



FORT COLLINS MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

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Worship 10:00 AM

We are all ministers in this fellowship

AUGUST 10, 2014

OUR VALUES

- **Commitment and perseverance.** As the body of Christ, we have a commitment to the community through difficult times as well as good times.
- **Faith-filled, grateful attitude.** In God's economy, we have enough resources: enough finances, enough love and nurture, enough volunteers, enough time. Be grateful while also working to grow resources.
- **Every person in this fellowship is a minister.** Every person has a gift and every person should be given an opportunity to give that gift. We are the body of Christ.
- **Spirituality and social justice are integrally interwoven.** We believe and act on this as we emulate the life of Christ, interpret the Scriptures, and meet the spiritual needs of our community. We are unapologetic about being a Christian community that values spirituality; AND we are unapologetic about being a justice and peace community; AND we are unwavering that these are inextricably entwined, and even synergistic.

We are an open and affirming congregation.



WORSHIP 'ROUND THE TABLE: SELF-DISCOVERY THROUGH THE ENNEAGRAM



The **Enneagram** is a model of human personality that can help us discover truths about ourselves which lead to greater self-understanding. Discovering these things can move us on a path of personal transformation, as well as to awareness and grace within our community.

This August, our 3-part series will be interactive, mindful, informal, and interesting. We will rely on one of our favorite styles of gathering in the summer, "Worship Around the Table." Come join as we sit and eat together, learning and discussing personality traits, types, truths, and myths.

ORDER OF SERVICE

- Music
- Table Fellowship & Activity (food *and* thought): "*The Enneagram Part 2: Path to Transformation*" (Annie) Transcending the ego is the gate to every spiritual path. The Enneagram shows us the gate and how to pass through it. We all seek a way to lead richer, more fulfilling, and graceful lives—and to help others do the same.
- Offering and Joys & Concerns
- Scripture
- Blessing and Sending



VISITORS



Please complete a visitors' card (available from the greeter or on the back information table) and place it in the offering basket or return it to the greeter.

PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS

While Steve is on family vacation in Oregon and Washington through August 15, there are no office hours. However, feel to call his cell phone (though he may not always have service): 970-412-7510. Or, contact one of the Elders, (Steph, Russ, or Annie).

PRAYER REQUESTS

Let us know your requests during the "joys and concerns" time of worship, or write them on prayer cards (available in the back of the church) and place them in the offering basket.

If a concern arises during the week or if you would like someone to personally pray with you, Keith (391-9956) or Steph (685-8162) will welcome hearing from you while Steve's out of town.

"When we quit thinking primarily about ourselves and our own self-preservation, we undergo a truly heroic transformation of consciousness." — Joseph Campbell



AUGUST PRAYERS FOR FCMF FAMILIES

- Eliza and Jim Carney
- Cade and Mary Coldren & family
- Carla Conrardy and Jeff Kearns
- Kevin and Julia Cross
- Kathy Egan and Steve Ramer & family

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS



Our Fellowship: Pray for stable housing for Heather and her son; for Michael's health, finances, and transportation; for Elizabeth's health and well-being; for housing for Lane and his Dad; for new clients for Martha and her friend Lisa; for Rachel's dad; for rain in the Bay area; for Dave as he and his brothers strive to help their aging parents; for the health of Cade's mother and stepfather; for the family of

Anne Lamman (Eliza's daughter) as they grieve the death of their brother-in-law; for Maria Gibson (Frank's wife) as she begins treatment for lymphoma; and for those suffer from the ongoing violence in Gaza.

"Darkness is the only path to light. It is not our wonderful gifts that make us closer to God: it's using our garbage to transform ourselves. This is the key that unlocks the door that opens to God." — Yehuda Berg

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- **Week 1:** Kevin Cross (8/7)
- **Week 2:** Norman Bates (8/16)

ONGOING EVENTS

- **Potlucks:** ON VACATION for the rest of the summer.
- **MennoPints:** 1st or 2nd Friday of the month
- **Movie Night:** ON VACATION for the rest of the summer.
- **Elders Meeting:** To be announced.
- **Womynfolk Group:** Support group meets the 1st Monday of each month. Contact Annie at: (601) 918-9054 (cell)

CALENDAR

Refer to Announcements for details

- **August 13:** Casa de Refugio Project
- **August 15:** Deadline for 2015 Mennonite USA Conference ideas
- **August 16-18:** New West Fest
- **August 23:** *Do You Know Who I Am?* at Bas Bleu



"We take what we think are the tools of spiritual transformation into our own hands and try to sculpt ourselves into robust Christlike specimens. But spiritual transformation is primarily the work of the Holy Spirit. He is the Master Sculptor." — Jerry Bridges

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP 'ROUND THE TABLE. For the month of August we will have our informal "table worship" services that provide a great venue for food and conversation. Please check the Worship Duties table below for the three simple duties needed to pull off Worship 'Round the Table: music, message, and food. Regular worship duty rotations are on hold until August 24.

MICHAEL NEEDS HELP. Michael says the one thing that keeps him going in the midst of his health and financial issues, is sharing his music with others. We are trying to form a transportation pool to drive Michael to various "gigs" around Ft. Collins. Additionally, Michael would appreciate any small loans to help him pay his outstanding rent at Oakridge Assisted Living. If you are interested in helping him, please contact him at: **307-635-0900**

CASA DE REFUGIO PROJECT. With the recent influx of unaccompanied immigrant children from Mexico, Urban Strategies, a regional organization, submitted a proposal to provide 600 beds for unaccompanied minors currently residing in shelters in Northern Colorado, Arizona, and Southern California. There will be 500 beds for kids 13-18 in shelter model settings and 100 beds for children 12 and under in foster homes. US Caseworkers will work with the local immigration courts to have the kids placed with family within 40 days. To learn more about the **Casa de Refugio Project** here in Colorado, please attend an informational briefing at FCMF on **Wednesday, August 13, from 6-8 pm.** For more details, contact: Angelica Stoll 970-988-6562 stollangelica@yahoo.com

UNDOCUMENTED IMMIGRANTS TAKE THE STAGE. *Do You Know Who I Am?* is an inspiring autobiographical performance by undocumented immigrants from Colorado who dramatize their immigrant experience on stage to help the audience better understand what it is like to be undocumented in our community. Talk with the performers and local Fort Collins-based immigration attorney Kim Medina after performance. To see scenes from a recent performance, go to: <https://vimeo.com/89208876>

Performance takes place on **Saturday, August 23, 2014, 7:30 pm** at Bas Bleu Theatre, 401 Pine, Fort Collins, CO. \$10 donation per ticket to partially cover the cost of the performance. To reserve tickets to the performance contact Anne Hall, annhall4@comcast.net. Tickets are also available at the theater the night of the performance, unless sold out. Jointly sponsored by Immigration Ministry Team of Plymouth Congregational Church UCC and Foothills Unitarian Church.



WORSHIP DUTIES

	August 10	August 17	August 24	August 31
Greeter	NA	NA	Liz	OPEN
Worship leader	NA	NA	Russ	OPEN
Music	Geoff	Stan	Mary Beth	Levi
Children's Story	NA	NA	John K.	Martha
Scripture	NA	NA	Kristen	Dave
Message	Annie	Steph	OPEN	OPEN
Communion Bread	NA	NA	NA	NA
Snacks & Coffee	Steve & Liz	Greeters	Karla & Jeff	Katie

Bulletin Announcements:

Please submit any announcements by Thursday evening to Martha Roden at: martharoden@gmail.com

Worship Rotations:

When a rotation assignment does not work for you, please alert Steve and worship leaders in a timely fashion.

