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Spiritual home. Inclusive community. Unconditional love. Welcome!

First United Methodist Church, Loveland, Colorado

November 14, 2021



FUMC WARMLY WELCOMES...

Shannon Heusinkveld, as our new Children's Coordinator. Shannon was born in Stillwater, Oklahoma and spent most of her childhood in Olathe, Kansas. She met her husband, Ryan Heusinkveld, in the College of Architecture at Kansas State University where they got engaged, studied abroad in Australia, graduated and then got married in his hometown, Loveland, Colorado. They were married in the same church that Ryan's parents were married in, FUMC. Though they moved away from Colorado in 2008, Shannon and Ryan brought each of their four children back to First United Methodist

Church to be baptized. Noah was baptized by Rev. Olon Lindemood (the same pastor that married his parents), Naomi was baptized by Rev. Bob Link (the same pastor that married Ryan's parents), and Isabelle and Evangeline were baptized by Rev. Steve Goodier. Ryan's grandfather, Del Martinson, built the storage building out by the FUMC parking lot and he and his wife, Doris, were members of the church. When Shannon and Ryan returned to Colorado in 2018, Evangeline was just two weeks old and, when she was baptized later that summer at FUMC, the family reconnected with their roots at FUMC. They have all enjoyed being involved with the family ministries. Shannon enjoys reading, cooking, fishing and surrounding herself with kids. She has always been involved with children's activities, whether as a swim teacher or a craft teacher and can't imagine it any other way.

VETERANS DAY OBSERVANCE

On Sunday, November 14, we will be observing Veterans Day to recognize those who are serving or who have served in the U.S. Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Coast Guard or Space Force. There will be tables set up in Coy Hall to display memorabilia of your service or that of your relatives or friends who are serving or who have served. Please bring your memorabilia before the 8:30 am service and, if possible, leave it until after the 11:00 am service. Include a note with each item identifying the who, what, when, and where of the item. No guns, knives, hand grenades, or bombs. Contact Bob Eatman at 970-461-1971 if you have questions.



ADVENT DEVOTIONAL WRITERS NEEDED

Calling all writers and ponderers of words... You are invited to contribute to the 2021 FUMC Advent Devotional. For more information and to sign up, go to the FUMC website to sign up. <https://www.fumcloveland.com/?tab=7>

TURKEYS NEEDED!

The Food Bank of Larimer County is holding a fun drive for frozen turkeys called Tour de Turkey on November 18, 6:00 am - 6:00 pm at the Orchards Shopping Center, 261 E. 29th St. They are partnering with New Belgium and you can get some free stuff while you donate. Frozen chicken or ham is also okay. Requests for turkeys from families in need this year are the highest they've ever been. If you can't make this date, you can bring your donation to one of the Food Bank's donation locations anytime. [Click here](#) for locations and hours.

YOU'RE INVITED

Trinity's congregation is planning to return to their building on Sunday, November 14 with a dedication of their building from 9:30-9:45am. FUMC folks are invited and encouraged to show up and surprise them with our support, giving them a warm "welcome back!" Come just for the surprise and dedication or stay to worship with them at 10:00am as well. The dedication service will be held outside so dress accordingly!

NEW COVID GUIDELINES!!!

The Larimer County Department of Health and Environment (LCDHE) implemented a public health order requiring that face coverings be worn in all public indoor spaces in Larimer County. "Public Indoor Space," as used in this Order, means any enclosed indoor area that is publicly or privately owned, managed, or operated to which individuals have access by right or by invitation, expressed or implied, or that is accessible to the public, serves as a place of employment, or is an entity providing services. Public Indoor Spaces include all enclosed indoor areas except for a person's residence.¹ The COVID Recovery Team's updated guidelines are informed by Larimer County's public health order. Effective immediately, FUMC's new guidelines include the following (new guidelines are listed in red):

- Everyone must wear a mask inside the church *regardless of vaccination status*.
- Children three years old and above should wear masks while in the building.
- **While everyone continues to wear masks, congregational singing may resume at FUMC during worship services.** Hymnals will be available in the pews for use by those who desire using them. Hymn lyrics will continue to be shown on the screen.
- **In small groups of 30 or people or less, beverages and finger foods (food not requiring utensils for eating) will be allowed** in designated meeting spaces. Individuals will keep their masks on and pull the mask down in order to take a bite of food or drink of beverage. (Pulling masks down to take a bite or drink is the current practice of airlines and other public spaces, including hospitals.)
- No food or drink will be served/allowed at gatherings of more than 30 people inside the building at this time.
- Masks are required while riding in church vehicles.

Please complete and turn in the welcome cards found in the pews and at the bottom of the 11:00am service worship sheet on Sunday mornings. These will be used for contact tracing.

CELEBRATE OUR GIFTS & SKILLS!

Over 55 people completed a Skills & Interests Survey, with a variety of gifts and interests expressed! Here's a sample: 25 people are interested in creating our worship experience in a variety of ways; 22 people want to provide hospitality as an usher, greeter or at the Ask Me Desk; 22 people want to serve the communities outside of the church; and 7 people will help our children and youth grow. There are other areas of interest, ministries, and skills that people have expressed. If you haven't turned in your Skills & Interest survey, it's not too late! We'll happily take it. If you need a copy, send a request to office@fumcloveland.com.



SAVE THE DATE

The Chancel Choir will perform the Christmas cantata, *Let There Be Christmas* by Joseph Martin at 11:00 am on Sunday, December 5. There will only be one service on that Sunday so mark your calendars!

¹ [Larimer County Public Health Order Requiring Masks in Public Indoor Spaces | Larimer County](#)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...FOR CHARGE CONFERENCE

The 2021 Charge Conference...when the important business of the church will be deliberated and voted on...will be held December 12 at 6:00pm, via Zoom. This important all-church meeting will be a gathering ONLY of FUMC this year (not combined with our sister churches). Please make plans to attend. You can do so from the comfort of your home, via this Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84586167436?pwd=dTlyOGwyLzR2d1dMNjQvdEdKaG5LQT09> (Meeting ID: 845 8616 7436...Passcode: 116598)



REPORTS FOR CHARGE CONFERENCE

Our Annual Charge Conference is coming up! If you are the chair of a committee, a lay servant, retired clergy, or the head of a group, please send your end of year report into the office. All reports must be **proofed** **BEFORE submitting** them for print in the Charge Conference booklet. Send reports to office@fumccleveland no later than November 28.

MID HIGH & SENIOR HIGH YOUTH EVENTS

Sunday, November 14: Ignite Retreat. No confirmation or Youth Group today.

Wednesday, November 17: Senior High Wednesday Breakfast Club - 8:00 - 9:00am: Meet at Colorado Coffee Co. (Next to Vato's Tacos at the Foundry). You get your drink, and we will get your breakfast. If you need a ride, please contact Ann Kessler at 970-290-2796.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Little Learners (Ages 3, 4, & Kindergarten) & Elementary students...come let us bless you each Sunday during Sunday school at 9:45am for a fun lesson about the Bible.

On Monday evenings each week (except November 22), Susan Harding will lead the children in music from 4:00 - 4:45pm. During this time, the kids will be working on their Christmas program which will be presented to the church on November 28 at 4:00pm.

PERSONALS

PRAYER LIST

Michele Massey
JD Kennis, death of mother and upcoming procedure
Sue Mullins, rehab
Pastor Leslie, rehab
Rich Laue, health



A celebration of life for Brownie Harvey and a luncheon will be held on Tuesday, November 23 from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm at the Chautauqua Community House in Boulder. All are welcome. Please RSVP to Brownie's daughter, Sharon Alexander, at mountainsmiles@msn.com.



BIRTHDAYS: November 14-20

Ella Berdahl
Pat Boegli
Rebecca Champion
Lyle Gilroy

Noah Heusinkveld
Wally Lankford
Cami Legault
Alicia Mitchell

Ruth Van Voorhis
David Williams

ON-GOING CLASSES AND GROUPS

HOLY HAPPY HOUR GROUP MEETS ON MONDAYS

Holy Happy Hour meets on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month at Vatos Tacos + Tequila at The Foundry, 270 N. Cleveland Ave. Contact Tom Thompson for more information at 801-518-5392 or revtgt@hotmail.com.

SOUL FEAST

We welcome any new members who enjoy looking at various views of Christianity and other religions. It is helpful if you buy the books but not necessary. It is the discussions and how we relate, agree or disagree with the ideas that matter. We meet on Thursdays at 2:00 pm in room E120. Call Barbie Clark at 667-7445 for more information.

EXERCISE CLASS WITH ANITA WILLIAMS

Join us Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 10:30am each week on Zoom. Contact Anita Williams at anitaandroger@msn.com with questions.

SEARCHERS CLASS

We meet every Sunday by Zoom at 9:45.

Zoom link -

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89138991192?pwd=MmdXV2o2My8xWTFzVUwwczV3Wk82Zz09>

Meeting ID: 891 3899 1192 Pass code: 136153

OASIS STUDY

FUMC Oasis LGBTQ+ group meets every Sunday, at 4:30 pm. The meeting is hybrid. We meet under the oak tree at the church or by Zoom. You can find the Zoom link on our website fumcleveland.com.

DINNER GROUP

Would you like to meet with 4-8 people to have dinner? Please contact Kay Neckel at 970-663-3434 or Shirley Reed at 308-665-5934.

OTHER IMPORTANT NEWS

ONLINE GIVING

Our Church has online payment capability. Go to our website, www.fumcleveland.com and click on the menu tab labeled "donate." Thank you for trying out this new way of giving.



FUMC BUS "ON THE ROAD AGAIN"

If you would like a ride to church or have questions about riding the church bus, please contact Roger Williams at 970-980-8228. (Please call after 4:00pm.)

WAYS YOU CAN SERVE



ANGEL TREE

The Mission Committee will begin the annual Prison Ministry Fellowship - Angel Tree - on **Saturday, November 20 and Sunday, November 21 from 9:00am - 12:00pm in East Coy Hall**. Ornaments for girls and boys will be ready for you to select. They will include the child's name, age, & gift suggestions. Please join us in sharing Christ's love by providing Christmas gifts for 60 children whose parents are currently incarcerated. Please call Pam Erickson at 988-8424 or Terry Gindlesparger at 563-343-2268 with questions.

CALL & CONNECT

This program connects our members who aren't as connected to FUMC as they'd like to be due to advanced age or health/mobility limitations. Volunteers will receive the names of a few members to call each month for check-in and conversation. To register as a phone caller, contact Pastor Lee at lee@fumcloveland.com or 970-667-0876. If you would like to receive calls, or know someone who would, contact Pastor Lee.

LOVELAND'S COMMUNITY KITCHEN IS IN NEED OF BREAKFAST VOLUNTEERS



Loveland's Community Kitchen provides food for those who are hungry, conversation for those who are lonely and rest for those who are struggling. We have extended our meal service to reintroduce breakfast and we are looking for more people to help out. Breakfast will begin November 8 and our breakfast will take place Monday through Friday from 6:30 - 9:00 am. Volunteer in the regular rotation or as a substitute. Please contact Brandon Rosenberg, the Program Coordinator at brandon@lovelandscommunitykitchen.org, or call us

at 970-278-1726 to find out how you can help. Learn more about the Community Kitchen at www.lovelandcommunitykitchen.org

MOBILE LAUNDRY TRUCK AT TWO LOCATIONS

This service provides clean clothes for our neighbors experiencing homelessness. Volunteers are needed to help! The truck will be located at FUMC on Fridays at 8:30 am and at the Loveland Public Library on Thursdays at 8:30 am. Contact Tom Thompson at revtgt@hotmail.com or 801-518-5392 or call Homeward Alliance at 970-460-6451 to get more information or to sign-up for a shift. You may also sign up for a shift online at <https://homewardalliance.galaxydigital.com/need/>.

DO YOU WANT TO HELP?

Mission Starts at Home is looking for people who are interested in helping our church members that need a hand with household chores. If you are interested, please email Julie Monroe at newmonroe1@yahoo.com.

BARB & JOHN IRELAN TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ONE OF FUMC'S LOCAL MISSIONS

For the second year in a row we have called Julie Monroe for help with our lawn leaves. Both years she has gathered a group of real eager beavers, and done what would have taken us weeks to do in a few hours. To give you some idea of the magnitude of the job, the first year they filled 23 large leaf disposal bags, and this year three or four pick-up loads. For those of us with limited abilities she and her gang are most valuable. I believe she would be receptive to consider any church member's request for help. Thank you Julie... thank you church!