


2008 Financials: Planned vs. Actual		
	2008 Planned	2008 Actual
Income		
Pledges	\$230,000.00	\$237,139.40
Unidentified Giving	\$10,000.00	\$12,312.44
S. School Offering		\$337.61
Trustees as needed	\$50,000.00	\$17,100.00
Total Income	\$290,000.00	\$266,889.45
Expenses		
Staff/Admin.	\$177,050.00	\$173,396.55
Office/Expense	\$13,700.00	\$13,008.60
Property	\$53,635.00	\$51,170.82
Outreach	\$24,000.00	\$26,825.69
Membership	\$1,500.00	\$478.02
Church Growth	\$4,265.00	\$2,580.37
Stewardship	\$160.00	\$106.97
Worship	\$1,450.00	\$1,794.34
Music	\$1,865.00	\$601.00
Christian Ed.	\$5,325.00	\$4,100.14
Library	\$150.00	\$31.00
Youth	\$6,900.00	\$4,743.90
Total Expenses	\$290,000.00	\$278,837.40

Super Bowl Party
 Everyone is invited on February 1st at 4:30 to "tailgate" in Fellowship Hall and watch the Super Bowl on the BIG - BIG screen! Who will you be rooting for? (Obviously, not the Broncos this year!) You are welcome to bring snacks and friends. Also, let's make this a "Souper" Bowl by bringing a canned good for the Weld Food Bank (any non-perishable food donation will be appreciated).




Movie Night ~ "Wall-E"
Saturday, February 7th
6:00 p.m.
 The Member Ministry Team is hosting an all-church and preschool movie night. We'll watch Wall-E, the waste-collecting and very inquisitive robot!

This is a free event and there will be popcorn, drinks, and other snacks available; however, we won't be serving pizza this time—sorry! Come bring a lawn chair, blanket or pillow, and of course, bring some friends!



Wednesday Night Fellowship February 25-April 1
 WNF begins on February 25th at 5:30 p.m. with a soup supper followed by our Ash Wednesday Worship Service. We will gather weekly through April 1 for dinner and fellowship.
 We will be reviewing a book from the "Unbinding the Gospel" series. Each week after dinner we will spend a few minutes reviewing a chapter, and then we will split into smaller "family" groups for discussions. The cost of the dinner will be \$4 per person or \$12 per family. To be a part of the book review family discussion groups, please sign up in the south hallway. Please indicate on the sign-up sheet whether you would like a copy of the book. Books cost \$14 and we will order them on February 2.
 If you have been blessed with the talent to cook delicious meals and are interested in preparing one of the WNF meals, please contact Kris King at 301-2366.

Snow Removal Volunteers Needed
 After it snows, the parking lot and sidewalks are cleared by a snow-removal service. However, we frequently need one of the church members to volunteer to use our snow blower to finish clearing snow that is left on the sidewalks by the contractor or by city equipment. We appreciate that our snow blower was donated by a church member for this purpose. Just call in or drive by to see if your help is needed to keep our walks safely cleared within the 24-hour city code requirement.

Where is your treasure? 

"Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also" Matthew 6:21

For God, we are treasure: "You are children of the Lord your God. ... the Lord has chosen [you] to be his people, his treasured possession" (Deuteronomy 14:1-2). One of the gifts of being God's children is that sometimes we are called to be "treasure tenders" for God. We are invited to tend God's treasures beyond our congregation by participating in Week of Compassion.

Life can be tough at times. Hurricanes, tornadoes and tsunamis smash communities to bits. Wars and ethnic conflicts shatter the very foundations of life, shoving people out of their homes and countries. Persistent hunger, poverty, lack of education, and ill health shrivel the life and dry the spirit. The current economic crisis right here at home leaves us all feeling a bit uncertain.

But we *can* do something to respond! Through Week of Compassion, we gently and effectively care for God's treasures. By sharing some of our earthly treasure—our money, our time, our energy—decisive aid can be sent when disaster strikes. Refugees receive help as they rebuild their lives. We help people help themselves through education, health care, tools, seeds, and resources to improve community infrastructure.

And the sharing is mutual. When we care for people, we can be transformed by experiencing the presence of God. Seeing what others (or we ourselves) have lost, we are reminded what matters most in life. Seeing what others live through, we are inspired to live courageously. Seeing that new life is possible, our hope rises.

Our treasure is doing God's will, loving God, and loving God's treasured people, so we all "may take hold of the life that really is life" (1 Timothy 6:19b). Jesus said, "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also" (Matthew 6:21).

May you find your treasure, and your heart, by sharing resources and changing lives with a generous gift to Week of Compassion.

Please join us in sharing your treasure February 15 and 22, 2009.
Week of Compassion: Sharing Resources. Changing Lives.
www.weekofcompassion.org

Habitat for Humanity and NoCo Dining Discounts

NoCo Dining Discounts is an online service owned by At Flame Communications, LLC, which publishes the "Homesteader." Greeley Area Habitat for Humanity has an ad in this publication promoting the Habitat Home Improvement Store located at 1750 Greeley Mall.

You can obtain great coupons to many of the eating establishments in Weld County by visiting NoCo Dining Discounts online. If you hit the link below, you will be connected to the website and **Greeley Area Habitat earns a nickel each time you visit the website utilizing this URL.** Nickels add up to dollars and dollars add up to a new home for a family in need.

So please hit the URL and enjoy!! You will be receiving discounts for yourself and helping to build a home. Pass it on to your family and friends. <http://www.marketerschoice.net/app/?af=891336>

If you have not yet been to the Habitat store, please visit Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. You'll find great items to remodel your home at a fraction of the cost.



February Birthdays



3 Vicki Brashear	7 Robert Boyce	15 Shannon King
4 Rich Davis	10 Darrell Johnson	17 Jody Heatherly
4 Jerry Smith	10 Germaine Johnson	17 Emerson Moore
4 Nicolaus Wolfrum	10 Judi Ring	21 Hazel Gibson
5 Heather Davis	11 Steve Hummel	21 Von Prichard
5 Tom Gray	11 Shirley Miller	23 Helen Stolte
6 Bob Corliss	12 Beverley Martin	24 Hunter Evans
6 Kevin King	13 Beth Warntz	26 Carol Walker
6 Lena Morris	14 Marilyn Cash	

General Board Retreat and Meeting

The General Board kicked off the new year with a retreat where they received training on the working of the church along with the "State of the Church." The day included brainstorming some areas of focus for the year, along with joining the Elders for a training on prayer.

The first General Board meeting of the year was held January 14. The following business was conducted:

- The Board celebrated the Church Clerk's report of several new members and expressed condolences for the loss of two members, Angie Fry and Dwaine Kurtz.
- The Board celebrated the good news that the financial giving came in over plans in 2008 and the expenses came in under plans (thanks to the great work of the staff). While the giving still did not cover the expenses, far fewer dollars were needed to be drawn from savings than what was originally planned.
- The Board received a short overview on the status of the preschool, which is seeking a teacher to replace one who resigned for personal reasons. Financial situation is stable, but having a few more children would be helpful. The preschool received another grant from United Way, which has opened up possibilities for scholarships. The board formed a small sub-committee to finish developing guiding documents for the preschool, such as an employee handbook, job

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descriptions and contracts.

- Caitlin Berg will become a church intern as part of a school project. fester will be her sponsor.
- The Board reflected on what to focus on this year that will help the church work toward its mission: "Called by Christ's transforming grace and love to share hope and life in community". While no conclusion was reached, a healthy dialogue was achieved around how we grow our church and retain our members, resolve our financial shortfalls, increase outreach and evangelism, and continue to fulfill the goals established as part of the Spiritual Strategic Journey.
- A proposal from the Trustee's for a Special Gifts Policy was reviewed and passed its first round of voting (two rounds are required). The policy helps designate how special gifts to the church are to be handled. A copy of the proposal can be obtained from Rev. Tim Bobbitt or David Haining.
- The Board took action to confirm the Ministers' declared housing allowance (for tax purposes only), changed the authorized signatures on the checking accounts, and confirmed the members of the Staff Relations Committee.
- Special recognition went out to the Property Ministry led by Rick Billings for all their wonderful ministry they have provided the church.

Submitted by: David Haining - Chair

Servers for the Month of February

	February 1	February 8	February 15	February 22
8:15 Chapel Service				
Elder	Carol Smith	Carol Smith	Carl England	Carol Smith
Deacon	Colleen Heitman	Diane Doyle	Colleen Heitman	Diane Doyle
Worship Leader	David Haining	Phyllis Hansberry	Ronell Heitman	Bill Sinnwell
Song Leader	Caren Renee Haining	Tessa Johnson	Gretchen Howland	Tessa Johnson
Pianist	Chris Coon	Gretchen Howland	Nancy Kurtz	Nita White
10:30 Sanctuary Service				
Elder: North	Carl England	Gary Ikenouye	Jodi Hartmann	Jodi Hartmann
Elder: South	Tessa Johnson	Jodi Hartmann	Gary Ikenouye	Carl England
Deacons	Myrna Armes ▲ Miguel Ramirez ☼ George Hypes ☼ Gerre Tjardes Nancy Kurtz ■ TBA ■ Alicia Loschen Todd Loschen ▲	Kathleen Davis ▲ Judi Ring ▲ Charlotte Shetler Ron Shetler Carla Ikenouye ■ Bruce Waldo ☼ Katelyn Waldo ☼ Lynne Waldo ■	Myrna Armes Miguel Ramirez ■ George Hypes ■ Gerre Tjardes ▲ Nancy Kurtz ☼ TBA ☼ Alicia Loschen ▲ Todd Loschen	Kathleen Davis ■ Judi Ring ■ Charlotte Shetler ☼ Ron Shetler ☼ Carla Ikenouye ▲ Bruce Waldo Katelyn Waldo Lynne Waldo ▲
Worship Leader	Lauryn Waldo	Emilee Wolsey	TBA	Cody Highley
Song Leader	Rich Recor	Bill Kehl	Connie Davis	Gerre Tjardes
Sound Operator	Caitlin Berg	Janice Billings	Jim Prichard	Bruce Waldo
Van Driver	Harold Lesser	Gary Ikenouye	Paul Warntz	Fred Tjardes
Greeters	Luechts Shetlers Englands	Evelyn Kehl Helen Stolte Bergs	Billings Norma Basey Marie Caster	Lessers Kathleen Davis Betty Jensen
Coffee Hour	Volunteer Needed	McMichaels Ikenouyes	Heitmans	Hammonds Bergs
Acolytes	Andrew Bishop Kane Shirley	Josh Bobbit Emilee Wolsey	Scott Haining Daniel Recor	Cambrie Bishop Lauryn Waldo
Children's Moment	fester Coffee-Prose	Kris King	David Haining	Erika Hartmann
Children's Church	Michelle Gray	Jodi Bobbitt	David Haining	Lynne Waldo
Children's Church Helper	Andrew Bishop	Emilee Wolsey	Katelyn Waldo	Lauryn Waldo

KEY: PREPARATION=☼ CLEAN UP SANCTUARY=▲ CLEAN UP COMMUNION=■

If you are unable to serve on your designated Sunday, please make arrangements for a replacement. Please notify your team leader and the church of any changes.