



Rye Home United Methodist Church

Open Hearts Open Minds Open Doors

February NEWSLETTER

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Upcoming Events

- Feb. 4 - Creative Fellowship at 10:00 am.
- Feb. 5 - UMW Meeting at 1:00 pm.
- Feb. 8 - *Sweetheart Pancake Breakfast, @*
8:30 – 11:00 am., (see Flyer on page 4).
- Feb. 9 - Trustee Team Meeting at 11:30 am.
- Feb. 9 - FAMILY GAME DAY at 3:00 pm.,
in the Ed. Bldg!!
- Feb. 12- Worship Team Meeting at 10:30 am.
- Feb. 14- HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!
- Feb. 16- Missions Team Meeting at 11:30 am.
- Feb. 18- Creative Fellowship at 10:00 am.
- Feb. 19- Ad Council Meeting at 6:30 pm.
- Feb. 20- Faith Circle Meeting at 9:00 am.
- Feb. 23- Potluck in the Ed. Bldg, following
worship service.

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Felicem Valentinus!

*“And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three;
and the greatest of these is love.”*

~1 Corinthians 13:13 (NRSV)

What's the big deal about Valentine's Day?

Popular history tells us that Valentinus was a priest in Rome during the reign of Claudius II. He was caught marrying Christians, which was illegal and against Roman standards, and was arrested. When he refused to deny Christ or swear allegiance to the emperor he was beheaded, supposedly on February 14, around 270 AD. How romantic!

He soon became the patron saint of young people and lovers.

Valentinus' devotion to supporting love among Christians is an example of God's passionate love for all humankind. Scattered throughout the Bible are reminders of God's love; from the Creation itself to 1st John's reminder that “God is love.”

As we celebrate Valentine's Day this month, let us remember that love itself, in its many, many forms, is a gift from God to all of humanity. Where would we be without the love of friends, family, community, nation, stranger, and, yes, romantic love, too.

Here is a new way to look at the popular words from John 3:16, and remember that it was written as God's Valentine to the world, to you, and me! Jesus said:

“For God so loVed the world
That He gAve
His onLy
BegottEn
SoN
That whosoever
Believes In Him
Shall Not perish,
But have Everlasting life.”

GRACE AND PEACE,

Pastor Ken Berve

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February

**Worship Service
Volunteers**

Ushers & Greeters
 2/2 – Kathy Dodson, Diane Ellison,
 Piete & Michelle Lopo
 2/9 – Ed & Donna Sutcliffe, Helen
 Darrow, Nancy Romine
 2/16 – Jake & Stetson Brunick,
 John & Cara Christenson
 2/23 – Carl Atchison, Danilynn
 Frick, Shylo Dennison, Karon Banta

Communion Stewards
 3/1 - Youth Group
 4/5 - Missions Team
 5/3 - United Methodist Women

Musicians
 2/2 – Deb Straub
 2/9 – Margaret Deas
 2/16 – Deb Straub
 2/23 – Margaret Deas

Liturgists
 2/2 – Shylo Dennison
 2/9 – Roy Christenson
 2/16 – Rick Storey
 2/23 – Dick Greet

Fellowship Treats
 2/2 – Diane Storey, Judy Goos
 2/9 – Phyllis H., Beth Terry
 2/16 – Geri Ross, Norma Hoover
 2/23 – POTLUCK

**Children's Activity
Volunteers**

Children's Church
 2/2 – Communion (No Children's
 Church)
 2/9 – Beth Terry & Diane Ellison
 2/16 – Michelle Lopo
 2/23 – ____

Children's Message
 2/2 – Loni Adams
 2/9 – Deb Straub
 2/16 – Cara Christenson
 2/23 – Diane Ellison



Messages/Scriptures

2/2- "Fear, Trust, and Obedience"
 Genesis 25:1-14
 (COMMUNION SUNDAY)

2/9- "Birthrights, Blessings, and Curses"
 Genesis 25:19-28

2/16- "Dreams and Divine Favor"
 Genesis 37:3-11

2/23- Transfiguration Sunday
 Matthew 17:1-9

2/26 - ASH WEDNESDAY
 Beginning of Lent

Rye Home United Methodist Church



*Please Join Us
as we raise
money for a
local family
in need*

*THE
MISSIONS
TEAM

ANNUAL
FUNDRAISER*



**SWEETHEART
PANCAKE BREAKFAST
& BAKE SALE**

February 8th

8:30 - 11:00 am.

"Love Donations" being taken

2063 Main Street, Rye, CO 81069

(Education Bldg.)

TEAMWORK MAKES THE DREAM WORK

“Indeed, the body does not consist of one member, but of many.” ~1 Corinthians 12:14 (NRSV)

The body of Christ, or the people that are the whole of humanity, are a team. The body is not supported by one person, but by all of us. We are strongest working together in unity. Teamwork is the key to living life in harmony, so that we can do God's will.

Our Mission Team and Fall Fair Team sent another load of donated winter clothing items to Los Pobres. Faith Circle donated new toys (using their Kohl's Cash) for the children at Los Pobres. The toys will be given to some of the 300 children that come for a Christmas party. The Fall Fair Team also presented Sister Nancy with a check from the Fair proceeds. She was very appreciative!

What touches my heart, is that three completely different groups in our church came together to meet a need, to help a local charity.

God bless those who helped, thank you,
Debbie Smith

DRIVEWAY SPECIALISTS



Pastor Ken is very grateful to the volunteers who helped tear down the old rickety carport at the parsonage and put in the new concrete.

Construction of a new carport will await better weather!

Thanks again to all who are helping!

Photos submitted by Diane Ellison

TRUSTEES REPORT

The Trustees Team meeting was held on January 12, 2020. Members Present: Robert Humphrey, Ben Moss, Ed Sutcliffe, Dick Greet, Tim Terry, Ken Berve. Guest: Diane Ellison.

- Discussion was held about Chairman for up-coming year. Robert Humphrey volunteered.
- Diane was asked to be recorder for the meeting.
- Discussion was held about the new carport for the parsonage. New cement has to be laid, so further construction is dependent on weather and temperatures.
- Replacing the fluorescent bulbs in all areas of the church was discussed. This issue was tabled till a cost estimate can be determined.
- A Kitchen Remodeling Committee will be formed. Members of the committee will include both frequent users of the kitchen and members of the Trustee Team.
- Construction of a restroom on the main floor of the church was discussed. Art Klock will meet with Pastor Ken to present a construction plan next week. Construction of a new restroom will e coupled with updating the current restrooms in the church basement.
- A brief discussion was held about the upcoming UMC decisions was held. Pastor Ken will hold some informational meetings about the issue in the near future.

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be Feb. 9 after the morning worship service.

Acting Recorder,
Diane Ellison

A MINISTRY OF NEED



**Creative Fellowship meets every 1st and 3rd Tuesday
at 10:00 am, in the Ed. Bldg.**

Photo submitted by Debbie Smith

The call went out that our church was in need of prayer shawls for those in trying times, wanting a reminder of the comfort and hope that Our Lord brings. Since then, there has been a bustle of activity from the Creative Fellowship group!

If you sew, knit or crochet please consider working on a shawl project. If you received a shawl and would like to donate it back to us, we will pray over it again and send it forward.

Everyone is always welcome to join us in this Prayer Shawl Ministry!

Please contact Debbie Smith or any member of the Creative Fellowship Group for more information.

February Celebrations

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

2/2 Roberta Adair
2/9 Kaley Ragan
2/12 Carlos Mabrey
2/15 Asher Clennin
2/19 Cara Christenson
2/24 Karen Shaw
2/27 Caleb Thomas

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!!

2/14 John & Jeanne Allen

GAME TIME AT RYE HOME UMC!

Join us for GAME TIME:
Sunday, Feb. 9th at 3:00 pm.

Bring your games and snacks
to the Ed Bldg!

All ages are needed
& WELCOME!



PRAYER CONCERNS

Ginger Dagnais
Megan, Ada's granddaughter recovering
from auto accident
Mindy Carter, recovering from surgery
Charlie Baker's granddaughter has been
diagnosed with leukemia
Ben Wentworth, Pastor in Wray, CO
Scott Alderman
Rich's Uncle Wilbur continues to be hospi-
talized
Bob Johnson

Letha, Barb Heaton's friend
Steve Hannan, upcoming surgery
Deb & Rich's grandson, William
Dick Bigelow
Kathy Schaiberger
Lori Hannan
Ada's nephew, Austin
Cedric, Norma Hoover's great-grandson
All Deployed Service Members
Missionaries around the world
Our Nation