



**The Evangel  
Newsletter of Community Presbyterian Church  
Lake City, Colorado  
December 2007**

**Session Highlights**

The session of Community Presbyterian Church met on December 12, 2007. Among the actions taken and reports heard that evening:

- New folding doors have been installed between Warner and Darley halls, thanks to Paul Hudgeons' crew. The Annex has a new dishwasher and disposal.
- The session is pursuing the installation of a more effective hot water heater in the Annex, replacement of the kitchen countertop in Darley Hall, and an expanded parking pad in front of the manse.
- The session continues its review of the membership rolls.
- Jay Farrar reported on the status of Community Church's Historical Structural Assessment grant and the latest application for financial assistance with facility renovations. Jay hopes to hear in January or February regarding the State's decision.
- The session approved discontinuance of regular Services of Healing and Wholeness. They will be scheduled in the future as needed.
- The session enthusiastically approved use of the Annex on Sunday evenings and otherwise by the Lake City Student Ministry, our ecumenical youth program. The session also approved use of the upstairs Annex office by Seth and Crystal Dady, the LCSM Directors. The Dady's and youth will work to make the Annex more homey while still keeping its multi-use functionality. They will also be working to mitigate noise in the Annex.
- The Annex will be locked when it is not in use, beginning as soon as the locks can be changed and keys issued to those groups using the building.

**KLUB Christmas Program Delights Many**

The children in KLUB (Kids Living Under the Bible), our Wednesday after school program, presented their annual Christmas program on December 19. Under the leadership of Amy Humphrys the children dramatized the Christmas story and sang carols for the gathered parents and friends. After the program everyone joined for cookies and punch in Darley Hall. KLUB continues to provide a quality Christian after school program for Lake City's elementary children.

**Annual Community Choir Christmas Concert**

The Lake City Community Choir presented its annual Christmas Concert in the Community Church sanctuary on Sunday, January 23 at 7:00 pm. The choir sang both traditional and modern selections. The audience was greatly pleased and moved. Many thanks to the choir and to Durell Thompson who bravely stepped in to direct the choir this season.

**Christmas Eve Service of Lessons and Carols**

At 7:00 pm on December 24 folks from all over Lake City gathered in our sanctuary for the annual Community Presbyterian Church Service of Lessons and Carols. Worshipers sang carols, heard readings from both the Old and New Testaments, and lit

candles signifying the coming of Christ, the light of the world. Readers represented many of the Lake City churches. The Lake City Community Choir also sang two pieces from its Christmas repertoire.

### **Study of the Psalms Continues**

Pastor John continues to lead a seven-session Sunday morning study of the Psalms. The last lesson is scheduled for January 6.

### **Lamplighters Women's Bible Study Resumes in January**

The Lamplighters Women's Bible Study group will resume its work on Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians and Colossians on January 10. 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 Begins in January**

Pastor John will lead a Sunday morning study of the Gospel of John, meeting after coffee fellowship each Sunday. This study runs for eleven sessions beginning January 13 and includes video presentations by noted experts on John's Gospel. Everyone is welcome! Please join us...you may find yourself transformed.

### **New Book Study Begins in January**

In January Pastor John will facilitate a weekly discussion of *The Language of God* by Francis S. Collins, director of the Human Genome Project and dedicated Christian. How does this brilliant scientist reconcile his faith with his work? Join us and find out! We will meet either on Tuesdays or Thursdays; let Pastor John know which day works best for you.

### **Christian Community Service Update**

Christian Community Service is a consortium of all of the Lake City Churches that provides emergency help for those in spiritual, physical, or financial need. The work of CCS is supported in large part by collections taken at the community Easter and Independence Day worship services. Each church also donates to CCS. CCS has been busy in recent weeks providing help for those in need of rent assistance and those having family members in serious medical condition. Your contributions to CCS make this assistance possible. Thank you sincerely!

### **Columbarium Update**

Plans are underway to build a columbarium in the memorial garden just east of Warner Hall during the summer of 2008. Please see or call Pat Ezell if you have questions regarding the columbarium.

### **Colorado Cursillo**

The next Colorado Cursillo, a joyous and transformative weekend event, is scheduled for Thursday through Sunday, May 1-4, 2008 at La Foret Conference and Retreat Center near Colorado Springs. Cursillo is one of several three-day renewal events that can revive and rejuvenate your Christian walk. Similar events are held throughout the country, throughout the year. If God is moving you to explore Colorado Cursillo or one of its many relatives, please see or call Pastor John. You will be blessed!

### **Chancel Flowers**

Volunteers are needed to provide flowers for the chancel each Sunday. A volunteer

sheet is posted on the bulletin board in Darley Hall, or you may call the church office. Flower arrangements need not be elaborate! Volunteers may buy flowers from Velvet Faces in Lake City or elsewhere. Please let Pastor John know if you would like to have a notice in the worship bulletin acknowledging that the flowers are in honor or in memory of someone.

### **Musicians for Worship**

Our worship is enhanced by the gifts of any and all musicians willing to use those gifts in our services. Please talk to Pastor John or sign up on the sheet posted in Darley Hall.

### **Worship Readers and Greeters**

Volunteers are always needed to serve as scripture readers or greeters/ushers for our worship services. Please sign up on the sheet in Darley Hall. See or call Mary Farrar or Lynn Hudgeons for more information.

### **Coffee Fellowship Hosts**

Hosts are continuously needed to provide treats and coffee following our worship services. Just sign up on the sheet posted in Darley Hall. Call or see Irene Pate for more information.

### **KLUB Snacks**

KLUB (Kids Living Under the Bible) is always in need of volunteers to provide snacks for the children on Wednesday afternoon. You do not need to be present for the program, but you are most welcome, and you get to enjoy all the little angels who come every Wednesday! Please sign up on the sheet posted in Darley Hall. See or call Irene Pate for more information.

### **Library Donations**

Community Presbyterian Church has a small library that is always in need of donations of new Christian books. Books may be dedicated to loved ones. Please see or call Pastor John.

### **Please Pray**

The following members and friends of Community Church are struggling with health issues: Jeannie Farnsworth, Dot Main, Mary Ann Underwood, Emma Jean Vickers, Delbert Frieze, Ellen Melcher, and Jay Godwin.

Willis Mackey left this life on December 12, 2007. Willis's funeral was held in Stillwater, Oklahoma on December 17. Please keep LaRuth and all of Willis's family and friends in prayer.

**God's deepest blessings on your 2008!**