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Capital Projects Update

The Capital Projects Committee is now soliciting bids for replacement and repair of the exterior siding and trim on the sanctuary and manse, new paint for the siding, and new acrylic protection for the stained glass windows in the sanctuary. In addition, bids are also being solicited for replacement of the siding on Darley and Warner Halls, to match the sanctuary siding, plus new windows in these additions. The committee is also negotiating with electrical contractors for replacement of outdated wiring and fixtures throughout the sanctuary and its additions. The committee hopes to have these projects completed this summer.

Other projects include stabilization of the steeple and refurbishment of its exterior, replacement of the sanctuary roof, and remedial work on the propane plumbing throughout the sanctuary and additions. These projects will likely be scheduled for the summer of 2009. The church has signed a contract with the Colorado State Historical Fund (CSHF) for the grant funds to carry out the needed repairs and renovations.

Capital Campaign Now Underway!

Community Church has just launched a one-month capital campaign to secure pledges of at least \$55,000. CSHF requires \$48,129 to match its grant of \$144,376. The session elected to round that figure to \$50,000 and seek an additional \$5,000 (a tithe) for local and foreign missions.

Letters requesting pledges of support have been sent to all members, affiliate members and selected friends of Community Church. Please pray carefully regarding your contribution to the capital campaign, and pledge generously. The church will accept pledges through the end of 2009. Pledge cards may also be found in the pew card racks for the duration of the campaign, which will end on June 30, 2008.

As you consider your pledge, please remember that the state grant does not include the replacement of the siding and windows on Darley and Warner Halls, because they do not meet the state's definition of historical structures. Additional pledges beyond \$55,000 will allow the church to replace these elements. They need replacement!

Each family's pledge to the capital campaign is above and beyond its normal support of the mission and operation of Community Church. The church will have its annual stewardship drive during July and August. Your support of our regular mission and work is needed in addition to your pledge to the capital campaign!

Please remember that your giving to our church, whether in the form of support for facility renovation or our general mission and operation, should be always

motivated by a sense of thanksgiving for God's abundant blessings and the priceless gift we have all been given in Christ Jesus.

Every pledging family will receive a copy of *Pioneering in the San Juan* by George Darley! Your help is needed and greatly appreciated. Please pray about your pledge of support to our capital campaign to fund renovation of our physical facilities.

Community Choir Rehearsals Begin

Lake City Community Choir will begin rehearsals on Monday, June 2 for the Summer Community Worship Service. All voices are needed! Please contact Milt Pullen for more details.

Community Women's Luncheon Set

Women from all of the Lake City churches will join for lunch on Friday, June 6 at 12:00 noon in the First Baptist Church fellowship hall. This luncheon is an opportunity for good food, good fellowship and laughter. Please plan to be there!

Sunday Worship Schedule Changes June 15

Two worship services will begin on June 15, 2008, at 8:30 am and 10:30 am, with a time of coffee fellowship in between. Please join us in worshipping the living God each Sunday this summer!

Wednesday Grill and Bible Study Begins June 18

Grill and Bible Study will begin on Wednesday, June 18 and conclude on Wednesday, September 17. This summer participants will study the prophecy of Isaiah. Join us for burgers, potluck dishes, great fellowship, and an encounter with Isaiah!

Gold Hill Barbeque Ice Cream Social Dates Set

The annual Gold Hill Barbeque date has been set for Sunday, June 29, 4:00 pm on Gold Hill at Vickers Ranch. A rain date has been set for July 13.

The annual Ice Cream Social is scheduled for Sunday, August 17 in Darley Hall. Please mark your calendar!

Annual Summer Community Worship Service

The annual Summer Community Worship Service is scheduled for Sunday, July 6, 10:00 am, in the yard of the Lake City Community School. The Lake City Stinger Band will play and the Lake City Choir will sing. Chuck Specht, a deacon at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, will preach the sermon. No worship services will be held in the Community Church sanctuary on July 6. Please plan on joining all of the Lake City churches at the school for worship together!

Celebration Singers Coming to Lake City!

The Celebration Singers are a youth choir of 60 voices from the Cornerstone Bible Fellowship of Sherwood, Arkansas. On Thursday, July 10, at 7:30 pm this talented group of young singers will present a choral concert in the Lake City Armory. You won't want to miss it! Please mark your calendar!

2008 Stewardship Drive

Community Church members, affiliate members, and friends will be invited to

pledge time, talent, and treasure for the year 2009 during the 2008 stewardship drive, beginning on July 13 and finishing August 10. Please begin now to pray and think about your contributions of time, gifts and financial resources to the ministries of Community Church for the next year. The body of Christ is strengthened by the gifts of all of its members!

2008 Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School will be held this summer the week of July 14-18. Crystal Dady will again serve as director. Volunteers, both men and women, are always needed to serve in a variety of ways. If you will be able to help this summer, please call or email Pastor John. Please mark your calendar!

Seminary President Coming to Lake City

Ted Wardlaw, the president of Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, will be in Lake City on Sunday, July 20, to preach and teach. Ted will preach at both worship services and lecture at 1:00 pm the same day. Dr. Wardlaw is a highly respected preacher and leader in the Presbyterian Church (USA). Please make a special effort to attend worship on July 20 and then return at 1:00 pm for Ted's lecture.

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!

Pastor's Family Moves to New Housing

The Guthrie family has been moving the past few weeks to more spacious digs on Forest Drive, above the Alpine Moose Motel. The house is being rented from regular CPC worship attendee and long-time Lake City fixture, Nancy Zeller. The Guthrie's are happy to be able to spread out a little.

With approval from the Community Church session, the manse is now occupied by Seth and Crystal Dady, our youth directors. The manse is provided rent-free to the Dady's as part of their compensation for serving the youth of Lake City so faithfully.

Congregation Approves New Pastor's Terms of Call

On Sunday, May 25 a quorum of Community Church members approved new terms of call for Pastor John, in response to the Guthrie's new living arrangements. The new terms of call provide a housing allowance in addition to salary for the pastor, while use of the manse has been removed from the terms of call.

Pastor's Bible Study Completes Study of New Testament Letters

The Pastor's Bible Study completed its study of the three Letters of John and the Letter of Jude on May 25. Participants learned that church conflict is nothing new, but that we are called to love one another in order to bind us together under Christ. Sunday morning Bible studies will resume in the fall.

Tuesday Evening Book Study Begins Study of C.S. Lewis

The Tuesday Evening Book Study group is now reading and discussing C.S.

Lewis's classic, *Mere Christianity*. New participants are always welcome. Please see Pastor John for more information.

Highlights from the May 15, 2008 Meeting of the Session

- A supplementary hot water heater has been installed in the Annex, and the locks there have been replaced. The Annex is now secured except when it is in use.
- The session team responsible for worship, congregational care, missions, and Christian education will be known as the CARE Team. Members are Mary Farrar, Lynn Hudgeons, and Lori Winblood.
- The CARE team will be recruiting volunteers to teach Sunday School/Children's Worship during the second service over the summer of 2008.
- The session approved, for recommendation to the congregation on May 25, changes to the pastor's terms of call.
- The session heard from Jay Farrar regarding the current status of the State Historical Fund grant and plans for facility renovations.
- The elders authorized Pastor John to seek a coordinator for a fall mission trip from among those who went to New Orleans in November 2007
- The session approved sponsorship of a concert by the Celebration Singers from Cornerstone Bible Church of Sherwood Arkansas, on Thursday, July 10.
- Elders set the dates for the annual Gold Hill Barbeque and annual the Ice Cream Social

KLUB Finishes for Spring

KLUB (Kids Living Under the Bible) finished its spring program on May 21, 2008. The KLUB children sang and presented a terrific skit for their parents and others, and then everyone gathered in Darley Hall for cake and punch. We are indebted to Crystal Dady for her wonderful direction of the KLUB program, and to the volunteers from several of the Lake City churches who served so faithfully every Wednesday over the past academic year. KLUB represents one of the most effective local ecumenical mission projects of the churches in our town.

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 return 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!

Youth Programs (.epic.) Update

The ecumenical youth group of Lake City has named itself .epic. .epic. is supported financially, with volunteers, and with prayer by all of the churches of Lake City. From June 6 to 14 a group of high school students and adult sponsors will be going to a Navajo reservation in Sun Valley, Arizona to offer Bible studies and other activities for the children there. Please keep the youth and sponsors in prayer as they prepare to share and grow together.

The youth will continue to meet on Sunday and Wednesday nights throughout the summer for Bible study and fun.

God's blessings on your summer!

We look forward to the arrival of our summer residents and visitors!