



THE CALL

JUNE
2016

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY 22 - "Celebration Sunday" - This is the last Sunday the choir will perform before the summer. The handbell choir will play and our youth are helping to lead worship.

**Youth Spaghetti Lunch fundraiser after worship.
ONE SERVICE ONLY (No Chapel)**

WED. MAY 25 - Preschool Graduation @ 5:30 PM in Fellowship Hall.

MAY 29 - KW Graduation @ 7 PM Casper Event Center

May 30 - MEMORIAL DAY - OFFICE CLOSED - NC Graduation @ 7:30 p.m. Casper Event Center

Summer Schedule: Chapel at 8:15 & Worship at 10:10

**No Sunday School or Choir during the summer.
Stay Tuned for news on special events.**

June 2 - Lunch Bunch Potluck at 11:30 a.m.

Sat. June 4 - Church Cleanup Day

Sat. June 11th - Youth Group Garage Sale 8 AM to 2 PM
(See youth news for drop off times to bring donations.)

SPRING FEAST

The CRMR Spring Feast in Colorado Springs last weekend was a GREAT event! Anne Klockslem, Bryant Badger & the McBrides were among the 200+ attendees from 5 states. Cynthia learned about narrative budgeting at a stewardship workshop & attended a Bible study on the Lord's Prayer. Anne sang in the choir & joined the mission project of making 35 "Restore Innocence" bags for women rescued from sex trafficking in CO. Charles participated in a listening session with the Regional Minister search team. New Moderator: Reggie Holmes, Moderator-Elect Vinnetta Golphin-Wilkerson, Vice Moderator Tracy Morgan. During the Saturday business session it was affirmed that the 2018 Spring Feast will be hosted HERE at FCC Casper!

Church Staff:

Rev. Cynthia McBride, Lead Pastor

Leigh Earle, Business Manager

Kathy Winders, Secretary

Cyndi Trimmer, Nursery care

Annette Crain, Preschool Director

Amber French, Music Director

Diane Lynn, Accompanist

Ministers: Every Member!

Office hours:

Mon.-Thurs.

10:30 AM - 2:30 PM

Closed Fridays

during the summer



SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

8:15 Chapel Service

9:00 a.m. Adult Class

**10:10 Worship
(307) 234-8964**

www.fcccasper.org

fcccasper@gmail.com

Preschool hours (Sept-May)

Mon.-Fri. 9:00 AM - noon

Preschool Phone - 472-0649

**CHURCH OFFICE WILL
BE CLOSED FRIDAYS
DURING JUNE, JULY,
AND AUGUST.**

Pastor's Post

A Lifelong Journey of Faithfulness...

Make a Joyful Noise!

"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands." - Psalm 100 vs. 1 KJV

Every Sunday in worship, we are invited to "make a joyful noise to the Lord" as we sing hymns and praise songs. There are other "joyful noises" in worship as well... the sound of a little one's voice, just learning to speak, repeating after Mom at the end of a prayer: "Amen!" ... the sound of Christian friends greeting one another... our choir and musicians offering praise... the prayers of the people giving thanks for God's blessings and more. On Mother's Day, as part of the sermon series "Sensing Our Faith," we were invited to listen to the sound of two small coins being dropped into the offering as we reflected on the story of the widow's mite. That day as well, our children and youth collected a "noisy offering" from the congregation. Many of you brought handfuls, pocketfuls and even jars full of loose change to give as an "over and above" offering to support the youth summer trip to Florida. What a delight to watch our children's faces grow with wonder as the pennies, dimes, nickels and quarters piled up! The collection cans got heavier and heavier. Finally, when the children reached the back of the sanctuary - there was a long delay before they came forward with the collection. I found out later why. In addition to all the coins, someone had snuck in a \$20 bill. The kids were so amazed by that large gift that they had to point it out to each other and all take turns looking at it before coming forward. It was a VERY noisy offering, a generous one, and indeed a very joyous one! Thank you Church for your generosity.

The chapel members contributed \$59.12. The total "noisy offering" of coins was \$273.25. The final total raised for the youth that day, including bills, coins and checks added to the cans, was \$345.25. These funds will help pay for part of one airline ticket needed to send our six youth and two sponsors to the July 26-30 "NYE" National Youth Event at Disney World. The registration fee for the event is \$549 per person, not including transportation. Thanks to a gift from the Pumpkin Patch mission trip fund and the fundraisers the youth have already held, they are well on the way to their goal. The June garage sale and the "rent-a-servant" program (where you can hire youth group members for odd jobs) will hopefully complete this need and get our youth to Orlando.



While there, our youth will hear from powerful speakers including 14-year-old Hadiqa Bashir from Pakistan who advocates for the right to education for young girls. She is the youngest recipient of the Muhammad Ali Humanitarian Award. They'll hear from Jonathan Pitte, also 14, who lives with a rare, debilitating disease. He's been profiled as the "Butterfly Boy" by ESPN, USA Today and People Magazine for his efforts to help raise the equivalent of over \$90,000 to date for research to cure Epidermolysis Bullosa. While our youth are VERY excited about the day they'll spend at Disney World, I'm excited for them - for the speakers and music they'll hear, the worship they'll share with thousands of other youth, service projects along the way and the ways in which God will powerfully touch their lives!

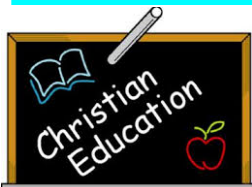


THANK YOU Church for ALL the "joyful noises" we make together - for songs of praise, the sound of a noisy offering, and your heartfelt supportive welcome to the laughter and wonder of children in this place we call home. - with a joyous heart, Pastor Cynthia

JUNE BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Annette Ambrosino	June 1	Steve Huckfeldt	June 20
Jason Baker	June 1	Emma Crawford	June 24
Zachary Hawley	June 1	Elane Burkhalter	June 25
Jaden Reece	June 4	Clyde Cain	June 25
Deb King	June 6	Rick Koehmstedt	June 25
Verla Jerde	June 7	Josh Woods	June 25
Dena Roberts	June 9	Nicholas Grooms	June 26
Peg Jackson	June 10	Nina Hytrek	June 26
Deanna Budack	June 11	Bob Glasspoole	June 30
Dam Hallock	June 15	Crystal Mangano (Grooms)	June 30
Mary Burgess	June 16	Jerry Meeks	June 30
Keith Rouse	June 17		

Rob & Joeline Knaus	June 3, 2005	Chook & Lani McBee	June 15, 1965
Raylan & Tammy Heck	June 7, 1986	Bob & Laura Glasspoole	June 19, 1965
Errol & Bev Miller	June 8, 1958	Clyde & Maryann Cain	June 22, 2002
Rich & Janie Nelson	June 10, 1970	Kevin & Deanna Budack	June 25, 1989
Ted & Lois Purvis	June 13, 1958	Chuck & Judy Potter	June 26, 1957
		Keith & Pam Rouse	June 26, 1993



SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATES

In the fall, we will be offering a Children's Sunday School class for Kindergarten-Grade 4 during second service. Children will leave the sanctuary for the class at the same time the younger children leave for Worship & Wonder.

A Sunday School teacher for the 5th-6th grade class is needed for next year. At this time, we are planning to offer this class during 2nd service following the offering time. Jennifer Grooms will work with you on selecting curriculum and basic management issues. Please contact Jennifer @ 234-1138 if you are interested.

ADULT CLASSES

Please let Jennifer Grooms or Pastor Cynthia know if you have an interest in leading an adult class. Topics can be varied, you can choose a time other than Sunday morning and the class length can be variable. We do have access to some engaging videos for discussion and study purposes. We would welcome ideas for a one-time or several-week Sunday class during the summer or a multi-week study in the fall. All ideas are welcome!



VEGGIE TALES for children preK-Grade 3 will start for the summer months on June 5th. This will be held in the board room during second service. Please let Erika Stupak know if you can help with this programming. Your responsibility includes welcoming the children, starting the video, handing out a snack and supervising a brief play time until the end of worship.

Q. Where is the first baseball game in the Bible?

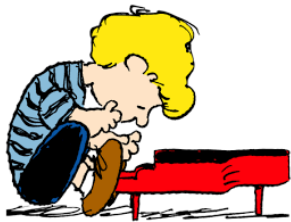
A. In the big inning. Eve stole first, Adam stole second. Cain struck out Abel. The Giants and the Angels were rained out.

NEW PHONE NUMBERS

Bev Mattson 605-642-2764

Dave Taylor - 258-2034

dntaylor@msn.com



FCC STAFF UPDATES - FCC has been so blessed this past year to have Lani McBee as our church pianist and choir accompanist. Lani's last day will be May 22nd. We thank her from the bottom of our hearts for taking on this huge task and wish her and Chook well on their retirement travels. *Come share a piece of cake after worship on the 22nd as we say THANK YOU to Lani!*

NEW STAFF - We are fortunate to have hired Diane Lynn as our new church pianist. Diane teaches piano at VIBES and is the music teacher for the FCC Preschool. Diane will start on Sunday, June 5th. Rev. Leigh Earle is joining our church staff as book-keeper.

She is an ordained deacon in the Episcopal Church and brings much life experience to this role.

June 5-11th. Rev. McBride will be doing continuing education at Guadalupe Abbey, in Pecos, NM at the "liturgical arts school." Charles McBride will bring the Sunday message June 5th.

June 12-17th- Rev. McBride on vacation visiting family in Southern Colorado. We're excited that FCC's "Timothy/Priscilla" the **Rev. Nancy Thomas** will be our pulpit guest on Sunday, June 12th.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH THANK YOU'S



Dear Church Group - Thank you so much for the blankets. Our clients really appreciate having something cozy to snuggle in. We are very grateful. Thanks again -- *Jennifer Dyer, Self Help Center*

Dear Friends, Thank you for your cards and gifts for my retirement. I am going to miss the daily routine and getting to see everyone. Also a big thank you for the get well cards and calls I have received. I have another week at home and then, hopefully, I can get out and about. --*Lois Koch*

Dear Church Family, I don't have enough words to express my many thanks for all the compassion and prayers for Scott and I during his long journey. I know he had very passionate ideas but he loved God so much. Thanks for the cookies, prayers and all the help during the funeral. We are so blessed to have Cynthia. She is one of the most compassionate people I know. -- *Love, Jane Wallace*



Thank you to the CWF Board for donating \$500 to the property commission for continued work on the beautification of the church. Thank you to Harriet Ames for cleaning & organizing the storage area.

Recent Property projects include sprucing up the front entry, installing new windows, new handicapped signs, skylight repair and more!

We thank Cheryl Dionne for filling in as the nursery attendant while Cyndi Trimmer is out recuperating from her knee replacement surgery. Cheryl is the aide at the preschool and we very much appreciate her stepping in and covering for Cyndi.



Thank you to Jane Wallace's Quilting group that meets at the church on Wednesday mornings for donating funds towards the staining/painting of the new windows in the Scout room, Communion room and over the outside door on the west side of the building. So many members and friends are working together to care for our building so future ministries will be strong. Thank you ALL for your part!

YOUTH NOISY OFFERING

Coin Received	\$ 273.25
Cash/Check	\$ 72.00
Total received	\$ 345.25

Thank you to all of the members of the congregation who participated.

Congratulations to Rebekah Schoen for winning with her Harry Potter themed quidditch-cake pop creation at the public library's Edible Book Contest.



YOUTH RAFFLE

FCC's Youth are holding a raffle for a photograph donated by Al Singleton. The photograph entitled "Trail's End" is finished in a unique style, printed directly on metal and ready to be hung as a fine art piece. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20. The drawing will be held on May 22nd after worship during the youth-hosted Spaghetti Luncheon Fundraiser. Stop by and purchase your "lucky" ticket. Approximate value of the artwork: \$175. **Sunday, May 22 will be last day to purchase tickets. The winner will be announced at the end of the Spaghetti Dinner.**

"What if you woke up today with only the things you thanked God for yesterday?"

- Guideposts



Worship Leaders

JUNE DIACONATE

Phil & Becky Ostrander, Amber Rouse, Wanda Gochenour

COMMUNION PREP

Chapel: Robin Nelson, Pat Seamands
10:10 Service: - Becky Ostrander

JUNE GREETERS- Lyle & Jo Cox

To volunteer as a Sunday morning greeter call Pat Buck at 234-1829.

JUNE Offertory Steward - Paul Hallock

Scripture Reader sign up on office bulletin board
Chapel Leader sign up on back table in sanctuary or speak with Pastor Cynthia



**SAVE THE DATE!!
VBS, FAMILY CAMP &
WORSHIP ON THE MOUNTAIN**

VBS is scheduled for **Saturday, July 16th** followed by family camp. Contact Trisha Woods (797-3047) or Tassma Koehmstedt (247-3328).

WORSHIP ON THE MOUNTAIN

Sunday, July 17th

More details to follow next month.



THANK YOU to FCC

Boy Scout Troop 13 for their generous donation of \$3,000 towards the new windows in the Scout room. The room will soon have a new ceiling, flooring and painted walls. The boys and the adults will be helping out with all the projects. FCC is very fortunate to have such a generous scout troop.

YOUTH GROUP

Six FCC youth and two sponsors will be attending the National Youth Event 2016 for Disciples of Christ & UCC in Orlando, FL, July 26-30th. They are Sara Williams, Libby Sanford,

Amber Rouse, Kendal Chipperfield, Katherine Schuetz, Rebecca Schoen, Laura Chipperfield and Carmen Goodman. The youth will participate in worship, workshops, service projects, and a social justice immersion project. The event will be held at Walt Disney World. To date they have raised \$1,673.59 towards their expenses. **On May 22nd**, they will host a fundraising spaghetti dinner after second service (donations accepted). The drawing for the photo donated by Al Singleton will be held. **On June 11**, they will have a garage sale at the church. Items for the garage sale can be dropped off on Wednesdays, June 1st and June 8th from 6-7:30 p.m. and Saturday June 4th from 8-10 a.m. at the church. The garage sale will be in the fellowship hall from 8:00-2:00 on Saturday, June 11th. Please bring your items for the garage sale at the drop off times and do not drop them off at the church before hand. The students are also offering to rent their services for chores around your home and/or business to raise additional funds. If you are interested, contact Carmen Goodman @ 267-9892 or email her at dragonflyclg@yahoo.com

TROOP 13 NEWS Several scouts and adult leaders will be attending Camp Philmont in N.M. in June where Nathan Hawley, Brady & Jeff Hover will walk the "100 mile hike" at Philmont. Troop 13 participated in Spring Camporee campout, May 13-15 and will be camping at Laramie Peak on June 25-26th; and Summer Camp at Camp Buffalo Bill, July 17th-24th. The troop will also be meeting on Monday nights at the church at 7:00 p.m.

CONGRATULATIONS to Dylan Stupak on making Eagle Scout. Dylan is the son of Spencer and Erika Stupak and Mike Ward's grandson. Dylan earned his Eagle Scout Rank on May 7th and his Eagle Court of Honor is scheduled for **August 20th** at FCC.



Other Youth News - See the Youth Bulletin Board for the scheduled meetings during the month of June.

Some of our youth will attend Summer Camps June 12th - 18th. Dylan Stupak and Sara Williams will attend CYF and Payton Brown and Kylee Stupak will attend Jr. Camp, at Camp LaForet.

MISSION COMMISSION

We are starting some new programs that will allow the congregation to participate in "no-cost" ways of helping others. We want you to bring old eyeglasses and hearing aids so they can be given to the Lions Club; aluminum pop tops for a student with medical problems at KW; and box tops for Education labels for the Tennyson Center. Begin saving these items now; more information on collection will be provided later. We continue with our fleece blanket project on the 3rd Saturdays from 10-4p.m. in the fellowship hall. The Sandwich Ministry is seeing an increase in the number of homeless or those in danger of losing housing due to hours being cut or being laid off. We appreciate your support of these programs and you are welcome to come and join us on any of the projects. If you have any questions, contact Debbie Mestas. 785--577-4762



The Property Commission has scheduled Saturday, June 4th as church cleanup day. Everyone is invited to help get the outside and the inside of the church spruced up for summer. If you have a project you would like to tackle as your own, please feel free to do so. Bring your rakes, shovels, gloves, good attitude and hopefully enjoy the summer day! If you have any questions, please contact Cal Decker.

June 2016

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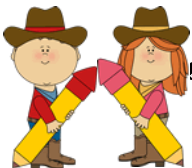
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THANK YOU to Rev. Doug Goodwin, Pastor from FCC Sheridan, for saying YES to serving as the Northern District President the next two years and to Nicholas Grooms who has represented us on the regional board since the last Spring Feast.

The Lunch Bunch Potlucks will continue to meet through the summer months. They meet on the 1st Thursday of every month at 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a dish to share and come join then. It is a time for fellowship and food. The Coffee Bunch will also continue through the summer meeting at 10:00 a.m. on the 3rd Thursday. Come have coffee and treats. Everyone is invited to attend one or both of these activities.



PRESCHOOL NEWS *by Director Annette Crain*

Can you believe that it's almost the end of another preschool year? Soon we will be sending off another group of kids to kindergarten. We will have a wonderful cowboy send off, Wednesday, May 25th. There will be graduation and a program starting at 6:00 p.m. Graduation is open to everyone so if you don't have anything else to do on the 25th, stop by and enjoy a fun graduation (even a few tears). For me, my first class from FCC Preschool will also be graduating from high school and my first class from First Presbyterian Preschool will be graduating from the University. My how time flies!! How lucky am I? I have been given the opportunity to help hundreds of children grow from small children to adults. How blessed we are to help so many young children through our FCC Preschool and your unwavering support. We still have limited openings for next fall. If you know of a young child in need of preschool, have them contact the preschool office at 472-0649.