



# FORT COLLINS MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

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**Worship 10:00 AM**

*We are all ministers in this fellowship*

**JUNE 28, 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.*

## SEASON OF THE CHURCH: 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!

### 1. GATHERING

- Prelude
- Centering Silence
- Call to Worship
- Congregational Singing
- Welcome & Passing the Peace of Christ:



**Leader:** May the peace of Christ be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Leader:** Let us offer one another signs of peace, reconciliation, and love. (Stand and shake hands or hug.)

### 2. HEARING GOD'S WORD

- Children's Story
- Scripture: Psalm 25, Romans 8:14-26
- Sermon: *Prometheus or Francis of Assisi?* (Annie)



We struggle today with cultural pressures that infect the very "air we breath," such as individualism, anthropocentrism, and consumerism. But we must not give in if we are to live as the people of God. The challenge of today's faith community is to name the enemies of life and our collective soul. We must flesh out with humility the way of Jesus, expressed most famously by Francis of Assisi, but also by many heroes and heroines of the 12th century.

### 3. RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

- Covenant Signing
- Congregational Singing
- Reflections and Discussion
- Joys and Concerns
- Offering & Music
- Family Circle & 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's regular office hours are Wednesdays, from **2-6 pm** and by appointment. You can contact him at: **412-7510** or [stevemramer@yahoo.com](mailto:stevemramer@yahoo.com)

### 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**), Steph (**685-8162**), or Steve (**412-7510**) welcome hearing from you.

***Birthdays, prayers, announcements, and more quotes on back***

## MAY PRAYERS FOR FCMF FAMILIES

- Katie and Keith Price-Foster & family
- Steve Ramer and Cathy Egan & family
- Michael Riversong
- Martha Roden and David Braley
- Steve and Liz Ruhl



## SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS

**Our Fellowship:** Pray for Mary's friends who are going through a divorce; for all of us as we grieve the loss of Michael Riversong; for Denise, Sanders, Cena and Chenu as they travel to Ft. Collins next week and Denise continues to recover from her heart attack; for Russ's friend Stacey, her ex-husband, and their children; for those who find it difficult to let go of resentments or bitterness; and for much needed rain in drought-ridden California.



*"If you have men who will exclude any of God's creatures from the shelter of compassion and pity, you will have men who will deal likewise with their fellow men." — Francis of Assisi*

*"Christians must forcefully reject the notion that our being created in God's image and given dominion over the earth justifies absolute domination over other creatures." — Pope Francis*

## MAY BIRTHDAYS

- **Week 2:** Liana Price-Foster (6/10)
- **Week 3:** Keith Price-Foster (6/16), David Braley (6/17), Paul Ford (6/20)
- **Week 4:** Mary Beth Freeman (6/26), Stan Miller (6/26)
- **Week 5:** Martha Roden (6/28)

## ONGOING EVENTS

- **Potlucks:** Every Wednesday at 6:00 pm (starting Sept. 3). Enter through back (north door) to kitchen/dining area.
- **MennoPints:** 1st or 2nd Friday
- **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

- June 28: *BIDDER70* documentary
- July 1: Annual Assembly registration
- July 2: Audrey's Celebration
- July 4: Peace Pole dedication
- Aug 7-9: Annual Assembly

*"There is pleasure in the pathless woods, there is rapture in the lonely shore, there is society where none intrudes, by the deep sea, and music in its roar; I love not Man the less, but Nature more." — Lord Byron*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**FFH BEGINS.** Don't forget that four families are joining us this coming week!

**AMAZING DOCUMENTARY TODAY!** *BIDDER70* is the story of charismatic climate justice leader Tim DeChristopher who derailed a widely protested Bush Administration oil and gas lease auction of Utah public lands in 2008. He bid on and won thousands of acres of Utah wildlands with no intention of paying for them or drilling. As a result, he was arrested, tried, and served 2 years in prison for fraud. His action and trial ignited the climate justice movement! Free viewing and discussion on **Sun., June 28 (5:30 refreshments. 6:00 film)** at Foothills Unitarian Church, 1815 Yorktown Ave., Fort Collins.



**CELEBRATION OF LIFE.** Make sure you responded to the e-vite and plan to attend this special service: *Remembering Audrey Faulkner, Doer of Justice, Lover of Peace.* The event takes place on **Thurs., July 2 from 2-4 pm** at CSU Lory Student Center, West Ballroom, 3rd floor.

**PEACE POLE DEDICATION.** Join Kevin for his Fourth of July Peace Pole party. The pole is firmly planted in the corner of his yard and he plans to hold a dedication party next **Saturday, July 4, starting at 1:00 p.m.** He'll serve light snacks, drinks, and ice cream made by my daughter, the Ice Cream Lass. Please mark your calendars and send your RSVPs to Kevin by email.

**WORSHIP 'ROUND THE TABLE.** If you haven't signed up to help, please do so. As you can see by the **YELLOW** highlights in the Worship Rotations below, we have some openings. Plus **Aug. 2** needs a music and food provider, and **Aug. 9** needs everyone!

**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 for our future as a Conference. A number of are going and would like to carpool. **Please contact Steve if you're interested. Registration is due July 1.** For additional information, a schedule of events and to register, visit [www.msmcassembly.org](http://www.msmcassembly.org). Questions? Feel free to contact Annie at: [annie@mountainstatesmc.org](mailto:annie@mountainstatesmc.org)

## WORSHIP ROTATIONS

	June 28	July 5	July 12	July 19	July 26
<b>Greeter</b>	Liz	Lynette	NA	NA	NA
<b>Worship leader</b>	Lynette	Susie	NA	NA	NA
<b>Music</b>	Cathy	Mary Beth	OPEN	Cathy	OPEN
<b>Children's Story</b>	Steve	OPEN	NA	NA	NA
<b>Scripture</b>	Kristen	Rachel	NA	NA	NA
<b>Message</b>	Annie	Russ	Eliza	Cathy	Mary
<b>Communion Bread</b>	NA	Carla & Jeff	NA	NA	NA
<b>Snacks &amp; Coffee</b>	Wes & Angela	Annie	Isaiah & Allison	Katie	OPEN
<b>Setup &amp; Cleanup</b>	NA	NA	Martha	Cathy	Isaiah & Allison

### Bulletin Announcements:

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

### Worship Rotations:

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

