



# Christ the Servant Lutheran Church

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#### SEPTEMBER 11 – Sad Remembrance...Yet Hopeful Anticipation

On Sunday September 11, we gather for worship with a jumble of emotions: There is joy for many as they return to church and reconnect after summer breaks. There is the excitement of SURGE – the energy around the beginning of a new year of learning and faith development in Sunday School. And there are the emotions brought on by a 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of “911”—a painful day in our nation’s life when terrorists attacked New York City, Washington DC, and an airplane that crashed short of DC in Pennsylvania.

Our SURGE theme and events will command the bulk our attention on September 11, but we can’t ignore the painful anniversary either. To that end, I share comments by the Rev. Kevin A. Massey, ELCA Domestic Disaster Response:

#### Fear

Do you remember how afraid we were that day? No one knew what was going to happen next, we didn’t really even know what had happened that day. We couldn’t believe what we were seeing. It just seemed like it couldn’t be real.

Do not fear... be not afraid... fear not... worded different ways, these are probably the words Jesus repeated the most. He said it to his followers the first time they saw him after he rose from death. He’s not telling us that it’s somehow a sign of weakness or unfaithfulness to feel fear, he’s assuring us that he is with us no matter what happens.

#### Grief

This too will pass. I heard someone say those words once to someone immediately after news of the death of a loved one. It is so very hard for many of us to be in the presence of grief that sometimes we say things to try to move it away. Sometimes it is hard to be in the presence of grief because our own feelings of grief frighten us. Many of us have feelings of grief that remain from people we love who have died many years in the past.

To all those who lost someone they love on September 11th ten years ago, we express to you our deep condolences. Please know that friends here care for you and will continuously remember you in our prayers. To all others we wish to share that remembrances of disaster and loss such as we remember this month from September 11th ten years ago can awaken feelings of grief from other losses. Please let those feelings come, don’t stifle them. Tears are the communication of feelings so deep that we don’t have words for them. Let them come. Jesus wept when he lost a friend and will give us comfort and his nurturing presence in these times.

#### Peace

We knew our lives had all changed the moment the attacks happened, we didn’t know how much. We knew that the world and our country had entered a frightening and dangerous time, we didn’t know how dangerous. We knew that peace may be gone, we didn’t know for how long.

The last ten years has brought our people and the peoples of many other lands conflict and war. The fighting in so many countries, and the violence escalating in so many parts of the world shows us that we don’t know when peace, true and lasting and just peace will ever come.

The world in Jesus’ time was also an unstable and dangerous world. He didn’t promise to his earliest followers that he would change all that, and unfortunately we don’t have that promise now. He did promise then, and his promises endure forever that in the midst of difficult times, that he gives us something rich and comforting and enduring, the peace of his presence. Jesus said “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.” John 14:27

Come to CTS on September 11. Gather with the family of God who hold one another in loving community beyond fear, who pray for our world and our church that we may experience even now Jesus’ promised peace beyond conflict, and who seek through a new year of educational ministry to grow in faith, hope, and love.

See you in church,  
+Pastor Joel Brandt



# Message from the Council President

## A New Year Ahead

It is interesting to me that September is the last month of our fiscal accounting year and the beginning of our “unofficially designated” CTS activities year.

September is full of opportunities. Just a few of the opportunities for everyone to get involved in are:

- ✦ Sunday School Rally Day Sept 11<sup>th</sup>  
Register for classes, learn about fall programs, connect with members and friends.
- ✦ New Members Classes
- ✦ Sunday School classes
- ✦ Planning for fundraisers to support causes outside of our walls
- ✦ Continued efforts with our Habitat Apostle Build
- ✦ Getting involved with a committee
- ✦ Getting involved in ministering at worship services (many ways to do this)
- ✦ Offering new ways and ideas to give and get others involved

Also we are asking for all of you to take time to attend our annual meeting on September 18, after the 10:30 service. At that meeting we will be electing leadership positions and adopting the new year’s budget. Please mark your calendars for this very important meeting.

**Following are the positions that are open for election for the next fiscal year that runs from October 2011 to September 2012:**

Officers/Council Members: 1 year term – President, Vice President, Secretary; 2 year term – Financial Secretary; 3 year term -- (3) General Council Members. Other positions open: 1 year term – (3) Nominating Committee members, (3) Synod Representatives (must have one each male and female); 3 year term – (2) Audit Committee members (staggered terms), (3) Mission Endowment members (staggered terms). Please prayerfully reflect how you can use your time and talents to be a part of our CTS leadership team in one of the above positions. Call or e-mail Lisa at the office (303-666-4655; [ctslcsecretary@qwestoffice.net](mailto:ctslcsecretary@qwestoffice.net)) to share your interest and a Nominating Committee member will contact you to discuss the position(s) in further detail.

September...it’s the closing of a fiscal year and the beginning of a “new activities: get involved” year. Please prayerfully consider what your role is in both and then set things in motion!

Enjoy LIFE!!

Randy Geist, Council President

Feel free to call or contact me at 303.469.1939 or [rlgeist@msn.com](mailto:rlgeist@msn.com)

### **Sign up for Synod weekly news brief from "Rocky Mountain Synod, ELCA"**

Sign up NOW for the RMS Newsletter at this page: <http://rmselca.org/synod/newsletters/index.htm> !

This week they have links to summaries of the recent Synod Assembly!

Check it out: <http://www.rmselca.org/synod/newsletters/landscape/LandscapeAssembly2011co.pdf>

ENJOY!!

## Stewardship



During our stewardship program this year, we asked members to share what is your best advice to make your life simple. Here are a few responses.

### **What is your best advice to make your life simple?**

“Make sure your relationships with God, family and friends are at the top of your priority list.” - Gloria Phillips

“Live below your means. Plan but don’t become obsessed with it. Think of others.”  
- Don Morris

“Don’t buy it if you don’t need it. If you haven’t used it, worn it, need it or made it in a year - get rid of it.”

“Pare down to the necessities”. Melanie Francis

“Focus on your needs, not your wants. Turn your focus to other people’s needs.”

“Delegate! And remember that what you see as life’s complications, others may see as blessings.” Sharon Askew

## Lutheran Campus Ministry

### **Lutheran Campus Ministry Kicks off Fall Semester with Ice Cream, BBQ, & Worship**

Over the summer months worship has brought parable after parable, evocatively describing how God’s new kingdom is springing up and growing in the world. At Lutheran Campus Ministry at the University of Colorado-Boulder a new creation is most certainly emerging. New students are taking their first tentative steps on campus. New classes, schedules, roommates, and routines are all sprouting up around the seasoned, returning students. In the life of campus ministry a new group is forming; pieced together with new students, old students, and a new campus pastor.

That’s right, LCM at CU has a new campus pastor! In July, I was thrilled to accept the call of the LCM Board to become the new Lutheran Campus Pastor at the University of Colorado! My wife, Hannah, and I come most recently from Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Bakersfield, California, after graduating from the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago. With experience in campus ministry at Clemson University and the University of Tennessee, I am excited to engage in this most exciting and critical ministry in the life of the church!



Campus ministry kicked off the fall semester with frozen treats and new pastor trivia on August 21<sup>st</sup> at our Ice Cream Social. Regular Sunday night programming began on August 28<sup>th</sup> with our Welcome Back Bar-B-Q and Worship. New life is springing up in our weekly PUB(lic) THEOLOGY discussion group and as we prepare for a fall retreat with the campus ministries from Colorado State, Northern Colorado, and Wyoming. It is an exciting time on campus!

I invite you to be a part of this growing creation. The principle campus ministry gathering occurs on Sunday evenings when students come together for worship followed by a home cooked meal. We need people or church groups to provide these meals for students, to nurture the new life growing among us. If you or a group you are involved with (youth groups, men’s groups, women’s group, or circles would be great!) are interested in preparing a meal for our students please contact me at [lcmpastor@colorado.edu](mailto:lcmpastor@colorado.edu). Keep up to date with the latest new creation growing at LCM on our Facebook page (‘Lutheran Campus Ministry @ CU Boulder’) and on Twitter (@LCMontheHILL).

As the semester gets under way campus ministry is moving forward full of energy, trusting that this new, exciting creation is a creation held together by the new life Christ brings. We give thanks for your continued prayerful support.

Peace,  
Pastor Zach Parris  
Lutheran Campus Ministry@The University of Colorado

# Opportunities to Serve & What's Happening

## "CTS ANNUAL MEETING LEADERSHIP ELECTION

SEPTEMBER 18, 2011

Following are the positions that are open for election for the next fiscal year that runs from October 2011 to September 2012. Officers/Council Members: 1 year term – President, Vice President, Secretary; 2 year term – Financial Secretary; 3 year term -- (3) General Council Members. Other positions open: 1 year term – (3) Nominating Committee members, (3) Synod Representatives (must have one each male and female); 3 year term – (2) Audit Committee members (staggered terms), (3) Mission Endowment members (staggered terms). Please prayerfully self reflect how you can use your time and talents to be a part of our CTS leadership team in one of the above positions. Call or e-mail Lisa at the office (303-666-4655;

[ctslcsecretary@qwestoffice.net](mailto:ctslcsecretary@qwestoffice.net)) to share your interest and a Nominating Committee member will contact you to discuss

## Get Moving to Help Sister Carmen Move!

The OES committee is going to host a dance this fall to raise money dedicated to the move and expansion of the Sister Carmen Center. We are in very early stages of planning and need some volunteers to help us plan a dance. We specifically need teens, parents of younger children and some adults to help plan this fun event. We are also in need of someone with DJ experience. If you are interested in helping plan this event, please contact OES chair, Mo Kanwischer at [mo@momentumbc.com](mailto:mo@momentumbc.com).

**VBS Volunteers:** An iron stand for the clay fountain that was in the narthex for Easter season is missing. We're wondering if it was moved as part of VBS decorations. It's a black metal ring about 18 inches across with 4 legs a few inches long. It holds a clay bowl fountain that had rocks and a small clay pitcher in it. We found the fountain but not the stand. Please contact Gay Lynn Olsen at 303-775-3482 if you have any leads!"

## WORSHIP

We Need You . . . we are in need of someone to coordinate our Worship Team schedules – Helen MacDonald has done this for quite a while but now is “retiring” so that she can serve in other meaningful ways. (Thank you, Helen!!) Her process has included sending reminders early each week to that week’s volunteers and completing the monthly schedule for the website/newsletter. If you can help with this task, please let us know! Contact the church office (303-666-4655, [ctslcsecretary@qwestoffice.net](mailto:ctslcsecretary@qwestoffice.net)).

**CTS PRAYER CHAIN** We are looking for members who are willing to help others through prayer. We are starting an e-mail prayer “blast.” As a need for prayer is requested, it will be sent out via e-mail so individual prayers can be made immediately. No need to forward or contact another person on the list. To be added to the distribution list send your contact e-mail information to [ctsprayers@gmail.com](mailto:ctsprayers@gmail.com) or contact the church office. If you have a prayer request it can also be sent to [ctsprayers@gmail.com](mailto:ctsprayers@gmail.com) or contact the church office or pastors.

## Choices Divorce Recovery Workshop

Choices Divorce Recovery Workshop will be held at Boulder Valley Christian Church starting Friday, September 23rd. These affordable workshops helps you identify the issues, provides strategies, discusses choices and gives support and hope for adults and children. [www.bvchristian.org](http://www.bvchristian.org) or 303-494-7748 for more information and registration. If you have questions, contact Jerry & Sharon Routt, 303-581-9251, the adult workshop leaders. Confident kids workshop also runs concurrently for K-6.



## SERVING THE COMMUNITY

Wanted for September :  
The Sister Carmen Center provides year-round support to area families in need.

Consider donating the following items to the Blue Barrel this month:  
***Bar Soap, Toilet Paper, Toothpaste & Toothbrush***

Check out Sister Carmen for more news on how you can help make a difference. Thank You!!

## Adult Choir starts Aug. 29th

Adult Choir will start again! Our first rehearsal will be on **Aug. 29<sup>th</sup>** and our first performance will be on **Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>** (no choir practice over the Labor Day weekend). We rehearse on **Mondays from 7 pm till 8:30 pm**, and perform on **Sundays at the 8 am traditional service**. We are a very friendly and fun-loving group and we would love to have some new people join us. As a director, I am flexible in terms of accommodating busy schedules and musical abilities ... yes we can help each other! Please feel free to contact me if you have any interest ([piercemari@hotmail.com](mailto:piercemari@hotmail.com)). Let's make a joyful noise to the Lord together! Thank you, Mari Pierce – Adult Choir Director

## Youth News

Happy September! Lately, I have really been thinking about the word “community” and what does that look like in my life. I was doing a little Google action and found a blog (written by Jason Peaks) that had some great thoughts on community. This is what he had to say, “*In the midst of the world we live in, we are all looking for some sort of place of connection. Whether we realize it or not, we center our lives around connecting. We believe if we can find the right people, then we will be able to create an environment in which we will thrive beyond our wildest imagination. Just consider this: We join gyms & athletic leagues, pledge fraternity/sorority, attend church, frequent book clubs, sculpt our Facebook pages. We just want a place to belong. However, we rarely think that these things will work out. We quit the gym, pull our hamstring, graduate college, church hop - all because we rarely believe that community is a reality. It is just some idealistic human goal.*

*We might try to find some sort of assistance in Scripture to discover community and we get descriptions such as Acts 2.42-47, where this glorious community is founded upon the teaching of Christ and is roofed by the coming of the Holy Spirit. Did I mention that everyone shared in everything? That community is the “ideal” house we want, where “your stuff” that I covet becomes mine through the miracle of Christian generosity. But in the end, perhaps we are still reticent to believe this is really possible? Was it only possible for them and not us? And yet, this idealistic picture is in our Bible, causing us to wonder....*

*In Acts 4.32-35, we hear an echo of Acts 2.42-47, where “all the believers” were: unified in heart and mind, sharing everything, testifying of Jesus’ resurrection, God’s grace upon them, and no one was needy in any way. I easily tend to write off this passage as I did with Acts 2, however, I found something that encouraged me greatly within it. There was a different point of centrality for this community that I failed to realize before. Verse 33 highlighted that this community found its core in Christ and his ability to connect lives, not our attempts to formulate life together.*

*One can find many cultural insights here, whether the writer of Acts is highlighting the Greek ideal of friendship where friends are “one soul dwelling in two bodies” (Aristotle). Or perhaps the Hebrew ideal of how true shalom (fullness) is occurring due to obedience to God, there would be none in need (Deut. 15.4f). But as I read this passage, the transcendent idea is the power of the gospel of Jesus Christ, as it says, “With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and much grace was upon them all” (v.33). That power makes the impossible possible!*

*I know that we live in a world that seems to be full of negativity and criticism, often thwarting things we see in Scripture as rosy religious idealism. But what I see in this passage is that community “is not an ideal which we must realize; it is rather a reality created by God in Christ in which we may participate” (Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Life Together, 30). Skepticism melts in the face of the apostles’ life of generous, gracious living created not by our ability to hold people together but by the gospel of Christ alone. When we face an ideal in Scripture that seems unattainable, begin to testify of Jesus Christ and watch how grace via His Spirit will take an ideal and create a reality. “For by Him, all things were created...and in Him all things hold together” (Col.1.15-17).”*

What does that mean for us and for our community? I love the idea that community is a reality created by God in Christ in which we may participate, helping remind me that in this community we hold in our center Christ and that holds us together, unites us. May we continue to allow God to reach into our lives and connect us brining us closer to Him and to each other.

Blessings on your month! Please check the calendar and youth board for all happening for the month. As always if there is ANYTHING I can do please don’t hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your continued prayers and support for youth and family ministry here at CTS!  
peace!

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### **Middle School Dates to Remember:**

- 9/8 5:30-7:15pm Confirmation kick off with youth & parents
- 9/11 Surge Sunday  
9:15am Festivities  
11:45am Youth Band Practice
- 9/15 5:30-7:15pm Confirmation
- 9/18 11:45am Annual Meeting
- 9/22 5:30-7:15pm Confirmation
- 9/23-9/25 Confirmation Retreat Snow Mountain
- 9/25 11:45am Youth Band Practice
- 9/29 5:30-7:15pm Confirmation



### **High School Dates to Know:**

- 9/6 6-8pm Oh-ey-sis
- 9/11 Surge Sunday  
9:15am Festivities  
11:45am Youth Band Practice  
12pm Confirmation Mentor Kick Off
- 9/12 7 pm Youth Committee
- 9/13 6-8pm Oh-ey-sis
- 9/18 11:45am Annual Meeting
- 9/20 6-8pm Oh-ey-sis
- 9/25 11:45am Youth Band Practice
- 9/27 6-8pm Oh-ey-sis Dig Deep



# Children's Ministry News September 2011

## Sunday School Excitement!

Sunday School for all ages starts September 11 with fun Rally Day activities. Regular classes begin the next Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup>. Sunday school for our children and youth will be as follows:

- ✚ Begins with an active opening in the sanctuary
- ✚ 3 year-olds and Pre-Kindergarteners: Meet to hear Bible stories and take part in activities that help them remember the story
- ✚ Kindergarten through 3rd grade: Learn about a message from the Bible by rotating through a different activity each week such as Movies, Art, Computers, Science and Cooking.
- ✚ 4th and 5<sup>th</sup> grade joint class: Learn more about the day's scripture with discussions and activities. Put their faith into action with regular service projects within the congregation and in the larger community. (service projects are during Sunday School time)
- ✚ Special music days and whole congregation activity days will be held throughout the year.

## Calling All Sunday School Servants!

Sign-up now to be part of children's Sunday school! Why? Because sharing your life with our young ones will bless both you and them! Here are the opportunities and what they look like:

- ✚ Preschool: 4 team leaders to work in pairs are needed to teach classroom style Sunday School to 3 year-olds and Pre-Kindergarteners for a semester  
*Teaching Sunday school to our preschool children is a great joy! Looking at our world through a preschoolers eyes truly is a wonderful thing. Volunteers for the preschool room can't help but enjoy the energy, enthusiasm and simple, but often thought provoking questions raised by our youngest church goers.*
- ✚ Rotation Leader (K-3) : Teams of 2 leaders, 4 week commitment per rotation  
*Rotation leaders prepare a lesson in a content area (art, science, computers, etc.) and present the lesson to a different group of students each week. It is a fun way to meet different kids each week, and you get to teach in a content area you feel comfortable with. (Plus, once you have prepared the lesson, you only need to modify it a bit each week for that age group. :-)* The 1<sup>st</sup> 4 week rotation is September 18 through October 9.
- ✚ Shepherd (K-3) : 4 shepherds – one per class – for a semester  
*Being a shepherd is a fun way to get to know a group of children – maybe your child's classmates. Each grade is assigned a shepherd. The shepherd participates with their students in the Sunday School opening and then goes with the class to that day's rotation. No lesson planning necessary!*
- ✚ 4th/5th Grade: 4 team leaders to work in pairs for a semester  
*This is a great opportunity to build relationships with kids who are ready to talk about living their faith! 4th & 5th Sunday School will provide these students—many of whom have been part of the rotation model for several years—a chance to meet as a group, talk more in-depth about Christian values, and work on service projects. Each pair of leaders would typically prepare lessons and meet with the students throughout a single cycle (which lasts 4 to 5 weeks).*
- ✚ Sunday Morning Support volunteer: 1 person for a semester  
*The Support volunteer is available every week during Sunday school to serve as a resource for parents and teachers. Duties include unlocking rooms, taking attendance, helping teachers, and communicating needs to staff and committees. No preparation or lesson planning is required.*
- ✚ Substitute leaders/shepherds: *filling in as needed*

Training, lesson plans and materials are provided.

To volunteer or get more information contact Jennifer Kugel [j\\_kugel@comcast.net](mailto:j_kugel@comcast.net) or just sign your name on the children's Sunday School sheets located on the bulletin board in the church entry.

## Bible Buddies– Kindergarten- 2nd grade youth group

We are in need of folks who would like to work with Kirsten Barnocky planning and carrying out monthly events for the K-2nd age group. Would you be up for helping plan a couple? Maybe help be at one of the events?

Contact Kirsten Barnocky at [imkir1@msn.com](mailto:imkir1@msn.com).

## Crazie Christians- 3rd-5th grade youth group

We are in need of folks who would like to work with Vikki Granger planning and carrying out monthly events for the 3rd-5th age group. Would you be up for helping plan a couple? Maybe help be at one of the events?

Contact Vikki Granger at [vlg517@skybeam.com](mailto:vlg517@skybeam.com)

# Fellowship

## Red Hats

**CTS Red Hats join us for a FREE visit to the Denver Art Museum**



**on September 10th.** The special exhibit is "Clay

Around the World." Native American dancers will perform too.

Enjoy the new museum expansion. Car-pool from church at 9:00am. We'll have lunch together there. RSVP Sharon Grove, the queen mum ([artsy808@hotmail.com](mailto:artsy808@hotmail.com)).

## Women of the ELCA Rocky Mountain Synod Fall Gathering – The Unpaved Road, Saturday October 15th.

The gathering will be held in lovely Estes Park at Shepherd of the Mountains Lutheran Church from 9:00am – 3:00pm. Registration is \$50 and includes lunch & child care. Enjoy the leadership of women theologians as the group explores the journey to find God's path for each of us. Please register on your own but a carpool sign-up will be posted in the Narthex.

For more info, visit [www.rmselca.org/women](http://www.rmselca.org/women). "Your road led through the sea,

*your pathway through the mighty waters – a pathway no one knew was there!"*  
Ps 77:19 *The Living Bible*

## Book Club

**CTS Women's Book Club** will meet on **September 30th** at the Louisville Cultural Arts Center (801 Grant Street), for Stories on Stage, excerpts from *The Worst Hard Time* by Timothy Egan. Meet there at 7:15pm, our discussion will follow.

Questions? Contact Sharon Grove, queen mum, ([artsy808@hotmail.com](mailto:artsy808@hotmail.com)).

## Men's Bible Breakfast

1st Saturday each month from 8:30-10:00am.

Come hungry!!



## SAVE THE DATE!

September 24th Celebration  
Join us to Celebrate New Beginnings  
Prison Congregation @ 5:30pm.  
Many hand knitted and crocheted items from the women on the inside will be available for silent auction.  
Holy Cross Lutheran Church

4500 Wadsworth, Co 80033

Please be thinking about your donations ie: hand made items, baskets etc.

If you have any questions, please contact Heiko Meyer at

[heikomeyer01@gmail.com](mailto:heikomeyer01@gmail.com).

## "CONVERSATIONS THAT MATTER"

**With local leaders and teachers**

**St. John's Cathedral**

**Sunday, September 11, 2011 1:30 - 3:00pm**

Topics include People of Faith Speak Out: What do I love and what troubles me of my own tradition?

Creating a Safe Space for Public Discourse: How do we know what is fair to discuss with "the other"?

## "A Multifaith Service of Rememberance" Healing, and Hope"

**St John's Cathedral Sanctuary**

**Sunday, September 11, 2011**

A service of music, word and symbolism lead by leaders of the three Abrahamic faiths.

FOR FURTHER DETAILS ON THE ABOVE TWO EVENTS, PLEASE SEE FLYERS THAT ARE POSTED IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL AND NARTHEX.

# Check It Out! Library & E-News !



A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23 (DEV-KEL). My life, and perhaps yours, proceeds too quickly. With that in mind, this little book of 140 pages takes the time in reflect on each line of Psalm 23 in depth. Each chapter is based upon a single line of this Psalm.

The author, Phillip Keller, was born to Christian missionaries in Africa, was trained in agrology (the science of agriculture production) in Canada, spending years in

ranch development in British Columbia and ecological research and conservation in East Africa. He wrote 35 religious books. One of his books "Lessons from a Sheep Dog" is about how his experiences as a beginning sheep herder, and how his dog Lass (an abused border collie) was transformed into a wonderful and helpful dog.

Thumbing through the book, the discussion makes references to a variety of Biblical passages, here and there. The book discusses life in general, though usually there is a sheep-related word on each page. Words have many meanings, and the author

takes full advantage of the richness of the English language. I liked what I read on a random selection of pages.

Steve Massie

## E-NEWS!

✠ Follow this link to access CTS website calendar page ~ This page gets worked on weekly and is shaping up for your viewing pleasure!

<http://ctsonline.org/about/calendar-page/>

✠ Additionally, our Worship Team Schedule is still available on our website for those who serve weekly.



Women of the ELCA  
Rocky Mountain Synod  
**Fall Gathering**

*The Unpaved Road*

Your road led through the sea, your pathway  
through the mighty waters – a pathway no one  
knew was there! Ps 77:19 *The Living Bible*



**Saturday 9:00 am – 3:00 pm**

**Registration - \$50 (includes lunch & child care)**

**Pick your date and location**

**Saturday, Oct. 15, 2011**

**Estes Park, CO**

Shepherd of the Mountains Lutheran

**Wheatland, WY**

Covenant Lutheran

**Saturday, Oct. 22, 2011**

**Salt Lake City, UT**

Our Savior's Lutheran

**Albuquerque, NM**

All Saints Lutheran

Enjoy the leadership of women theologians as each group explores the journey to find God's path for each of us.

Please look for the publicity materials later this summer where registration forms, weekend activities, Friday night accommodations and local charity information will be available.

[www.rmseca.org/women](http://www.rmseca.org/women)

## What's Happening



### DENIM & *Diamonds*

Lutheran Family Services' 18th Annual Innkeeper Dinner will be held Tuesday, September 20th, 2011 at The Antlers Hilton Hotel, Colorado Springs. The event begins at 5:30pm and includes a live auction, dinner and live music. Cost is \$60 per person and attire is Diamonds to Denim. Register online at <http://www.lfsc.org/> or for more information, call 719.314.0232.



Thank you Christ the Servant! In response to a request from Meals on Wheels of East Boulder County, our congregation raised \$1,250 for Meals on Wheels to support two people in Lafayette with nutritious meals for a whole year. At last weekend's services, we received a temple talk and gratitude from leaders of Meals on Wheels and we presented them with the sponsorship check to support this family in need. But we are not done yet! If you would like to contribute to Meals on Wheels to help neighbors in need, you can make a donation to CTS and write MOW on the memo line of your check or envelope. Also, thanks for caring and sharing in our non-profit organization of serving hot noon meals to homebound clients in the east boulder county area. Thank you.

## A Moment of Thanks

During my last week of summer vacation I was out for a walk and as I passed by Christ the Servant, I stopped for a moment, admiring the beauty of the green grass and trees surrounding our church building, paused, and gave thanks for all of those who volunteer their time and energy to maintain our building and grounds. As I continued on my walk I began to think of so many others in our congregation who give freely of their time, talents, and gifts, and who have touched my life, as well as so many others in our congregation and community.

I am thankful for.....

Those who organize fellowship events such as women's retreats and men's baseball, potlucks, and progressive dinners! Fellowship leads to friendship!

All of the "night owls" who walked to "wave good-bye to cancer" in the Relay for Life

Those who set up for worship each week and clean out the pews during the week so that our sanctuary looks beautiful for worship

The youth who sing praises to the Lord and bring wonderful energy to worship

The seamstresses who sew beautiful banners for our sanctuary

Those who make sure that the coffee and tea is ready each Sunday morning

Committees who work behind the scenes to bring education to all ages

All the "financial people" who spend endless hours working on our church budget

Our dedicated council president and council who work endless hours to serve this congregation

Those who serve meals at the Boulder Homeless Shelter, Sister Carmen volunteers, and those who give up their Saturdays to build homes for Habitat for Humanity

The musicians at our church who touch my heart with music each Sunday and leave me with a song to carry me through the week

So many of you who offer a smile, greeting, card, email, phone call, at just the right time for those who are hurting or in need. For so many CTS has become their extended family

My list could certainly go on and on, as we are a congregation of "movers and shakers", called to serve and share in community with one another.

Thanks be to God! Debbie Kinz

## Christ the Servant Lutheran Church

**Ministers** – The People of CTS

**Pastors** – Joel Brandt  
Annemarie Burke

**Staff**

Admin. Asst. – Lisa Williams  
Adult Choir Dir. – Mari Pierce  
Bookkeeper – Mary Volz  
Comm. Crd. – Christina Monsoloin  
Cont. Band Dir. – Dan Graeber  
Facilities Mgr. – Mike Clark  
Nursery - Donna Coleman  
Organ/Keyboard – Dan Graeber  
Youth Ministry – Kayla Aspeslagh

**Council Officers**

President – Randy Geist  
Vice President – John Patti  
Secretary – Jane Massie  
Financial Secretary – Jodi Ealy  
Treasurer – Pam Nelson

**Committee Contacts**

Admin. Support – Gudrun Emrich  
Audit – Brenda Roberts  
Bible Buddies – Lizzie Liles,  
Kirsten Barnocky  
Children’s Ministry – Gina Clark  
Crazy Christians – Vikki Granger  
Endowment – Mark Rohm  
Facilities – Bill Kauffman  
Finance – Jim Barnocky  
Fellowship – Vacant  
Meals Ministry – Janet Geist  
OES – Maureen Kanwischer  
Prayer Chain – Liz Stimmel  
Staff Support – Don Morris  
Worship – Sue Brandt  
Worship Schedule – Helen MacDonald  
Youth Ministry – Vacant

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### Christ the Servant 2010 Financial Update

Offerings received (July) – \$40,346

YTD (Oct-July)	Actual	Budgeted	Difference
Income:*	\$ 422,082	\$ 452,833	(30,751)
Expenses:	\$ 421,457	\$ 442,495	(21,038)
Variance <Loss>:	\$ 625	\$ 10,338	(9,713)
<b>Monthly (JULY)</b>			
Income:*	\$ 40,346	\$ 41,046	(700)
Expenses:	\$ 42,824	\$ 43,828	(1,004)
Variance <Loss>	\$ (2,478)	(2,782)	304

2011 YTD Attendance Average: 215

2010 YTD Attendance Average: 220

2009 YTD Attendance Average: 244

\*Please note that our income receipt budget is based on a curve from previous year's giving, and fluctuates from month to month. Expenses are budgeted equally each month. Summer income is historically lower, while expenses will remain the same.

Please Contact Christ the Servant:

- ✦ When your address, phone, or family information changes
- ✦ When a member of your family is in the hospital
- ✦ When you'd like to schedule or cancel a meeting
- ✦ When you have a joy to share or a prayer concern, or feel the church can assist you in any way



We, the Christ the Servant staff, continually give thanks for Christ the Servant community.

As we gather weekly at our staff meetings, we will be praying for you and your families and giving praise for all you do in our community!

If you have any additional prayers, please write them on your attendance sheet or let us know. We love all of you!