



February Connection

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Sundays at 9 and 10:45 a.m.

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[https://www.youtube.com/
@LongsPeakUMC](https://www.youtube.com/@LongsPeakUMC)

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March Newsletter

Deadline: February 18

Please send any articles to:
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News from the Leadership Board

Updates from the Board meetings from the January 15 meeting. It was great to get back into the swing of things after the holiday season and to welcome our new members: Ellen Fish, Amine Tarhini, and Roger Wisehart! It was bittersweet as we missed our exiting members – Barb Huner, Stacey Dewitt, and Phil Wilson- Thank you all so much for your service.

For our spiritual formation portion of this meeting, Blaise shared times when he experienced the presence of the Divinity- via art and literature. Thanks to Blaise for sharing.

Our Leadership formation for January was to listen to a podcast on Christian Leadership and we will continue this exercise as the year progresses to help us explore and grow our leadership skills. It was determined that this would be more engaging, relevant, and certainly timely as it releases new episodes weekly, and we can choose any from the month to discuss. Feel free to tune in with us as well at “The Mindful Leader” by Dennis Shaw <https://mantuan.podbean.com>.

It was uplifting to explore other opportunities that have presented themselves for possible building use- more to come on this as things progress, but we have been approached by a couple of groups that want to rent space for community outreach programs. We are exploring this and will let you know if/when these things may occur. We discussed our progress towards our 2025 goals. We are moving along quite well- through things like the prayer sessions on Wednesday nights, researching outreach opportunities within our community, and scheduling the town hall meetings.

One area that we are still interested in pursuing is that of a new area of mission that our church community can support and come together to spread God’s love and do good. If you have any ideas, please do not hesitate to contact Pastor Jeremiah or Roberta Shanahan and we can explore your ideas together.

Thanks to all for your support of your church, our church family, and especially the leadership board! Please do not hesitate to contact any of us with questions or concerns you might have.

Roberta Shanahan (Chair), Caren King, Phil Henry, Susie Sisson, Blaise Stephanus, John Mees, Ellen Fish, Amine Tarhini, Roger Wisehart and Rev. Jeremiah Harris



Did you know there is a **Longmont Helping Hands Clothing Pantry** at LPUMC? Anyone in need can come get clothing from infant to adult sizes, as well as shoes, bedding, etc. Volunteers are needed to fold and sort clothes, and to assist people who come to get clothing. If you are interested in helping in either of these ways, please contact Angela Leonard, LPUMCMissions@gmail.com

Mission Collections in February

Our collection focus for February is Mountain View Elementary School (MVES). MVES is a nearby Title 1 elementary school. It does not have a parent organization (e.g. PTA) like many of the local St. Vrain Valley District schools. Longs Peak UMC has long supported MVES through our Reading Buddies program, teacher appreciation, and provision of meals for the teachers on Parent/Teacher Conference days. During February, we will collect boxes of tissues (e.g. Kleenex), and pre-portioned (individual serving) Goldfish snacks (no other types of snacks due to allergy concerns). If you would like to participate, please place your donations in the barrel near the sanctuary doors.

HUGS for HOPE

During the winter months we are continuing to collect warmth items for [HOPE \(Homeless Outreach Providing Encouragement\) of Longmont](#). We are focusing our collection on Hand and Feet Warmers, but they can also use blankets, Sleeping Bags, Coats, Long Underwear, Gloves, Wool Socks, Boots, and Men's T-shirts. If you would like to donate, you may place your items in the big collection barrel near the sanctuary doors or the purple bins in Fellowship Hall.



On Saturday, February 8, LPUMC will provide lunch at the [OUR Center](#) Community Cafe. We need volunteers from 9:30 am - 11:30 am to help prepare the meal, and another set of volunteers from 11:30 am - 1:30 pm to serve the meal and clean-up. Sign up to help with this or future meals using the Meal Sign Up buttons below, or contact us at LPUMC@LPUMC.org.

[OUR Center Meal](#)

[Hope Meal](#)



"Let all that you do be done in love."

– 1 Corinthians 16:14

Dear LPUMC Family,

As we step into the month of February, we are reminded of the importance of love—both the love we share with one another and the unending love God has shown us. This month, we celebrate not only Valentine's Day but also the everlasting

Here are some opportunities this month to continue building community:

Join us on Wednesday nights as we continue our potluck fellowship meal and study on prayer. Come at 5:30 pm to eat, or 6 pm if you prefer to attend just the study. As we strive to become more Christ-like in practicing radical hospitality, the Inclusivity Initiative is hosting another "Courageous Conversation." On Sunday, February 16th, at 12:15 pm, our conversation will center on caregiving for yourself and others in aging and illness. If you or someone you know is a caregiver, invite them to this courageous conversation.

In a similar vein, if you or a loved one needs prayer, please don't hesitate to reach out. Our prayer chain and Stephen Ministers are here to lift you up in prayer and provide support. You can submit prayer requests through our church website, by filling out a PINC card in the Narthex, or by contacting the office. Also, as a reminder, after each Sunday worship service, we have prayer partners on hand to pray with you. Simply sit in the front row of the sanctuary at the conclusion of the service, and they will approach you for prayer.

As we enter this season of love, let us remember the greatest love of all—the love our Heavenly Creator has for us. May you feel God's presence in a deep and meaningful way this month. Let us continue to build a community rooted in love, support, and faith.

We look forward to seeing you at our services and events. God bless!

In Christ's love,

Jeremiah

- **Courageous Conversations** -

Preparation & Opportunities in Caregiving for Others or Yourself in Aging & Illness

Guest Speaker: Jessica O'Leary, MA, CVW
Patient Care Consultant with TRU Community Care

February 16th • 12:15PM – 1:45PM

Cookies, Fruit, & Drinks provided.
Feel free to bring a "snack in a sack."

Childcare provided.
For more info or to RSVP for Childcare:
LPUMC@LPUMC.org





United
Women
in Faith

United Women in Faith will have the annual District Leadership Development event on February 1st on Zoom. It will be from 9 am until 2 pm. Those wishing to attend should contact Jan Spitler in order to register. Contact her at janaspitler@gmail.com or 720-600-3344. It is free and we believe the speaker will be our new President Jana Jones.

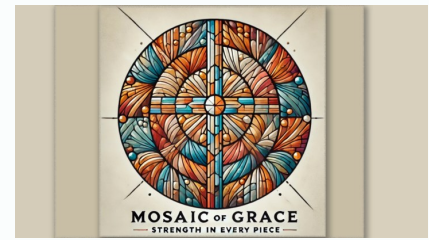
The monthly board meeting will be held on Saturday, February 8th at 10 am in the Fellowship Hall. All ladies are welcome.

The monthly general meeting will be held at Crackpots on Thursday, February 13th at 5:30 pm. A room has been reserved. This is for the annual Empty Bowls charity benefiting the OUR Center. The cost is \$18 plus tax. You don't need to register. Just come and have fun painting a bowl. All ladies are invited.

We have some interesting programs planned for this year. At our meeting in March, our speaker will be our own Mary Jane Mees.

We hope everyone is having a great New Year and that you will plan to join us soon!

Blessings, Jan Spitler



Colorado Front Range District Gathering 2025 February 22: 8:30 am to 3 pm

Broomfield United Methodist Church

545 W 10th Ave

Broomfield, CO 80020

All clergy and laity of the Colorado Front Range are invited and encouraged to attend the District Gathering. Join in as we gather and celebrate United Methodism in our area.

For more information and to register, visit:

<https://broomfieldumc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2692711>



PRAY.
LIVING LIFE WITH GOD

"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances ..."
-1Thessalonians 5:16-18a

It's not too late to join in for PRAY. - Living Life with God. Every Wednesday, you're invited to a time devoted to understanding and practicing prayer in a safe space with the faith community.

Every PRAY. gathering begins with a meal at 5:30 pm! Bring your favorite dish for a community potluck.

Through February, we will have people available to chat or pray with after each service. If you would like to participate, come up and sit in the front row after the service and a prayer partner will come to you.

Feb 5 - Mexican Night

Feb 12 - Soup & Salad Night

Feb 19 - Backyard BBQ Night

Feb 26 - Italian Night

For more information, contact Jase@LPUMC.org.

Bible Studies and other groups

Sundays:

6:30 p.m. (on Zoom) - We will begin a new study beginning on February 16. The title of the study is "Lessons from Dietrich Bonhoeffer in a House Divided and a World on Fire". There is no accompanying book but the participant study guide will be provided. Contact Bruce Armstrong at brucearmstrong1213@gmail.com for more information.

Mondays:

7 p.m. (on Zoom) – Ladies Bible Study: We are studying: ***52 Weeks with Jesus. Fall in Love with the One Who Changed Everything***, by James Merritt. Zoom link is in the *Weekly Reminders*.

Wednesdays:

10 a.m. - Quilt Group. Meets in God's Harbor

Thursdays:

10 a.m. – Ladies' Bible Study (in Fellowship Hall): We are studying the book: *Becoming Heart Sisters* by Natalie Chambers Snapp. Contact Jan Spitler for more information.

Saturdays:

7:30 a.m. – Men's Group. For more information contact Steve Gaffney at stvngffn@gmail.com or 303-702-9877.

Finance—December 2024:

	Dec. '24	Dec. '23	2024 YE
Income:	\$44,530	\$39,882	\$390,613
Expense:	\$30,030	\$36,131	\$380,619

February Birthdays

Les Hornbaker
 Ginny Turnquist
 Gayle Zweck
 Darlene Nemnich
 Sharon McBride
 Brenda Powell
 Richard DelPizzo
 Sean Billow
 Bob Foster
 Brenden Fisher
 Kris Coniway
 Jessica Eklof
 Jim Walker
 Jim Jones
 Archie Pekarek

Worship Attendance

Date:	9 a.m.	10:45 a.m.	Online:
Jan. 5	70	34	73
Jan. 12	102	17	80
Jan. 19	62	24	101
Jan. 26	77	18	63

Four ways you can donate to Longs Peak UMC with your normal everyday spending:

- 1. Kings Soopers Rewards:** If you shop at King Soopers using their loyalty program, you can link LPUMC with your account. Longs Peak receives 5% back on every purchase you make. We have earned \$1690 in rewards this year. It's easy to sign up: sign into your King Soopers account. Click on "Community Rewards" and search for Longs Peak United Methodist Church or TW440 and enroll the church as your organization.
- 2. iGive.com:** Turn your online shopping and searching into much-needed donations. Click on this link www.iGive.com/LongsPeakUnitedMethodistChurch and then shop at your favorite online stores.
- 3. Christianbook Giveback:** If you shop online at Christianbook.com, we get cash back! Our Giveback code is: QSXFUY
- 4. RaiseRight App:** if you use egift cards, you can purchase many of them through the RaiseRight™ app. If you sign up with LPUMC, we earn a percentage of your purchase. Scan the QR code to get set up.

