



# the Pulse

of Heart of Longmont

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## A POEM FOR PENTECOST

Excerpt from Little Gidding by T.S. Eliot  
in [\*Four Quartets\*](#)

. . . The dove descending breaks the air  
With flame of incandescent terror  
Of which the tongues declare  
The one discharge from sin and error.  
The only hope, or else despair  
Lies in the choice of pyre of pyre-  
To be redeemed from fire by fire.  
Who then devised the torment? Love.  
Love is the unfamiliar Name  
Behind the hands that wove  
The intolerable shirt of flame  
Which human power cannot remove.  
We only live, only suspire  
Consumed by either fire or fire . . .

## Church Events

- June 8 – Faith Fest—  
Pride for the Soul @  
2:30pm
- June 8 – Tri-Town Pig  
Roast & Silent Auction  
5pm-7pm @ Rinn UMC
- ~~June 19 – Feeding Our  
Souls Dinner @ 5pm  
Out for Summer,  
returns September 18~~
- August 30-31 – All-  
Church Garage Sale  
8am-2pm

"And as I began to  
speak, the Holy  
Spirit fell upon them  
just as He did upon  
us at the beginning.

~Acts 11:15

# FEEDING OUR SOULS DINNER



Dear Church Family and Friends,

Please note that the monthly gathering – Feeding Our Souls – will take the summer months off (no dinner in June, July or August). We will plan on serving again in September.

We have enjoyed our time together and look forward to providing a meal for each of you! Have a WONDER-FILLED summer!

Love, United Methodist Women Lydia Circle

## OUR CENTER'S MOST NEEDED ITEMS



**OUR CENTER**

*Paving the Road to Self Sufficiency*

The OUR Center Food Box at the church has been empty for over 2 weeks now. And the OUR Center is in great need of food to help our neighbors in the community. Please bring in an item or two or a whole bag full! It will be greatly appreciated.

This month's most needed items are:

- Bottled Water
- Canned Meat
- Canned Fruit
- Healthy Snack Items

To learn more about OUR Center, or for volunteer opportunities, go to <https://www.ourcenter.org/>.

# 2019 MOUNTAIN SKY ANNUAL CONFERENCE



The 2019 Mountain Sky Annual Conference will be at the Billings Hotel and Convention Center and the Red Lion Hotel in Billings, Montana from **June 13-16**. The theme for this year is **“Love. Heal. Thrive: Rebuilding a Worthy Temple.”**

Pastor David Burt, Pastor Linda Meyer, Jamie Bowland and Misty Bone will be attending this year. Please send good wishes, thoughts and prayers their way.

There will also be a live stream off the conference available here: <https://www.mtnskyumc.org/2019annualconference> (petitions are also available here). If you have any questions, email Shelley Rabern at [registration@mtnskyumc.org](mailto:registration@mtnskyumc.org).

## JUNE COMPASSION OFFERING

The June Compassion Offering is the Restorative Justice program which works with the Community Justice Partnership. The purpose of this program is to work with offenders, victims, and their communities, in hopes that they can right the harm that has been done. The offenders and the victims meet with each other. The victims are able to express the way they feel. Then ways are found that can repair the harm that has been done. The program has had a high level of success and keeps people out of the criminal justice program. The success of the program is widely recognized and has been implemented in other communities.

To learn more about this non-profit, go to <https://www.rjcolorado.org/>.

# ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS OPTIONS



Three Adult Sunday School Class Options are available at Heart of Longmont every Sunday. All are welcome to join, we would love to see you there! See descriptions and times below.

## **Adventurer's** – Room 208, 9:00AM

Currently Studying: The Call (The life and message of the Apostle Paul)

Leader: Tricia Grafelman

## **Faith and Reason** – Room 110, 8:30AM

Currently Studying: The Challenge of Paul by John Dominik Crossen

Leader: Marty & Ray Allison

## **Horizon's** – Room 104, 9:00AM

Currently Studying: Basic Belief by Edward Frantz

Leader: Gordon Yoder (this class rotates topic leaders)

# IT'S NOW EVEN EASIER TO SHOP FOR HOL!



The NEW King Soopers Community Rewards Program supports the ministries of Heart of Longmont every time you shop at King Soopers. In the past year, our church has earned an average of \$500 per month just by folks like you using their gift card when purchasing gas and groceries. With the announcement of King Soopers Community Rewards Program, it is now even easier to shop for HoL!

No more reloadable gift cards! Instead, you can now use your King Soopers loyalty card. All you have to do is enroll Heart of Longmont as your organization! After you enroll, Heart of Longmont will receive 5% back of every purchase you make when you scan your rewards card (or enter your phone number!).

- 1) To enroll Heart of Longmont, go to [kingsoopers.com](http://kingsoopers.com) and click on Save → King Soopers Community Rewards.
- 2) Go to <https://www.kingsoopers.com/>
- 3) Hover over "Savings & Rewards," then click on "King Soopers Community Rewards" in the menu
- 4) On the next screen, click "Enroll Now"
- 5) Login with your current King Soopers account or create a new one! (can be linked to your current King Soopers rewards card)
- 6) To find HoL, search for "First United Methodist Church (Heart of Longmont)" or "XG017" and enroll the church as your organization!

# HOW ARE YOU GIFTED?

by Sandi Austin

I found myself wandering through the United Methodist Church website and came across an online assessment that interprets your answers in relation to your spiritual gifts.

According to the assessment introduction, “Every child of God is filled with the power of the Holy Spirit, specially gifted to play a unique and valued role in the body of Christ. No one is without gift or purpose.”

It goes on to say, “Spiritual gifts are not our talents or skills. They are the grace of God at work within us, empowering us to match our deep passions with the world’s deep need. The gifts are given to individuals, but they are given to build and strengthen community and to meet the needs of those around us.”

As I was reading this, I learned that we all are gifted in one way or another, and have been given a purpose in serving God, our neighbors, and the world. I decided to take the assessment and learn what the results meant for me.

As my results were revealed, I found that **Exhortation** was my highest score. **The gift of exhortation is manifest in people who offer encouragement, wise counsel, unflagging support, and empowerment. Those who exhort stay focused on helping people maximize their**

**own potential and live from their own gifts and skills. Exhorters help people feel good about themselves, build confidence, and not grow discouraged. Often, those with the gift of exhortation make others feel good just by being present.**

Gosh, I hope I’m living up to that!

My lowest score was **Knowledge** which, I must admit, surprised me. **The gift of knowledge allows people to automatically convert facts, data, and information into useful and important knowledge. People possessing this gift can learn in a variety of ways, retain what they learn, and understand how learning can be applied in meaningful and productive ways. Those gifted with knowledge have a voracious and insatiable desire to learn more, and they seek multiple avenues for deepening their understanding of God’s world, God’s will, and God’s people.**

I guess I’ve got some learning to do!

Do you want to find out how YOU are gifted? Go to <http://www.umc.org/what-we-believe/spiritual-gifts> and take the test. Your 21-category results will be listed from highest to lowest, each one with its own resource information to help you develop and use that gift.

Give it a try!

## FAITH FEST ~ PRIDE FOR THE SOUL

**Who:** Local Longmont church partners, including us!

**What:** Joint worship service followed by a picnic & games, rain or shine

**When:** Saturday, June 8th, 2:30pm

**Where:** St. Stephen’s Episcopal, 1303 S. Bross Ln, Longmont

Go to <https://www.outboulder.org> to learn more.



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