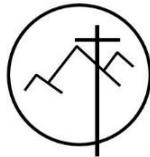


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Sunday, November 26, 2017

Join Us – We share God’s love by: Following Jesus,
Reconciling Community and Building Peace

**“We are a new creation in Christ - leading us in the
ministry of peace and reconciliation.” 2 Corinthians 5**

Sermon Series: Living the Authentic Life

9:15am *Gathering for Worship*

9:30am *Worship Begins*

11:10am *Discovery Hour*

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Silver Key - Golden Circle Nutrition Program
Senior Lunch in the Sanctuary 12:00-12:30pm Mon-Fri
Reservations (719) 884-2304 Before 5:00am
Mountain Community Senior Services (719) 488-0076
*Your worship service today was planned by the MCMC
Worship Commission.*

Sermon downloads available at <http://mcmcpl.org>

Order of Service

Speaker	Paul Johnson
Worship Leader	Mary Gardner
Song Leader	Dennis Book

We Gather

Welcome

Announcements

Time of Quieting

Call to Worship

Leader: Know that the Holy One is God.

All: We are God’s people.

Leader: Worship the Holy One with gladness;

All: Come into God’s presence with singing.

Leader: Enter God’s gates with thanksgiving, and God’s
courts with praise.

All: Make a joyful noise!

Leader: For God is good; God’s steadfast love endures
forever, and God’s faithfulness to all generations.

**All: Let us worship with thanks and joy! Let us praise God
in song and word and prayer!**

We Grow in Worship

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymns

Prayers of the People and Sharing the Grace

Congregational Hymns

Offering and Prayer

Peace Moment

**Where have you acted or seen others act for peace this
past week?**

Prayer of Confession

**All: Loving God, too often, we overlook the needs of
people around us while we proclaim our devotion to
You. We could do so much more to feed the hungry,
clothe the naked, to welcome the stranger, and heal
the sick. We fail to see how our prison system
diminishes the humanity of all of us, how our medical
system denies healing to the poor, how poverty
leaves children without coats, how legal obstacles
keep the strangers at a distance. Open our eyes to see
Your presence in every person, and to respond to their
needs so that we may be rightly called by Your name.
Amen.**

Words of Assurance

Leader: Though we wander, God searches us out. Speaking
through Ezekiel, God said, “As shepherds seek out
their flocks when they are among their scattered
sheep, so I will seek out My sheep. I will rescue
them from all the places to which they have been
scattered on a day of clouds and thick gloom.”
God reaches out to us, longing to bring us ever
closer. Hear this good news: you are forgiven and
free!

Scriptures

Psalms 100; John 17:22-23

Sermon

“Blessing and Thanksgiving”

We Go Out to Serve

Sending Song

Sending Prayer



Sermon Notes

Birthdays & Anniversaries



November 26 Lettie Ogle

December 3 Paul Johnson 10 Joseph Liew

20 Terri Inloes 21 Rick Shellenberger

24 Linda Pankratz

Ongoing Events

- Pastor Paul will have office hours Tuesday, and Pastor Amy is available Monday. For appointments, please call Pastor Paul (cell 720-880-8773) or Pastor Amy (cell 719-985-7649).
- Women's Bible Study 9:30-11:30am Fridays. Contact Rae Shellenberger at 719.213.6931.
- Men's Coffee Saturdays at 7am at Serrano's.

Upcoming Special Events



Join us in celebrating the 30-year anniversary of our building dedication TODAY from 9:30am-12pm. Following 9:30 worship, we will share stories and memories, along

with cake-cutting at 11:30 and hanging of the greens for Advent. ****PLAN ON ATTENDING OUR 35TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CHURCH FOUNDING IN SPRING OF 2018.**** We are so thankful for your love and hope over these decades!

Village Seven Presbyterian Church invites you to "Repeat the Sounding Joy," Dec. 2 & 3 at 6pm, performed by the Sanctuary Choir, Orchestra and Bells. Please bring canned goods to benefit Mercy's Gate Pantry.



You are invited to an Advent retreat and weekend hosted by the Anabaptist Fellowship of Alamosa, Dec. 9-10.

Theme: "Listening for the Coming..."

Date: Begins at 3pm Saturday, December 9; wraps up around 6pm, followed by dinner and singing.

Location: Alamosa Presbyterian Church (AFA's worship location). Worship with AFA at 10:30am Sun., December 10.

Cost: \$10 suggested (food); bring seasonal goodies to share.

Find your own accommodations or contact Alice Price at aliceprice1950@gmail.com for details about lodging,

restaurants, concerts, hot springs and brew houses. Please

RSVP to Alice by December 6 (for meal planning). Come

early and take in a Handel's *Messiah* concert on

Friday evening at Adams State University's Richardson Hall

or stay for a repeat performance on Sunday afternoon at

Sacred Heart Catholic Church. (Some local Mennos perform

in the Friday concert). About the retreat:

****We are living** in accelerated times. Reflection is at a premium and we are not encouraged in our culture to be mindful of our fast-paced lives and the havoc our lifestyles are wreaking on others and the planet.

****Come and sit** in sacred community to hear what the Heart of Love is calling you to this Advent season & beyond.

****To invite our** inner guidance and re-ignite those deeper places of listening, we will explore storytelling, silence, art, music, journaling and lectio divina (Divine Reading).

****As we listen** in community, not so different from our Anabaptist ancestors, may we prepare for Advent!

You're invited to a beautiful celebration Friday, Dec. 15 at the Marian House, 14 E. Bijou, Colorado Springs. We celebrate Las Posadas every Christmas season to tell our immigrant neighbors that they are welcome in our community, and to recreate the long-ago search of a Middle Eastern couple for a place of refuge in which to bring their child's light into the world. The procession is at 6pm followed by great food, joyous music, and traditional folkloric dancing at 7pm! This event is free, but please RSVP to Corey Almond at 719-866-6510 so that we can plan for food. Donations are welcome and will help Catholic Charities serve their immigrant clients.



Announcements

Pease note on your calendars that we will not have a service on the morning of Dec 24, but WILL have a Christmas Eve service that evening.

MMN Weekly Prayer Request

Kendra Selzer serves through MMN's Mennonite Voluntary Service in Puerto Rico. Pray for her and the Academia Menonita Betania in Aibonito, where she works with pre-kindergarten thru grade 10 students and also helps with community clean-up after the September hurricanes.



General Fund Donations Through October

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