



Longs Peak United Methodist Church

November Connection

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NOVEMBER 2023

Pastor's Pen:

Sunday Worship Schedule:

9 a.m. – Contemporary
Fellowship

10:30 a.m. – Traditional

"The Lord will indeed give what is good, and our land will yield its harvest." Psalm 85:12

Happy Fall Longs Peak Family!

I pray that you have found some time to appreciate the beauty of God's creation, as the colors of the trees have been spectacular this year! The Lord has indeed given us a beautiful harvest season. As we move into the season of Thanksgiving, we truly have much to be thankful for, and I am thankful for all the ways that you are Christ's hands and feet. This month we have a number of activities in which we are opening up our care to our community.

On Saturday, November 4th the LPUMC Missions Committee will be hosting a Craft and Bake sale from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. The proceeds will go to benefit the Center for Health and Hope. The mission of the Center for Health and Hope is to support and advocate for persons infected and affected by HIV and AIDS around the world with programs of education, prevention, care, and treatment. Lunch is available from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. during the sale in the form of a Chili Cookoff. For \$7 you can support LPUMC's Young People's Ministries and try some excellent chili recipes!

HOPE for Longmont, has expressed a need for a defibrillator to assist them in the work they provide for the Longmont homeless community. On Wednesday, November 8th at 5:30 p.m., the Missions Committee is hosting a spaghetti dinner as a fundraiser to help raise funds for HOPE. Come enjoy the fellowship, and meal as the proceeds go to support a good cause.

Church/Charge Conference! It's that time of year when we have our congregation's annual conference to vote in church leaders and approve the next year's budget. This year LPUMC will be shifting from our traditional model to a leadership board. All members are invited to have a vote in this process. The LPUMC charge conference will be held in person this year on Sunday, November 12th at 2:30 p.m.

LPUMC, we have much to be thankful for, and I am thankful that we are in ministry together. Thank you for being a great church! Happy Fall!

Blessings,
Jeremiah

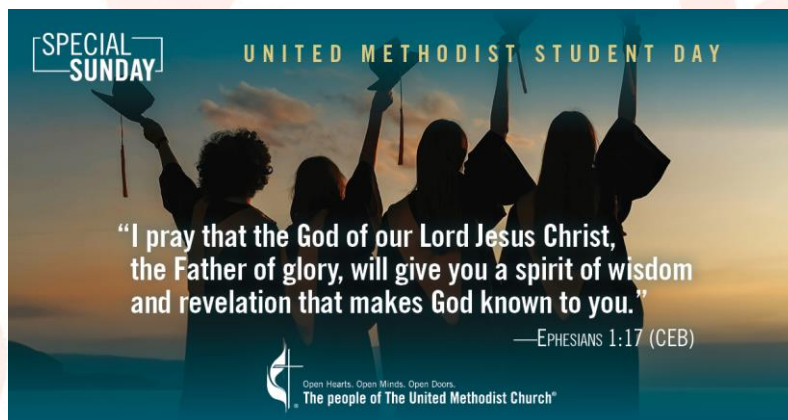


Craft & Bake Sale – Saturday, Nov. 4th

The Mission Team's Craft & Bake Sale will be on Saturday, November 4th; 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. This is our annual fundraiser for [The Center for Health and Hope](#). Please be sure to stop by and shop the wonderful handmade items donated by members of the congregation and our surrounding community. Lunch will be available from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. as our Youth Ministry hosts a Chili Cook-Off to benefit their mission trip to South Dakota.

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser - Wednesday, Nov. 8 at 5:30 p.m.

Join us for dinner and help raise money to purchase a much-needed defibrillator for HOPE.



In November, we join other UM churches in recognizing [United Methodist Student Day](#). This was the original Special Sunday created by United Methodist Church Sunday Schools who collected offerings to help advance education for their children. United Methodist Student Day Sunday calls upon the denomination to support its students as they prepare for life by adding knowledge to their faith. The funds received from the offering go into the United Methodist Student Loan Fund to underwrite scholarships for United Methodist students. Currently, there are over 70 scholarships available for United Methodist students. Students can apply for scholarships or loans at gbhem.org/loansandscholarships.

HUGS for HOPE

During November we are collecting the following items requested by [HOPE \(Homeless Outreach Providing Encouragement\) of Longmont](#): Men's Pants (sizes 30-38), Backpacks, Sleeping Bags, Hand Warmers, Wool Socks, Mens (new) Underwear (sized M/L/XL), Men's Shoes (sizes 10-12), Hats, Gloves, Razors, Deodorant, Shampoo. If you would like to donate, you may place your items in the big collection barrel near the sanctuary doors.

Missions Meals

On November 11 (Saturday) we will provide lunch at the [OUR Center](#) Community Café, and on November 29 (Wednesday) we will provide dinner for 20 participants at [HOPE \(Homeless Outreach Providing Encouragement\)](#). Sign up to help with either of these using the Meal Sign Up buttons below, or contact LPUMCMissions@gmail.com

[OUR Center Meal \(Saturday, Nov. 11\)](#)

[Hope Meal \(Wednesday, Nov. 29\)](#)



United
Women
in Faith

United Women in Faith will have a board meeting on Thursday, November 2nd at 1 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. This meeting is for officers, but everyone is invited.

November is World Thank Offering Month. Please consider giving just a little more. Also, if anyone has not completed their pledge, now would be a good time to do that. Did you know that most of the missions of United Women in Faith are right here in the U.S.?

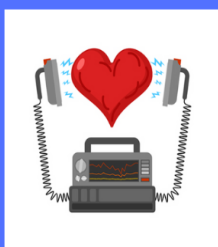
There will be two other meetings in November. One meeting will be on Thursday, November 9th at 1 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The program is yet to be determined, but there may be a craft involved. A snack will be provided.

The other meeting will be held on Thursday, November 16th at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. A craft may be on the agenda for this meeting also. Again, a snack will be provided.

Save the date! The Christmas Party will be held on Saturday, December 2nd at 11 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. This will be a potluck lunch. Watch for more details coming soon.

We hope to see many of you at these events.

Blessings, Jan Spittler



LPUMC SPAGHETTI DINNER FUNDRAISER FOR HOPE

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2023

5:30-7 p.m.

\$10 for Adults

\$7 for 18 and under

**HOPE needs a Defibrillator, and the cost is \$1,200.00 per unit

**Contact the Missions Committee with any questions or if you would like to help (Janet Baker, Donna Chuang, Evelyn Fontanez, Cinda Ritter, Debbie Sarlo).

Annual Church Conference

Sunday, November 12

2:30 p.m. (in person)

Community Food Share

Benefit Concert

Friday, November 10th – 6 p.m.

At LPUMC

The concert will feature music from Jaime Michaels (jaimemichaels.com) and Colorado native Teresa Storch (teresastorch.com). Proceeds will go to Community Food Share, a Louisville-based organization whose mission is to eliminate hunger in Boulder and Broomfield Counties through engagement, collaboration, and leadership. You can learn more about Community Food Share by visiting their website (communityfoodshare.org).

Admission to the concert is a suggested donation of \$15 **or** the donation of non-perishable food items for the food bank. See the poster on the bulletin board outside the music room for information about which foods are most needed. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to have a positive impact on our local community and hear a fabulous concert from nationally-acclaimed musicians at the same time!

Worship Attendance:

Date:	9 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	Online:
Oct. 1	112	32	60
Oct. 8	96	38	59
Oct. 15	88	46	51
Oct. 22	79	35	69

Finance Committee:

	Sept. '23	'23 YTD	'22 YTD
Income:	\$29,549	\$294,568	\$320,627
Expense:	\$30,436	\$307,118	\$286,040

Budget Goal for 2023: \$430,000

Bible Studies

Mondays:

7 p.m. (on Zoom) – We are studying the book *Ragamuffin Gospel*. Contact Lina Liken for more information at linaliken@yahoo.com.

Thursdays:

10 a.m. – Ladies Bible Study on *Ecclesiastes: Wisdom for Living Well* by Courtney Joseph and Beverly Wise.

Saturdays:

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

Sundays:

6:30 p.m. (on Zoom) – Starting on November 12th, we will start a new book study *Christ in Crisis, Reclaiming Jesus in a Time of Fear, Hate, and Violence* by Jim Wallis. This book is an interesting link between Christians and things that are going on both inside and outside the church. It should produce a lot of discussion about how current events are affecting churches and Christianity in general. Jim Wallis is the founder of Sojourners, a group in the Washington, DC area that "...seek[s] to inspire hope and build a movement to transform individuals, communities, the church, and the world." Please contact Bruce Armstrong at brucearmstrong123@gmail.com for information and to get on the weekly email.

Quilt group:

Wednesdays:

10 a.m. – Come and join us! Contact Judy Scrimshire at judydyscrim@gmail.com for more information.

Happy Birthday!

Nov. 1	Marcia Allen
Nov. 2	Dee Slowen
Nov. 3	Barb Huner
Nov. 5	Phillip Zigterman
Nov. 7	Roberta Shanahan
Nov. 9	Kathy Crier
Nov. 14	Janice Bailey
Nov. 15	Anne Williams
Nov. 22	Theodore Marsing
	Tom Sarlo
Nov. 23	Lina Liken
Nov. 25	Jo Ann Hauger
Nov. 27	Carol Mudd
Nov. 28	Steven Stiller
Nov. 29	Jackie Clark

Griefshare:

Longs Peak has a 13-week GriefShare session that started on September 12. GriefShare is a support group for people grieving the death of a spouse, child, family member, or friend that allows you to be around people who understand the pain you feel. The group meets weekly, but you can join at any session.

When: Tuesday through December 5

Time: 6:30 – 8 p.m.

Where: Longs Peak United Methodist Church; Rm 130/131

Cost: \$15 for GriefShare workbook (scholarships available)

Facilitators: Wendy Reed, Kathy Crier, and Jan Spitler

Email wlr8555@aol.com to sign up. For more information, contact Wendy Reed at 303-772-3290 or Kathy Crier at 720-480-8203. Childcare and transportation can be arranged if needed.

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December Newsletter Deadline:

Monday, November 20

Please send any articles to: alex@lpumc.org

