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THE MUSTARD SEED
THE NEWSLETTER OF THE
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Our Church Family has been blessed with several new members over the past few months. The February Mustard Seed welcomed Lloyd Power, Pastor Anne Ojokic, Sveto Ojokic, Elliot Ojokic, and a reaffirmation of faith by Jean Kees.

This Mustard Seed is happy to report new members. Dean Cole, Eli Jennings, and Rachael Jennings.



April #2018 Hazel Jennings was baptized with her happy family surrounding her. Special guests were Bryan and her aunt, Sarin.

May 3, 2018 the Miguel Yanez family joined our church. Miguel, Bernice, Ashley, Ailis, and Miguel are a welcome addition to our church community.

Dakota Hall was baptized on May 13th, with his mother, and grandparents present. Such a special and happy day.

These are joyful occasions and we celebrate the love of Christ for his family through these people.





New members Dean Cole, Eli and Rachael Jennings. Also in

the picture is Jim Cole and Hazel and Marshall Jennings.

Time for the Get Well Cards:

Our dear friend and the caregiver for the church building has fallen and injured her arm. She is between home and hospital for the next few days or week and needs our tender care and prayers. She may need surgery to repair the fracture in her elbow so she will be out of circulation for a short time.

Please send her cards to buoy her spirits. She is a continual presence at the church and tends to everything from watering the flower beds in the park to being sure the dining room is ready for Grey Gourmet or a birthday party. She has the doors open by 8am on Sunday morning and makes a circle back through the building later to check doors and lights if necessary.

Remember.

Church begins at 10 Am

June 3, 2018

I would like to share with Council, the attendance record for worship so far this 2018 year.

ATTENDANCE RECORD 2018

January 7: 20 January 14: 20 January 21: 13

January 21: 21 (Annual Meeting)

January 28: 16

February 4: 30

February 11: 17 (Ash Wednesday service in morning worship.)

February 18: 19 February 25: 28

March 4: 18 March 11: 20 March 18: 22

March 25: 16 (Palm Sunday)

March 29: 19 (Maundy Thursday, Passover)

March 30: 2 (Good Friday)

April 1: 38 (Easter)

April 8: 21

April 15: 41 (Baptism, Hazel)

April 22: 14 (New bulletin format introduced.)

April 29: 30

May 6: 22 (Reception of new members) May 13: 30 (Baptism, Dakota; Mother's Day)

I am very pleased with the momentum and increased attendance over the past four and a half months.

We are all doing a super job of welcoming everyone to Collbran Congregational, United Church of Christ.

Thank you to each and everyone for your support, dedication, hard work, and love for this very special community of faith.

Respectfully,

Pastor Anne Djokic

TRUSTEE REPORT

- A tree grown into the chain-link fence was removed from Mother's Park and the chain-link fence repaired. Thanks to Sveto Djokic and Tom Cox for orchestrating those projects. (photo)
- Storage shed in the park has been emptied and the shed is scheduled for removal.
- Request has been submitted for Grand Valley Power to trim the limbs around the electric wire on the northwest corner of the building.
- Wheelchair ramp is available to supply safe wheelchair access to the overflow room from the sanctuary. Thanks to Norm McCallister for installing it.
- Church Marquis needs to be replaced.
- Sprinkler systems and lawn watering are in constant need of upkeep.
- The building and park are frequently in use by multiple community members and groups.
- Please keep our church family in prayer that we will please our Lord and that we may extend our mission throughout the community. It is so exciting to see the improvements made and those that are scheduled in the future.
- The Worship bulletin has been revised.
- The greeting card display has been arranged and identifying Tabs were placed to help you find the card you would like to shop for. Income from the cards is deposited in the Building Repair and Upkeep fund.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Price, Julia Cox, Nancy Karlson, Sue Bellotti, Trustees



REVIEW OF COUNCIL MINUTES APRIL 16, 2018

Following a vote of church members and congregants following church on April 8th, it was decided to self the church parsonage at 803 Wagonwheel Ct, Collbran, CO.

Realtor, Julie Piland, was selected to act realtor for the sale of the parsonage at 803 Wagonwheel Ct. She was in attendance to advise about the sale of the parsonage. We have a firm offer and have accepted the offer. The sale will proceed.

General reports were given. Pastor Anne was unable to attend but had provided her Pastor's Report to be read by the moderator.

Treasurer's Report: Sue Bellotti reported that the final payment from the insurance company had been received in the amount of \$1127.00. This was deposited into the bank savings account bringing the total to about \$25,000. The savings account tracks all the individual funds held for Stewards, Stewardship Fund, Foodbank, Building Repairs, VBS/Sunday school, and Memorial Fund. The breakdown is provided quarterly or upon request.

Jeannie Reeves always gives a detailed Stewards report highlighting each Sunday's events.

Sue Bellotti reported the VBS Fundraiser brought in \$846.00 for the summer program and Sunday school. About 80 people enjoyed the Lasagna dinner.

Sue also reported that she misses Annie Anderson terribly and is adjusting to playing for all the services. She alternates between the piano and organ, keeping everyone happy, she hopes.

This is just a summary of topics covered. If you would like to receive a copy of the approved minutes of our Church Council Meetings please contact Clerk, Monica Klingler 970-487-3324 or Sue Bellotti. bellotti4@msn.com.

WOMENS FELLOWSHIP

President, Nancy Karlson, would like to thank all the women who, on May 1st, came to assemble sandwiches, fruit kabobs and cookie trays, and help set up the tables for the Senior Tea. The table looked amazing and the food was wonderful. (Photo)

Special thanks to the Crystal Crackers for leaving their colorful decorations from their 52nd. Anniversary event the day before for the Tea. The paper flowers were beautiful and so festive. Our thanks to Dave Wallin for performing his magic. We now have parents, who enjoyed his performances at their Senior Tea, attending with their graduate to enjoy his talents once again.