



# FORT COLLINS MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

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**Worship 10:00 AM**

*We are all ministers in this fellowship*

**JULY 12 – AUGUST 9, 2015**

## 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: LIFE TOGETHER AS A COMMUNITY

Since the dawn of time, people have sought out each other to form communities. Truly, it is in community that we become part of something greater than ourselves ... and experience God. Community is indeed the antidote for alienation from one another as well as from the Divine Creator!

**This summer, our "Worship Around the Table" series will consist five informal Sunday gatherings. Come join as we sit and eat together, discussing topics provided by guest speakers, and learn about community in the process.**

### ORDER OF SERVICE

- Music
- Table Fellowship led by Topic Presenter (along with food & discussion) – speakers listed on back
- Offering and Joys & Concerns
- 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

Steve will have office hours on Wednesday, July 22 from 1-5 pm. He will be on spiritual retreat, family vacation, and Annual Assembly from July 14-17, July 24-August 3, and August 7-12. This means he will **NOT** have office hours on Wednesday, July 15, July 29, and Aug. 12. While he's gone, Steve will **NOT** be reachable by phone, but you can reach Mary and Annie if you have an emergency or other pastoral need (see their contact information below under "Prayer Requests").

### 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, Annie (970-294-2646) or Mary (970-222-0235) will welcome hearing from you while Steve's out of town.

*"Faith is taking the first step even though you don't see the whole staircase." — Martin Luther King, Jr.*

*"The earth is the mother of all people, and all people should have equal rights upon it." — Chief Joseph*



**PLEASE LEAVE YOUR BULLETIN AT CHURCH – WE'LL THE SAME BULLETIN THROUGH AUGUST 9, 2015**

## JULY PRAYERS FOR FCMF FAMILIES

- Annie and Mark Scott & family
- Maurice Shenk
- Kristen Smith
- Ruth Wallick
- Wes and Angela White & family



## AUGUST PRAYERS FOR FCMF FAMILIES

- Austin Yoder and Marissa Kauffman
- Sanders Aitchedji & Denise Bouthelier and family
- Levi and Kristin Bagdanov
- Elizabeth and Norman Bates
- Rachel and Jenny Boehs



*All that you touch, you change. All that you change, changes you.* — Octavia Butler

*“Your ordinary acts of love and hope point to the extraordinary promise that every human life is of inestimable value.”* — Desmond Tutu

*“Start by doing what's necessary; then do what's possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible.”* — Francis of Assisi

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

## JULY BIRTHDAYS

- **Week 1:** Carla Conrardy (7/2)
- **Week 2:** Elizabeth Bates (7/6). Jordan White (7/9). Steph Krall (7/11)
- **Week 5:** Linda Metzler (7/26), Susie Ford (7/29)

## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- **Week 1:** Kevin Cross (8/7)
- **Week 3:** Norman Bates (8/16)

## ONGOING EVENTS

- **Potlucks:** On vacation this summer
- **MennoPints:** On vacation this summer
- **Elders Meeting:** 1st Tuesday of the month
- **Womynfolk Group:** Support group meets the 1st Monday of each month. Contact Annie: (970) 294-2646 (c)

## CALENDAR

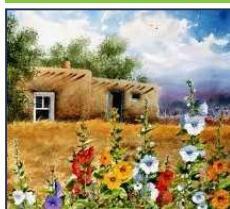
### Refer to Announcements for details

- July 14-17, July 24-August 3, and August 7-12: Steve is gone
- July 19: FOCO Café Music Festival
- Aug 7-9: Annual Assembly



*“I am what I am because of who we are.”* — Zulu proverb  
*“There is a crack in everything, that's how the light gets in.”* Leonard Cohen

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



**NEW FROM KENYA.** Steve and Cathy recently met Doug Olsen and Corinna Clymer who just finished an MCC term in Kenya where they worked with the Masi. Doug and Corinna are interested in finding jobs and a place to live, as well as meeting people. If you'd like to reach out to them, their contact info is: [clymerolson@yarina.org](mailto:clymerolson@yarina.org) and 970-682-4025.

**WORSHIP 'ROUND THE TABLE.** If you haven't signed up to help, please do so. Look at the schedule below to see where we need people (in yellow). We'll send out an update each week. If no one signs up for music, we'll just pick our favorite hymns and sing them!

**ANNUAL ASSEMBLY APPROACHES.** It's time to register for Annual Assembly 2015. The weekend retreat will be held at beautiful Ghost Ranch in Abiquiu, NM, **August 7-9, 2015** and will be a time of recreation, relationship building, and dreaming of our future. Registration appears to still be open at: <http://www.msmcassembly.org/#registration>. If you're interested in going, email one another to arrange transportation!



*“Fear is a natural reaction of moving closer to the truth.”* — Pema Chodren

*“To forgive is to set a prisoner free and discover that the prisoner was yourself.”* — Lewis B. Smedes

*Darkness cannot drive out darkness: only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate: only love can do that.”* — Martin Luther King, Jr.

## WORSHIP 'ROUND THE TABLE SERVICES

	July 12	July 19	July 26	August 2	August 9	August 16
	<b>Worship 'Round the Table</b>					
<b>Greeter</b>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	Keith
<b>Worship leader</b>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	Katie
<b>Music</b>	All	Cathy	Stan	OPEN	OPEN	Stan
<b>Children's Story</b>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	Martha
<b>Scripture</b>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	Alison
<b>Message</b>	Eliza	Gabi	Denise & Sanders	Lynette	Mary	FOCO Café
<b>Communion Bread</b>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>Snacks &amp; Coffee</b>	Allison & Isaiah	Katie	Liz	Wes & Angela	OPEN	Greeters
<b>Setup &amp; Cleanup</b>	Martha	Cathy	Isaiah & Allison	Lynette	OPEN	NA

### Bulletin Announcements:

Please submit any announcements by Thursday evening to Martha Roden at: [martharoden@gmail.com](mailto:martharoden@gmail.com)

### WRT /Rotations:

For Worship 'Round the Table, please contact Mary if you'd like to participate: (970) 207-0373 or [corvids@msn.com](mailto:corvids@msn.com)

