



**The Evangel  
Newsletter of Community Presbyterian Church  
Lake City, Colorado  
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**State Historical Fund Grant Received!**

Community Church has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$144,376 for facility renovations by the State Historical Fund of Colorado. The Capital Projects Committee is working to coordinate the work to be done this summer. The committee members are John Roose (Chairman), Mary Farrar (Secretary), Durell Thompson, Walter Potter, Ellis Linsey, Jay Farrar, and Pete Main. A capital campaign will be announced shortly so that the church can raise a \$50,000 matching fund required by the grant. This is exciting news! More information will be available soon.

**2008 Holy Week Schedule**

The churches of Lake City have set their 2008 Holy Week schedules, including the traditional ecumenical Easter worship service. Community Church will host Maundy Thursday and Good Friday worship services. The schedule is:

Maundy Thursday, March 20, 7:30 pm	Maundy Thursday Worship, Community Presbyterian
Good Friday, March 21, 12:00 noon	Good Friday Worship, St. James Episcopal Church
Good Friday, March 21, 5:00 pm	Stations of the Cross, St. Rose Catholic Church
Good Friday, March 21, 7:30 pm	Good Friday Worship, Community Presbyterian
Easter, March 23, 8:00 am	Communion Service, St. James Episcopal Church
Easter, March 23, 8:00 am	Communion Service, Grace Fellowship
Easter, March 23, 9:00 am	Community Breakfast, Baptist Fellowship Hall
Easter, March 23, 10:30 am	Community Worship Service, Armory
Easter, March 23, 4:00 pm	Easter Mass, St. Rose Catholic Church

Please come to as many of these services of worship as you can. The joy of Easter is multiplied by the preparations of Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. We honor our living Savior by remembering his Last Supper and his Passion (suffering for us).

**Community Choir Rehearsals Underway**

The Lake City Community Choir under the direction of Durell Thompson is rehearsing every Monday at 7:00 pm in order to provide special music for Easter. See Durell for more information.

**2008 Mission Trip**

In November of 2007 some thirty-five dedicated volunteers from Community Church, Lake City, and the Presbytery of Western Colorado traveled to New Orleans to work on houses under the

supervision of Habitat for Humanity. The volunteers were rewarded and moved by their experience. A trip is planned for the fall of 2008, with details still to be settled. We are looking for an individual or two to plan and coordinate the 2008 trip. If God is moving you in this direction, please see or call Pastor John soon!

### **2008 Vacation Bible School**

At its meeting on February 14 the session set the dates for our 2008 Vacation Bible School to be July 14-18. Crystal Dady will again serve as director. Volunteers are always needed to serve in a variety of ways. Please mark your calendars!

### **Columbarium Plans**

At its meeting on February 14, the session voted to open the Community Church columbarium to all those with a connection to the church: members, affiliate members, and friends. A Columbarium Committee, whose members will be selected by the session, will review applications for use of the columbarium. Pat Ezell is the contact person for information on the columbarium.

### **Session Highlights**

The session of Community Presbyterian Church met on February 14, 2008. Among the actions taken and reports heard that evening:

- Jay Farrar was elected to represent our church at the February 19-20 Western Colorado Presbytery meeting.
- The session heard a report on the status of the grant just received from the Colorado State Historical Fund and approved the membership of the Capital Projects Committee. The elders also made preliminary plans for a capital campaign to raise the required matching funds for the grant.
- The session read and approved Jay's 2007 statistical report to the headquarters of the Presbyterian Church (USA).
- The session approved the appointment of affiliate members Ron and Sandra Yates as coordinators of the 2008 stewardship campaign.
- The elders selected Jay Farrar, Mary Farrar, Durell Thompson, and Helen Thompson as the members of the 2009 Budget Committee. This committee, with Pastor John as an ex-officio member, will draft the church's 2009 budget.
- The session approved use of *Life of the Beloved* by Henri Nouwen and *Who Do You Say That I Am?* by Ed Nettleton for the Tuesday Night Book Study.
- Mary Farrar will pursue use of a new web site host so that we can have greater control over our web page content.
- The session approved Walter Potter and Pastor John to seek a new coordinator for a fall mission trip.
- The elders reviewed the 2007 report of the Endowment Investment Committee, and endorsed the excellent work done by Tom Robb and Ed Smith in their management of these funds.
- The One Great Hour of Sharing special offering will be collected on Palm Sunday, March 16, 2008.

**Youth Programs (.epic.) Update (from Seth & Crystal Dady)**

We attended High Altitude the first weekend of February with 21 people, 16 students and 5 leaders. It was an incredible weekend! The kids in the group that have a relationship with the Lord really stepped up to the plate and spoke truth in love to their friends who have had questions about the Lord, the gospel, and life after death. All year we have been encouraging these kids to take their faith a step further and share it with their friends.

The last weekend of February we will be taking 14 students to Snowbound, our junior high winter camp. Out of the 14 students going, six of them are 6<sup>th</sup> graders that have never been before. We are looking forward to this weekend to get to know them better.

In our high school Bible studies, Seth is studying the book *Wild at Heart* and Crystal is teaching the girls what the Bible says about purity and how they can live it out in today's culture. Jessica Cunningham is co-leading with Crystal. These Bible studies are every Monday night at 7pm in the Annex for the guys and Darley Hall for the girls.

Sunday night youth meetings are going great! The kids love meeting at the Annex and more are able to attend due to the fact that they have no school the next day. We play games, have snacks, fellowship, and learn about the Lord through Bible study, discussion, or a video.

Wednesday nights are alternating Hang Nites for high school and junior high. This has been great quality time with each of the groups separately. We want to thank everyone who has hosted for opening your home, feeding us, and loving on the kids. If anyone is interested in hosting a Hang Nite or providing snacks please contact us at 944-0447. We are currently organizing our March-May calendars.

Once a month we have been on a rotation visiting each church to update everyone on the youth group news. This has proven very successful! A great group of kids have come and participated in the service every time! We will be visiting St. James at the beginning of March, Community Presbyterian at the end of March, St. Rose of Lima in April, and First Baptist in June.

Above all, we continue praising our Father in heaven for bringing us here to work with the youth and for all the work HE has done in their lives! He is so faithful!

**Donations Needed for Youth Programs (.epic.).**

Couches, coffee tables, table/floor lamps, a computer/DVD projector, and an espresso machine are all needed by our youth. Please see or call Nancy Guthrie for more information.

**Wonderful Gospel Concert!**

The Lake City Mixed Gospel Quartet, consisting of Becki Casey, Lisa Higgins, John Roose, and Dan Wampler, with Alan Moore on the piano, presented a concert of old-time gospel favorites on Sunday, February 3 in the Community Church sanctuary. The sizable crowd was moved and entertained by the performance. Our thanks to Alan and his quartet.

**Lamplighters Women's Bible Study**

The Lamplighters Women's Bible Study group continues its work on Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians and Colossians. The Lamplighters meet every Thursday from 10:30 to 11:30 am in Darley Hall. New participants are very welcome! Please see or call Nancy Guthrie.

**Sunday Morning Study of John's Gospel**

Pastor John is leading a Sunday morning study of the Gospel of John, meeting after coffee fellowship each Sunday. This study runs for eleven sessions and includes video presentations by noted experts on John's Gospel. Everyone is welcome! Please join us...you may find yourself transformed. See or call Pastor John for more information.

**Tuesday Evening Book Study to Read Nouwen**

The Tuesday Evening Book Study will begin discussion of *Life of the Beloved* by Henri Nouwen on March 4. Nouwen was a widely-respected Catholic theologian, especially well-known for his writing on Christian spirituality. See Pastor John for more information, and please join us!

**Community Women's Bible Study**

Ruthanne File continues to lead a study of the book of Daniel for all Lake City women. This group meets at 4:30 pm every Sunday in Darley Hall. Please contact Ruthanne for more information.

**Thursday Morning Men's Prayer Breakfast**

Men from all of the Lake City churches meet every Thursday morning at 6:30 am at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall for breakfast, conversation, prayer, and Bible study. Come join us!

**Cursillo, Koinonia, Walk to Emmaus and Other Renewal Opportunities**

*Cursillo*, *Koinonia*, and *Walk to Emmaus* are transformative renewal events that can rejuvenate your Christian walk. The next Western Colorado Koinonia is scheduled for Friday through Sunday, March 28-30, 2008 near Cedaredge. The next Emmaus Walks are scheduled for Thursday through Sunday, April 3-6, 2008 (for men) and April 10-13, 2008 (for women), both near Cedaredge. The next Colorado Cursillo is scheduled for Thursday through Sunday, May 1-4, 2008 near Colorado Springs. Similar events are held throughout the country, throughout the year. If God is moving you to explore Koinonia, Cursillo, Emmaus or one of their many relatives, please see or call Pastor John. You will be blessed!

**Please Pray**

The following members and friends of Community Church are struggling with health issues: Jeannie Farnsworth, Dot Main, Emma Jean Vickers, Faith Vickers, Dorothy Monnet, Delbert Frieze, and Ellen Melcher. Please pray for these children of God. Please contact Pastor John if you would like to add other names to the Evangel prayer list.