



## **FMC Weekly - February 16, 2017**

*The weekly newsletter of First Mennonite Church of Denver*

### ***Sunday, February 19***

#### ***9:30 AM Worship***

Welcome to worship this Sunday. We will continue with our theme, "Outsiders In," with our text taken from Matthew 16 and 17. Who do you say that I am? This is the question Jesus asked his disciples. We are all multifaceted human beings and there are no simple answers for us to describe one another. Who is Jesus for you? More than likely we will not answer this the same. My hope is that no matter how we answer that question, Jesus' life and teachings will inspire us to walk in the light, pursuing life and peace, hope, and healing. Theda will bring the meditation, Charlie and Tristan will be our worship leaders, music will be led and played by Emily.

#### ***After the Worship Service***

- No Coffee and Donuts Sunday with the MYF at Snow Camp. Any volunteers? See below.
- Purchase grocery cards to help support the FMC Ministry Plan.

#### ***No Education Hour this Holiday Weekend***

***Paper Ballot voting for FMC Board Selection is open until noon this Sunday.***

For information about future worship services, please click on the link to go to the [FMC web site](#).

### ***Our FMC Community***

**Many of our youth are at MYF Snow Camp this weekend.** No MYF family is available to host **Coffee & Donuts** after the worship service this Sunday. Please contact [Linda](#) in the office by FRIDAY morning, 10:00 AM, if you are willing to host it this Sunday.

**Reminder: No Peace School this Sunday, Feb. 19,** because of the three day weekend. Hoping and praying families are able to enjoy an extended weekend together with rest and fun together. ~Pastor Tory

**Living the Questions Small Groups,** change of time for the month of February. Evening group will meet this evening, February 16, at 6:30PM at the home of Theda and Dawn. If you would like to join this group, you are welcome. If you want to catch up on sessions missed, please contact Theda to arrange for a time to view the DVDs. Next month we will resume the normal second Thursday of the month, March 9, at 10:30 AM at the church and 6:30 PM at Theda and Dawn's.

**Please join us up at camp for the Winter Retreat!** It's a fun weekend of winter sports and time to talk to each other! No big church meetings or roundtable discussions, just a chance to spend time together as a church family. Please join us! **Registration is due by FEBRUARY 26.** Click this [link](#) to access the registration forms. Please email [Rachel Barnes](#) with any questions or call her at 720-231-6657.

**REMINDER - VOTES FOR NEW FMC BOARD MEMBERS are due this weekend:**

- Email ballots are due by **10:00 PM Friday, Feb. 17**, send to [office.fmcdenver@gmail.com](mailto:office.fmcdenver@gmail.com).
- Paper ballots are due by noon Sunday, Feb. 19, in the ballot box in the FMC Foyer.

**WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO VOTE?**

You are invited to vote for board members if you consider yourself a stake holder in FMC-D. The council has chosen to suspend the constitutional requirements for "membership" to ensure that all individuals who want to vote for board members are able to do so.

**Quilting will begin again next Wednesday morning,** February 22, 9:00-12:00, downstairs in B 20. If you have any questions, contact Linda Wyse.

**Two more weeks to collect donations for Casa de Paz.** They need gift cards for King Soopers, Target, and Bed, Bath and Beyond. They can also use bottled beverages (water, juices and Gatorades) as well as individual sized snacks (crackers, granola bars, trail mix, etc.). Bring donations to the church office through February.

**The FMC office will be closed** on Monday, February 20, President's Day.

**Attendance**

February 12: Adults - 105; Children - 17; Total - 122

***Child and Youth Faith Formation***

*Building Community, Learning about the Bible, Strengthening our Relationship with God*

## **No Peace School February 19**

Remember to sign up for Winter Retreat.

Links to schedules and past lessons:

[Pre K \(3 and 4 year olds\), K-2nd grades](#)

[Venture Club \(grades 3-5\)](#)

[JYF \(grades 6-8\)](#)

[MYF \(grades 9-12\)](#)



## ***Caring for Each Other***

### **Happy Birthday February 17-23**

17 - Carol Swartzendruber

18 - Symeon Delp

18 - Cassie Voth

19 - David North

20 - Lisa Longacher

21 - Myrna Schmidt

22 - Ella Holliday

### **Happy Anniversary February 17-23**

20 - Ardith & Colin Barnhorst

20 - Aggie & Paul Polak

## ***In the Building this Week***

Sunday, 1:00 PM - Young Voices for Peace Choir rehearsal

Monday & Wednesday mornings - Assistance Office

Tuesday, 6:30 PM - Safonia Choir rehearsal

Tuesday, 7:00 PM - Ten Thousand Villages Board meeting

Wednesday, 5:30 PM - SOAR Choir meal and rehearsal

VORP Program

## ***Save the Date!***

*Join us for these events*

**February 19: Paper Ballots due by 12:00 PM for Board Selection**

**March 1: Ash Wednesday Service, 7:00 PM**

**March 5: MYF Soup Fundraiser; YVP Singing in Worship Service;**

**Pastoral Staffing Ballots are due by Noon.**

**March 10-12: Winter Retreat, open to all FMC members and friends**

**April 14: Good Friday Service**

**April 16: Easter Sunday Worship**

**April 29: MSMC Faith & Life Forum at Beth-El, Colorado Springs**

**April 30: Guest Preacher Drew Hart, author of *Trouble I've Seen***

## ***Market Square***

*If you want to sell, buy, trade, get a ride, find a roommate, find an employee, find a job, find sponsors, or advertise an event requiring purchase of tickets, this section is for you. (Note: Official functions of Mountain States Mennonite Conference or its congregations excepted.) E-mail your announcement to the church with "Market Square" in the subject line. It will run one time but may be resubmitted. Deadline is midnight Wednesday.*

## ***Our Urban Community***

## ***Around Mountain States Mennonite Conference***

Check out the February edition of *ZING!* on the website.

For more information about our conference, go to [mountainstatesmc.org](http://mountainstatesmc.org)

## ***Mennonite Church USA and Beyond***

**This summer's Mennonite Church USA Convention** will feature a new way to involve high school youth representatives in the delegate sessions. Called "Step Up," the goal is to prepare young people who have an interest in being involved with the broader church for future involvement as denominational delegates and leaders. The program will include two interactive seminar sessions and attendance at and participation in delegate sessions. Conferences and constituency groups will be invited to nominate youth who are rising high school sophomores or older. For questions, contact Brook Musselman at [brookm@atlanticcoastconference.net](mailto:brookm@atlanticcoastconference.net).

**Early registration for the Mennonite Church USA Convention 2017 ends on Feb. 28.**

Early Registration includes a T-shirt, I-Ride trolley pass, servant project and a meal card.

Come to Orlando July 4-8 to celebrate "Love is a Verb" with fellowship, worship and activities with Mennonites from around the country. Learn more at

<http://convention.mennoniteusa.org/registration/>.

For more information about our denomination, go to [mennoniteusa.org](http://mennoniteusa.org)

## ***Other Information***

**Sermon Notes.** Sermons are posted on the [FMC web site](#) when available. You may also listen to sermons on the FMC website.

**FMC Emergency Closure:** When weather or any other emergency event necessitates last minute cancellation of worship or other events here at FMC, the following procedure will be followed: 1) The cancellation will be posted on the FMC website. 2) A recorded message will be left on the FMC main line at 303-892-1038. 3) The cancellation is posted on Channel 9. 4) The cancellation will be posted on Facebook. You can view closing information online anytime at <http://www.9news.com/closings> or by visiting mobile apps for smartphones.

Web site: [fmcdenver.org](http://fmcdenver.org)

Phone: 303-892-1038

**Deadline for announcements is Wednesday midnight.** Please send announcements to Linda Welty at [linda.fmcdenver@gmail.com](mailto:linda.fmcdenver@gmail.com). Announcements run one time. Please rewrite and submit a fresh announcement if you want your announcement to run a second time.

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