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*Thank You  
Pastor Jean*

*For 10 wonderful years*

*Our thoughts and prayers go  
with you as you continue your  
journey in Salt Lake City.*

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# Journeys with Jean

*“I have heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all of God’s people. So I never stop being grateful for you, as I mention you in my prayers. I ask the glorious God of our Lord Jesus Christ to give you God’s Spirit. The Spirit will make you wise and let you understand what it means to know God. My prayer is that light will flood your hearts and that you will understand the hope that was given to you when God chose you. Then you will discover the glorious blessings that will be yours together with all of God’s people.”* Ephesians 1:15-18

It is very difficult to know how to say good-bye when our lives have been woven so closely together during these past 10 years. I truly believe that God brought us together—pastor and congregation—for the joy and betterment of all of us! You have shown me just how alive and vital a ministry can be when we all embrace it together. Your graciousness in wishing me and my new church well is an example of your seemingly unending generosity. While we are all sad to experience this change, you have been very understanding about the needs of Christ UMC in Salt Lake City. Thank you for sending me off with your prayers and good wishes. I know that Christ UMC folks are praying for you even while we are praying for them—and they are very grateful to be receiving their “permanent” pastor after months of interim leadership.

Please continue to be the wonderful congregation you are! Your commitment to putting your faith into action, to worshiping God with joy, to sharing church leadership with grace and a sense of humor---all these things are gifts you bring to our community, to yourselves, and to your new pastor. He or she will be very blessed to become part of GMUMC life!

*“My prayer is that light will flood your hearts and that you will understand the hope” that our God can bring to your lives—and that you will continue to share that light and hope in powerful ways to all who are in desperate need of knowing that there are people who care, and a God who loves them. God bless all of you in your continued personal and congregational ministry!*

Yours in Christ,

Jean



**Pastor Jean Schwien’s New Address:**  
c/o Christ UMC  
2375 E 3300 S  
Salt Lake City, UT 84109-2723

## **A Special Note from Abigail, Church Dog:**

Thank you very, very, very much for all the dog treats and ear-scratchings!  
I’m going to miss all of you.....especially the dog treats!

Love,  
Abby





A short but important month in winter—

## February WORSHIP SERVICES

February 5

Theme: *"Faith/Journey: The Power of Team"*



*Valentine's Day*

February 12

Theme: *"Faith/Journey: Claiming New Territory"*



Presidents' Day

February 19

Theme: *"I Don't Know What the Future Holds,  
but I Know Who Holds the Future."*

Pastor Jean's Final Sunday

February 26

Steve Walden, GMUMC Program Coordinator,  
will lead worship

March 4

Interim Pastor's First Sunday



African-American  
History Month



Boy Scout Sunday



Ground Hog Day



## Steve's Stuff (Ramblings & Program Notes)

For questions....please see me or call 303-989-3727...thank you!

A great many people think they are thinking  
when they are merely rearranging their prejudices.

- William James -



### The Human Riddle: The Spiritual Practice of Being Human



Ever wish you had a “spiritual practice” that calmed your mind and made you feel connected to the Sacred? Ever try a daily faith-based “exercise” (Scripture reading, silent prayer, meditation, etc.) only to surrender after a few days or weeks — then start a daily practice of guilt? Is “nurture my spirit” a box on your “to-do” list that never gets checked? Fear not! You’re not alone — and your condition is not terminal! Using readings and our own experiences, we’ll explore the world of “religious practice” and ponder the individual pathways to nurturing and listening to that “still small voice” — without losing our sanity. All folks welcome — *no sanctified holiness required*. The program will be led by a former co-worker of a Franciscan order who’s now an inept Buddhist, and an aspiring mystic, recognized sage, and former Mormon. To sign up, please see me, or the Program Table.

**Dates:** Brief orientation & material pick up on Sunday, February 12th, after worship, Room #403;  
Two week fellowship & exploration, Sunday evenings, 6:30 p.m., February 19th & 26th

**Reading:** *Flunking Sainthood: A Year of Breaking the Sabbath, Forgetting to Pray, & Still Loving My Neighbor* by Jana Riess, suggested donation to cover material, \$12



*The Human Riddle is an on-going series that applies faith to the challenge of simply being fully human.*



### The Hopeful Heretics

Tuesday, February 21st, 6:45 p.m.

This month pondering the book, *The Geography of Bliss: One Grump's Search for the Happiest Places in the World* by Eric Weiner. What ingredients make up the illusive quality of human contentment? How does our culture and location shape our pursuit of happiness? We'll explore the travels of Eric Weiner as we recall our own journey to discover, and live fully, the good life. As usual, we'll end this evening with fellowship garnished with world-select ice creams. All curious souls welcome.



*The Shared Journey is an evolving, supportive community for those that share the daily challenges of facing the diagnosis of dementia – as individuals, families, and caring friends.*

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#### Shared Journey: Support Group — Tuesday, February 14th, 9:30 a.m.

The meeting for those who wish to share their journey, gaining emotional support and constructive ideas in facing the minute-by-minute challenge of care-giving.



#### Shared Journey: Care-Giving Chautauqua update

As of the newsletter deadline, no firm GMUMC speaker dates to announce, but, as I “network” with community resources I’m alerted to local opportunities of interest...which I will note in this space:

**The Savvy Caregiver** course will be offered at the *Belmar Health Passport* office (near *Whole Foods*) on Wednesdays, March 28th through April 25th from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. The five week session is \$30. For additional information please visit [www.myhealthpassport.org](http://www.myhealthpassport.org), or see me...to register, call 720-321-8940.

**Ask A Care Manager** is also an offering of the *Health Passport* folks and is a general Q&A with a transitions specialist. Opportunities are available on Friday, February 17th and March 16th from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the *Health Passport Office* (4200 W. Conejos, St. 200, Denver). For additional details, see the contact information above or see me with questions.



**Project Cure Work Team — Local Service, Global Impact**

*Our February shift is Tuesday the 14th, from 1 to 3 p.m.*

Anyone interested in this service project, sorting and preparing medical supplies for shipment to areas of great need, please see me. You'll also be joining an efficient, excellent, and entertaining crew from Green Mountain — no medical knowledge needed, we work as a team...curiosity and humor are required.

As of 01/10  
Loan #: 124  
Total: \$3,700  
Countries: 27



**CHURCH OF THE APOCALYPTIC OPTIMISTS**

This effort to invest (via an organization called *Kiva* and the tool of the micro loan) was inspired by discussions in the *Questions, Inc.* group. We currently have twenty-five members, twenty-two from Green Mountain and three from other traditions. For information on this playfully-named, nobly-aimed, concept please see me.



**Samaritan Rx —**

**Gauze Pads, any size, or Gauze wrap (sold in rolls)**



These materials are gathered in the bin located near our *Aging Body, Young Mind* Resource table (upper hallway, west end, near restrooms). When full, the supplies will be delivered to *Project Cure* to be distributed to countries around the world where “healthcare” is the struggle for survival. *Your consideration of this on-going mission is appreciated.*

**Front Room Ruminators (R2)**

Using a video/discussion format to explore the diversity of faith, ideas, and perspectives these good folks gather at 10:30 a.m. in Room #403, get into a topic, then adjourn around



*You have nothing to lose but your dignity.*

**The Senior Wii Bowling Association**

February 28th, #403, 12:00 noon, light lunch then the games begin. To RSVP (so I have enough food), please see the Program Table.



**QUESTIONS, INC.**

**Exploring various topics with faith, humor, and fellowship.**

**Diverse viewpoints welcome & encouraged!!! Sunday, 9:00 a.m., Room #403**

*A community of people who find faith and inspiration in the diversity of creation, ideas, and perspectives.*



**Faith Advocacy Day 2012**

*Turning the Corner from Charity to Justice*  
**Monday, February 20th; 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.**  
**History Colorado, 1200 Broadway, Denver**

For cost, registration details, list of speakers & topics, and the opportunity for Capitol tours, please see me or take a flier from the Program Table.

The point of a faith community is not to **think** alike, but to **think** together.

**Introducing *Food Fit*...**  
**A Green Mountain UMC Caring Support Group for those seeking  
the balance of weight & wellness**

Fast food, super-sized portions, small-print ingredients designed to addict our taste buds, a food obsessed culture...AAAAGGGGHHHHH!!!!...our society makes it a challenge to maintain the optimum weight for health, and makes us feel guilty when we don't have a magazine-cover body. Nothing gets more personal than our own body image, and nothing lowers self-esteem faster than feeling that body is judged — by others, and worse, by ourselves. Are you seeking support and help in finding a weight that gives health while also a comfortable sense of self? Are you willing to work with others who share the goal of finding a balance between weight and well-being? Do you want to love yourself — the most vital ingredient to a healthy life?

Interested in exploring more...join our "I'm interested" gathering on:

***When: Sunday, February 12th, after worship***

***Where: The Fireside Room***



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# Announcements --



## A Fond Farewell to Jean

### ***Potluck – Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup> @ 11:30AM***

We want to send Pastor Jean on to her new home in Salt Lake City with a good old Methodist potluck and cake. So, mark your calendars for Sunday, February 19th at 11:30 AM. Bring your memories and favorite dish to share with all. We'll laugh, we'll cry, we'll say goodbye. Most importantly, we will send Pastor Jean on her way with all of our love and support as she embarks on this important journey.

### ***Scrapbook – Pages due in Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup> @ noon***

Have you gathered your memories of Pastor Jean and her time at GMUMC? The SPRC has chosen to put together a special gift for Pastor Jean that will include the pictures originally requested by Meg. We will be assembling a memory scrapbook comprised of pages made by you, her adoring congregation.

Your mission, should you choose to accept, is to decorate a 12" x 12" piece of paper (limited to 2 dimensions, please) with your memories of Pastor Jean. Pages are available in the narthex next to the Lost and Found. You may supply your own 12" x 12" pages should you so choose. The SPRC or Meg will not be making the scrapbook pages. That is the responsibility of each family and/or group. We are requesting only one page per family and one page per group/event. Pages are due into the office by noon on Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup> if you would like your page to be included in the assembled book. Any pages brought after the deadline will be presented to Pastor Jean but not in the bound book. If you turned in any pictures to Meg, please see her for their return.

### ***Questions or Comments?***

Do you have questions about Pastor Jean's departure? Or questions about who will lead us in the interim? Or who will become our new pastor? Or how the process works? Several members of your Staff Parish Relations Committee will be available for you to talk to in the Fireside Room after each of the services on January 15th, 22nd, 29th, and February 5th. We want you to be aware that we are always available to you for questions or comments concerning our staff. You may also reach us via email. We want to hear from you.

### **Staff/Parish Relations Committee (SPRC)**

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*\*\* past members of SPRC who are participating as ex-officio members helping to serve as institutional memory in the process of preparing our GMUMC Profile for the DS and Bishop and other areas in the process of this transition period.*

ALSO—

**GMUMC "Quilts for Kids" Quilting Group** is making a quilt for Pastor Jean. We would like everyone who wishes to, to sign the quilt. We will have the quilt at Church the next few Sundays. Please stop by and help us create this memory to be presented to Pastor Jean on Sunday Feb 19th. Thanks, June Ryker

**THE YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

**PRESENTS:**

# *Chili* Cook-off



**Who are the best chili cooks in our congregation?**

**Come and find out on Super Bowl Sunday, February 5th immediately after church. If you would like to enter, there is a signup sheet in the Narthex.**



**Mark your Calendars so you don't miss the  
GMUMC Taco Bar & Silent Auction!**



**11:30 AM – 1:30 PM Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, Fellowship Hall**



This is the event to warm up March, with salsa-laden tacos and all sorts of “hot stuff” (as in great, not stolen) -- goods & services donated for your bidding pleasure. All proceeds benefit the GMUMC Youth Mission Trips.



Tickets for the Taco Bar cost \$7 per person or \$18 per family.  
Don't miss the fiesta, and bring your friends!



Have something to donate for the auction? Please fill out a **donation form on Page 21** and leave with Lisa or Meg. Questions? Please contact Carole & Ray Kagiya (303-988-5438).



**Brain Health & Fellowship via a Deck of Cards???**

We don't normally associate a deck of cards with a gym membership, but, keeping track of the hand you've literally been dealt while sharing good-natured conversation with others has all the elements of fitness (except the sweaty aerobics). Interested in forming a group of card players dedicated to brain stimulation and fellowship? Avid card players and those wishing to learn various games, all are welcome. This group will meet Wednesday, February 8th at 6:30 PM, in room 403 and also Sunday, February 26th following the 10:30 church service, in room 403. For more information, please contact **Jennifer Bullock** (303-829-4251 or [lakewoodjen@gmail.com](mailto:lakewoodjen@gmail.com)) or **Steve** (303-989-3727).



**Sunday, February 19, 12:00 NOON**



Window on the Hill  
**Deadline**

Use the drop-off slot located in the narthex coatroom labeled **NEWSLETTER**  
OR (preferred method)  
Email **Charlotte Worster** at

**ccworster@comcast.net** OR

**Meg Leak at gmumc@gmumc.com**



SOLO'S is a group of single women 55 and older who meet socially the 3rd Friday of each month. Judith will call participants in February with the itinerary for February 17<sup>th</sup> event. If you are interested in joining the group, contact Judith Berkhouse at 303-989-5248.



### Tuesday Bible Study

**TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY at 10:30am in the Fireside Room.** This is a low-stress Bible Study led by Pastor Jean. We alternate learning about Bible characters, and learning more about *how* to study the Bible. Come join us!  
*Class concludes on February 14.*

### Member Care— Looking Out for One Another

Life is full of surprises—and not all of them are pleasant. If you find yourself facing an illness or surgery, dealing with a loved ones' death, or needing transportation for medical appointments---we have the means to offer a helping hand! Please contact the church office when you or your family is going through a difficult time. Not only will we offer prayer---we can also provide food, companionship and transportation through our many volunteers---just because we care about you. Please let us know when you or your family could use some support...the only way we can help is if we know about your situation. Thanks!



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## **United Methodist Men**

Come, join the Green Mountain United Methodist Men in Fellowship Hall Saturday morning, February 4, at 8:00 AM for fellowship, a pancake breakfast and an interesting program. February's program features a visit to and discussion of southern Spain. This area of Spain, including the cities of Seville, Cordoba, Jaen and Granada, was occupied by the Muslim empire from the eighth to the fifteenth centuries. Muslims entered Spain not as aggressors or oppressors, but as liberators. In this multicultural society, many Jews and Christians held government positions. This interesting program will be presented by **Charlie Oleson**.

All are welcome.



## **United Methodist Women**

**BREAKFAST AT DENNY'S** will be Wednesday, February 1 at 8:00 am. Y'all come!

**MATIN CIRCLE** will continue our year-long series, "Walking With Wholeness" at 9:30 on Wednesday, February 8. Join us for lively discussion.

The Rocky Mountain Conference UMW is looking for two young women (age 14 to 17 and 18 to 30) willing to attend training and commit to at least two years helping other young women become active in UMW. Please go to [www.rmcmw.org](http://www.rmcmw.org) and select *Young Women's Event*. *Although the deadline for applications and letters of recommendations was January 31, it wouldn't hurt to contact them if you are interested.*

**HEADS UP:** We will lead a Lenten Study for men and women called "The Journey". The subject is restorative justice as individuals and groups. How do we truly love our neighbors in situations of conflict? How do we rid ourselves of resentment? How do we heal breaches in our communities? We don't promise to answer these questions totally in two sessions, but should lead toward solving problems of relationship. The sessions will be on March 11 and 18 from 5:30 until 8:00. Sign up sheets will be available towards the end of February.



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**Our Prayers**

*for the following who are experiencing health concerns or other difficulties in their lives:*

**Church Members**

Betty Swena	Shirley Tanner
Mac Hilton	Ken Notari
Beth Topliff-Gentry	Marsha Moore
Floyd Nichols	Jasmine Flint

**Friends of Church Members:**

Chris Milne, friend of Kim Myers  
Jan Coates, friend of Jean Dinwiddie



**PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY MEN AND  
WOMEN  
AND THEIR FAMILIES**

**Art Dahlin Jr, Sara Dahlin,  
Jessica Schwien, Lisa Govier, Susan Govier,  
Christopher Jones, Nolan Rampulla, Deryck Earley,  
Alan Rich, Anthony Kraemer**

**OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to...**

...Ken & Oralee Schoeman on the death of Ken's brother,  
Alvin Schoeman  
...Kirsten Allen on the death of Lee Mooman, her former  
foster child  
...Frank & Roxanne Penn on the death of their brother-in-  
law's mom  
...Anna Myers on the death of her friend, Margaret Smith  
and  
on the death of her cousin, Charles Rainey  
...Lise Jones, on the death of her dear friend, Marla Silver,  
age 48, from esophageal cancer, and the deaths of friends  
Ron Morisawa and Shirley Benson.

**Remember these people in your prayers—**

**Please Note: Names will remain on the prayer list in the bulletin for four weeks, unless you notify the church office to remove them sooner. If you wish to have someone on the prayer list for longer than four weeks, please notify the church office so the name may be added to the Long-Term Prayer List that is published in the church newsletter, Window on the Hill.**

Regarding the Prayer List: When our prayer list becomes very long (and some names have been before us many weeks), it becomes incumbent on our staff to keep our prayer concerns as meaningful as possible. When it is generally felt that the congregation has had enough time to become aware of circumstances, sometimes names are removed. We never intend to hurt or offend anyone; we are simply trying to keep the list current and not overwhelmingly long. We want to be aware of your concerns, but it would also be helpful if you could keep the office apprised of circumstances and when it is appropriate to remove the name submitted. If we don't hear from you, our general guideline will be to leave the name on for four Sundays.

**Let us continue to pray for:**

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| Mac Hilton   | Lucille Bunger  |
| Muriel Pearl   | Anita Rich, aunt of Alza Brink  |
| Jenna Davies   | Carol Skinner, Ken & Oralee Schoeman's daughter                       |
| Arvid and Clifford Weum, uncles of Jackie Ferguson     | Cody Wirth (age 14), friend of Brenda Christy                         |
| Doris Story, mother of Janet Ike                       | Wendy Dumas, daughter of Jim & Jean Scalmanini                        |
| Patrick Wendt, relative of Marcia Johnston-Walden      | Ryli O'Hara   |
| Minnie Clear, Joyce Mellott's mother                   | Minōo Pahlavan  |
| Ashlie Torbic, young friend of Thayne & Sherry Coulter | Kinsasha and Kahlia Zamora, great granddaughters of Al & Edith Gammon |



**ATTENDANCE**

<u>Our Presence -</u>	<i>1/8</i>	<i>1/15</i>	<i>1-22</i>
Worship Attendance-9:00 AM	17	15	22
Worship Attendance-10:30 AM	210	179	175
Children's Sunday School	29	52	31

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# Our Service & Appreciation & Celebrations



**Happy Birthday!**

## *Happy February Birthdays: (listed in order by date)*

Bob Dallmer 2/1	Roxanna Cutler 2/8	Jackson Barnes 2/16	Kyle O'Toole 2/23
Robb Stenman 2/1	Amanda Paine 2/9	Caitlin Haden 2/17	Rachel Haden 2/23
Zeid Nesheiwat 2/2	Doug Wylie 2/9	Ian Alexander 2/17	Betty Butler 2/24
Blake Ramsouer 2/2	Kati Starkey 2/9	Ashlyn Richey 2/18	Brandt Christy 2/24
Carolyn Fox 2/2	Stacey Cummins 2/9	Mary Tilp 2/18	Sara Hindman 2/24
Wava Fleck 2/2	Dixie Bowker 2/10	Lucas Heaton 2/19	Karlynn Cory 2/25
Deborah Bruner 2/3	Gary Bowker 2/10	Marisa Hazell 2-19	Cathy Young 2/26
DeWayne Bane 2/4	Robert Aiken 2/10	Frank Penn 2/20	Evan Morrison 2/26
Gary Starkey 2/4	Garret Curtiss 2/12	Lyn Berry 2/20	Harold Harmon 2/26
Kathleen Hise 2/5	Kathy Patterson 2/12	Roxanne Penn 2/20	Jason Ramsouer 2/27
Marty Keating 2/5	Stacey Heaton 2/14	Carolyn Wrapp 2/21	Jim Oliver 2/27
Naomi Hilton 2/6	Michael Van Dittie 2/15	Charles Vestal 2/21	Betty Kissell 2/28
Dan Renaud 2/7	Randy Johnson 2/15	Andrew Lozano 2/22	Anna Branscome 2/29
Emily Snow 2/7	Aleah Raisbeck 2/16	Mary Kirschner 2/22	

## *Happy February Anniversaries: (listed in order by date)*

John & Sylvia Polinski 2/5	Mac & Neomi Hilton 2/22
Son & Carole Falvey 2/10	Clara Lou Humphrey & Frank Williamson 2/22
Bob & Carolyn Wrapp 2/12	Mike & Shirl Coen 2/28
Don & Rhonda Renaud 2/13	

## *Anniversaries This Month*



# GMUMC Committee News



## CHURCH COUNCIL

Church Council will meet February 20, 7:00 pm.  
All members of the church are invited to attend.

### Finance Committee:

Finance Committee Report  
January, 2012



## FINANCE REPORT

What a congregation we have at Green Mountain United Methodist Church! As you know we ended our 2011 budget year with a deficit of over \$20,000. Pastor Jean put out a letter asking for any of you who could please help reduce that deficit. In a day and a half you sent in \$8,000 plus. The budget had a couple of cushions built in and we could cover about half of the deficit with our Pledge reserve and Trustee reserve accounts. By the end of a week, after Pastor Jean's request, you paid off all of the rest of the deficit. What a relief not to have to carry over that deficit into the 2012 budget. Thank You All, what an amazing group you are.

After two years in a row of receiving about 90% of the amount of money pledged, the Finance Committee decided we would build the 2012 budget on less than the total amount pledged. We hope this economy will turn around and we will all be able to fulfill our pledges as we expect to do when we make them. If it doesn't, we should not have to deal with a deficit at the end of the year. The 2012 budget is built on 93% of the total pledges. About 7% will go in to a pledge reserve account. The following is the budget approved by Church council on January 16, 2012.

### 2012 GMUMC Budget

#### INCOME:

<b>Pledged:</b>	\$360,795
<b>Un - Pledged:</b>	\$ 35,000
<b>Loose Offering:</b>	\$ 5,000
<b>Building Use:</b>	\$ 51,500
<b>Bank Interest:</b>	\$ 600
<b>Christmas/Wider Missions:</b>	\$ 4,670

**INCOME TOTAL: \$457,565**

#### **Disbursements:**

100 Wider Missions	\$ 44,500
200 Staff Parish	\$270,712
300 Office	\$ 11,450
400 Building & Grounds	\$ 83,854
500 Church Council	\$ 21,970
1514 Pledge Reserve	\$ 25,079

**DISBURSEMENT TOTAL: \$457,565**

Thank You All for your continued support of the work of this church,  
Jean Scalmanini, Finance Committee Chair

## Missions



**BRIDGEWAYS** big fundraiser "Bridgeway to Hope Benefit" will be taking place Saturday, February 25, 2012 at the Pinehurst Country Club, 6255 West Quincy Ave., Denver, CO 80235. Master of Ceremonies is Mr. Murphy Huston of 101.1 radio. 5:30 pm Reception and Silent Auction with a cash bar, 7:00 pm Dinner followed by a Live Auction and entertainment (cocktail attire). Cost is \$100 per person and reservations are due by February 15, 2012, please mail to 85 S. Union Blvd, suite 204, Lakewood, CO. 80228. Additional details at [www.bridgewayhomes.org](http://www.bridgewayhomes.org) or call 303-969-0515.



Outreach will be collecting both silent and live auction items and working at the benefit. Please CALL Anna Myers, 303-989-2294 if you have any items or would like to help work. This fundraiser helps pregnant teens and their babies to obtain the assistance they need and it's a fun night to either attend or help at.

**GIVE YOUR HEART** Valentine's Day Outreach project will benefit the Gathering Place in downtown Denver. The Gathering Place mission is to support women and their children experiencing homelessness or poverty by providing a safe daytime refuge drop-in center and resources for self-sufficiency. We will be collecting NEW UNDIES/SOCKS for the women and their children until Feb. 19. There will be bins marked in both the west entrance and office area for this collection. What an awesome way to celebrate Valentine's Day than letting these families know we care!!!



### OUTREACH THANKS TO:

Elton Walker for his collection of eye glasses, frames, lenses, sunglasses, and cases for the Lion's Club to recycle to those in need, 2011 reached 227 items up from 99 in 2010

WOW!!! the "Coats For Colorado" collection warmed over 158 adults and children, we beat our 100 in 2010.

The Action Center collection brought in over 35 blankets and sleeping bags, certainly a big help to those in cold homes, cars and motels.

Santa sends a BIG thanks for all the wonderful Christmas gifts for Warren Village and Bridgeway families, he needed all the help he could get and you did it again!!! Also a thanks to Steve Walden for delivering the gifts



## Thank you—



- ◆ Christmas Tea Thanks - What a wonderful event attended by many of you! Thanks for enjoying tea, fellowship and wonderful music. A special thanks to those who provided teapots for the afternoon, and an extra thanks to those who helped: **Charlotte and Carl Worster, Aimee and Rigby Johnson, Anna Myers, Karen Haden, Kathy Patterson, Dolores Bammerlin, Mary McLaughlin, Lesley Chevalier, Darline Bowland, Steve Walden, Mae Davies, Judy Hagerman, and Melissa Jones.** From Marcia Johnston-Walden.
- ◆ Fellowship/Coffee Hour Thanks - Thanks to those who make the Fellowship Hour wonderful - **Betty and Elton Walker, Walters, & Anna Myers.** If anyone was missed, please also accept thanks for your assistance.
- ◆ Birthday Celebration Thanks - Thanks for celebrating our children for the Grumpy Shepherd program and baby Jesus' and Pastor Jean's birthdays. Special thanks to: the cake servers **Thayne and Sherry Coulter,** and **Katie and Kayla Wallace,** drink preparers and servers **Betty and Elton Walker, Linda Dodds** and **Marcia Johnston-Walden.**
- ◆ Book Group Coordinator Thanks - **Barbara Stoddard** has been the faithful coordinator of the book group for several years. Thanks, Barbara!  
(Editor's Note: the previous Thank You items were inadvertently omitted from the January WOH)
- ◆ Epiphany Sunday Thanks ◆ The congregation always has such smiles on their faces during 3 Kings Sunday with the King processional. Thanks. Special thanks to those who create the smiles: Mary, Joseph and Baby Jesus ◆ **John and Meredith Ward,** and **Baby Charlotte.** Stars & Gift Carriers: **Omot Ajulu and Owar Ajang.** King Carriers: **Rigby Johnson, Claire Founie and Hannah Fitzgerald.** Camel: **Randy Johnson and Steve Walden.** Music with camel talk: **Gary Sattazahn.** Valuable assistant: **Amy Johnson.** Photographer: **Mark Osborn.** Sound: **Mark Gracey.** Cake servers: **Betty & Elton Walker** and their assistants. Thanks from Marcia Johnston-Walden

Dear Church Friends—

I want to apologize for not writing thank you notes for all the lovely gifts you gave me and Abby at Christmas. With all that has transpired, I have not had the chance to thank each of you personally. Please accept my apology, and my gratitude for all you did to make this Christmas a very special one!

Love in Christ, **Jean Schwien**

Thanks to one and all at GMUMC for all your kindness, support, prayers, gifts, cards, phone calls and just being there for all of us in the Michael Ray Tanner Family. May the Lord continue to be with each and everyone, as he has been and still is with us. God Bless to all. Regards, **The Michael Ray Tanner Family.**

## Celebrations

- ◆ 63 hats, 132 socks and 125 gloves were donated to the **Action Center** from the Sock & Mitten Tree.
- ◆ Congratulations to **Jessica Haden** on her graduation with her Master's Degree from the University of Gastronomic Sciences in Italy.
- ◆ Congratulations to **Brooke Wypisynski** on her graduation with her Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing. Brooke graduated with a 3.9 GPA.
- ◆ The **children** of GMUMC collected **66 bags of food** January 22 for the **Action Center!**

# Children's February Newsletter

## Happy Valentines Month!!



In February, we have a few items planned. We are going to make Valentines cards for the local nursery home on February 12th and I will take those over to share.

### Parents Night Out

Many of you may have noticed that we switched PNO to every other month. I feel that this will build the numbers. PNO is open to infants-6th grade. If you are interested in leading or helping other

parents lead a PNO, please let me know. I already have had many volunteers which is so awesome! Thank you!! The next scheduled PNO will be March 17th! I know it is St. Patrick's Day. So the theme will be St. Patrick's and we sharing in some green activities. It will be from 3-7.

### A Variety Of Voices

I am so thankful to so many of you have volunteered to lead the Children's Time. I would like to make sure that anyone is more than welcome to have their voice heard. Please just let Kelli know.

### Special points of interest:

- January 28th PNO 3-7
- February 12th- Valentines for the Nursing Homes
- No Chimes February 5th
- Parents Night Out March 17th

## Children's Gift for Jean

Please see Ms. Suzanne in the 2 year Olds Room from January 22- February 12th to get your child's imprint on the gift from the Children's Department.



# February Newsletter



**Fri. Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Confirmation class**

**4- 8 PM**

**Sunday Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> “Souper” Bowl Sunday & Chili Cook Off ~ No PM Youth group 10:30 AM**

“Souper” Bowl Sunday is **right after church!** We are collecting money to help donate to a charity of our choice (We will pick it later)

Chili Cook Off – 11:30 am to 1:30 (roughly) **ALL YOUTH** come help clear dishes & sell tortillas.

**SENIORS APPLYING FOR YOUTH SCHOLARSHIPS ~IT’S MANDATORY FOR YOU TO ATTEND!!!**

Rest of Youth- The more you help out, and the more the congregation sees your face, the more willing they will be to donate money toward scholarships!

**Fri. Feb 10 – Sat. 11 Confirmation class Lock-in 6PM to 10AM**

**Sun. Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> Youth Council 4:30 – 5:45 PM**

We will meet at the church for Youth Council. We had some plans last month that conflicted with school schedules, which was a bummer! The more input we have from youth the better chance we have of avoiding school events. We will be having Hors d'oeuvres!

**Sr. High – Sexuality 6 – 8 PM**

Sr. High will be meeting at Ali’s house 9034 W. Center Ave Lakewood 80226. We will be discussing various issues surrounding sexuality. What does LGBT actually mean? What does the "church" believe? What do our upcoming presidential candidates believe? What do you believe? We will have a healthy discussion and possibly a healthy debate around this issue. Come with an open and understanding mind as we explore our own thoughts around sexuality. Dinner will be provided!

**Jr. High – Who’s Your Hero? 6 – 8 PM**

Who is your favorite Super Hero?? Who is the best Super Hero?? Superman, Batman, Spiderman, Superwoman, Wonder Woman, Cat Woman??? Who is your personal Hero?? How do Super Heroes play a part in our everyday lives? We will have dinner together between youth council and youth group!

**Sun. Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> Photo Scavenger Hunt 6 – 8:30 PM**

You have to love a good picture!!! We will drive around following clues to complete wacky photo challenges in different locations. Then meet back at the church to see everyone’s pictures! We might have a special guest join us tonight! *Permission slips are required!*

**Friday Feb 24<sup>th</sup> to Sun. 26<sup>th</sup> ~Sr. High Retreat to Salida PM Fri. to Sun. 2:30pm**

We will set our departure time depending on when the majority can leave. **Let me know ASAP if you plan to go 303-881-6930.** If you can’t go until Saturday or you need to be back earlier on Sunday we will try to accommodate everyone to best of our ability! The cost is \$30. Remember how much fun we had last year??? More details coming!! Just an FYI...you will need to bring a sleeping bag, air mattress, swimsuit because there is a hot springs near by!! I’ll let you know what else soon. **This is a youth planned retreat...if you want to be in on the programming call me ASAP!**

**Sun. Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> Jr. High only** – Since the Sr. High has a big weekend event, the Jr. High should get to play also. I’m still trying to figure out the details so watch your email for details!

***Sun Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> 3-6pm Additional Confirmation Class if we have not finished all the sessions.***

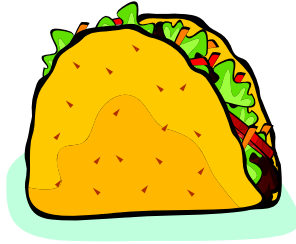
***If you have any questions please contact Lisa at: 303-881-6930***

**Upcoming dates:**

March 4<sup>th</sup> Taco Bar & Silent Auction

March 24 – April 1 ~ Spring Break

**April 27-29<sup>th</sup> – Youth Quest we are still waiting for forms from the Conference.**



The **Taco Bar & Silent Auction** is coming **March 4<sup>th</sup>**. This is a fundraiser for the youth mission trip. Please mark your calendars now for this fun & exciting event. We are starting to collect Auction items now. If you frequent a business that you think would make a donation, please ask them. If you have an item or a skill you would like to donate please fill out the form below and return it to Lisa Neve or Meg in the office. Thank you!

# Silent Auction

Item: \_\_\_\_\_

Donated by \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Item: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Estimated Value: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Bids usually start around one-half of the value.**

Your preferred starting bid is \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person for Item: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

# Green Mountain United Methodist Church

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