



# United Methodist Church of Eagle Valley

☞ Serving Our Congregation and Community ☜

## Events and Church Happenings:

- **Sunday, August 7th**  
- Communion
- **Monday, August 8th**  
- Ad Council Meeting, 7:00 pm
- **Mon - Thu, Aug 8th - 11th**  
- VBS (Rainbow Trail Day Camp)  
(with UMCEV & 1st Lutheran in Gypsum) 9:00 am - 3:30 pm daily
- **Monday, Aug 22nd**  
- UMCEV hosts Simple Supper
- **Monday, Aug 29th**  
- UMW hosts Simple Supper

## Inspirational Thought

*“Leadership is about creating day by day the domain in which we and those around us continually deepen our understanding of reality and are able to participate in shaping the future. This, then, is the deeper territory of leadership, collectively listening to what is wanting to emerge in the world, and then having the courage to do what is required.”*

—Joseph Jaworski

## Sundays in Eagle

(333 2nd Street)

**10:00 am**

Traditional Worship

### Children’s Church

- Grades: K - 2 & Grades 3 - 5  
(We are on a summer schedule)
- Nursery: Newborn - 2 years old

## Sundays in Gypsum

(118 Eagle Street)

**4:00 pm** Chapel Service

## Pastor’s Corner

☜ Pastor Sid Spain

As we anticipate a new year of ministry following a full summer my thoughts turn to leadership. Last month we installed new leaders in the church and I expect wonderful things from their gifted guidance in all our committees. I am confident they will ensure our stability as a community, refine and enhance many of the things we do, and lead us forward to new places of ministry and service to others. Much of what they do will focus on our life together—our worship services, small group studies, fellowship, communication and congregational care—and more and more of what they do will look to the quality of our lives and Christian witness when we are away from the church building.

They have accepted the challenges of leadership including the determination to grow in their own faith. Their role is important but it is equally important that we all accept the challenge to grow in faith and understanding, and to live our Christian identity wherever we are, at home, at school, at work and in the marketplace.

We live in a tumultuous time of almost cataclysmic cultural shifts. Communication technology outstrips our ability to keep up. We are inundated by more information, and have less time to process it. More information does not mean more knowledge and it certainly does not mean more wisdom. In depth conversations are being overwhelmed by media sound bites, text and twitter messages. We suffer from the illusion that we know many things while we are haunted by the suspicion we are adrift in the world, without a trustworthy compass, rudderless, with no anchor in a turbulent sea. Opponents are becoming more strident and intolerant. More people spread messages of fear, especially fear of other peoples, those who look different, sound different and believe differently.

When an Islamic fundamentalist can strap a bomb to a child and send her into a schoolyard, and a Norwegian Christian fundamentalist can write a manifesto to justify the murder of more children, even the most jaded of us knows we can no longer hide in comfortable valleys of church and business as usual. We must take our faith seriously, **worship, read scripture and pray for God’s guidance in our complex and hazardous world.** Though we are inevitably *in* this world, we are not *of* this world. While others demonize their opponents and tell us to be afraid of what they will do, we stand in another place.

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## **Pastor's Corner (continued from Page 1)**

*"Don't be afraid,"* Jesus says. Refuse to hate. Love your enemy. *"Follow me."* His way is a different Way. It is a way of prayerful discernment, faith, peace, compassion and courage.

**Take a moment to read this month's inspirational thought. In these times of cataclysmic change, the world needs leaders who will follow the Way of Jesus.** I look for that kind of devotion from all our church leaders and from every one of us. We are called to grow in faith and to live our faith in the world, to become part of God's movement of reason, compassion, courage and salvation. The world has never been in greater need of our Christian witness - in attitude, word and action.

## **Vacation Bible School, August 8th - 11th in Gypsum ~ "Livin' on A Prayer"**

This year we will join with 1<sup>st</sup> Lutheran in Gypsum for a shared VBS. The program is for children from 3 years old to those entering 5th grade. The Day Camp will run August 8th to 11th from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm daily. There will be half days for the little ones as well as a 7:00 pm evening program on Thursday, August 11th. Registration forms are available in the Narthex or by contacting 1st Lutheran Church. Cost is \$55.00/child or \$100.00/family.

Contact the Director, Debra Ketterling for more information. 970-987-4106 or email: [rancedebra@hotmail.com](mailto:rancedebra@hotmail.com).

Scholarships are available to children from our church.

Please contact Pastor Sid for info. 376-1688

## **Eagle Valley Community Food Ministries**



### *Eagle Food Pantry & Simple Supper*

Our mission is to demonstrate the love of Jesus Christ by providing food, emotional support and special assistance with dignity and compassion to everyone in our community.  
Matthew 25:35

This is your 2011 Eagle Valley Community Food Ministries Team. We work in partnership with our local volunteers, United Methodist Church of Eagle Valley and the Eagle County Salvation Army.

*Left to right: Christie Plymell (UMCEV Admin. Asst.), Liz Merrick (Eagle Food Pantry Volunteer Coordinator), Pastor Sid Spain, Teri Nelson (Kitchen manager for UMCEV), Tina Russ (Eagle Food Pantry Administrator), Alan Holub (Eagle Food Pantry Inventory Coordinator), Ashley Patriacca (Simple Supper Administrator) and Don Gress (UMCEV Lay Leader and Co-Founder of Eagle County Help Line almost 30 years ago.)*

We are very proud of this ministry in our community. We would love your help and involvement with prayers, hunger awareness, fundraising and volunteering. Please contact Christie in the office if you are interested in helping with these important community programs. 328-6598.



While watching a little TV on Sunday instead of going to church, I watched a church in Atlanta honoring one of its senior pastors who had been retired many years. He was 92 at that time and I wondered why the church even bothered to ask the old gentleman to preach at that age. After a warm welcome, introduction of this speaker, and as the applause quieted down, he rose from his high back chair and walked slowly, with great effort and a sliding gait to the podium. Without a note or written paper of any kind he placed both hands on the pulpit to steady himself and then quietly and slowly he began to speak....

"When I was asked to come here today and talk to you, your pastor asked me to tell you what was the greatest lesson ever learned in my 50-odd years of preaching. I thought about it for a few days and boiled it down to just one thing that made the most difference in my life and sustained me through all my trials. The one thing that I could always rely on when tears and heart-break and pain and fear and sorrow paralyzed me...the only thing that would comfort was this verse.

"Jesus loves me this I know,  
For the Bible tells me so.  
Little ones to Him belong,  
we are weak but He is strong.....  
Yes, Jesus loves me....  
The Bible tells me so."

The old pastor stated, "I always noticed that it was the adults who chose the children's hymn 'Jesus Loves Me' (for the children of course) during a hymn sing, and it was the adults who sang the loudest because I could see they knew it the best."

"Here for you now is a Senior Version of Jesus Loves Me"

Jesus Loves Me, (Senior Version)

Jesus loves me, this I know,  
Though my hair is white as snow  
Though my sight is growing dim,  
Still He bids me trust in Him.

(CHORUS)

YES, JESUS LOVES ME.  
YES, JESUS LOVES ME.  
YES, JESUS LOVES ME,  
THE BIBLE TELLS ME SO.

Though my steps are oh, so slow,  
With my hand in His I'll go  
On through life, let come what may,  
He'll be there to lead the way.

(CHORUS)

When the nights are dark and long,  
In my heart He puts a song...  
Telling me in words so clear,  
"Have no fear, for I am near."  
(CHORUS)

When my work on earth is done,  
And life's victories have been won.  
He will take me home above,  
Then I'll understand His love.  
(CHORUS)

I love Jesus, does He know?  
Have I ever told Him so?  
Jesus loves to hear me say,  
That I love Him every day.  
(CHORUS)

God is with us.  
We are not alone.  
Thanks be to God.



- August Birthdays
- 8-01 Jimmy Cline
  - 8-01 Paul Deshazo
  - 8-01 Henry Doss
  - 8-02 Ida Hancock
  - 8-02 Jimmy Pritchard
  - 8-03 Karl Reynolds
  - 8-04 Abby Fields
  - 8-04 Tristin Book
  - 8-06 Jack Habiger
  - 8-08 Gary Barker
  - 8-08 Megan Habiger
  - 8-08 Brandon Martinez
  - 8-10 Phillip Reynolds
  - 8-13 Monica Collett
  - 8-15 Natalie Hartley
  - 8-16 Cynthia Sibley
  - 8-18 Emily Boyd
  - 8-18 Mike Clark
  - 8-18 Starla Quealy
  - 8-21 Randy Kipp
  - 8-21 John Wild
  - 8-22 Sarah Hibbs
  - 8-23 Stacy McDaniel
  - 8-24 Trent Book
  - 8-25 Mary Boyd
  - 8-26 Liz Fessenden
  - 8-27 Fred Kessler
  - 8-28 Blake Blizzard
  - 8-28 Gus Stevens
  - 8-29 Kim Arnold
  - 8-29 Finn Harper

*What if you woke up this morning with only  
the things you thanked God for yesterday?*  
~ author unknown ~



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## Church Leadership Celebration, July 17, 2011

Committee leaders and members were asked to begin or renew a commitment to our church and its ministries and programs.  
Thank you for all you have done over the years and all that you will do in the future.



From left to right: Janet Southerlan, Pastor Sid, Tina Russ, Andrea Arnhold, Liz Merrick, Louise Carter, Diane Gress, Bob Westfall, Pam Westfall, Tonya Farmer, Julie Lingle, Cathy Schapiro, Bobby Henderson, Marcia Keiser, Barbara Meese, Don Gress, Ashley Patriacca. 2011 - 2012 Leaders not pictured: Marcia Wild, Cynthia Sibley, Beth Nystrom, Teri Nelson.

Scriptures for the month of August  
 Aug 7th: 1 Kings 19:9-18; Psalm 85:8-13; Romans 10:5-15; Matthew 14:22-33  
 Aug 14th: Isaiah 56:1, 6-8; Psalm 67; Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32; Matthew 15:10-28  
 Aug 21st: Isaiah 51:1-6; Psalm 138; Romans 12:1-8; Matthew 16:13-20  
 Aug 28th: 2 Jeremiah 15:15-21; Psalm 26:1-8; Romans 12:9-21; Matthew 16:21-28

