



FMC Weekly - March 22, 2018

The weekly newsletter of First Mennonite Church of Denver

Sunday Morning, March 25, 2018

9:30 am Worship

Join us this Palm Sunday. In Philippians 2:5-11 the writer seems to suggest that the key to accomplishing anything meaningful is tied to our willingness to "let it go." Lois Keener will lead worship, Sonia Graber will lead singing and will provide gathering music with Andi Gingerich; Stephanie Miller and Nikki Kandel will provide the offertory, and Andi Gingerich and Roberta Kandel will lead children's time.

After the worship service:

- ◆ Coffee will be available in the Community Center [no doughnuts this Sunday].
- ◆ Snacks will be provided for children in the Commons downstairs.
- ◆ Grocery cards will be available for purchase.

10:45 am Education Hour

- ◆ **Peace School for ages 2-18 years**
- ◆ **Adult Ed - Celebrating Arlo's 100 years!**

Stories will be shared by those who have enjoyed experiences with Arlo through the years. An open mic time will allow you to share your stories.

Noon: Potluck Lunch & Birthday Cake

All are welcome to continue the celebration.

Our FMC Community

100th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION-ARLO SONNENBERG - March 25, 2018

We are honoring Arlo's birthday on his actual date of birth. Join in the celebration that works for you....send a card, make a phone call, invite him to a meal, attend the celebration

this Sunday during the adult ed hour followed by a potluck meal. Thanks for celebrating with Arlo. ~Sylvia Kreider.

This Sunday, March 25, is the 100th birthday for our own Arlo Sonnenberg.

Let's celebrate this momentous occasion with him. All are welcome.

During the 9:30 AM worship service we will sing some of Arlo's favorite hymns and his violins will be played. Following this service, at 10:45 AM, stories will be shared by those who have enjoyed experiences with him through the years. An open mic time will allow you to share your stories.

A potluck lunch will continue the celebration. *Please bring foods to share, except for desserts, since a birthday cake will be served.*



[Doughnuts will not be available after the worship service this Sunday since we are having a potluck lunch. Coffee will be available in the Community Center and snacks for the children will be served in the Commons downstairs.]

If you are interested in marching in the March for Our Lives on March 24 and you would like to go with a group, please join me on Saturday! I'll be meeting a group from Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America at 1:15 in front of the Broadway entrance to the Central Library. We will then walk over together to Civic Center Park to join the march. Feel free to contact me with any questions. ~Rachel Barnes, 720-231-6657 (cell) or rcbarnes33@msn.com

You are invited to bring your Easter lilies or other flowering plants to the Easter Service on Sunday, April 1, to help cover the entire front of the church as has been our really lovely tradition. Lola will be there to receive and place them. Mark them with your name and then remember to pick them up after the service.

The FMC Outreach Team is now accepting applications for Grants that meet the following criteria:

First Mennonite Church Outreach Request for Proposals seeks to support congregants and those affiliated with the church in carrying out outreach projects associated with our church mission. Grant money will be awarded based on the following set of criteria:

- The grant is submitted by an organization with a sponsoring FMC member or small group that has a direct connection to the church.
- The amount of money requested is based on need. The average grant level is between \$500-\$2,000.
- Community projects serving the church neighborhood are given high priority.
- Projects consistent with the church's mission, vision and commitments, especially Community, Simplicity, Peace and Justice, are given high priority.

(<https://www.fmcdenver.org/about-us/>)

- Projects involving support or education for FMC members or small groups are given high priority.

To be considered for these grants, please submit the one page application at this Google Docs [link](#). We will accept applications until **April 30**.

~ Debb Reed, Stephanie Phibbs, Deb Schaffer, Kyle Pegon

The Care Giving Team is a group of individuals at First Mennonite who visit with members from FMC who are infirm, incapacitated, and/or unable to come to church for one reason or another. We coordinate visits with those in our FMC community to offer support and encouragement. If you have been visiting with the sick and shut in from FMC, the care giving team would like to know. If you are interested in joining this ministry, please contact Marylou Shelly.

St. Francis Apartments at Cathedral Square

The residents are all in at the new apartment building, housing 50 clients who have a variety of challenges after being homeless for a number of years. Below is a “wish list”. If any of you would like to donate an item or two, please include YOUR NAME and Email address on the item so St. Francis staff can keep track of their donors. There is a box labeled St. Francis Center in the Community Center.

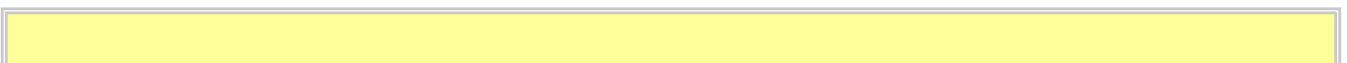
Questions? Ask Debb Reed at Dbreed8@aol.com

Wish List:

- 1 Area rugs
- 2 Guitar
- 3 End tables, TV stands, small bookshelves
- 4 Coffee makers or coffee
- 5 Televisions (not too large, prefer thin screens due to space limitations)
- 6 Universal TV remotes, need 3 to 5
- 7 TV antennae, digital or rabbit ears, need 3 to 5
- 8 Clock radios
- 9 Art supplies: paints, tablets, canvas, markers, colored pencils, adult coloring books
- 10 Family Pass for Botanic Gardens; would enable taking groups of 8 on an outing
- 11 Jigsaw puzzles – 500 pieces or less
- 12 Yarn, crochet hooks, knitting needles

General Basics: toilet tissue, kitchen trash bags, laundry pods, paper towels, tissues

Attendance March 18: Adults - 121; Children - 24; Total - 145



Caring for Each Other

Keep in your thoughts and prayers:

At the end of February, Marla Graber fell and broke her tibia and wrist and has been in a rehab center recovering. Due to the intense rehabilitation program, Marla has requested no visits or calls. She is extremely tired after her treatment. Cards of support would be appropriate. Her address is: 3333 E. Florida Ave., #87, Denver 80210

Mim Roth's younger brother, Robert Wittrig, age 76, died Tuesday afternoon. He was a resident at Misson San Miguel located in Commerce City. No service; possibly a summer family gathering.

Happy Birthday March 23-29

23 - Dylan Adams

23 - Lynn Williams

24 - Brenda Dockery

24 - Fiona Garber

24 - Courtney Kauffman

25 - Arlo Sonnenberg

26 - Jessie Peters

27 - Bertie Fiz

27 - Jordan Penner

27 - Marian Rohrer

27 - Andrea Wiens

29 - Deb Schaffer

Happy Anniversary March 23-29

None this week

Upcoming Events

April 1 - Easter Sunday - Bring your family and friends!

8:30–9:30 am Easter Brunch – youth fundraiser

9:50 am Pre-Service Music

10:00 am Worship and Communion

Pastor Glenn will be speaking from John 20:1-18.

No Peace School and Adult Education Hour

April 8

Worship - Pastor Glenn will be speaking from Luke 8:4-15

Adult Ed - Over the last two months Duncan has been discovering the rich history of First Mennonite in the Lincoln Park/La Alma, Baker and Sun Valley neighborhoods, as well as what current services are being provided as well as current issues. Duncan's role as Outreach Consultant is to work with the congregation in discovering or re-discovering the congregational vision for the neighborhoods and people around First Mennonite. How can First Mennonite engage in the grace, peace, and justice of the Gospel in a meaningful way?

3:00 pm Memorial Service for Anna Holdeman

In the Building this Week

Thursday, 6:30 pm - Worship Team meeting in the office

Sunday, 4:00 pm - Friday noon - DOOR group of 26 from Congregational UCC

Tuesday, 4:00 pm - CCFC groups in B8 and B21

Tuesday, 6:30 pm - Safonia Choir Rehearsal in Sanctuary

Wednesday, 5:30 pm - SOAR Choir meal and rehearsal in Community Center

Wednesday, 5:30 pm - CCFC-Healing Circle in B21

Thursday, 4:30 pm - CCFC Calpuli (Mentoring) meeting in B21

--Contact [Linda](#) to list your team meeting in this section.

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

For more information about our conference and latest issue of ZING!, go to mountainstatesmc.org

Mennonite Church USA and Beyond

Mennonite Education Agency is requesting assistance as they prepare to re-open the Hopi Mission School in Kykotsmovi, Arizona. They are seeking a person or couple willing to live onsite for two to three months to help clean up and organize the facilities and to

coordinate volunteers who may be interested in helping as well. Those interested should contact info@mennoniteeducation.org.

Last month, soon after Deb Byler began a Mennonite Mission Network assignment in Guatemala, she had a medical emergency that necessitated surgery in Chicago. Pray for health and energy for Deb as she prepares to return to work with women's leadership development in the Kekchi Mennonite Church.

For more information about our denomination, go to mennoniteusa.org

Other Information

Sermons. Sermons are posted on the [FMC web site](#) when available.

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

Phone: 303-892-1038

Deadline for announcements is Wednesday midnight. Please send announcements to Linda Welty at 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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