music, cooking, reading, gardening, and being outdoors. Dave enjoys golf, weight lifting and reading.

AIMEE VINCENT
Aimee and her husband Steve recently moved to Denver from New York. She is working on her PhD in English and Writing at the University of Albany. She would like to become involved in Montview’s choir and bell choir. In her free time Aimee enjoys reading, video games, and spending time with her family.

KARA AND KEVIN WALSH
Kara and Kevin are the parents of 11 month old Lucas. Kevin is an attorney; Kara is a teacher. Kara enjoys cooking, reading, running and hiking. Kevin likes skiing, hiking and listening to music.
NEW MEMBERS

Received June 2018

KATHLEEN WELLS
Kathleen is retired as a professor from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland. She is a Denver native. Now her time is spent volunteering with the Women’s Homelessness Initiative and the Citizens’ Climate Lobby, an advocacy group.

JOHN BUTT & EMILY WHEAT
John and Emily are expecting their first child in October. John coordinates online programming for CU Denver at Anschutz; Emily is a clinical health psychologist at Children’s Hospital. They enjoy being outdoors, snowboarding, hiking and walking their dogs.

CAROLYN LEE
Carolyn and her husband Matthew Garcia live in nearby Centennial. Their children are Maddy, a first grader, and Ben, a toddler. Carolyn is a trading analyst doing regulatory work for an electric utility. In her spare time Carolyn enjoys reading, quilting and travel.

An Invitation to Explore Membership

Does Montview feel like your church home and you’re interested in learning more about membership?

Are you a member and know someone who is curious about the church?

Five times a year Montview offers a two-part Inquirer’s Class that offers an opportunity to explore membership. The class is not a commitment to join the church, but rather a time to learn and receive answers to your questions. If, after the class, you decide to join Montview, you will be welcomed as a member during a special portion of a scheduled Sunday service.

Here are the dates of the last two Inquirer’s Class opportunities for 2018:

Saturday, September 22  9:00 a.m.-12:00 pm (Part 1)
Sunday, September 23, 9:30-10:30 a.m. (Part 2)

Saturday, November 3,  9:00 a.m.-12:00 pm (Part 1)
Sunday, November 4, 9:30-10:30 a.m. (Part 2)

To learn more or to register, contact Carol O’Dwyer at 303-355-1651 ext. 106 or odwyer@montview.org.

By Carol O’Dwyer
## Fall 2018 Sunday Service Preaching Schedule

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## Mid-Year Budget Update

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RETURN TO REGULAR WORSHIP HOURS

Beginning September 9
Two Services @
8:30 a.m. & 11:00 am

Regular Church Hours

The main office will be staffed from
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.
Building open hours will vary somewhat,
depending upon active events.

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)