

# THE CALL



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# 2009

*From the  
Pastor*



There's an old country song that says "Me and Jesus we've got a good thing going." Sometimes you hear somebody say "I'm not religious but I am spiritual." And then we hear that fewer folk claim to believe in any form of religion. One of the many reasons that we have gotten in such a situation is that we have valued our independence more than we have our need to be accountable to something greater than our own sandbox. We as Christians can not exist without our being a part of a community. A community that, yes at times, can get on our nerves but also one that can challenge us to grow as Christians. Paul wrote to the people of Corinth "Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say "Because I am not a hand. I do not belong to the body." that would not make it any less a part of the body." I Cor. 12:14ff.

See you in Church,  
Chuck

Congratulations  
on Your  
New Baby!



Congratulations to Kelley Lackey on the birth of her baby boy, Austin. He weighed 8#, 11 oz. Proud grandmother is Elaine Umbach.

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ServeWyoming would like to invite you to participate in the **Natrona County Volunteer Fair 2009**, scheduled for **Saturday, April 18, 2009**, from **10:00 am - 3:30 pm** at **Casper College in the Administration Building Gymnasium**. There will be upwards of 50 area organizations to speak about volunteering. Hourly door prizes will be raffled, and it is a great opportunity to find out more about volunteering in our community. It is certain to be a fun time!

ServeWyoming is a non-profit organization whose mission focuses on the enhancement of community and the empowerment of citizens through the development and promotion of service opportunities. For this reason, ServeWyoming is dedicated to strengthening our communities which is why we are sponsoring this Volunteer Fair.

If you have any questions, please call Shunta Brintley at 234-3428

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DATE	STORY	STORYTELLER	GREETER
April 5	Jesus Last Passover (36)	Linnea Meline	Briana Black
April 11	EASTER - - NO CHILDREN'S CHURCH		
April 18	Jesus is Risen- Appearance to Mary (37)	Jenn Hawley	Val Williams
April 25	Jesus on the Road to Emmaus	Sarah Brown	Josh Black



# Just for **KIDS**

## OUR LIVING HOPE

Easter is a time to rejoice because of what God did for us in sending his Son. Jesus is our living hope. Read 1 Peter 1:3-4 (NIV) below. Then find the **bold** words in the crossword search.

**"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade — kept in heaven for you ...."**



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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

**APRIL BIRTHDAYS**

Tyler Ambrosino	03
Kristen Atkinson	04
Hanna Slominski	04
Don Davis	05
Stacey Umbach	07
Bob Dundas	08
Shirley Downs	09
Kelli Slominski	10
George Marble	12
Briana Black	13
Harriett Ames	14
Dick Austin	14
Amy Russell	16
Ashley Budack	17
Frank McCay	17
Becky Foster	18
Lowell Rymill	19
David Sallstrom	19
Dennis Baker	20
Jennifer Grooms	20
Brenda Lloyd	24
Paul Hallock	26
Joan Linenberger	27



**THIS MONTH'S ANNIVERSARIES**

**April 2, 2005**

Billy & Jerry (Gregory) Triplett

**April 15, 2005**

Darin & Crystal Rodgers

**April 21, 1945**

Fred & Shirley Hudson

**April 24, 1976**

Steve & Cindy Huckfeldt

**April 24, 1999**

Del & Brenda Lloyd

**SAVE THE DATE!!!!**

Women's Renewal  
September 11-13, 2009  
Estes Park



## Church Directory

- Susan Guthrie has a new phone number: 258-6049
- Elder's Meetings have been changed to the 1st Monday of the month instead of the 3rd Monday.
- Steve Huckfeldt is Chair for the Property Commission. He is also no longer the owner of ASAP Radiator Co. He is currently a college student pursuing an Education Degree. His cell phone is 251-0910.
- Librarians will be Harriet Ames and Verla Jerde.

## Special Dates

- Passion/Palm Sunday, April 5, 2009
- Donut Sunday, April 5, 2009 (Bring your donations)
- Holy Week, April 5-11, 2009
- Maundy/Holy Thursday, April 9, 2009
- Good Friday, April 10, 2009
- Office Closed, April 10, 2009
- Prayer Vigil begins at 6:00 am on April 10 thru April 11, 2009
- Holy Saturday, April 11, 2009
- Easter Day, April 12, 2009
- Call Deadline, April 15, 2009
- Elder's Retreat, April 17-19, 2009
- Administrative Professionals Day, April 22, 2009
- Earth Day, April 22, 2009
- Youth Group 30 hour Famine



Norma Kuhn of Atchison, Kansas, mother of **Sandy Bentley and Linda Mosteller** passed away on February 27, 2009.

In  
Memory of

Keep in your prayers **Bernice Riley and family** on the death of her nephew, Al White, Worland, WY.

## **THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU**

There are some really hard working people at First Christian Church, I find.  
But you've got wonder - are they out of their minds?

Fifty pounds of pork tenderloin in roaster ovens plugged in all over the place  
So that the circuit breakers don't get tripped - that's the case.

Then twenty pounds of potatoes peeled taking six gals one hour ---  
But they're so much better than the boxed kind to devour.

The apple jello was prepared and placed in fridges upstairs and down  
Without spilling, and then later where are they to be found?

Maybe green beans are not a favorite of yours or mine  
But when combined with onions and bacon, they were sublime.

Just where were their minds when mashing all those potatoes, oh my.  
And try making gravy for one hundred; well I'd rather make a pie.

The tables were set and decorated so fine  
Everything was ready, but were we ready to dine?

Nope, cause Roto-Rooter had worked all morning to unplug the line,  
And all the best dishes and goblets were set out so fine.

But some pan cleaning took place and the line plugged again.  
So a quick change from washable to throw-away took place - what a pain.  
(And Roto-Rooter as called once again!)

Needless to say the very delicious dinner was served and heartily consumed . . .  
And the winners of the raffle were happy with their takings. I presume.

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March

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# April

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
<b>29</b> <b>March</b> 5th Sunday of Lent 8 AM Worship 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:45 AM Worship 4 PM Financial Peace 4 PM Youth Group	<b>30</b> 6 PM BSA 7 PM CSA	<b>31</b> 7 PM AA Meeting 7 PM Home Visitation	<b>1</b> APRIL FOOL'S D 9 AM Quilters 4 PM Staff Meeting 6 PM Soup Supper 6:30 PM Lenten S 7 PM Choir
<b>5</b> Palm/Passion Sunday DONUT SUNDAY 8 AM Worship 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:45 AM Worship 4 PM Financial Peace More...	<b>6</b> 12 PM MID-WEEK SERVICES AT ... 6 PM BSA 7 PM CSA 7 PM Elders Mtg	<b>7</b> 12 PM MID-WEEK SERVICES AT ... 7 PM AA Meeting 7 PM Home Visitation	<b>8</b> 9 AM Quilters 11:30 AM CWF # 12 PM MID-WEEK 12 PM CWF #2 4 PM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Lenten S
<b>12</b> EASTER 8 AM Worship 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:45 AM Worship 4 PM Financial Peace 4 PM Youth Group	<b>13</b> 6 PM BSA 7 PM CSA 7 PM Commission Mtgs 8 PM Exec. Board Mtg	<b>14</b> 7 PM AA Meeting 7 PM Home Visitation	<b>15</b> CALL DEADLINE 9 AM Quilters 4 PM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Lenten S 7 PM Choir
<b>19</b> ELDERS RETREAT 8 AM Worship 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:45 AM Worship 4 PM No Youth Group 4 PM Financial Peace	<b>20</b> 6 PM BSA 7 PM CSA	<b>21</b> 7 PM AA Meeting 7 PM Home Visitation	<b>22</b> CALL MAILED 9 AM Quilters 4 PM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Lenten S 7 PM Choir
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## Easter Lilies

The Worship Commission is once again asking that you share a lily to decorate the Sanctuary during the 2009 Easter Season. The lily will cost \$7.00. Please put your check marked for lily in the offering on Sunday morning or send to the church office by **Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009.**

In recent years, the generosity of people has been so great that the volume of memorial flowers has been overwhelming. This year the Worship Commission wishes to purchase an adequate number of flowers for church decoration and place the remainder of monies in the church memorial fund.

All donations will be recognized in the usual manner in the "CALL".

Please attach the form below with your remittance so that we may know who your plant is in memory of or in honor of.

You may take your lily home Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

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Please attach this form to your check when you return it to the church office.

**Name:**

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**In Memory of:**

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**In Honor of:**



# 2009

May						
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Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>April 2</b> 10 AM CWF Exec. Board (Mandatory) Service	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study	
<b>9</b> Maunday Thursday 10 AM CWF #1 12 PM MID-WEEK SERVICES AT ... 7 PM MAURDY THURSDAY SERVI... (Mandatory) Service <a href="#">More...</a>	<b>10</b> PRAYER VIGIL GOOD FRIDAY OFFICE CLOSED 12 PM MID-WEEK SERVICES AT ...	<b>11</b> 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study	
<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> ELDERS RETREAT	<b>18</b> 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study	
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 6:30 PM 30-HR FAMINE (YOUTH GROUP)	<b>25</b> 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study	
<b>30</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>May 2</b> 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study	

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*Now a big thank you for all the contributions to new flooring in the fellowship hall, to all the hard workers - you all know who you are - the cooks, the pie bakers, and for those hauling dirty dishes home to clean, the tickets purchased for dinner and for the raffle, and for all the raffle donations. And a very special thank you to Boy Scout 13 and Cub Scout Pack 13 for their \$400 donation!*

**THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU**



**Debbie Mestas**, an active member of FCC and the Social Action Commission, has been nominated to receive the Jefferson Award this year by fellow workers at the Department of Family Services. Debbie and other nominees will be attending the Jefferson Award luncheon on April 14th. Congratulations to our very special Debbie!

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**A SPECIAL CONGREGATION MEETING** has been scheduled for Sunday, April 5, 2009 at 9:30 am in the sanctuary. The purpose of the meeting will be to vote on a recommendation from the Executive Board to extend a call to Reverend Cynthia McBride to serve as the new Senior Minister at First Christian Church - Casper. It is important that all members attend and participate in this vote.



**YOUTH! REGISTER NOW FOR CRMR SUMMER CAMP 2009**

Discovery Camp	Grades 1-3*	Denver, CO	June 5-7	\$115.00
Junior Camp	Grades 3-5*	LaForet, CO	June 7-13	\$345.00
Chi Rho Camp	Grades 6-8*	LaForet, CO	June 14-20	\$345.00
CYF Camp	Grades 9-12	LaForet, CO	June 7-13	\$345.00

**REGISTRATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE CHURCH.**

**FORMS ARE DUE TO FCC BY APRIL 15TH.**

**CONTACT JENNY FOR DETAILS.**

\* must have completed this grade by June, 2009



\*\*\*Due to the NCSD need for a snow make-up day, the dates for Vacation Bible School have been rescheduled. We will be hosting VBS 2009 the week of July 13-17, our traditional week after Central Wyoming Fair & Rodeo.





Hunger is back! On April 24-25, the youth are going to go hungry for 30 hours to help bring awareness to our church about global famine. This event is called the 30 Hour Famine. During this event, the youth will participate in community service projects, and learn about children from all over the world that go hungry. They will also be raising money for World Vision, an organization that cares for malnourished children all over the world. This even was successful last year, and we hope to make an even bigger impact this year! If you would like to help out with this event, or have someone that would like to participate, please let me know! Thank you.

Michelle 259-1166

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We will be having a Progressive Dinner once again this year, and we are looking for members of the congregation to sponsor us! The dinner will take place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of May

The Progressive Dinner is a chance for the members of our congregation to get to know the youth of our church around dinner! We did it for the first time last year, and it was wonderful, but this year, we will stop at only 4 houses so that the youth can spend more time with the hosts. There will be 4 courses, (Appetizers, Soup/Salad, Main Course and Desert), and each host provides the course. If you are interested in hosting a course for our Progressive Dinner, please let me know! We come to you!

Michelle 259-1166

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Please remember to bring your nonperishable items to the church on the first Sunday of each month. These will be delivered to Joshua's storehouse. These items are especially needed at this time of year.

**SUGGESTIONS:**

1. Canned Goods 2. Packaged Foods 3. Toilet Paper 4. Diapers 5. Soaps  
Perishable items such as Turkeys, milk, etc. can be delivered in person to Joshua's at 334 S. Wolcott.



Lily

The lily that blooms around Easter is a symbol of Christ's resurrection because it rises from a seemingly lifeless bulb decaying in the ground. It is also used as a symbol of Christ himself. The lily, a symbol of purity, is often used to represent the Virgin Mary.

# EASTER CARD

Many symbols remind us of Jesus' death and resurrection. This Easter, put some of those symbols on special cards. Then give the cards to other people to share the good news that Jesus is alive.

## What you need:

- Craft foam
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Hot glue gun
- Empty food can without label
- Paint and paintbrush
- Paper plate
- Paper (8 1/2" x 11")
- Markers or crayons



## What you do:

1. Choose some simple Easter shapes to draw on the craft foam (cross, empty tomb, heart, etc.).
2. Cut out each shape.
3. With an adult's help, glue the shapes onto the can.
4. Pour a thin layer of paint onto a paper plate.
5. Roll the can in the paint and then roll the can onto the paper.
6. Try this several times using different colors.
7. When your paper is dry, fold it into a card.
8. Write "Happy Easter!" or a Bible verse on the front of the card. Then give it to someone.

## Worship Assistants April 2009

### Elder Presiding:

*Bob Glasspoole*

*Floyd Field*

### Bread Elder:

*Roger Miller*

### Cup Elder:

*Nancy Vreeland*

### Diaconate:

*Debbie Mapp*

*Kevin Budack*

*Deanna Budack*

*George Marble*

*Jennifer Marble*

*Bailie Marble*

*Kim Haug*

*Susan Guthrie*

### Communion Preparation:

*8:00 am*

*Jane Wallace*

*10:45 am*

*Susan Guthrie*

### Greeters:

*8:00 a.m.*

*Scott & Jane Wallace*

*10:45 a.m.*

*David & Terri Taylor*



### Poplar Living Center

*June Forgey*

*Ethel Dunn*

### Life Care Center

*Donna Ward*

*Arylne Dunmire*

*Jack Riley*

### Meadow Wind

*Joe Dunmire*

### Shepherd of the Valley

*Margaret Shriver*

*Joan Linenberger*

### Garden Square

*Wilma Dee Forester*

*Betty Snyder*

### Park Place

### Hospice

### Primrose

*Catharine Kingsolver*

### Maurice Griffith Manor

Location	Elders
Poplar Living Center Life Care Center	Mike Ward, Jack Walts, Deb King
At Home	Nancy Vreeland, Carol Jo Vlastos, Bob Glasspoole
Shepherd of the Valley Maurice Griffith Manor	Suzy Stewart, Shirley Downs, Floyd Field
Garden Square Primrose Place	Kelli Slominski, Lani McBee, Russ Black
Meadow Wind Park Place	Melanie Dowler, Roger Miller, Sandy Bentley
Hospice	All Elders



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Month/Day	Offering/ Gen. Fund	Budget Needed	Special Offerings	Amount
02/01/09	8,644.41	5,932.67	Week of Compassion	75.00
02/08/09	3,485.50	5,932.67	Week of Compassion	35.00
02/15/09	2,104.41	5,932.37	Week of Compassion	107.00
02/22/09	3,238.30	5,932.37	Week of Compassion	134.00
TOTAL	17,472.62	23,730.48	Week of Compassion	351.00