



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST) CASPER, WYOMING

# THE CALL

## AUGUST 2021

### FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH HAPPENINGS

**July 11 - 23rd Dr. Yoast on vacation**

**August 3-30th. - Kathy out of office**

**August 29th - Dr. Yoast last day in the pulpit.**

**September 5th - Dennis Baker, Pulpit Guest**

**September 10-12th - 100th Anniversary Celebration. Rev. Mark Pumphrey pulpit guest on September 12th. See calendar of events inside this issue.**

**September 13th - Rev. Bryan Elliott in the office.**

**September 19th - Rev. Bryan Elliott in the pulpit as FCC's senior pastor.**

### Church Staff:

**Pastor Dr. Caryn Yoast**

**Lisa Walker, Bookkeeper**

**Kathy Winders, Secretary**

**Annette Crain, Preschool Director**

**Cheryl Dionne, Nursery Staff**

**Ronnie Sambrano, Custodial Contractor**

**Ministers: Every Member!**

**Office hours:**

**Mon.-Thurs.**

**10:30 AM - 2:30 PM**

**Fridays: CLOSED**



### SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

**8:15 Worship Service**

**9:00 Adult Sunday School**

**10:10 - Worship Service**

**(307) 234-8964**

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**Preschool - Summer Vacation**

**Resumes Sept. 8, 2021**

**Preschool Phone - 472-0649**



### FAREWELL TO PASTOR CARYN

*Join us on Sunday, August 29th in Fellowship Hall at 9:00 a.m. for a Coffee Fellowship as we say farewell and thank you to Pastor Caryn for serving FCC the past 20 months.*

## BEAUTY.

They say it's in the eye of the beholder. But I think it comes from the eye of God and we find it with the eye of our soul.

When we speak of beauty all too often we speak of physical beauty. Mostly the culture speaks of women as "beautiful" or not; too often we allow culture to define "beauty" for women and we know that leads to disaster. That kind of "beauty" is not even, as they say, "skin deep." Then there's the whole "beauty products" industry we won't even discuss.

BEAUTY is some altogether different:

This last week while I was at home cleaning house (pitching out all those Costco boxes) I was reminded of that lovely hymn "For the Beauty of the Earth." I was watching WILD NORDIC on Disney+. One of the episodes was about the waterways in Scandinavia. There is a tradition called "WILD ICE SKATING." After the first cold snap, when the waterways have just frozen with a layer of thin black ice (only 2 inches thick) some brave skaters take to the ice. As they skate along the thin black ice a sound is heard. The sound is like a sonar or lasers at battle. The pitch of the sound changes as the ice thins. The sound is the *ice cracking behind the skater as the waves ripple through the water below the ice*. The scene of a lone skater moving along the black ice reflecting the sky filled with cumulous clouds looks like the skater is *gliding on clouds*. It is a sight and sound of beauty. I could only watch in silent awe.

Then I thought of the hymn and I knew its author, Folliott S. Pierpoint felt the same as he gazed upon the River Avon and the surrounding countryside not far from his home in Bath, England in 1864. Eight six line verses of the hymn we know as *For the Beauty of the Earth* were published that same year.

And then there is this...

Somehow, when Kathy Morrison was in the hospital last month, her glasses were lost. Kathy looked everywhere. George and Terri looked everywhere. The hospital staff looked everywhere. The glasses were nowhere to be found. Eyeglasses are an important thing. That goes without saying really. George got ahold of Kathy's prescription and took it to EyeMart. *We need a couple of pairs of this prescription please. We need to see the patient and check for changes and corrections. That's not possible. We must. But you can't. But still. My sister is in the hospital and going home soon on hospice care. Oh. We'll take care of it. Thank you.*

When George went back to EyeMart to pick up Kathy's new glasses the manager met him. *Here they are. Glad we could help. There's no charge.* George was surprised at their kindness. And he was most grateful.

I saw George a day or so after that in the hospital parking garage. We chatted about what an amazing thing it was for EyeMart to make Kathy's new glasses and not charge him at all. He said to me, "That sure is a thing of beauty." A thing of beauty. EyeMart's kindness is a thing of beauty. I hadn't thought of actions as *things of beauty* until I heard George's observation that day. I know we surely recognize actions of ugliness in the world. We recognize that very quickly. I wondered how quickly we recognize actions of beauty around us? Do our eyes behold the beauty of everyday life? I tried to figure out when the last time my actions might have been perceived as *a thing of beauty*. That's worth pondering. And that's worth attending to deeply, as is living a life of beauty.

Eyes that behold beauty. Ears that hear beauty. A hand whose touch is one of beauty. A tongue that speaks beauty (oh, I'll keep that discussion internal).

*Lord of all to thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise.*



Virginia Yohn, Peg Jackson, Elaine Gross, Linda Mosteller, Elane Burkhalter & Spencer Stupak

## QUILT OF VALOR

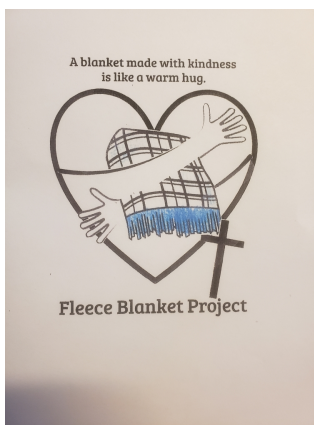
On Sunday July 4th during the 10:10 service, the Fellowship Quilters of FCC celebrated one of our local patriots and FCC church member Spencer Stupak, by presenting him a quilt they made. Spencer served in the Army between 1998-2004 in Aircraft Powertrain Repair and earned the rank of Sargent. He graduated from Air Assault School, was deployed to Korea and to Iraq during Operation Enduring Freedom. He received an Army Commendation Award in 2000 and two Army Achievement Awards in 2002 and 2003.

From the quilters "In humble appreciation, we would like to honor your service to our country with a quilt to warm your heart and feet."

## SAVE THE DATE! OCTOBER 16, 2021

### FLEECE BLANKET BLITZ!

The Fleece Blanket Project is gearing up for a blanket blitz on October 16, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. We are in need of donations of fleece (2 yards of plain and 2 yards of printed, anti-pill or blizzard fleece per blanket) or money for us to purchase the fleece and volunteers to help make the blankets. We hope to make 100 blankets that day. Local agencies who provide services to those in need and individuals who are in need have been recipients of our blankets. If you wish to donate funds to the undertaking, please make your check payable to FCC and put blanket ministry in the memo part. Materials can be dropped off at the church or **contact Trudy Woodard** if you have any questions. You are also welcome to come participate.



## Disciples Virtual Gathering Saturday, August 7, 2021



An opportunity for Disciples to connect, learn, worship, and imagine new ways of gathering as church. Through Bible study, workshops, and worship, the event will focus on the covenant we share as Disciples and the promise of Romans 8:38-39 that nothing can separate us from the love of God. To register go online at [www.disciples.org](http://www.disciples.org) Registration is \$25

**AUGUST DIACONATE**

Chapel: TBD  
10:10 - Debbie Mestas

Contact Pat Seamands or Trisha Whitcomb if you cannot serve.

**OFFERTORY STEWARD**

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Melissa Hayden	Aug. 2	Becky Ostrander	Aug. 18
Kathy Winders	Aug. 3	Dorothy Smith	Aug. 18
Janet Field	Aug. 4	Erika Stupak	Aug. 19
Terri Morrison	Aug. 5	Shirley Wenn	Aug. 20
Sarah Brown	Aug. 6	Amber Rouse	Aug. 25
Teri Black	Aug. 7	Larry Winders	Aug. 25
Jan Coey	Aug. 9	Val Williams	Aug. 26
Logan Brown	Aug. 10	Gene Buck	Aug. 28
Tammy Heck	Aug. 12	Joan McNamara	Aug. 30
Jim Doyle	Aug. 17	Stan McIrvn	Aug. 30
		Jim Nichols	Aug. 30



Mike & Kelli Slominski - Aug. 2, 1992  
Gene & Maria Weiss - Aug. 2, 2016  
Chris & Sandie Stoltenberg - Aug. 7, 1993  
David & Terri Taylor - Aug. 16, 2003  
Allen & Elaine Singleton - Aug. 29

**ANONYMOUS DONOR!**

A BIG THANK YOU to the person that donated the new microwave for the kitchen. It is very much appreciated.

**SUBSTITUTE NEEDED FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES CLASS**

A substitute is needed for the Young Disciples Class (ages 5 -4th/5th) for July 25. Everything will be planned out for you. Contact Jennifer Grooms @ 259-4460 if you can do this.

**CONGRATULATIONS**

**Sebastian Koehmstedt**  
**Troop 13's newest Eagle Scout.**



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**Wagons**

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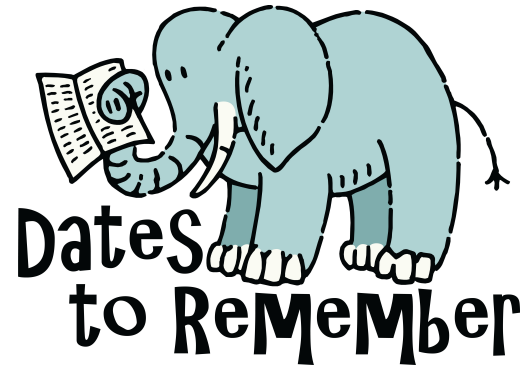
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234-8964 if you  
have questions.**







**100 YEARS OLD  
First Christian  
Church**  
"REMEMBERING THE  
PAST  
&  
PREPARING FOR THE  
FUTURE"



In just one month FCC will be celebrating its Centennial Birthday. The weekend of September 10-12. The schedule of events is as follows:

## **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**Friday - September 10th**

**6:30 p.m. Ice Cream Social in Fellowship Hall hosted by the 100th Anniversary Committee.**

**Saturday - September 11th**

**11:00 a.m. - Welcome and Sharing Stories - Sanctuary**

**Noon - 2:00 - BBQ lunch in Fellowship Hall**

**4:30 p.m. - Praise Service in Sanctuary under the direction of Nicholas Grooms**

**Sunday, September 12th**

**No Chapel Service - One united worship service at 10:10 a.m.**

**9:00 a.m. Breakfast in Fellowship Hall**

**10:10 worship in sanctuary with Rev. Mark Pumphrey bringing the message.**

**NOON - our time together in God's church will conclude.**

### **ATTENTION--ATTENTION!!!**

**There will be NO newsletter next month. Kathy will be out of the office August 2-August 30. If you have something important that you want people to know, contact Dr. Yoast and she will do an email out to everyone. Thank you for your understanding.**



## URGENT! URGENT!! URGENT!!!! WORSHIP TECHNICIANS NEEDED

The Audio-visual team at FCC has recently undergone an upgrade. We now offer livestream of our church services and are in need of people who are willing to learn the new operations. Are you interested in getting more involved with our church but not wanting to attend additional meetings??? I have just the ticket!!

CONSIDER these Sunday morning opportunities:

- Run Screen, sound tech, camera for the live streaming.
- post services on line
- run the sound system for funerals and weddings as needed.

On the job training. If you or someone you know, are interested in learning this new setup, Contact Rick Black at [fccasperav@gmail.com](mailto:fccasperav@gmail.com) or the church office @ 234-8964.

## MISSION COMMISSION UPDATE

Thank you to the volunteers from FCC and the community who have made 8 years of sandwich ministry possible. We are very grateful for the help and support of FCC and our community partners. Several youth groups from other churches from Wyoming and Colorado and the Boy Scouts have also been part of our volunteers. We are challenging the FCC board and congregation to give an hour of your time and help make sandwiches, pack lunches, or hand them out. If you can help, contact Debbie Mestas, Trudy Woodard or Keith Rouse.

We continue to serve the meal at the Mission on the 4th Thursday of each month and can also use more volunteers for that project too. Contact Debbie if you are interested.



## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Scholarship applications for the 2020 Fall term are available on the bulletin board outside the secretary's office. Deadline for applications is Monday, August 9th to the church office.

## SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS

- Funding applies to undergraduate work only (except for the ministry)
- Must complete a full-time schedule - **MINIMUM OF 12 HOURS**
- Minimum GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale
- Maximum numbers of semesters will be 4 for an Associates Degree and 8 for a Bachelor's Degree. If major requires more than 120, students may petition Wills, Trusts, Memorial & Scholarships for consideration of an extension.
- Must be an active participating member of FCC Casper, WY.

**The more you weigh, the harder you are to kidnap. Stay safe, Eat Cake.**

# August 2021

- US Holidays
- Birthdays
- Fun Activities
- Work
- Home
- Siri Found in Apps

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FCC CASPER CALL

AUGUST 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1</p> <p>8:15 AM Worship</p> <p>10:10 AM Worship</p>	<p>2</p> <p>6:30 PM Boy Scouts</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Kathy out of office</p> <p>7:00 PM AA</p> <p>7:00 PM Elders meeting</p>	<p>4</p> <p>9:00 AM QUILTERS</p>	<p>5</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p> <p>3:15 PM Sandwich making</p>	<p>6</p> <p>8:15 AM SANDWICH MINISTRY</p>	<p>7</p>
<p>8</p> <p>Kathy out of office</p> <p>8:15 AM Worship</p> <p>10:10 AM Worship</p>	<p>9</p> <p>12:00 PM Scholarship deadline</p> <p>6:30 PM STEWARDSHIP</p> <p>6:30 PM Boy Scouts</p> <p>7:00 PM Commissions</p> <p>8:00 PM Board Meeting</p>	<p>10</p> <p>7:00 PM AA</p>	<p>11</p> <p>9:00 AM QUILTERS</p>	<p>12</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p> <p>3:15 PM Sandwich making</p>	<p>13</p> <p>8:15 AM SANDWICH MINISTRY</p> <p>10:00 AM STATE QUILTERS</p>	<p>14</p>
<p>15</p> <p>Kathy out of office</p> <p>8:15 AM Worship</p> <p>10:10 AM Worship</p>	<p>16</p> <p>6:30 PM Boy Scouts</p>	<p>17</p> <p>7:00 PM AA</p>	<p>18</p> <p>9:00 AM QUILTERS</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Ashura</p> <p>Pack 13 campout</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p> <p>3:15 PM Sandwich making</p>	<p>20</p> <p>8:15 AM SANDWICH MINISTRY</p>	<p>21</p>
<p>22</p> <p>Kathy out of office</p> <p>8:15 AM Worship</p> <p>10:10 AM Worship</p>	<p>23</p> <p>6:30 PM Boy Scouts</p>	<p>24</p> <p>7:00 PM AA</p>	<p>25</p> <p>9:00 AM QUILTERS</p>	<p>26</p> <p>5:00 PM Mission Meal</p>	<p>27</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p> <p>3:15 PM Sandwich making</p>	<p>28</p> <p>8:15 AM SANDWICH MINISTRY</p>
<p>29</p> <p>Kathy out of office</p> <p>Dr. Yoast last Sunday</p> <p>8:15 AM Worship</p> <p>10:10 AM Worship</p>	<p>30</p> <p>6:30 PM Boy Scouts</p>	<p>31</p> <p>7:00 PM AA</p>	<p>1</p> <p>School starts</p> <p>9:00 AM QUILTERS</p>	<p>2</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p> <p>3:15 PM Sandwich making</p>	<p>3</p> <p>8:15 AM SANDWICH MINISTRY</p>	<p>4</p>

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The Northern District congregations will be gathering on Saturday, AUGUST 31st at FCC in Loveland, CO from 10am - 12:15 p.m. This will be an in person meeting but Zoom will also be set up for those who request it.

Tentative schedule: 9:30 a.m. Gathering  
10 a.m. Opening prayer and congregational sharing  
11:15 a.m. Election of President and Member at Large  
11:45 a.m. Lunch

We are interested in participating in a mission project at one of the district congregations, or working together in some way with a congregation's mission project. Send your ideas to Rev. Doug Goodwin, President of the Northern District



## **WORSHIP & WONDER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!**

We would like to start up Worship and Wonder again so that the children under the age of 5 will have something fun of their own, and the elementary aged kids can do lessons more suited towards their age groups. We are needing volunteers to lead Worship and Wonder on Sunday mornings. As of now, we don't have anybody available to lead the lessons, so we would like for the congregation to step up and help out. If you would be interested in helping, please contact Michelle Elser @ 259-1166 and she will answer any questions you may have.