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Pastor Debbie

Annual Conference was a busy week filled with dynamic worship and lots of business, especially since the merger of Yellowstone Conference with Rocky Mountain Conference last year. Since the merger has not been recognized by General Conference yet, voting for General Conference delegates had to be proceed like two separate conferences but in the same room. It got a little confusing at times, but finally after midnight Saturday the 15th-16th, the delegates had been selected. The ordination service that Sunday was an inspiring send off. Our bishop signed her book with a message to our congregations and her book can be borrowed by anyone interested in reading her amazing story.

I would like to thank our very talented musicians at Center and Saguache for sharing their musical skills so graciously on Father's Day as both churches had a hymn sing while I was at conference. We are blessed that Linda Wilson and Bill Hazard serve God and our faith communities with their selflessness in sharing their talent. June 21st was World Music Day, July 4th is National Country Music Day, and July 31st is Uncommon Instruments Awareness Day. Let's create our own celebration and let's make the July 21st our Church Musician Appreciation Day and let Linda and Bill know how grateful we are. Sometimes we forget how important their service is to our church. ¹⁴ Elisha said, "I swear by the life of the LORD of heavenly forces, the one I stand before and serve..... I wouldn't notice you or even look at you! ¹⁵ Now bring me a musician." While the musician played, the LORD's power came over Elisha. ¹⁶ He said, "This is what the LORD says: 2 Kings 3:14-16 (CEB). So on Sunday, July 21st, let's celebrate our church musicians and show them how appreciative we are of them.

Another person we need to show appreciation to is Charleen. As many of you are aware, Charleen will become a snowbird this fall. She will be with us through September as she trains the person who will not take her place but pick up where she leaves off. We are both happy for her and sad at our loss, but for now at least we know that she will be coming back when the valley weather warms up. Between now and then, we need to let Charleen know how much she means to us and how much she has changed our lives for the better.

I'm excited about new mission opportunities happening in the valley. On July 8-12, I will be part of a mission project led by Sacred Stones at LaPuente. On Fridays in July, I will be helping with the closing of each camp week at Beaver Creek Youth Camp. I will be spending some family time July 22- 25, while I explore our points of interest with my family. Then on August 12-17, I will be in San Antonio for my CPE orientation. When I return, I will begin my CPE work at Homelake Veterans Living Center. Because of this commitment for 20 weeks, I will have to rearrange my schedule. Since I will be at Homelake on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons and will need to be at Center during morning hours because of a new administrative assistant, I will not be able to be at Saguache most of the day on Mondays; instead, I will only be able to be at Saguache on Monday afternoons from 1:30-4:30. We can still have tea, if there are those interested and we will be looking at doing a book/bible study possibly on Monday afternoons if there is any interest. Beginning the last two weeks in August, I will be conducting a worship service at Homelake beginning at 3 pm. Anyone interested in being part of this endeavor is welcomed to join me. It would be a beautiful outpouring of God's love to the residents if anyone would like to join us. If you wish to share your talents in our service, please let me know.

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Clip and Save these Dates!!!!

**2019 Calendar of Events
for UMW and Martha
Circle**

**Thanks you all!!!!!! We de-
livered 65 hygiene kits
for migrant workers in
the valley!!!!!!**
**See article on yard sale
in this newsletter It has
all the important infor-
mation you need to know.**

July – 20th Yard Sale and Bake Sale

August 8th– School Staff Luncheon
(Date to be announced)

August 14th – Trip to Creede, meet at
12:15, show starts 1:30

December 3rd – Christmas Brunch at
9:30

December 14th - Soup Luncheon and
Bake Sale

Coat Drive now through Fall – Collec-
tion box downstairs, coats will be given
away in the fall. All sizes needed, men
women and children.

Martha Circle Meetings

Martha Circle will meet the 3rd Wednes-
day of each month throughout the year.
Meetings start at 9:30. We welcome
new members and invite all to attend
meetings at any time. For more infor-
mation of these events call Martha Cir-
cle President Marilyn Eagles 754-3704.

Yard & Bake Sale Information

**Saturday, July 20, 2019 7:00 –
2:00**

**Clothes ,shoes and books do not
have to be marked All Other Items
must be clean and marked**

⇒ Items can be brought in after July
13th, between the hours of 8:30 –
11:30

(please place items along east wall in Drummond Hall)

⇒ Set up crew be there at 6:00 A.M.

Pick-up crew be there at 1:30

⇒ We are looking for more baked
goodies this year

Center UMW thanks all of you for
your help and support with this
fundraiser. We appreciate your un-
derstanding with the changes we
have had to make. Our missions
would not be possible without
you, we are truly grateful for each
one of you. Lunch provided for
our helpers!!!!

Center United Methodist Women

Church Humor Signs-

Whoever stole our ac units, keep one, it is Hot where you are going.

Financial report from Center

We have totaled our funds from the Kentucky Derby Party. We received a total of \$3,500.00 and can't thank you enough!!! \$1750.00 was sent to Beaver Creek Youth Camp. Please keep them in your prayers, as they will be having camp through most of July. Thanks to Gene Haning for all his help with the party and all he does for the camp, it is greatly appreciated. There is no car show this year.

May 2019 Figures

Giving	\$11,107.94
Expenses	\$10,593.79
Net income	\$514.15

We are grateful for a positive number to end the month of May. Thanks to all those who made this possible.

Innovation is like breathing: It's got an in-phase and an out-phase, and if you stop doing it for long, you die. Dan Roam

With that quote in mind – the finance committee would like to hear from you if you have ideas for fund raising and also ideas for giving or missions outside of our church. We are doing well at this, the question is can we do better? The process of giving and receiving is God inspired and uplifting for us and our church. So let your voice be heard and share your thoughts with someone on the administrative board, or attend an Ad Board meeting. It is Gods church and we are all a part of it. My soul is grateful for all the teamwork that is done throughout our church. Thank-you everyone!!!!

Movie Night and Cooking with Your Neighbor Combined just for this month on July 18th at 6 pm. We will have a picnic/cookout with hotdogs, hamburgers, and homemade ice cream followed with a movie shown outside. We will be showing the newly re-



<http://mylittlepencilcase.blogspot.com>



robliano.wordpress.com

Combined Church in the Park in Monte Vista August 4th. Both Churches are invited to attend and we hope to have some representation there. We will have church here and in Saguache at regular times for those choosing not to attend there.

Charleen's Want Ad

If anyone getting their things ready for yard sale have some sheets sets for twin, full and queen that are in ok condition, please let Charleen know. She doesn't want to drag hers back and forth each season. Thanks. Charleen (Even a van has a limited amount of space for traveling back and forth)

Fruit Orders

On the next page you will find the order sheet for fruit this fall. They are DUE JULY 11th. Vicki Ratzlaff is the new contact person. Her number is: 588-3579

IQF - (INDIVIDUALLY QUICK FROZEN) FRUIT & PUREES

14 POUNDS IN EACH BOX or PUREE BUCKET

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Marion Blackberries
 \$61 IQF Box / \$62 Puree Bucket
Our most versatile Northwest berry, large size and rich in flavor.
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Red Raspberries
 \$62 IQF Box / \$63 Puree Bucket
Our meeker Raspberries are excellent in flavor and the best we have found for the fresh-frozen berry lover.
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Boysenberries
 \$62 IQF Box / \$63 Puree Bucket
Boysens were developed in California. Our Oregon grown variety is large, plump and delicious.
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Loganberries \$63 Puree Bucket
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Blueberries \$58 IQF Box
Oregon Blueberries are very large. Try them with cream & sugar, in pies, muffins or like candy from the freezer.
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Strawberry Whole
 \$52 IQF Box / \$53 Puree Bucket
 OR
Strawberries Sliced With Sugar
 \$52 (Bucket)
Sugar is added to the sliced berries, 4 parts berry to 1 part sugar.
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Cranberries
 \$46 IQF Box
Festive red berries, a colorful ingredient in breads, muffins, sauces & pies.
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Red Pie Cherries
 \$58 IQF Box
They are fantastic, pitted, red in color and superior in quality.
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Dark Sweet Cherries
 \$62 IQF Box
"Naturally" sweet, pitted and ready for eating, sauces, desserts and jam.
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Peaches
 \$47 IQF Box
Peach slices are picked firm ripe primarily for baking and preserves. They are not soft ripe, which tend to breakdown when cooked.
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Apricots
 \$55 IQF Box
Each half is individually quick frozen. Yellow-orange in color with sweet, juicy flesh. A time saver for the apricot lover.
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Apples- Peeled & Sliced
 \$47 IQF Box
Ready to use for your favorite apple recipe. No core, no peels. It's ready when you are.
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Red Rhubarb
 \$45 IQF Box
"Crimson Red" Rhubarb put in half inch slices, is ready for sauces, pies and cobblers.

FREEZER JAM

- Variety Pack** \$40
 (6) one pound containers of freezer jams which includes berry flavors (Strawberry, Blackberry, Boysenberry, Red Raspberry, Loganberry and Blueberry)
- Case Pack** \$60
 (12) one pound containers of the same freezer jam variety selected. (Strawberry, Blackberry, Boysenberry, Red Raspberry, Loganberry and Blueberry).

WILD CAUGHT SEAFOOD

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Wild Salmon Fillets OR **Smoked**
 \$29.00, 4 Regular Fillets, 6 oz. each
 OR
 \$23.00, 1 Smoked Fillet, 8 oz. total
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Halibut Fillets \$43.00
 4 Fillets, 6 oz. each

FALL 2019 ORDER FORM-TICKET

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: _____
 Email: _____
 Card/Ck#: _____
 Exp Date: _____ V Code: _____

ITEM	QUANTITY	COST	TOTAL
Marion Blackberries		\$61.00	
Red Raspberries		\$62.00	
Boysenberries		\$62.00	
Blueberries		\$58.00	
Strawberry Sliced With Sugar		\$52.00	
Strawberry Whole-No Sugar		\$52.00	
Red Tart Pie Cherries		\$58.00	
Dark Sweet Cherries		\$62.00	
Peaches		\$47.00	
Apricots		\$55.00	
Apples		\$47.00	
Rhubarb		\$45.00	
Cranberries		\$46.00	
Puree- Marion Blackberry		\$62.00	
Puree- Red Raspberry		\$63.00	
Puree- Boysenberry		\$63.00	
Puree- Strawberry		\$53.00	
Puree- Loganberry		\$63.00	
Jam- Variety Pack		\$40.00	
Jam Case- Marion Blackberry		\$60.00	
Jam Case- Red Raspberry		\$60.00	
Jam Case- Boysenberry		\$60.00	
Jam Case- Strawberry		\$60.00	
Jam Case- Blueberry		\$60.00	
Jam Case- Loganberry		\$60.00	
Salmon Fillets		\$29.00	
Smoked Salmon		\$23.00	
Halibut Fillets		\$43.00	
TOTAL AMOUNT OF ORDER			

Metamorphosis

As I have so often talked about change, aging etc. I, too, have made some decisions in my life. No one who has not been on my road of life can truly know what that road has been like these past years. Last year was the one that slapped me over and over and over.

Just like two other ladies in our church, I have made the decision on what is best for me. When quality of life seems too much to handle, you must simplify and do whatever you can to make it less stressful. If I had leukemia when young I could have probably handled it faster and better. I have survived many winters in this Valley that were probably colder in temperature but this year was too much on top of my graft vs. host. I could have held my own on the graft disease OR the weather. Unfortunately both together seemed too much to do.

One of my friends reminded me in the deep of cold, ice and snow that I had to keep that horrible feeling alive EVEN when the usually beautiful summer arrived this year. I had no problem doing that as it has been one of the coolest of May and June that I have ever experienced in the Valley. Even relocating to my birthplace home before here was not appealing. They too have had a stormier winter than past ones. Usually when it snows, it melts quickly, dries up for a week or two giving the impression that it really isn't so cold and dark. Not so this year. I looked and visited independent living situations and felt not ready.

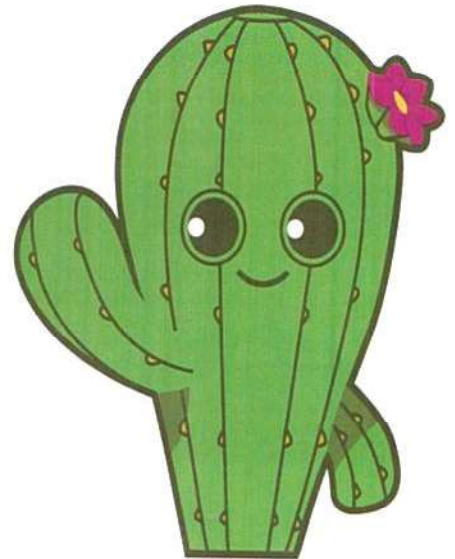
And as all of you know clouds are not my thing and it seemed greyer this year than ever. Maybe it was the disease as it flared up and kept me worn out. To combat the disease, the medicine they gave me on top of the disease had me so shaky that I often thought a walker would be in the near future. We also had early snow in October on one trip to Denver and all winter long it snowed especially it seemed on days I needed to seek medical help of Denver Oncologist. So.....I did not forget the cold, the clouds, the fear, the 250 miles through mountain passes to get to the help I required.

What a pleasure to live only one or two hours from an oncologist who knows about leukemia? What about a place that is warmish most all of the winter? One that is near an airport No more wearing three layers of street clothes, fat coats, gloves, scarves, boots etc.? Unfortunately, nearly all my friends are tied to property, their things, and life here in Colorado. When faced with a deadly disease, one learns that things are nice but how one can easily live a good life without them.

It will not be easy but change never is and always there in our lives. I can remember some of the times of moving here when I knew absolutely no one; how I planned my day carefully on weekends to make sure I did not feel so isolated. I am hoping that this community I am moving to in Mesa is a great deal like the ones in Texas, lots of us older folk just loving the life while being warm. They have lots of activities in the park. And I already know my handy man from the park. I am in process of finding an oncologist who takes care of other snowbirds from Presbyterian/St Lukes at Mayo clinic and only 30 minutes away in normal traffic. (NOT over passes, with snow and ice.) My friends and family are only a two hour flight away from Denver airport to Phoenix and if you watch the windows in the airline ticketing online, there are special pricing windows that flow through every now and then. I have two bedrooms and a couch that folds out to a bed. I have a couple of relatives and friends that live in the Phoenix, Tuscan area, who I can visit with, I will visit the two Methodist Churches near there or look for an American Synod Lutheran Church. I can go to Kiwanis meetings there. I will probably buy a three wheel bicycle to dash around in the park on. You cannot be happy if you do not like yourself and realize you are really good company.

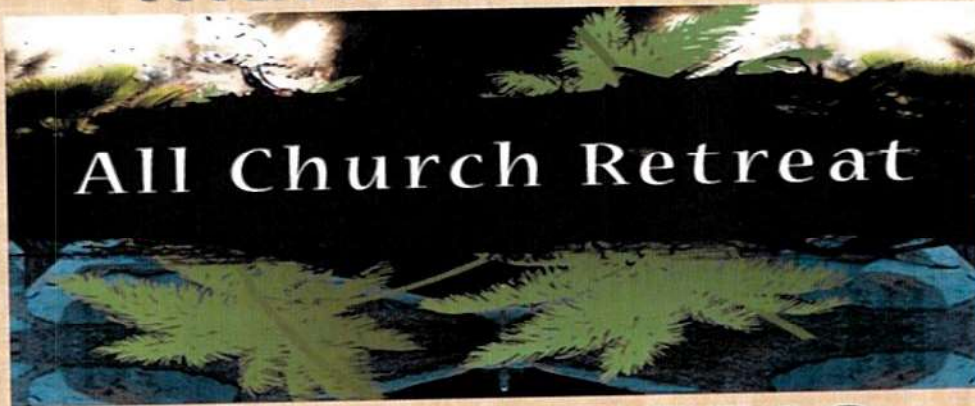
It happened as if it was planned that I found this place which was furnished, shopped for others, tested independent living with lunches and visits, and visited more places. The process seemed to flow unbelievably well. As though someone was guiding me to it and through it. Is this how it feels to not fear the future? Was I listening to the Spirit? I certainly hope so.

I am sorry to leave a job I enjoyed. I know I will miss you often but remember, it is better to have me a half year here than for me to move completely. I did not find the 110 heat unbearable that week of looking for a house. I was finally warm since September 2018, not hot, but warm and comfortable. Thank you all for your support, prayers and kindness and keep praying for me as I go forth on a new adventure. Charleen and Hunter



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