The Shepherd's Crook



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Joyce Matthews

John Shaeffer Paul Steward Barbara Swanson Good news! Good Shepherd has an interim pastor!

Please welcome Rev. Sheri Fry as Good Shepherd's interim. Rev. Fry's home is in Denver. After leaving Montview Church, she was the Interim Pastor for United Presbyterian Church in Laramie, Wyoming from 2017-2019 and then served as Interim Associate Executive Presbyter in the Heartland Presbytery in Kansas City, Missouri from 2109-2020. What Rev. Fry identified as being important to her and her leadership are things which are important to Good Shepherd - implementing participatory programs. She is looking for a church that is willing to explore opportunities for growth through leadership, service, caregiving and mission. She wants to serve a church where love is nurtured through spiritual fulfillment, community, tolerance, peace, non-violence, and Rev. Fry will begin her full-time duties by preaching on social justice. September 20, 2020. After September 20, Rev. Fry may be reached through the church office or by email: revmo25@gmail.com or her cell phone number 303-465-3883.

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September Birthdays

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Joyce Matthews	Sept. 1
Judy Mesnard	Sept. 5
Dick Kelly	Sept. 5
Garrett Tillery	Sept. 7
Teddie McConnell	Sept. 13
Ashton Rouse	Sept. 13
Bob Mitchell	Sept. 14
Jackson Gabbard	Sept. 16
Jan Myers	Sept. 17
Colleen Wager	Sept. 18
David Wolters	Sept. 22
Trenity Tanner	Sept. 24
Roger Sillars	Sept. 26
Nancy Miller	Sept. 29



Prayer Needs

Jerry Wetzel's grandson, Jay Wolcott, who had a kidney transplant

Our military men & women
Our first responders & health care workers
Clients of our Food Bank
Heather Chimhoga Orphan Care
(HCOC) in Zimbabwe
Guatemala Mission Partnership
Highlands Camp and Retreat Center
Our church, that it may thrive as it brings
the good news to our area.

The completed remodel is getting closer.

The fire alarm system is still the biggest issue and will be completed by the first week of September.

Electrical system/wiring has been completed. The main air conditioning unit is on for the offices. Fellowship hall AC will be completed this week.

Floors are in and look great. The walls are painted and the new ceiling is installed.

Bathrooms are close to completion and will be finished by the time you read this. One bathroom downstairs had to be modified so the one upstairs could hook into it.

New tri-fold doors off the patio have been installed. These will provide better and easier access between the patio and the fellowship hall.

The Food Bank is back up and running.

Beaver Builders will help move all furniture back down to it's proper places (offices and fellowship hall) starting Thursday, 8/27.

There will be a keypad on the door by the kitchen. No keys will be issued. We will need to have all new codes for anyone needing access to the fellowship hall when the office is closed. An email will go out when we are ready to start setting the new codes. They will be 5-number codes.

We will also be installing a camera security system.

Once everything is finished and looking pretty again, we will let you know when you can drop by and see how everything looks.

--Noel

Zoom Bible Study

Our study of the book of Amos concludes on Tuesday, Sept. 1st at 11am. The link to connect is below.

Join Zoom Meeting
https://us02web.zoom.us/
j/85967114684
Meeting ID: 859 6711 4684





UPDATE FROM THE ZIMBABWE MISSION PARTNERSHIP

As you may already know, conditions in Zimbabwe have become even more difficult during the world-wide pandemic. Schools at the HCOC have been closed for many months, as have the feeding stations connected to them. Instead, staff members deliver food supplies to children's homes, where they have had some contact with the children and also discovered that many are experiencing neglect and abuse.

You will recall that the Elephant Rock Bike Ride, the ZMP's traditional largest fundraiser for our friends in Zimbabwe, was cancelled in June. The smaller alternative bike ride, held on July 12 in Brighton, was very successful (thank you, Teddie, David and Stephen!), but the \$40,000 donated was significantly less than the \$65,000 normally raised. Consequently, the ZMP Board has determined that another fund-raiser is in order.

Hopefully, schools in Zimbabwe will reopen soon, which means the feeding programs will also resume. Costs will increase for those normal services and for additional services related to fighting the COVID19 virus. Also, UNICEF has sharply reduced the medicine it gives the Clinic.

Following is a list of some of the specific items and services that you have the opportunity to provide for the HCOC:

- \$20 will pay for Personal Protective Equipment for 10 children for 1 school term
- \$30 will pay for 1 child's school fees for 1 school term
- \$50 will cover 1 child-headed orphan family's food supplies for 1 month
- \$75 will provide 40 orphans with 1 month of meals at the feeding center by their school
- \$100 will cover the salary of a visiting doctor for 1 month
- \$120 will renovate the housing structure of 1 child-headed home
- \$150 will pay for AIDS medicines for 4 orphan children for 1 year

Or you may donate an amount of your choice for "wherever it's most needed".

If your heart urges you to participate in this funding for the HCOC, please write a check payable to Good Shepherd Presbyterian and note in memo that it is for the Zimbabwe Mission Partnership. God bless you! Thank you so much from the children in Zimbabwe!!

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To bring the love and teachings of Christ to our community by:



Welcoming all,
Serving together, and
Growing in faith.



Mission Statement
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