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Christ Church CONNECTIONS

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Christ Church United Methodist: A Reconciling Congregation

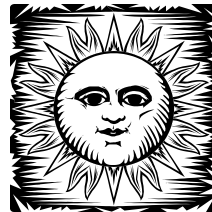
✧ All-Church Picnic ✧

SUNDAY, JUNE 13 — 11:45 A.M.

Robinson Park (Fairfax St. & E. 3rd Ave.)

Invite your friends & neighbors to join us!

The Children's Education Committee is excited to present the Annual CCUM All-Church Picnic, to be held this year in Robinson Park just following the worship service on Sunday, June 13. Come to worship on July 13 in your best "picnic attire," then join us at the park for great food and fun! Games will include a water-balloon toss, piñata, 3-leg race, and other activities appropriate for all ages. A main dish will be provided; please bring salads, desserts, chips, water bottles and other non-alcoholic beverages. Other great items to bring to the picnic include lawn chairs, card tables, frisbees, and other outdoor games. See you on June 13 at the CCUM All-Church Picnic!



Christ Church is a United Methodist congregation committed to theological pluralism and cultural inclusiveness. Our faith community encourages a thoughtful approach to religion, taking seriously both the heart and the mind in nurturing the spirit. We strive to meet the world around us with compassion and love. We seek wholeness in living by working to identify, articulate, and act on the connections between our personal lives and the world around us.

Our hope is that you will find here a Christian community of integrity that will challenge you and encourage you in your spiritual journey. We offer many opportunities for congregational involvement and community service. We invite you to be a part of our congregation.

United Methodist Women

The UMW Leadership Team for Mission and VIBE will be taking a break for the summer and will not meet.

An Invitation for all women of the church: The Summer Brunch sponsored by the UMW is scheduled for August 14 at the home of Julie Zerbe. Details for the brunch and program will be announced at a later date.

The UMW reading books for 2010 are now available in the church library. The books are chosen from four study categories. These books are available to all. Just check them out when you take them, please:

Education for Mission. *Where Mercy Fails: Darfur's Struggle to Survive.* This book documents one of the greatest humanitarian crises of our time now taking place in Darfur, Sudan, and shows the conflict to be political, environmental and intimately personal.

Nurturing for Community. *The Undertaker's Wife: Wisdom and Musings: Life in a Small Town Funeral Home.* No one will forget the people who pass through the home of *The Undertaker's Wife*.

Spiritual Growth. *A Life Shaping Prayer: 52 Meditations in the Wesleyan Spirit.* Based on a special 18th-century prayer, these meditations center on such key questions as, Who is God to me? What can I give to God? How does God shape my life?

Social Action. *The Other Game: Lessons from How Life is Played in Mexican Villages.* Villagers' way of life, work and families reveal alternatives for creating a sustainable future for all on the planet.

The Road of Lost Innocence: A True Story of a Cambodian Heroine, by Somaly Mam. Sold into sexual slavery as a child and shuttled around Southeast Asia for years, the author's life story illustrates triumph over unthinkable adversity. This is a story of an awakened activist and her brave fight against powerful forces stealing the lives of children around the world.

—Lorrie Wright

EDITOR'S NOTE: The next issue of *Christ Church Connections* will be a combined issue for July and August, and will be released on Sunday, July 11. The deadline for article submission is Monday, July 5.

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Sunday Morning Schedule:

SUMMER Schedule:

10:15 a.m. WORSHIP

11:15 a.m. Coffee Hour

(Children's & Adult Education
will resume in September)

Church Office Hours:

9:00 a.m.—12:00 noon;

1:00 — 3:00 p.m.

Monday—Thursday

CLOSED on Friday

Joys & Announcements

- **Thank you** to Rev. Carolyn Waters for her seven years of ministry with Christ Church United Methodist. We wish her well on her continued ministry with the congregation at Applewood Valley United Methodist in Golden.
- **Thank you** to Eric Strader, our former Iliff intern and most recently Student Pastor. Eric has been appointed Associate Pastor of a new consortium of United Methodist congregations in south Denver.
- As your district lay leader, I am proud to announce that, **Jane Smith, our candidate for the Metro District Quiet Disciple**, has been elected. Jane will be honored at a lay leader's luncheon on Saturday, June 19, during the Annual Conference. There were many nominees, but Jane's quiet accomplishments in our church caught the committee's eye. —
Kenita Gibbins



Cares & Concerns

- Please continue to keep **Bonnie Whittlesey** in your prayers. Cards may be sent to: 7877 E. Mississippi, #707E, Denver 80247.

✧ Children's Education ✧

The Children's Education Committee is planning a weekend camping trip to Bear Creek Lake on July 9-11, 2010. If you would like information or to reserve a spot please contact Kirsten Reilly or other members of the committee.

✧ Birthday Reception ✧

Clarence Horton invites Christ Church friends and family to June Horton's 80th birthday party on Wednesday, June 9, from 2:00—4:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. No gifts, please, but birthday cards are welcome.

✧ Reconciling Ministries ✧

PRIDEFEST PARADE

Denver LGBT PrideFest will be held this year on Saturday, June 19, and Sunday, June 20. We will once again be staffing a water booth as a Non-Profit Vending Partner, as well as marching in the Parade on Sunday morning. We need volunteers to staff the water booth on Saturday between 1:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m., and Sunday between 10:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m. Steven Nytko is heading up the water booth. Please contact him with your availability to participate. Phone: 303-394-2086, e-mail: sanytko@yahoo.com.

Billy Rediess will be heading up the parade participation for Sunday, June 20. Sign-up sheets will be available for both volunteer opportunities on Sundays through June; more information about the parade will be announced before services. —*Jay Kline*



Christ Church Calendar: June 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY		
<p style="text-align: center;">June Coffee Hour: Social Action Committee</p>		<p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10:30 a.m. Staff meeting • 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts 	<p>2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7:00 p.m. Dances for Universal Peace 	<p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3:30 p.m. Neuropathy Support • 5:30 p.m. Mosaic Youth Chorus • 6:00 p.m. Easting Disorder Support 	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:00 a.m. Debtors Anonymous 		
		<p>6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10:15 a.m. Worship • 11:15 a.m. Coffee 	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10:30 a.m. Staff meeting • 6:00 p.m. Children's Ed Committee • 6:00 p.m. Trustees • 7:00 p.m. Steering Committee 	<p>9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2:00 p.m. June Horton birthday event • 7:00 p.m. Dances for Universal Peace 	<p>10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5:30 p.m. Mosaic Youth Chorus • 6:00 p.m. Easting Disorder Support 	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:00 a.m. Debtors Anonymous • 7:30 p.m. Mosaic Youth Chorus concert
		<p>13</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10:15 a.m. Worship • 11:15 a.m. Coffee • 11:45 a.m. All-Church Picnic (offsite) 	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10:30 a.m. Staff meeting • 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts 	<p>16</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7:00 p.m. Dances for Universal Peace 	<p>17</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3:30 p.m. Neuropathy Support • 5:30 p.m. Mosaic Youth Chorus • 6:00 p.m. Easting Disorder Support 	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:00 a.m. Debtors Anonymous
		<p>20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10:15 a.m. Worship • 11:15 a.m. Coffee 	<p>21</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4:00 p.m. Rocky Mountain Children's Choir rehearsal 	<p>22</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10:30 a.m. Staff meeting 	<p>23</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7:00 p.m. Dances for Universal Peace 	<p>24</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5:30 p.m. Mosaic Youth Chorus • 6:00 p.m. Easting Disorder Support 	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:00 a.m. Debtors Anonymous
		<p>27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10:15 a.m. Worship • 11:15 a.m. Coffee • 6:30 p.m. Denver Gay Men's Chorus rehearsal <p>Koins for Kids</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10:30 a.m. Staff meeting 	<p>30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7:00 p.m. Dances for Universal Peace 	<p style="text-align: center;">Christ Church Connections Deadline for combined July/August article submissions (issue released on Sunday, July 11): July 5, 2010 Submit articles to: briggs@christchurchcolorado.org</p>		