

**Our Saviour's**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

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### **Mission Statement**

*"Our Saviour's Lutheran Church welcomes all to the love of Christ through  
Worshipping, Learning, and Serving."*

### **Welcome Statement**

*We are a Christian community committed to ministry in Fort Collins and the world. We rejoice in the  
manner in which diversity has enriched, nurtured and challenged our lives and the ministry we share in  
Christ, and we invite all to participate in Word and Sacrament without discrimination due to  
race, creed, sexual orientation, or financial status.*

## What to Expect When You're Expecting... An Intern!

Our Saviour's has been selected as a year-long learning site for a pastoral intern, starting in August. This is an exciting opportunity for the whole congregation to walk in faith with a pastor-in-training. Think of our congregation as a learning partner as a future pastor tries out ministry skills. An internship is required for anyone preparing to serve as an ordained leader in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Come learn more about the internship program and our intern Diana Linden-Johnson. The OSLC Internship Support Committee will host an adult learning class -- **What to Expect When You're Expecting... An Intern!** -- on **Sunday, May 18, at 9:45 a.m.**(and again on Sunday morning, June 1).

In the meantime, feel free to chat with any committee member: Ruth Brown, Mary Miller, Wes Petersen, Eric Peterson, and Lois Samer.

The role of the newly-formed Internship Support Committee is to lay the groundwork for Diana's arrival and to provide counsel, encouragement, and evaluation during the internship. Watch for plenty of ways for *you* to get involved in the internship. For now, it's not too soon to begin praying for Diana and our role in shaping a new pastor.

**About our intern:** Our intern first sensed a call to ordained ministry as a high school student at Zion Lutheran Church in Loveland. A resident of Fort Collins, Diana earned her Master of Divinity degree from Iliff School of Theology, Denver, and recently completed a year of study through Luther Seminary. Diana and her partner Michaele are the parents of Ellie (4) and Aiden (1).



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## Pastor's Page

Jesus said to the disciples, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me."  
John 14:1

Our memory verse for the season of Easter *sounds* simple right? Just chill, relax, and believe. Yet it doesn't *feel* that simple does it? To put these words from Jesus into practice in our daily life can be a challenge and feel like an overwhelming task, a call to 'not let our hearts be troubled' may be something that is not so achievable in the face of all that troubles us and traps us in this world.

And yet, there is where the promise still lies, in the hope of the resurrection and in the faithfulness of Christ to us and for the world. At our women's retreat in March we heard some words that I ponder in my heart regularly now: Trust God. Love People. Again, maybe not so simple, and yet maybe it is. Our trust in God to be God—to be merciful, forgiving and loving—frees us to act with love for people reaching out to not only care for them but to show our love in the name of the Holy Spirit.

This summer will bring many opportunities for living out trusting God and loving people. I hope that you engage with us in many of these ways such as the June picnics and opportunities for worship and camping and being the church out in the world. One of the best ways we will engage our community this summer is through our summer Vacation Bible School June 16-20 in the mornings. VBS has a place in our church and in our community because it is all about reaching out and sharing the love of Christ. When we offer our time, our building, our resources and our energy---a LOT Of our energy!--we are offering a way for many to hear the word in a new way and even for the first time. This is a rich opportunity to say YES to our kids and YES to the kids in the community—Yes you are welcome! Yes you can come here for 5 mornings for very little cost and not only be taken care of but LOVED, CHERISHED, and ENJOYED.

It is my hope and prayer that the children who come this summer, no matter their background will know that just that simply that they are loved by us and by God. This goal and focus is what also breathes new life into a long standing summer tradition and also brings our congregation together to trust God to help us to Love people. And I hope you will consider joining us for the week or for part of the week in making this a great experience for all who enter and all who go out and share the love of Christ that they experience here.

As we rest in God's promises of Easter may we live them out each day in whatever ways we are called and may you always know the Spirit of God in your midst wherever you are.

Blessings,

+*Pastor Leta*

## Spiritual Growth and Development

### No Time for Spirituality? No Time to Spend with God?

Pursuing a spiritual journey in life is frequently avoided because it is assumed that it takes too much time. Of course, everything we do takes time. That is what time is for - to do things - to live.

What about time and pursuing a more spiritual life? Two ideas might be helpful, if indeed we are interested but hesitant because of time constraints.

One idea is to recognize that a basic principle of spirituality is that it is not necessarily doing something 'more' than we are already doing, but is a different, and perhaps, more efficient way of doing what we already are doing or feel we must do.

Spirituality is not an 'add on', but a new perspective and orientation to life and everything we do in life - every day. It simply puts brackets around our day and says to us: "This is your day with God. The Holy One will accompany you every minute today, and with this assistance there will be less stress and more efficiency. You just do the work. God will take over the stress - if you will only allow this intervention."

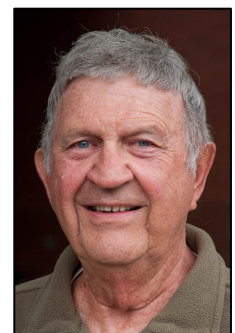
So begin the day with: "Good morning, God. Thanks for joining me. Let's see if it is true that you will help me with my load today, if I am willing to let you. Help me let go of the worry part of my work and just do what I am supposed to do, letting you take the concern for the outcome of my efforts. Show me what you can do." The secret here is that God loves being with us and conversing with us.

The second idea for the day is to accept the fact that a spiritual journey can take time - time to which we must give priority. Basically, that involves a time for prayer - simple conversation with God. This is best done in moments of stillness, forcing our frantic minds out of gear and into neutral for a few minutes. Nothing could be more healthy in and of itself, furthermore it creates a fully purposeful way of being in the world.

This is the time to ask God for that gift of a new and different perspective of what lies ahead for us. It is not likely that our work of the day is a matter of life or death, so we need to put it into perspective. It is only a day - a days work. Our entire life is not at stake. Let go of those crazy feelings that it is. Today is the only day we have at this moment so let's not allow it to be consumed by worry.

Try the above and today you will consciously be with God. God will be with you - by your side - within your spirit. Enjoy that all day. End the day with: "Good day, God! - thanks - can we do it again tomorrow?" You betcha!!

*Pastor Fred Castor, Spiritual Guide*



# Welcoming all through worship...

## Worship & Music Corner, May 2014

### Time After Easter Worship

#### Easter Memory Verse:

*Jesus said to the disciples, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me."*

*(John 14:1)*

### Worship Schedule - May

May 4: ELW 4 -

Chancel Choir & Bell Choir (8:30)

Jubilate Choir (11:00)

May 11: He Is Our Peace & ELW 10 - Mother's Day

Celebration Band & Cherub Choir (8:30)

Consensus Brass (11:00)

May 18: Now the Feast and Celebration - With Recognition of Graduates

Youth Choirs (8:30)

Chancel & Bell Choirs (11:00)

May 25: With One Voice

Windstrings (8:30 & 11:00)

### EASTER BLESSINGS AND THANKS

Thank you so much to all the talented individuals and groups that helped make our Holy Week services and Easter celebrations so meaningful! OSLC is blessed to have so many wonderful musicians, actors, and behind the scenes workers!

Special thanks to the following:

- All of the musical groups and their directors. Your leadership throughout our Holy Week worship was wonderful and you added meaning and beauty to all our services.
- All of the special musicians who added their talents to our services: Beth Wells - cello , Christine Walker - oboe, Jerry Freier - clarinet, Peter Carlson - percussion, Consensus Brass, Crystal Kerr - piano & organ
- Our Good Friday readers and actors: AJ Johnson, Laura Burlingame-Lee, Chris Hutchinson, Charlie Spillman, Kendra Hanson, Rob Behrens, Stephanie Selig, and Mitchell Khouri.
- Our Sunday School teachers and tribe leaders who helped create all the worship art and activities for our Easter Vigil service.

**May 25th, 2014**

Summer schedule begins.

5:30PM Saturday

9:00AM Sunday



**Worship  
Schedule  
for the  
Summer**

The Lutheran Chorale invites to an afternoon or evening of music that **“Runs in the Family”**. It seems that many great composers weren’t alone. Often a sibling or son or daughter was also gifted with the ability to write beautiful music. We close our season with pieces composed by musical talent that runs in the family. Our concert will include Olaf Christiansen’s ***“Light Everlasting”***, ***“Alleluia”*** by Praetorius, ***“Hear my Prayer/O for the wings of a dove”*** by Mendelssohn, ***“Jesus Loves Me”*** and more. Our concerts will be on **Sunday, May 4, 2014** at 3pm at **St Peter Lutheran Church**, 9300 E. Belleview Ave., Greenwood Village, and 7:30 pm at **Hosanna Lutheran Church**, 10304 W. Belleview Avenue, Littleton. Tickets will be available at the door. Tickets costs are \$15 for adults, \$12 for seniors/ students, and \$25 for families. For more information visit our website at [www.thelutheranchorale.org](http://www.thelutheranchorale.org), or call Linda Blandin at [303-973-1161](tel:303-973-1161).

**May 4 Mike & Peg Hoover**

**May 11 Jerry Freier & Melanie Reed**

**May 18**

**May 25**



Flower procedure—You may use flowers from your garden or a florist. Please place the flowers in the Sanctuary prior to Saturday evening service (5:30 pm). They can be picked up after the Sunday service. The Flower Chart is posted on the wall in the Narthex.

### Long Term Prayers

**Jack Means; Margaret Means;**  
**Dorothy Pederson** (Matt’s mother);  
**Johanna Carpine** (friend of Ann & Steve Story); all  
 service men & women  
*God bless our praying.*

# Welcoming all through learning...

Join the   
Conversation!

## ***Bible Studies for May***

During the month of May we will conclude our Bible Study for this school year by studying II Corinthians.

This past year there has been an average of 25 – 30 people for Bible Study each week. Your participation nurtures and supports all of us in our Christian faith. Thank you. In addition, I also want to encourage others to join with your brothers and sisters for Bible Study on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. or Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m. Please come; all are invited even if your attendance is infrequent.

*David Barber*

## **Men's Bible Study**

**Men's Bible Study and Breakfast** Wednesday's at 6:45AM. (Coffee's on at 6:15). We're done by 7:45. April 23rd we begin studying the book of John (1 chapter each week). Bring your bibles and \$10 for a warm breakfast!



The first week in April we stomped all around the church with our Dinosaur voices and feet. I know the office is delighted this week was over. We stuffed paper Dinosaurs, glued shapes on Dinosaurs and sponged painted our favorite Dinosaurs. Of course the highlight is always making a Volcano at the end of our week.

The second week we studied all about creepy crawlers. Ms. Nancy even took them outside to find some but the creepy crawlers were much smarter and were still hiding. We tie-dyed a caterpillar and made rock lady bugs. We went on a field trip to the Museum of Discovery for our field trip. Thank you to everyone who helped us drive.

The third week we celebrated Easter. We made beautiful Easter eggs out of food coloring and condensed milk. We made bunny plates and bunny headbands. We searched a lot of Sunday school rooms to find our eggs that the crazy Easter bunny hid, finally finding them in the Library.

Our fourth week we learned all about Butterflies. Our caterpillars should turn into Butterflies this week. We have been watching them for a very long time. We made Butterflies out of our feet, coffee filters and tissue paper. We made them very symmetrical, impressing our parents that we know what the word means.

Our last week we studied all things about the life on a farm. We made "Darren the duck", 5 little ducks and adorable pigs nose and a barn filled with all different types of farm animals.

Enrollment for next school year is moving along nicely. MWF am class has 4 openings left, MWF pm has 14 openings left and T/Th has 11 openings. If you are interested in Preschool or know someone who is please speak to Nancy or I or call us at 484-7412.

## EMERGENCE CHRISTIANITY

### *Implications for Our Saviour's Lutheran Church*

A special Sunday Adult Forum is scheduled for **May 4, 9:45-10:45 a.m.** featuring a panel of pastors including Michael Stadtmueller, Leta Behrens, and Andrew Boesenecker. The discussion will be based on a forum held at Luther Seminary entitled *The Future of the Church: Conversations with Brian McLaren and Phyllis Tickle*, moderated by David Lose.

Subjects to be discussed include:

How can we describe the emergent church? To what extent is emergence a generational issue? How do we keep our young people coming to church, and how do we do that and not drive away our older people?

Often what people are concerned about are their children who have dropped out. They say their children are good people, they have a sense of purpose, but they have no interest in church. What do we do? If we're not a destination, then what are we?

It requires a leap of imagination to think of the church differently. If we go this other way, they're not going to contribute to the church. We have buildings and salaries and pensions to deal with. We're not set up that way. How do we make the transition?

One of the things I think about is what we refer to as the "greatest generation" who had a keen sense of responsibility. The present generation doesn't seem to want to get committed. But they are committed to hockey or swimming. Sunday morning hockey practice is mandatory, if you want to stay in hockey. Why the hockey team instead of the church?

I wonder if part of this is catching up to post-Christendom where there is not the traditional support system. The number one reason that you have no sense of religious values is that you never heard your parents talking about these things, but they never heard it from their parents either because they didn't have to. The culture is not making Christians anymore.

The Luther Seminary forum can be viewed on You Tube:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g2Jf6euGK-Y>

A summary of the Luther Seminary forum is available at the OSLC office.

# Welcoming all through serving...

## Outside Our Walls

On behalf of **Homeless Gear—Outside Our Walls** would like to thank all of Our Saviour's for the generous quantities of gear and supplies you donated during our February/March drive. You kept many homeless people warm during the end of the long winter!

Homeless Gear and the Murphy Center both have an ongoing need for volunteers for occasional or regular shifts. The Night Street Outreach Team is extending its "reach" to a few daytime shifts. Please get in touch with Carol Bisbee (970) 229-1520 or Madelyn Mihm (217) 454-2094. Bless you for remembering the homeless.

Thanks to your continued support and generosity, our Lenten Soup Suppers were a wonderful success. Thank you to all who brought soup, mac and cheese, crackers and bread. Thanks to those who helped set up every week, helped in the kitchen and helped with clean-up. We raised \$1225.50 which will be evenly donated to ELCA World Hunger and the Larimer County Food Bank.

Homelessness Prevention Initiative (HPI) has received a domestic hunger grant from ELCA World Hunger for \$1,000. HPI will be able to give \$25 grocery cards to 40 families with children. When volunteer interviewers determine that families seeking emergency rental assistance can benefit from receiving the grocery cards, the HPI volunteers may give out the grocery cards.

ELCA's domestic hunger grants in the United States in 2013 supported 351 domestic projects ranging from congregational food pantries to weekend backpack programs to job training and living-wage advocacy campaigns. In 2013, a total of \$786,900 was allocated to these programs. HPI is grateful for having received these funds for the third time. HPI's clients are thankful for the grocery cards as they struggle with making ends meet.

### 2014 Grocery Cart Report-January through March

Thank you for your generous donations of food to the Food Bank of Larimer Country. Our total was 364 pounds after appropriate items were sorted out for FFH use. Your continued support is greatly appreciated. Thank you.







**FAITH FAMILY HOSPITALITY** We will host four families the week of June 1-8th. Signup Genius will be is Online, and as always you can contact Lee at GLYahnke@Gmail.com or Jodi at JSLoecke@Comcast.net. Thank you to everyone who has signed up early!

## Library News

A sampling of new books waiting for you to check out:

*Our Shared Witness* by Munib Younan

*Grace, Faith, and the Power of Singing* by Karen Humphrey

*A Heart for Freedom* by Chai Ling

*Lincoln's Battle With God* by Stephen Mansfield

*How Full is Your Bucket for Kids?* By Tom Rath

*Once Upon a Northern Night* by Jean Pendziwol

Did you know you can donate to our church library? A donation form is available which also allows you choose what you would like done with the books should they not become part of OSLC library. Copies will be made available near the binder which holds the paper version of the catalog.



**Hiking the Stations of the Cross at the Abbey of Saint Walburga,  
Red Feather CO**

April 16, 2014

# Worship, learning & serving in groups...

## FAITH COMMUNITY NURSES

Our Saviours members volunteer their time with many wonderful organizations. There is a fairly new one in town called "Christ Clinic" that we would like to bring to your attention.

Christ Clinic is a free community medical clinic staffed entirely by Christian medical volunteers. It is open every Monday evening (except holidays) from 6 – 9 p.m. inside of Faith Evangelical Free Church at 3920 S. Shields Ave. in Fort Collins. Their aim is to provide primary care for people of all ages who cannot afford to see a physician. This could be for many reasons, including a lack of health insurance. The only conditions not treated are pregnancy and chronic pain management.

Patients are seen by appointment **only** but these are easily scheduled by calling 481-2390. Basic tests are available on site and inexpensive generic medications are prescribed whenever possible. In addition spiritual counseling and prayer are offered to all patients.

There are actually Monday evenings when all appointments are not being filled. So if you know of people in the community who are not receiving basic medical care, please pass this information along to them. The Christ Clinic number is posted on the kiosk in the narthex. You can also look them up on their web site: [www.ChristClinicFC.org](http://www.ChristClinicFC.org)

## Welcome Ministry News

**Newcomer Classes** are being offered and continue in May in room 11 E –

May 4<sup>th</sup> – Sunday - 9:45 am - Church Identity

May 7<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday – 7:00 pm – Individual Identity

A brunch with sponsors will be Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 and a New Member Reception will follow Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup> at the 9:00 service. Please call the office or come by room 11 E. This is a great opportunity to ask questions and get more information about OSLC. We hope to see you there!

**Benches for the front entrance** - The Welcome Ministry is making plans to place a bench or benches outside our front entrance in order to welcome people as they arrive or wait for transportation. Watch for this addition!

**Faith Group Updates** – A study to consider: "Sabbath is more than the absence of work; it is a day (or moment, hour, etc.) when we partake of the wisdom, peace and delight that grow only in the soil of time -- time consecrated specifically for play, refreshment and renewal. Many of us, in our desperate

drive to be successful and care for our many responsibilities, feel terrible guilt when we take time to rest. But the Sabbath has proven its wisdom over the ages. The Sabbath gives us the permission we need to stop, to restore our souls." The book SABBATH – Finding Rest, Renewal and Delight in our Busy Lives by Wayne Muller presents ideas for taking "Sabbath" moments in our daily lives. A great book for small group discussion and can help us to "reset our inner compass". Stop by the Welcome Table for ideas on starting your own small group.

**Do you enjoy meeting new members and helping them to connect to OSLC?** Consider becoming a sponsor. Sponsors are matched with a new member or new member family as they join OSLC. Responsibilities include attending a brunch together, introducing new member(s) on the day they join and following up with friendship and assistance as they settle in to membership. Please let the Pastors know if you would like to help in this way.

**Glad you Popped In!** Please encourage guests to stop by the Welcome Table - we would love to greet them, answer questions, provide information and share a small gift. A creative member of our team made a fun gift to share – stop by to see!



## OSLC Book Club:

All are welcome at the OSLC Book Club. Read some new books, make connections with interesting people, and enjoy lively discussions.

We meet the first Monday of each month, 7-8:30 pm.

If you have a good book to recommend, would like to host a meeting, or have any questions please contact Diana Hutchinson.

### Upcoming Schedule:

Date	Book - Author	Hostess
May 5	<b>My Stroke of Insight</b> - Jill Bolte Taylor	Bill & Sally Withers
Jun 2	<b>We are all completely beside ourselves</b> - Karen Joy Fowler	Diana Hutchinson
Jul 7	<b>Let the Great World Spin</b> - Colum McCann Fort Collins Reads 2014 community book	Eva Sue Littleton
Aug 4	<b>Memoirs of an Imaginary Friend</b> - Matthew Dicks	

Join us for a eleven day motor coach trip with guided tour of Lancaster and historic tour of Philadelphia. See 'MOSES" one of the world's largest live performance stages. Lodging, 18 meals, and much, much more for \$899. October 17-27, 2014. For more information call Glenda Evans at 226-1203.

## Small Groups

**BIBLE STUDY SERIES**-Tuesdays, 7PM-8:30PM or Thursdays 9:30-11:00AM

**LEAH CIRCLE**— Leah Circle will meet on Thursday, May 22nd at 6:45pm at the home of Barb Slattenow.

**QUILTING GROUP** - 2nd & 4th Wednesdays at 1:00 pm

**KINDRED KWILTERS**-meet 3rd Thursdays, 9:30am-4pm; Mary Huwa contact person

**MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP** Wednesdays, 6:45am @ OSLC. Suggested donation for breakfast is \$10.

**FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT**- welcomes all to bring their scrapbooking or other craft projects for the evening. Fruits of the Spirit will be meeting to work on your individual scrapbooking, stamping, or other craft projects.

## Focus on Small Groups...

### OSLC Women's Retreat, March 2014, YMCA of the Rockies

This year's OSLC retreat at the YMCA in Estes Park in April set a record with 56 women attending. Ages ranged from women in their 20's to women in their 80's. What a terrific turnout and what a wonderful chance for those attending to meet, play, work, sing, and pray with those from other generations and varying stages of life. There was a lot of hugging, some tears, much laughter, and a wonderful sense of the start of many new friendships by the end of the retreat.

The following interviews cover the feelings of two of the participants, the first from the retreat leader and the second from one of dedicated helpers.

#### **Jody Schult:**

Jody grew up as a Lutheran in a small town of 380 people near Grand Island NE. Her first date with her husband was a "worship woodsie". Her faith has grown through the years and now she feels free to speak about her faith to others; which she eloquently did at the retreat! Jody and her daughter, Katie, were the first mother/daughter team that mentored during Lent a number of years ago. They were also one of several mother/daughter pairs attending the retreat.

Jody feels strongly about the connections women makes at the retreats, connections which support them and help them grow in their faith. "We're all just a bunch of cracked pots. When we let God's light shine through to others, we are healed. Talking about our lives and our faith can bring healing."

#### **Andrea Jones:**

Andrea also grew up in a Christian home and continued to be active in church activities during high school and college. Andrea attended last year's retreat and was inspired by the support and love she felt and by the intergenerational connections she made. Andrea's experiences helped her grow in her faith and moved her to help plan this year's retreat.

Although Andrea worked very hard trying to plan a campfire with S'mores, working with YMCA staff on several different options, the weather simply did not cooperate!

Andrea encourages all women to "Grab a friend and bring them along. Fellowship with other women of faith removes fear. God uses connections, even ones from afar, to heal and forgive broken hearts."

*See the group photo on page 14.*



*Jody Schult, left; Andrea Jones, right*

## Comments from participants:

### Adrienne Steinle:

Chris Bachman invited me to attend and I said I would go, but only if we went up Saturday morning and stayed just one night instead of two.

I was inspired by seeing women of faith of all generations, from women in their early twenties to the women in their eighties. It was fun to see women of all ages bonding with each other and opening themselves to caring for each other at a deeper level. The openness and caring of the women helped me learn that I have to reach out more to others about my faith and not be afraid to share it with others who may not believe. The activities helped me get to more deeply know several women that I did not know before.

In our daily lives, we get caught up in our daily routines and rarely stop to reflect on who we are and where we are going spiritually. I look around me and discover that our world has too many people who are "too busy" for church and a relationship with God. I think it important that we put God first and let him lead us rather than think that we can do it on our own and only use him when we are in bad places. This retreat was good for me to reflect on this.

**Sue Templar:** Everything is better with friends" I enjoyed bonding with Christian sisters and refreshing my faith

**Svea Worley:** I was invited to this retreat by a wonderful friend, Jodi Schult. I've been on retreats before with my own church, but have never connected with such a wonderful group of women! Jodi did an amazing job. The women here are amazing. I felt so welcome and included in every activity.

Edited by Janice Stuber



*Our campfire that never happened. It was cold and windy the whole weekend! Ever had micro-waved S'mores?*



*Mothers & Daughters Together!*

# Stewardship of our resources...

## **BBQ, Blues and Bluegrass**

Where: Spirit of Joy Lutheran Church, 4501 S. Lemay Ave., Ft. Collins

When: Saturday, June 7 at 5:30pm

What: Kid's Carnival Games, Food and Music

Food: BBQ, coleslaw, chips, dessert (vegetarian and gluten-free available)

Tickets: \$12 (age 5 and over) or \$30 (family) - under age 5 free

Live Music By: Lost Sheep and Jerusalem Road

*Proceeds Benefit Sky Ranch Lutheran Camp*



**2014 OSLC Women's Retreat  
YMCA, Estes Park, CO**

LFS has a NEW NAME! Visit our website for more information.



1. LFS 1st Annual Northern Colorado Golf Classic: Join Lutheran Family Services on Saturday, May 17th at Mariana Butte Golf Course in Loveland for a day of golf. This event strengthens our community by maintaining LFS programs that assist vulnerable individuals, children and families. 8:00am Shotgun Start, 1:00pm Luncheon & Awards. Please visit [www.lfsrcm.org/Events](http://www.lfsrcm.org/Events) by May 6th to register or contact Molly at 232.1170 or [molly.ford@lfsrcm.org](mailto:molly.ford@lfsrcm.org)
  
2. Each year in Colorado there are approximately 8,000 children who are unable to live with their biological parents because of abuse or neglect. Some of these children have witnessed domestic violence, have never experienced a birthday party or a sleepover with friends, or don't know from day to day whether they will have a meal or a place to sleep. You can help by becoming a foster parent! Lutheran Family Services is looking for safe, nurturing homes for children in need. We especially need parents who are willing to foster children over the age of 8, sibling groups of two or more, and children with medical or behavioral issues. For more information on our foster care programs, please call 303-217-5869 or e-mail [fostercentral@lfsrcm.org](mailto:fostercentral@lfsrcm.org).
  
3. Lutheran Family Services is running low on furniture for newly-arriving refugee families! We could use your gently used furniture (especially dressers, tables, chairs, lamps), as well as household items such as bedding and silverware. Please note that we do not accept: entertainment centers, desks, or TVs. We can pick up furniture in most locations in the Denver metro area. Contact Jaime at 303-217-5181 to see if your furniture items are eligible for pick-up.

GENERAL FUND BUDGET UPDATE

	2014			
	MAR		YEAR TO DATE	
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET
TOTAL GIVING	59,073	55,756	133,487	167,267
LESS EXPENSES	<u>62,270</u>	55,756	<u>158,904</u>	167,267
CASH SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	-3,197		-25,417	

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