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Pastor Debbie

As Spring has sprung and we have enjoyed some beautiful days with our famous gushes of wind, we can feel the expectation of Easter. Amid our joy is concern for our Ukrainian and European brothers and sisters as Russia continues its attack on the innocent. As we feel the pinch in our pockets with rising prices, let us remember our call to Christian charity and many blessings. This is a time not to complain but affirm our call to "hallow our Lord" by living in such a way to honor our God and King.

Last Saturday at the Trinity District Gathering South, Kitty Entz from Center and Jaxene Collier from Saguache were honored as our Quiet Disciples as they have served so faithfully this past year. Congratulations, ladies and thank you for you all you do. The business session of the District Gathering will be held April 23rd from 9-11 am online. If you wish to participate, we can send you the link.

We have been participating in Adam Hamilton's bible study *The Lord's Prayer* as well as the his sermon series, where we have been challenged to pray the Lord's Prayer daily focusing on each line in the prayer and what Jesus teaches us in that prayer. As Holy Week fast approaches, I would ask you to join with both churches that week to stop at noon every day and pray the Lord's Prayer audibly. If you're at work, invite those around you to join. If you work where you are unable to speak it aloud, then silently say the prayer at noon. Set your alarms. There's power in prayer, so let's unleash God's power in Center, Saguache, Colorado, America and the world.

Our Community Potluck will take place on April 7th at 6 pm. Drummond Hall will open at 5:30 pm. An Easter Ham will be provided, so bring anything you would like and join the fellowship.

April 10, 2022, **Palm Sunday** will begin Holy Week with regular church services at both churches. **Maundy Thursday** service will be at both Center and Saguache United Methodist Church at 6:30 pm. I will be conducting the service at Saguache but Center folk will be able to come in person to Center or join online as we participate in a special "Remembrance of the Passover" that evening. **Good Friday** service at Saguache will be at noon and at Center at 6:30 pm. The service at Center will be both virtual and in-person. On **Holy Saturday** at Center, we will host a **Community-wide Easter Egg Hunt at 2 pm**. Our **Easter Sunrise Service** will be drive-in and in person on the from steps of Center United Methodist Church **at 7:30 am**. We will stream the service via Facebook Live. Following the sunrise service you are invited to join us for refreshments inside the sanctuary before the regular 9 am Easter service which will be virtual as well as in person.

On April 21st at 6 pm in Drummond Hall, our movie night will feature Disney's award winning *Encanto*. It's a wonderful movie for both kids and adults.

Our Soulful Sweets and Sips Coffee Shop continues to be open Monday-Friday from 2-5 pm. Drop on in for some goodies. On May 3rd at 2 pm, we will be hosting a Mother's Day tea for all the ladies and their mothers or friends. There will be a Ladies

"Jesus called out with a loud voice, 'Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.' When he had said this, he breathed his last. The centurion, seeing what had happened, praised God and said, 'Surely this was a righteous man.'"

Luke 23:46-47

Luncheon on Saturday, May 7th at 10 am at First United Methodist Church of Alamosa . Rev. Nancy Mead will be the speaker. More details will follow.

I invite you to join us for our next bible study on Ephesus beginning on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm April 27, 2022 at Center in-person and virtual for Center and Saguache. There are other opportunities for laity learning through several online courses. Contact Gene Haning for more information.

Summer is coming and Beaver Creek Youth Camp is seeking Junior and Senior Counselors as well as registering campers. Staff development, June 22-24, 2nd, 3rd, & 4th grade camp—June 26-July 1, 5th & 6th grade camp—July 10-15, Middle School Camp—July 17-22, High School Camp—July 24-29. Call (719) 588-7627 for more information or email manager@beavercreekcamp.org or to register go to <https://www.beavercreekcamp.org/>

Mountain Sky Annual Conference in person session and online from Helena, MT will be June 16-18, 2022. Due to global COVID concerns General Conference has been postponed until 2024. Since it involves the entire world, COVID issues and the War in the Ukraine has caused additional delays. The legislation part of our Mountain Sky Conference will be October 21-22, 2022 online. Jeannie Norris has agreed to be a delegate from Saguache United Methodist, but I am still looking for someone from Center to be a delegate. Please pray about it and contact me if you are willing to participate. If all goes well, the Jurisdictional Conference will be held in November. As United Methodist make our way forward, all of these events are important for us to be a part. Your voices are important and need to be heard. I will keep you updated as I get more information. COVID messed many things up, but the introduction and frequent use of technology also have given us ways to participate that we didn't have before.

I also invite you to stay informed about United Methodist news at UM News Weekly Digest at

www.umnews.org.

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YOU TOLD ME TO GET A NEW EASTER SUIT
AND THIS IS THE ONLY ONE THAT THEY
HAD LEFT

Mother's Day Tea

Join us on May 3rd for our annual Mother's Day event. This year we will be honoring our Mothers with an afternoon tea starting at 2pm. All ladies of the church and community are welcome.



Joke of the Month

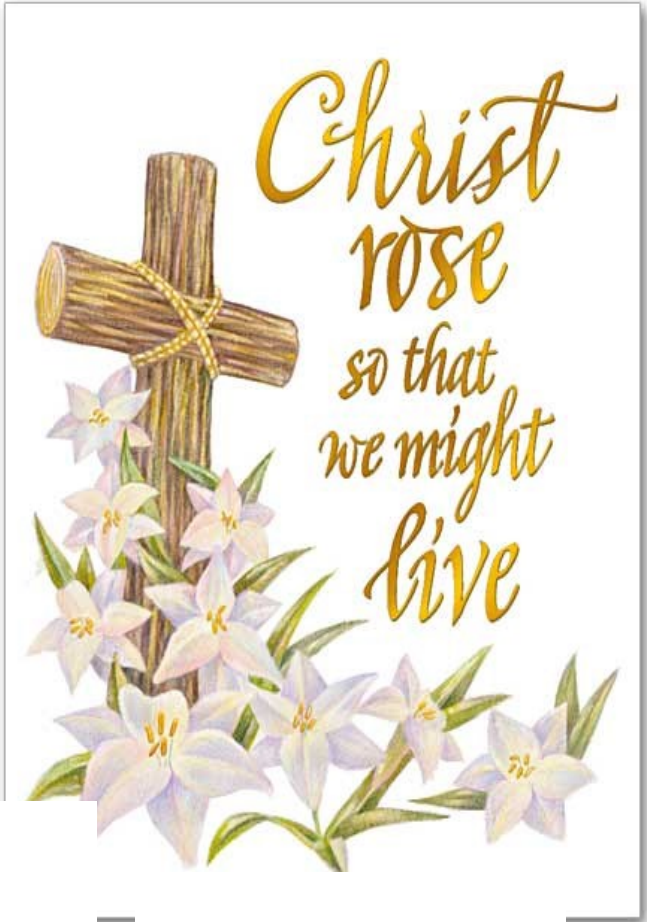
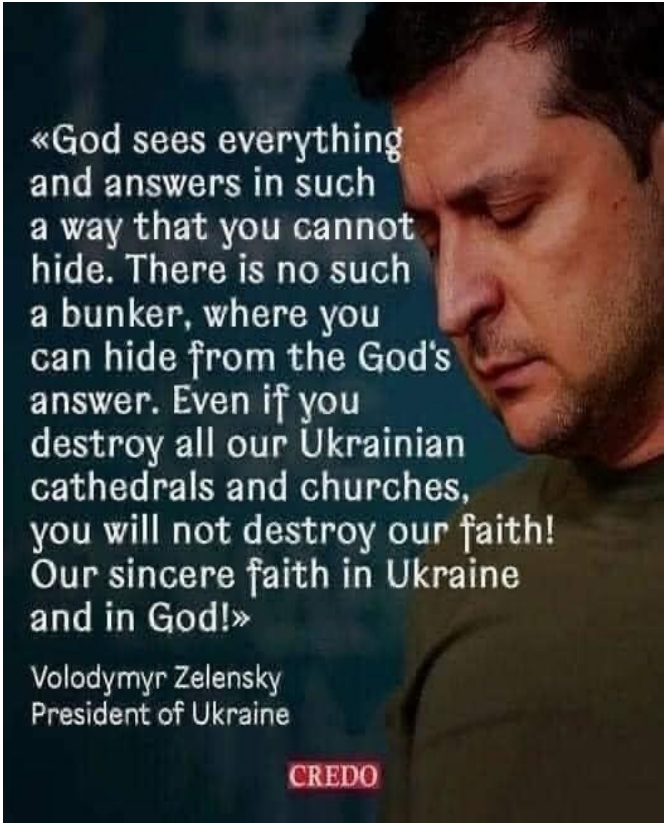
Maria came home from Sunday School on Palm Sunday and told her mother that she had learned a new song about a cross-eyed bear named Gladly.

It took her mother a while before she realized that the hymn Maria had been singing was really: "Gladly The Cross I'd Bear."



EASTER OFFERING

Please consider giving to keep the ministries of our churches going. Your faithfulness is greatly appreciated.



BEAVER CREEK CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMP 2022

Creation Speaks

In the beginning, God created. God is still creating. What do God and Creation have to teach us about how to live today?

Creation Speaks invites us to look to God's Creation, including each other, as we listen for God's voice in the world today. By looking anew at the Creation story, campers will imagine what each part might teach us about God and our place in the world. Light, water, earth, seasons, animals, humans, and even a day of rest will invite campers to listen for God, still speaking to them today.



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DATES:

Staff development - June 22-24
2nd, 3rd & 4th Grade Camp - June 26-July 1
5th & 6th Grade Camp - July 10-15
Middle School Camp- July 17-22
High School Camp - July 24-29

COST: \$365.00
Scholarships are available.



Beaver Creek Youth Camp is an equal opportunity service provider and employer and operates under special use permit from the USDA Forest Service, Rio Grande National Forest.



Congratulations

Quiet Disciples 2022—Kitty Entz &
Jaxene Collier



Save the Date

Trinity District UMW 2022 Spiritual Retreat Saturday, May 14th, 2022

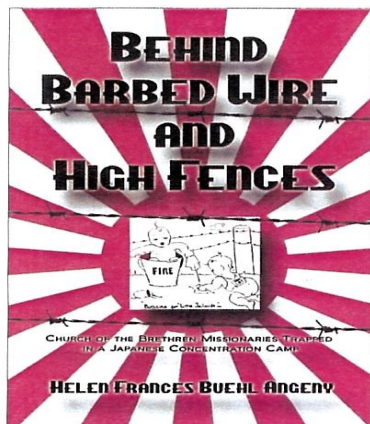
Save the Date

Pre-Registration will begin March 21st by going to mtnskyumw.org and click "Event Registration".
Everyone must pre-register whether attending virtual or in person in Limon.
All pre-registrations are needed by May 7th (we need a headcount).

You must register to get the zoom link.

For those attending in Limon (770 B Ave), registration begins at 9, program from 9:30-12:00
The Limon UMW will be hosting lunch for \$6/plate.

Trinity District UMW Leadership Team



For three years, a Japanese concentration camp in the Philippines was home for Church of the Brethren missionaries Edward and Helen Angeny during WW II. Their tale of replacing murdered missionaries in China in 1940 and their subsequent imprisonment was aptly written into this memoir by Helen Angeny when she was 80 years old. Their internment included hunger as well as humor, frustration as well as joy, and threats as well as miracles. It also included the birth of their first child soon after imprisonment. The story ended well for the 500 civilian internees but only after MacArthur's troops accidentally came upon this POW group which had been previously unknown to the US government. Helen Angeny's reflections as well as her soul are revealed in this thought-provoking historical narrative. This book includes period photographs and 17 sketches by the author.



Edward and Helen Angeny circa 1938.

Easter Buttermilk Hot Cross Buns

Ingredients

- 1/2 cup warm water
- 1 package active dry yeast
- 1 cup buttermilk, room temp
- 2 tablespoons white sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/3 cup margarine, melted
- 3 1/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 2/3 cup raisins
- 1/2 (16 ounce) container prepared vanilla frosting

Recipe by: violet (Allrecipes.com)



Directions

1. Measure the water into a large bowl and sprinkle the yeast over the top. Let stand about 5 minutes to dissolve the yeast. Stir in the buttermilk, sugar, baking soda, salt, cinnamon and margarine. Mix in 1 cup of flour until well blended, then stir in the raisins. Gradually mix in the remaining flour until the dough is stiff enough to take out of the bowl and knead on a floured surface. Knead the dough until smooth and elastic, about 5 minutes. Place in a greased bowl, turning to coat and cover with a towel. Let rise in a warm place until doubled in size, about 1 hour.
2. Turn the dough out onto a floured surface and divide into 18 pieces. Shape each piece into a ball and place in a greased 9x13 inch baking dish. Cover loosely with a towel and allow to rise again until your finger leaves an impression when you poke the dough gently, about 45 minutes.
3. Preheat the oven to 375 degrees F (190 degrees C). Remove the towel from the buns. Bake in the preheated oven until golden brown, about 20 minutes. Spoon the frosting into a small sandwich bag or pastry bag. Snip off the corner and squeeze out frosting to make a cross on top of the buns when cool.