



FMC Weekly

August 19-25, 2011

First Mennonite Church of Denver

Sunday Schedule, August 21

8:30 AM: Child Protection Orientation

9:30 AM: Worship

10:45 AM: Fellowship Time

11:00 AM: Education Classes for all ages

Noon: Child Protection Orientation; Church-wide Potluck

Worship on Sunday, August 21 - 9:30 AM

With this Fall focusing on the Book of Exodus, Pastor Tory will be preaching about competing identities amidst the Exodus narrative. Where do we "find" our souls, our community, and our collective calling? The scripture text is Exodus 3:13-17. Music by Jenae Stutzman and Charlie and Bethany Ferguson.

Education Time

For Children

The children's lesson is Moses is born. Exodus 1:1-2:10.

For Adults

1. **Peace and Justice** with Dan Wessner. Meets in the Sanctuary.

2. **Ministry in Bangkok.** Hear about an exciting ministry to young Thai girls in Bangkok who work in bars. Jim and Judy Larson educate the girls, teach them about Jesus and help them find other work. Jim and Judy work with Servantworks and their ministry in Bangkok is called The Well. Judy is Ron Olson's sister. Meets in B-21.

This Week's Events August 19-25

Monday, August 22

9:00 AM: Quilting

Wednesday, August 24

5:00 PM: Quilting

6:30 PM: Leadership Council Potluck and Meeting

Thursday, August 25

10:15 AM: Round Table

Looking Ahead - Events

August 28

Schedule:

9:30 AM: Worship

10:15 AM: Fellowship; education for children and adults

11:15 AM: Congregational Discussion 2 - 2012 Ministry Plan in Community Center; activities for children K-5th grade and child care for children 1-4

12: 15 PM: Mentor/Mentee Event

September 11

Venture Club, JYF and MYF begin

September 12

FMC Caregivers, 6:45 PM

September 17

24th Annual Denver MCC Auction at 6:30 PM at the Garden Park Mennonite Gym, 1720 S. Alcott in Denver.

September 18

MYF Youth Skills Auction at Noon

September 23-25

Church Retreat at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp

October 14-15

MCC Relief Sale in Rocky Ford, CO

Looking Ahead - Worship

Date	Worship	Music	Adult Education
August 28	Vern Rempel preaching	Vicky Mierau and Faye Yoder	Peace & Justice with Dan Wessner
September 4	Summer Count		No classes.
September 11	Vern Rempel preaching		Peace & Justice with Dan Wessner

Prayer Requests

We welcome your requests for prayer. If you would like a prayer request sent to the congregation here, please e-mail your request to the church office with "Prayer Requests" in the subject line. Also, if you or someone you know would like prayer for any reason and do not want it to be published, please contact one of the pastors.

Our granddaughter, Katrina Fair died August 16 of cardiac arrest at the age of 27. She was 7-1/2 months pregnant. She and husband Josh live in Firestone, CO and is the daughter of Chris and Gary Thurnau of Park

Our FMC Community

Mentors and Mentees (MYF) will meet after SS on August 28 for our first group activity including our new pairs. We'll do lunch and activity together between 12-2 PM.

Child Protection Orientation will be held at 8:30 AM and Noon this Sunday, August 21, in the Commons downstairs for volunteers with children and youth. If these times do not work for you, please contact Pastor Tory.

Sunday School starts this Sunday! Right after the worship service we'll be going downstairs to the commons with all families of 2 year olds through High Schoolers to see

of Chris and Cary (niece of Frank) City, UT, their only child. Our family is in shock and trying to comprehend Katrina's death and the death of her baby girl. Please keep us in your prayers. **Glennis & Roger Hochstetler**

Please continue to remember **Hope and John Ventura**. John underwent triple bypass surgery on Friday, August 12 and continues to recuperate. John requests no visits at this time.

Happy Anniversary

19 - Carol and Herman Reitmeyer
20 - Marcus Bishop and Millie Steiner
23 - Joe Fretz and Maxine Martin

Happy Birthday

19 - Rob Hansen
19 - Bryan Knowles
20 - Devin Yoder
21 - Joseph Fretz
21 - Jewel Yoder
23 - Reed Hendler
25 - Rachel Toews

Attendance

August 14
Adults - 144
Children - 30
Total - 174

Directory Updates

FMC Directory Updates are posted at the beginning of each month on the Members' Page on the FMC website.

Sermons

Sermons are posted on the FMC website. Prior sermons are also available. Look at the left side of the web page under "Recent Sermons." Hard copies of recent sermons are available in the literature rack in the Community Center.

Menno Focus

[July/August](#) issue is available on the Welcome Table in the foyer or on the FMC website

the rooms, eat donuts 'n' bananas, and fill out any forms still needed :-). Thanks, Children and Youth Faith Formation Committee.

Potluck on Sunday: Bring some food to share for the congregational potluck Sunday after SS to celebrate the beginning of Sunday School and the Academic year.

MYF Auction: If you would like to have some help around your house or with a certain project, remember the Youth Skills Auction by the MYF on September 18 from 12-12:30 PM. If you have ideas for the MYF, please let me or them know. Pastor Tory

Youth Activities: Venture Club (3rd-5th Graders), JYF (Junior Highers) and MYF (High Schoolers) begins September 11. We'll meet after SS for parent meetings to approve the monthly activities, and then we'll join in an activity together.

Are you finding yourself with tons of extra time and wanting to show how wise you or skilled you are?

There are still ongoing opportunities for volunteering with youth from 6 weeks to a year slot, helping with games, crafts, music, or Mentoring. Please contact Pastor Tory, Glenda, Dawn or Roberta for more info :-)

Quilters' Corner: Plastic collection tubs have been placed in the office and Community Center for donations to the Quilters' Corner booth at the MCC sale. If you have questions contact Mary Ellen Gaeddert, Jan Parks or one of the other church quilters.

FMC Getaway Weekend: Registration starts this Sunday for the FMC Getaway Weekend at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp. The prime lodging tends to go quickly, so be sure to sign up soon!! Bring your registration form and deposit to the Community Center and choose lodging at that time. Please contact Rachel Barnes with any questions at rcbarnes33@msn.com or 303-573-7282. Click [here](#) for registration form and information.

TALKABOUT Exodus 1:1-2:10; Moses is born

Talk about the Bible story children and youth explored this week. Here are some ways to nurture faith at home based on this week's story. (1) Read Exodus 2:1-10. (2) Moses' life was rescued because of a number of brave women. Who is the bravest woman you have known? (3) Moses' sister hid among the reeds. Take a walk in your neighborhood to look for bushes or weeds where you could hide.

Did you know? Name two Hebrew midwives who outfoxed Pharaoh.

Prayer for the week: *God, when we are afraid, give us the*

Links

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www.MountainStatesMC.org

For Mennonite Church USA
www.MennoniteUSA.org

Mennonite Church USA News Releases

To learn more about what is happening in Mennonite Church USA, go to www.mennoniteusa.org and click on News.

Emergency Closure

When weather or any other emergency event necessitates last minute cancellation of worship or other events here at FMC, the following procedure will be followed: 1) The cancellation will be posted on the FMC website. 2) A recorded message will be left on the FMC main line at 303-892-1038. 3) The cancellation is posted on channel 9. You can view closing information online anytime at <http://www.9news.com/closings> or by visiting mobile apps for smartphones.

Market Square

If you want to sell, buy, trade, get a ride, find a roommate, find an employee, find a job, find sponsors, or advertise an event requiring purchase of tickets, this section is for you! (Note: Official functions of Mountain States Mennonite Conference or its congregations are excepted.) Please e-mail your request to the church with "Market Square" in the subject line. It will run one time. Deadline is midnight Wednesday.

I met a lovely young man, Julius Mason, yesterday at Peace Mennonite. He is a refugee from Liberia.... His whole family was burned in their home by rebels. Julius managed to escape to the Ivory Coast and eventually was sponsored to come to the U.S. with Church World Services. He has been in the States for 5 - 10 years I believe. He just moved to Denver and is attending a

courage we need.

MCC Sale

Quilt Top: In 2010 a partially completed quilt top was donated to the Quilters Corner Booth. The pattern is a multicolored star medallion with a red center. This pretty top has been completed and machine quilted by Mary Ellen Gaddert. She would like to know who pieced this top so that she may show them the completed work and also give credit for their work. This quilt will be sold in the Rocky Mountain MCC Auction this fall. If you know who pieced this top or where it came from, please give a call to Mary Ellen Gaeddert at 303-333-8678, 720-233-6800 (cell) or email at meg2006@earthlinks.net.

Quilt Photos: We are getting close to the two month count down. Don't forget to get a picture of your quilts and wall hangings to Mark Longacher at longacher@hotmail.com. He needs details of size and name of quilt.

Booths: There is still time for you to make items for the Christmas Booth and the Craft Booth. Maybe you are inclined to do some wood working. Have you considered going through your quilting stash and donating those fabrics that you do not think you will use to the Quilting Booth. The Pantry Booth is always popular and therefore is a wonderful place for you to donate your favorite baked goods.

On Facebook: This is the first year for a "face book" site for the RMMCC Sale. Audra Shue is the creator of this site. You can access this site by googling "colorado MCC sale"

Theme: Remember the theme for the 2011 MCC Sale is "A Table For Sharing".

The money raised will go to two on-going campaigns:

- 1) "Coming Home Sudan" which funds resettlement and rebuilding homes for persons returning to their homeland after war and conflict.
- 2) Menno Sante in the Congo rebuilds and refurbishes hospitals in villages.

Around Mountain States Mennonite Conference

WORK & PLAY RETREAT – LABOR DAY WEEKEND .

Volunteers are encouraged to join us September 2-5, 2011 for a free weekend at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp! The weekend begins around 7 PM on Friday and ends after breakfast on Monday. The weekend is set up for individuals and families to help around camp with various projects needing completed at the end of the busy summer season.

small Bible College in Englewood. He speaks excellent English. He needs a job and will eventually need a place to live. At this time he is staying with a family who offered to keep him until he can get established and find work. He has done custodian and warehouse work and also worked as an interpreter, since he speaks French and English, in the Ivory Coast - I think. He is open for most anything for employment. If anyone has any suggestions or possibilities or questions, please give me a call, 303-393-0880 or Julius a call 720-519-2219. P.S. He can also use clothes. Thanks, **Meredith Egli**

Heritage Berkshire Pork. A fellow farmie is selling some premium heritage pork from Berkshire pigs she raised. For contact info and prices, please contact Eva Teague, owner of Plowshares Community Farm, Tel: 860.420.7136, Email: evateague@hotmail.com. For prices and description, click [here](#). Peace (and pork) to you all! **Deb Schaffer**

Jan Griffin has these items FOR SALE

- \$125 each - CRAFTMATIC BEDS (2) Mechanical Beds raise and lower head and foot – massage and vibrate. Mattress pads and sheets included. \$ 50 each – Single down comforter. \$100 Teak single headboard.
- \$90 – Hugo Elite Walker – like new barely used.
- \$1200 – Pride 4-wheel mobility scooter – excellent condition.
- \$30 – Toilet Safety Seat Frame – Arms help sit and stand.
- \$150 – Wheel Chair – drive type for walking with feet or using hands or being pushed. Good Condition.
- \$50 – Bed Cane – grab bar to help roll to side and sit up.

Items may be seen on Craig's List under Health and Beauty

- \$350 - Hydro Farm Grow Light 400

Saturday is the day to work with potential projects like deep cleaning, setting up the tube run, various maintenance tasks, and more! Sunday is the day to play! We welcome you to hike, kayak, explore the nature trail, or even take a nap! Please register online (www.rmmc.org), call (719-687-9506) or email (info@rmmc.org) the camp to let us know you can come!

His Love Fellowship and Mountain States Mennonite Conference are joining together for the ordination of **Glenn R. Balzer**. You are invited in presence and prayers to the Service of Celebration on Sunday, September 11 at 3:00 PM at His Love Fellowship, 910 Kalamath St., Denver. Reception immediately following in the fellowship hall.

Mennonite Church USA

Mennonite Mission Network: Pray for wisdom and patience for Jenna Liechty Martin and Peter Martin of Mennonite Mission Network as they work at ministries of reconciliation in Northern Ireland.

Mennonite Education Agency: Pray for Eastern Mennonite Seminary faculty members—Dorothy Jean Weaver, Nate Yoder, Lonnie Yoder and Linford Stutzman—as they prepare to teach seminary courses online to students all over the world.

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Phone: 303-892-1038

Deadline for announcements: Wednesday midnight
Please send your announcements to Karen Martin at fmcdenverkaren@aol.com.

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