



FMC Weekly - April 12, 2018

The weekly newsletter of First Mennonite Church of Denver

Sunday Morning, April 15, 2018

9:30 am Worship

Join us this Sunday. This week we will turn our attention to stewardship, a careful and responsible approach to managing our time, talents and treasures. Pastor Glenn will draw from Jesus' parable of the seeds in Luke 8:4-15. Alyssa Bennett Smith will lead worship, Emily Martin will lead singing, Katrina Schrock will lead children's time, and Emily Martin, Moses Martin, and Romaine Anderson will provide pre-service music and offertory.

After the worship service in the Community Center

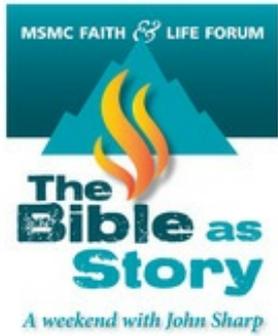
- ◆ Join others for coffee/donuts/fruit/fellowship and help support our youth.
- ◆ Purchase grocery cards to help support the FMC Ministry Plan.
Pick up a reloadable King Soopers card and still earn points on your personal card.

10:45 am Education Hour

- ◆ **Peace School for ages 2-18 years**
- ◆ **Adult Ed** - Questions for Pastor Glenn and Tom Bishop

Pastor Glenn has been around for a little more than 5 months. This is your opportunity to ask him some questions! Do you want to know about his hobbies or books he is currently reading? Maybe you are wondering about something he said in a sermon... Tom Bishop, our FMC Treasurer will also be available to answer your budget and giving questions. Come with your questions and be prepared for a wide ranging conversation!

Our FMC Community



There is still time to register If you are thinking about joining in the Faith & Life Forum "The Bible as Story" with John Sharp. You can still register online, through Monday, April 16—or email administrator@MountainStatesMC.org. It will help the youth of East Holbrook Mennonite know how many to expect for lunch. The Forum is being held at Casa del Sol in La Junta from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. on Saturday, April 21. There's a 7 pm Friday evening prequel at Emmanuel Mennonite Church, La Junta, and John will be at Beth El Mennonite Church in Colorado Springs on Sunday morning, April 22.

Added to Active Members Section of [FMC Website](#):

- PowerPoint from last Sunday's Adult Ed with Duncan Smith
- Recording of the last half of Adult Ed last Sunday with Duncan Smith
- First Quarter 2018 financial reports

Staff Time Away: Glenn and Rita will be on vacation in Europe Sunday afternoon, April 15 through Tuesday, April 24.

Attendance April 8: Adults - 111; Children - 7; Total - 118

Caring for Each Other

My surgery was successful and a tumor was removed. It was in the lining so no lung cancer. P.T.L. Waiting for results on biopsy. Thank you for your thoughts & prayers.

~Meredith Egli

Happy Birthday April 13-19

13 - Abigail Popp

15 - Sonia Graber

18 - Anne Friesen Birky

18 - Vicky Mierau

18 - Joseph Monzon

18 - Reberta Shirk

19 - Elias Gomez

19 - Harlan Unrau

Happy Anniversary April 13-19

None this week

Upcoming Events

April 22

Worship – Aimee Voth Siebert will be speaking about belief, sometimes it's hard to be a believer...but, oh, when you feel it, it's like nothing's easier. She will draw from 1 John 3:16-24.

Adult Education – Mary Blegen, representing Colorado Ceasefire, will speak about their Gun Violence activities, with an emphasis on potential legislation called Gun Violence Restraining Order law. Colorado Ceasefire was formed after the Columbine tragedy by concerned citizens, including Tom Mauser, father of one of the slain students.

April 29

Worship – There are many delicious kinds of fruit. Apples, kiwis, pears, mangos, pineapples, blueberries, and the list goes on. Fruit trees seem to bear fruit almost effortlessly, unless the branch becomes disconnected from the tree. Join us as we look at John 15:1-8 and explore the need for connectedness.

Adult Education – The Glenn and Darren series – Part 1, The Danger of a Single Story. Our lives, our cultures, are composed of many overlapping stories. Before our discussion we will watch Novelist Chimamanda Adichie as she tells the story of how she found her authentic cultural voice -- and warns that if we hear only a single story about another person or country, we risk a critical misunderstanding.

May 6

Worship – Pastor Glenn will be preaching from John 15:9-17.

Adult Education – Come as Darren and Glenn discuss the Bible, Theology and Stuff What is the Bible? by Rob Bell – come as we discuss how an Ancient Library of Poems, Letters and Stories can transform the way you think and feel about everything.

June 17 - Father's Day - Child Dedication

June 22-24 - MSMH Weekend Choral Festival; worship service at FMC on Sunday

In the Building this Week

Thursday, 6:30 pm - SOAR Board meeting in B21

Friday evening-Saturday morning - DOOR middle school group of 25

Monday & Wednesday, 9-11 am - Assistance Program in Community Center

Monday, 5:30 pm - Denver Children's Choir Rehearsals upstairs and downstairs

Tuesday, 9 am-4 pm - DAMM training meeting in the Sun Room

Tuesday, 4 pm - CCFC groups in B21 and Commons

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

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

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

Thursday, 6 pm - Impromptu Choir rehearsal in the Sanctuary

--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.

A member of SOAR Youth and Adult Choir who is blind, is selling a KORG electric 88 key keyboard. Beth Taurasi is moving with her fiancée to a new housing development, and there is not space for her keyboard. Please contact Emily Martin at martinej20141@gmail.com or 720-989-5744. Emily can put you in touch with Beth.

Our Urban Community

Deb Schaffer wants to invite you to a Just Wages Navigator Training on April 17.

Assist victims of wage theft in recovering their earned wages by helping them "navigate" Colorado's reporting form!

What: A training for volunteers interested in supporting workers in their communities.

Participants must attend the in-person training on April 17, 2018 to participate.

When: Tuesday, April 17

Where: Towards Justice (1410 High St. Suite 300)

Time: 6-8 pm

Who: Towards Justice & The Colorado Department of Labor and Employment

Each Just Wages Navigator will receive a certificate and will commit to assisting at least one low-wage worker with the filing of a wage theft claim with the CDLE over the following twelve months. RSVP here: http://www.towardsjustice.org/just_wages_navigator_training

On April 21, SOAR Youth and Adult Choir will be engaging in workshops culminating in an afternoon concert at Peace Mennonite Community Church. The concert is at 4 pm; we are collaborating with Prairie Middle School Voices, a select choir from Prairie Middle in Cherry Creek Schools, directed by Philip Drozda. April is Child Abuse Prevention Month, to which we are dedicating our April engagement. There is no admission fee; we will ask for a free will donation to offset costs for both SOAR and Prairie MS.

Join us in saying farewell to Pastor Betsy Headrick McCrae this Saturday, April 14, 7:00 pm. Good music, good fun and delicious desserts. All are welcome. – Glennon Heights Mennonite Church.

Around Mountain States Mennonite Conference

Save the Spruces! Spend the day on Saturday, April 21 working in the woods at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp. We need your help to hang small packets of spruce beetle repellent to keep beetles from attacking more trees this spring and summer. Bring your hiking boots and a T50 stapler, if you have one. We'll begin at 8:30 am. You can sign up online at www.rmmc.org or call the camp at 719.687.9506. Thank you for considering this way to help.

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

Mennonite Church USA and Beyond

Pray for Sue Park-Hur as she begins her new role as denominational minister for Leadership Development. She joined the Mennonite Church USA Executive Board staff on March 19, 2018.

Renewed Commitments is available online and will be sent out to all congregations accompanied by a study guide on June 1, 2018. All congregations, area conferences, agencies and small groups interested in engaging with the Journey Forward process are encouraged to use the study guide in Summer or Fall of 2018.

Nancy Frey and Bruce Yoder of Mennonite Mission Network ask for prayer for peace in Burkina Faso. They write: "We feel safe, but are aware that periodic violence has become part of life. We try to be prepared for the unexpected." Pray for the witness of Mennonite churches as they follow the Prince of Peace.

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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