

Participants	July 7	July 14	July 21	July 28
9:30 Sanctuary	Youth Camp Sunday			
Elder	Phyllis Hansberry	TBD	Bob Corliss	Carol Reynolds
Worship Leader	Janean Beaman	TBD	Janean Beaman	Janean Beaman
Song Leader	Rich Recor	TBD	Connie Davis	Gary Dobbins
Children's Moment	Pyper Evans, Amy Haining	N/A	Kris King	Judi Ring
Slides	N/A	Darron Berg	David Haining	Ken Thompson
Sound Operator	David Haining	Nita White	Caren Renee Haining	Sue Tjardes
Diaconate	Alicia Loschen ± ▲	TBD ± ▲	Alicia Loschen ■	Ron Creighton ■
Please have communion ready by 9:00 am	Annabelle Loschen ± ▲	TBD ± ▲	Annabelle Loschen ■	Lorilee Scott ■
	Bill Rusher ■	TBD ■	Bill Rusher ± ▲	Bryan Mascola ± ▲
	Theresa Rusher ■	TBD ■	Theresa Rusher ± ▲	Diana Peterson ± ▲
Van Driver	Gary I./Ray White	Gary Ikenouye/Ray W.	Gary I./Ray White	Gary Ikenouye/Ray W.
Greeters	The Shetlers The Englands The Millers	Ray White Sam McMichael The Hermans	Julie Hoskins Carol Reynolds	Marla Johnson The Teixeiras
Coffee Hour Host	Need Volunteer	Youth	Need Volunteer	Need Volunteer
Acolytes	Taylor Gray	Regan Ring	Ally Turner	Annabelle Loschen

Preparation ± Clean Up Sanctuary ▲ Clean Up Communion ■ If unable, please find a substitute.



The Christian Caller Newsletter

July 2019

Dear Friends,

In 1966 I was driving my dad's 1953 Chevy pickup down I-25. It was his "work truck" painted white with dapper blue script: "Clever Carpet Center and Cleaning—Southern Colorado's Carpet Specialists." I learned to drive on that truck. It had port windows, a starter on the floor, 3-speed column shift, and a great AM radio. I looked at the odometer just in time to see it roll over to 100,000. I felt honored to share that moment with this awesome 6-cylinder workhorse. Sometime in the early 80's they sold it for \$500. It was worn out, served out its time, carried its last roll of carpet and pad to a new build, and I regret to this day that I did not keep it to rescue and restore it.

On July 2nd, my personal odometer rolls over to a Zero...this time with a 7 in front of it. 30 didn't bother me a bit, but a year later when my sister Rita turned 30, I felt old. I breezed through 40—I had gotten my life together and there was *No Mid-Life Crisis* for me. I turned 50 in El Salvador while helping to rebuild a community center. Frankly, I don't remember 60 (a sign of things to come), but honestly 70 is messing with me a bit. I have never felt more alive and connected, but I am more aware than ever that each day is precious. I want FCC to know: You are my reward for living this long. I treasure this opportunity I have been blessed with to share our gifts. On that Tuesday MK and I are going up to hike El Dorado State Park, go down to Native Foods in Boulder, and then take in a movie, "The Secret Life of Pets-2." The only key I have found to slowing down life is to live with gratitude each day.

Love,

Mark

★ Don't forget the **Greeley Stampede Fourth of July Parade**. It kicks off at 9:00a & goes down 10th Ave. Thank you to all who are planning, decorating, or riding on FCC's float!



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All the ends of the earth
will remember and turn to the LORD,
and all the families of the nations
will bow down before him,
for dominion belongs to the LORD
and he rules over the nations.
Psalm 22:27-28 NIV

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July Sermons

7/07 — Luke 10: 1-20

“Get Out of the House & Make Yourself Useful”

7/14 — Church Camp Meditations

Amy and Pyper will bring the message

7/21 — Hymn Sing

(Mark & Judi at General Assembly)

7/28 — Luke 11: 1-13

“Importunity Knocks”

Homemade Ice Cream Social

All are invited to the LAFF Group’s annual Ice Cream Social at Tom and Shirley Miller’s home on Saturday evening, July 20th, at 6:00 p.m. The Millers’ address is 4958 2nd Street in Greeley. Ice cream and toppings will be provided.

If you have questions, you may call Phyllis Hansberry at 970-353-9566 or the Millers at 970-356-5335. Please bring cookies or brownies, etc. See the sign-up sheet.



“To err is human, to forgive, divine, and well, I’ve done my part.”

Independence Day Parade

There’s still time to be a part of the 4th of July fun. **Help decorate the float on July 3rd or ride on it during the parade.** **All riders must sign a release of liability form**—get one at the church.

Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) General Assembly

Please be praying for the meetings and worship taking place in Des Moines, Iowa, July 20-24. Pastor Mark, Mary Kay and Judi & Regan Ring will travel to Iowa to represent FCC Greeley.

Christian Women’s Fellowship



CBF officers are making plans for the coming months. One possibility is an evening group. If this is something you would be interested in, please talk with LaVonne Rogakis or Sandy Beiser, co-presidents.

Group leaders, please turn in your group membership list to Susan in the office by July 9th. New CWF membership and program books will be printed.

Our next CWF luncheon will take place at noon on Thursday, September 5th.

Facebook Evangelism?

Do you have a Facebook account? If so, have you “Liked” the FCC Greeley page? If not, search in Facebook for **First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Greeley, Colorado** and “Like” the page to get ongoing updates on what is happening in our congregation and community. Then, to help spread the news from FCC Greeley to those you know, “like” the posts or forward them to your timeline. There are many in our community who want to find a church, but are overwhelmed with going to a place they don’t know.

Letting your Facebook friends know that you go to our church may be just the low pressure invite that they may be looking for.

Please call the church if you borrowed the **label maker** that was in the middle office. It belongs to a church member. **Thanks!**

Youth News

~ Todd Loschen

Big thanks to Guin Skow, the Grays, Alicia, and the Golightlys for transporting all our youth to camp. Our church sent 15 campers to four camps!! Thanks to the Heitmans for supplying snacks to the camps.

Please join us on July 14th for a day in the life of camp. This will let you see what goes on for our youth at camp. Amy will give her last message (keynote) before leaving town.

We will be cooking at the Guadalupe Shelter on July 21st.

Thank you for your continued support of our youth and their mission to serve others. —Peace

Looking for Some Great Leaders!

Have you considered sharing your talents with the church? Do you have ideas on how to help our church accomplish its mission? Consider volunteering for a leadership position for 2020. Do you have skills in helping others, keeping our property looking nice, managing finances, leadership, worship, mission, helping with communion or with spiritual issues, to name a few?

If so, talk to David Haining or Rev. Mark Pumphrey or contact the church office concerning your interests as we begin looking at our leadership for 2020. Most of the positions are only a year-long commitment.

Relay Thank You

To all who participated in making this year’s Relay for Life a success, we wish to thank you!

As of 6-19-19, our total collected is \$1545. I still have donations to turn in, so the total will go up.

Thank you again for all your help.

Rich and Kathy Stossel

Labor Day Campout

If you are interested in joining the annual camping trip at Jack’s Gulch Campground in the Poudre River Canyon over the Labor Day weekend, there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the education wing hallway. If you have questions, please contact Shari Lueking or Charlotte Shetler.

Prayer Chain

Please contact the church office at 970-352-1292 or email fccadmin@comcast.net if you wish to receive prayer requests and updates by email.



Mission Matters

“Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God’s grace in its various forms.”

1 Peter 4:10



Serve Day 2019 – July 13

Serve Day is rapidly approaching! On Saturday, July 13, hundreds of Christians around the world will go outside their building walls to serve their communities. First Christian Church is coordinating the brief communion and worship service that will take place at 8:00 a.m. at Monfort Park (4800 W. 24th St.) before everyone heads to a worksite. Our focus this year is on helping clean up Homestead Park (3699 29th St.) & possibly doing landscaping at Habitat homes. We will also have a group sing at several senior living facilities around town and another group visit our homebound members. Look for a sign-up sheet for the different areas of service. A free lunch will be provided at Zoe’s around noon when the work is done! Be sure to wear your green Serve Day t-shirt! See Carla Ikenouye if you need a shirt.

Habitat for Humanity Breakfast – July 18

Learn about the impact Habitat for Humanity is making in our community at their Breaking New Ground Breakfast on Thursday, July 18. The event is free, but they will ask for donations. The 2nd Hudson Habitat Veteran’s Build will be highlighted, showing how our community’s generosity transformed the lives of one veteran and his family. We’ll also hear about Habitat’s latest exciting project in Evans. Dick Monfort, owner and CEO of the Colorado Rockies, will be the featured speaker. The breakfast, at Christ Community Church (1301 15th St.), will begin at 6:45 a.m. and end at 8:00 a.m. Rich Recor and Carla Ikenouye are hosting tables. Look for a sign-up sheet.

Back to School Drive – July 21 - August 11

Help District 6 students have the supplies they need to get the new school year off to a great start. The Mission Team will hold our annual Back-to-School Drive from Sunday, July 21, through Sunday, August 11. We will collect school supplies for our partner school, the Fred Tjardes School of Innovation, as well as the Family Center at School District 6. The Fred Tjardes School appreciates art supplies in particular, such as 24-count crayons, 12-count colored pencils, markers, glue sticks, and construction paper. The Family Center helps students all across the school district and especially needs #2 wooden pencils, pens, scissors, spiral notebooks (wide & college-ruled), yellow highlighters, pink erasers, Expo brand dry-erase markers, loose-leaf paper, pocket folders, pencil bags, and 1 or 1½ inch binders. Please place donated items in any of the school-bus boxes placed around the church. Thank you for your donations to children in our community!

School Serve Day – August 10

On Saturday, August 10, we will partner with Greeley Vineyard Church to help the Fred Tjardes School of Innovation get their building and grounds ready for the new school year. Look for more information in the August newsletter.



Elder's Message

~ Rev. Lena Morris

*O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth . . .
When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established;
what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?*
Psalm 8:1, 3-4

The Bible is an historical account that begins with God's creative powers in the universe and places humanity in this creative order. In Psalm 8 God is on display through several fields of study. Picture the psalmist sitting out on a Palestinian hillside. The black sky is pierced by stars in a way that most of us never see through the light pollution in our cities. He's stunned by the beauty of the cosmos and is awestruck by its vastness. He spends time in reflection and worship. But in contrast to how big God is, this vast universe is simply tiny. After all, God's fingers push the stars into their places. God's massive hands are billions of light years wide as he holds the heavens in his palms as in Isaiah 40:12. The psalmist in Psalm 147 ponders how God numbers the billions of stars, speaking each of their names as he counts them.

While God counts and names the trillions of stars, God goes so much farther with each of us. We each are uniquely designed – no one pattern fits all. God knows what makes us tick, hears our prayers when we cry out, and cares about each one of us. All the beauty of the universe to look at, and God pays attention to each individual. We should feel awe, honor, and a divinely inflated self-worth.

I have a junk drawer at home. It is half graveyard and half storage unit of all kinds of things. Every once in a while I decide to go through the drawer and find a lot of forgotten valuables in there. I sort them out, discarding the junk, and put them back in order again. Psalm 8 is like cleaning the junk drawer. When we put things back in their proper order – first God, then us – we remember how valuable everything is. And that value and worthiness should inspire our gratitude to God. We can then be truly thankful to God for the artwork of the cosmos! We can say "thank you for being transcendent and powerful and knowing me perfectly, yet still care for me! Thank you for giving me value and purpose and a role in praising you! O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!"

A Few Thank You Messages

It is a risky business to thank individuals for volunteering at church, because someone is bound to be overlooked. And we are mindful that the Lord particularly rewards those who give in secret (Matthew 6). But it has been suggested that we mention three individuals in particular. **Ron Creighton** has been opening the church most Sundays (there is a checklist of duties to accomplish as well as unlocking the doors). **Garry Hadley** has been cleaning the kitchen and Fellowship Hall floors multiple times per week. **Marla Johnson** has been faithfully hosting Coffee Hour, probably more times than not, to make sure folks can fellowship even when nobody has signed up to host. Thank you Ron, Garry, and Marla, for your giving spirits.



Last Chance for Discounted Rodeo Tickets

Need tickets for the Stampede **pro rodeo finals July 3?** Contact Marla Johnson to find out if FCC box seats are still available.



FCC at the Rockies!

Join church friends **Sunday, September 15**, to watch the Colorado Rockies play the San Diego Padres at Coors Field. Game time is 1:10 pm. We're renting a bus to take us to and from the game. **Game tickets are \$15 each. Bus fare will be \$15-20 each**, depending on the number of bus riders. We have a limited number of tickets, so reserve yours soon. See the sign-up sheet on the board across from Fellowship Hall.



July Birthdays

- 1 Keaton Hartmann
- 2 Mark Pumphrey
- 8 Diane Doyle
- 18 Taylor Gray
- 19 Tom Rainbolt
- 21 George Hypes
- 22 Guin Skow
- 23 Roy Miller V
- 26 Emerson Skow

Have you shared your birthdate with FCC?
If not, please call the church at 970-352-1292.
Thank you!

FCC Financial Update (as of 5/31/19)
Income Year to Date: \$90,460.64 Expenses YTD: \$100,693.92

Baby Bottle Donations for Haiti
\$1,006.90 (as of 6/16/2019)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
July 2019	1	2 8:30a Men's Coffee	3 8:00a Float Decorating 7:00p Rodeo Final	4 Independence Day 7:00a Float Riders Meet 9:00a 4th of July Parade Down 10 th Ave.	5	6
7 Outdoor Worship 9:30a Worship 10:30a Mission Team Meeting	8	9 8:30a Men's Coffee	10	11 9:00a P.E.P. Walkers	12	13 SERVE Day 8:00a Communion, Worship at Monfort Park Noon Lunch at Zoe's
14 9:30a Worship	15	16 8:30a Men's Coffee	17 5:30p General Board Meeting	18 6:45a Habitat for Humanity Breakfast at Christ Community Church 9:00a P.E.P. Walkers	19	20 General Assembly in Iowa Begins 6:00p Ice Cream Social at the Millers' home
21 9:30a Hymn Sing Back to School Drive Begins 3:45p Guadalupe Meal	22	23 8:30a Men's Coffee	24	25 9:00a P.E.P. Walkers	26	27
28 8:00a Elders' Mtg. 9:30a Worship	29	30 8:30a Men's Coffee	31			