

Offertory Invitation

Christmas always has been the time of sharing...and so we share again the resources of our lives.

Offertory Music 9:30 *On Christmas Day in the Morning* arr. Moorhead

***Doxology:** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* #94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***Offertory Prayer**

*Ritual of Friendship

Scripture Luke 2:1-7

Sermon *If you missed Christmas*

***Hymn** *Go, Tell It on the Mountain* #251

***Benediction** *Love Came Down at Christmas* vss. 1 & 3 #242

Postlude *The First Nowell* arr. Paxton

*Please stand as you choose.

Assisting in Worship: Bob Canter, Dave Maxwell, Sydney Vogel, Carolyn Cline, Clara Klein, Rev. Rusty Butler

Acolytes: Morgan Schumann

Welcome Center: Marian Griffen

If you are new to the community or this church, **WELCOME**. Please sign the fellowship book so we can send you a copy of our newsletter, *The Circuit Rider*. Stop by the Welcome Center in the narthex to pick up brochures describing the programs and activities AUMC offers and a copy of our newsletter.

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Sian Up In The Center

Purchase **King Soopers & Safeway certificates.**

Greeters are needed for January.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS



The poinsettias that grace our sanctuary will be delivered to those needing our care and concern. Thank you to those who donated the plants and those who deliver them. Your generosity makes this meaningful ministry possible.

Greeters:

7:45 - Reva Brown and Collins Sanders
9:30 - Barb and Bob Verneti

Youth Activities

Sunday School

Nursery 7:45 & 9:30 room 300
Preschool room 304
Kindergarten room 305
1st-2nd Grades room 205
3rd Grade room 203
4th-6th Grades room 306
Junior High (7th-8th) No Sunday School today
Senior High (9th-12th) room 206

UMYF 7th-12th

Today: Movies

Next Sunday:

New Year's Resolutions, 6:30 pm

Our Sunday Morning Worship Services are at

7:45 and 9:30 am.

Coffee Fellowship in the Center is from 8:45-9:30 am and 10:30-11:00 am.

Children & Youth Church School is during the 9:30 hour.

Nursery provided at both 7:45 and 9:30.

TODAY, December 28

Nursery Committee, 9 am



This Week: Dec. 29-Jan. 3

Meals on Wheels: Mon-Wed, 10 am

Lite Fitness: Tues & Thurs, 8:30-9:30 am

Yoga: Mon, 6:00-7:00 pm

KDD: On Holiday Break

Wed: New Year's Eve
Labyrinth Walk, 11:30 pm

Thurs: New Year's Day

Fri: Church Closed



NEXT SUNDAY, January 4

Children's Council, 10:45 am

Youth Council, 10:45 am

Plan Ahead!

Contributions for the calendar year 2008 must be postmarked by December 31, 2008 to be claimed on your 2008 tax return. We will post all receipts postmarked by that date to your 2008 statement unless otherwise indicated.

Any contributions received with a later postmark but dated Dec. 31, 2008 will be posted to the 2009 calendar year.

AUMC Opportunities

Arvada Voices

Arvada Voices will be moving! After Christmas break, we will begin practicing on Sunday mornings at 10:45 -11:45 in the choir room. This change will begin January 11. If you have any questions, please call Heidi 303-421-5135 ext. 230 or email giggles_ha@hotmail.com

Urban Peak

Please pick up food tags in the narthex. Donations need to be received in the Center kitchen, by noon on Tuesday, December 30.

Singles Workshop

Sat., Jan. 17, 9:30 am to 4:00 pm: Letting Go Workshop - An interactive, Christian-based class that helps singles heal from the past and move forward with more confidence and valuable information that will positively affect future dating experiences. All singles, never-married, divorced or widowed welcome. Interactive format: small groups, visual aids, music, humor & scripture. Cost: \$59 (includes snacks, lunch & materials). Register: Melody Ellenberger, Facilitator, at 303-750-2208, or visit www.SinglesWorkshops.com.

UMW Lydia Ladies

We'll be sending care packages to our troops overseas for Valentine's Day. The packages will include homemade cookies and Valentines handmade by our church school kids. Please save Pringles containers and consider making a batch of cookies for us (cookies must fit in Pringles containers). All supplies will need to be brought to the church by January 11. If you know of any troops who would appreciate a care package, please send their names and addresses to Deirdre Christen at deidrechristen@hotmail.com or call her at 303-432-9456.

New schedules and sign up sheets will be mailed after the first of the year. Make sure to fill them out and return them as quickly as possible so that we can plan accordingly for our upcoming events!

AUMC FOUNDATION

The Foundation will offer the Financial Peace University Series again early in 2009 (same classes as before). Be thinking about the opportunity to take these very rewarding classes. Details for the new class will be worked out after the Christmas holidays. Those who are presently taking part in the series have found the classes to be informative, enthusiastic, and rewarding for them financially.

Wednesday Book Club

You are invited to start the New Year by reading and discussing "Dreams of My Father" a memoir of his life by President-elect Barack Obama at 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 21, in the John Allen Memorial Library. As well as relating the story of Obama's life, the book includes a good deal of reflection on his own personal experiences with race and race relations in the United States, ending in Kenya with an emotional scene of realization of the ties of inheritance.