



# FORT COLLINS MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

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**Worship 10:00 AM**

*We are all ministers in this fellowship*



**JANUARY 31, 2016**

## 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.**

*"The Prince of Peace is Jesus Christ. We who were formerly no people at all and who knew of no peace, are now called to be a church... of peace. True Christians do not know vengeance. They are the children of peace. Their hearts overflow with peace. Their mouths speak peace and they walk in the way of peace." — Menno Simons*

### 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.



### 2. HEARING GOD'S WORD

- Children's Story
- Scripture: Selected verses from Luke 3
- Sermon: *Are You Ready for Some Radical Transformation?*

#### LOVE YOUR ENEMIES



On January 21, 1525, the first Anabaptist baptism took place in Zurich, Switzerland. World Fellowship Sunday gives us an opportunity to remember our common roots, celebrate our worldwide community, and enter more fully into fellowship, intercession, and thanksgiving with and for our global family of faith.

*"But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you." — Jesus*

### 3. RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

- Communion
- 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, Steve would welcome hearing from you: **(970) 412-7510**.

***Please read the back for birthdays, prayers, announcements, and more quotes!***

## JANUARY PRAYERS FOR FCMF FAMILIES

- Katie and Keith Price-Foster & family
- Steve Ramer and Cathy Egan & family
- Martha Roden and David Braley
- Liz and Steve Ruhl
- Annie and Mark Scot & family

## WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS



**FCMF:** Healing prayers for Wes' father who has prostate cancer; for Angela's friend Michelle who is not doing well physically and emotionally, for David Bryant as he has further cancer surgery; and for Martha who can't quite shake her cold. Prayers too for Catholic Charities and the Rescue

Mission as that they seek to help the homeless in more effective way; and for all those without homes, forced to live on the streets.

**Mennoite Mission Network:** Pray for the faculty, staff and students of Union Biblical Seminary in Pune, India. This institution is known as India's premier evangelical seminary, and focuses on mission studies.

*"Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise." — Luke 3:11*

## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- **Week 4:** Taka Ito (1/27), Jonathan Miller (1/27), Wes White (1/28), Chenu Atichedji (1/30)
- **Week 5:** Mary Coldren (1/31)

## ONGOING EVENTS

- **Potlucks:** Every Wednesday at 6:00 pm. Enter by north door.
- **Mennopints:** Second Friday of each month.
- **Elders Meeting:** Tuesday, Feb. 9, 2016.
- **Womynfolk Group:** First Monday of each month. Contact Annie: (970) 294-2646 (c)

## CALENDAR



**Feb. 4, 23:** Theologian in Residence speakers

**Feb. 9:** Elders Meeting

**Feb. 21:** Annual Meeting

*"No one is born hating another person because of the color of his skin or his background or his religion. People must learn to hate and if they can learn to hate, they can be taught to love for love comes more naturally to the human heart than its opposite." — Nelson Mandela*

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**MEETINGS COMING UP.** Mark your calendars for **Elders Meeting on Tues., Feb. 9** and our **FCMF Annual Meeting on Sun., Feb. 21, 2016**. The Annual Meeting will follow a potluck lunch after service. If you have a report to present, please complete it by Mon., Feb. 15.



**MONTHLY DINNER DATES.** Monthly dinner dates start in February, so if you're interested, please sign up. Contact Annie at: [rascot@bellsouth.net](mailto:rascot@bellsouth.net), 970-294-2646

**MATTRESS FOR A CAUSE.** Nathan's Band Program Fundraiser is today from **10 am to 5 pm** at Poudre High School. They are selling high-quality, brand-name mattresses (Simmons, Restonic, Therapedic) at **30%-60% off of retail store prices!** These are brand new mattresses, direct from the factory, with excellent warranties. When you find one you like, place the order and it will be available for pickup or delivery within a couple weeks of the sale.

**SCIENCE MEETS FAITH, RELIGION, AND SPIRITUALITY.** The Theologian in Residence Program is hosting a series of stimulating discussions with leading thinkers in the fields of science and faith. Please plan to attend the February events – they cost \$10.00 each. For details, go to: <http://tirprogram.com/>

- **Feb. 4:** *How Experience Shapes and Changes the Brain — Neuroplasticity:* Learn about new understandings of the brain's plasticity and new ways to heal physically and emotionally. (Trinity Lutheran Church, 301 E. Stuart St. / 6:30 pm)
- **Feb. 23:** *A Mindful Life: From Surviving to Thriving.* Gain an understanding of mindfulness and learn how the inner workings of your brain impact your moods, thoughts, and behaviors (United Methodist Church, 1005 Stover St. / 6:30 pm).

**ATTENTION HEALTHCARE WORKERS!** Registration is now open for Mennoite Healthcare Fellowship's Annual Gathering, **June 17-19, 2016** in Estes Park, CO. Plan now for this weekend of workshops, worship, networking, and sharing together with other healthcare professionals. Visit [www.mennohealth.org/annual-gathering-2016](http://www.mennohealth.org/annual-gathering-2016)

## WORSHIP ROTATIONS

|                            | Jan. 31 | Feb. 7       | Feb. 14          | Feb. 21                |
|----------------------------|---------|--------------|------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Greeter</b>             | Alida   | Rachel       | Martha           | Keith                  |
| <b>Worship leader</b>      | Lynette | Allison      | Lynette          | Annie                  |
| <b>Music</b>               | John    | Cathy & Saja | Geoff            | Stan                   |
| <b>Story</b>               | Steve   | OPEN         | Cathy            | Martha                 |
| <b>Scripture</b>           | Johanna | Liz          | Miranda          | Allison                |
| <b>Message</b>             | Steve   | Ben          | Steve            | Steve                  |
| <b>Communion Bread</b>     | NA      | Coldrens     | NA               | NA                     |
| <b>Snacks &amp; Coffee</b> | Katie   | Mary         | Isaiah & Allison | Lynette, Rachel, Eliza |

### 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, worship leaders, and Martha in a timely fashion.

