

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME to all our guests and friends this week. If you are searching for a church home, we cordially invite you to make the Ft. Lupton Seventh-day Adventist Church your church home.

FELLOWSHIP MEAL today after church. Please join us.

BIBLE STUDY today after the Fellowship Meal. We're studying the Prophecies of Hope series from the Cracking the Prophetic Code evangelistic series we hosted in 2018.

ADRA HOMES FOR ORPHANS PROJECT this year. Drop your spare change in the donation box hanging in the foyer. \$107.23 has been received through the end of March. Money is sent when at least \$100 has been received.

NEXT WEEK: Pastor Nathaniel Gamble will have the worship service. Brent Balmer will have the lesson study. The offering will be for Rocky Mountain Conference Advance. **Loose and undesignated offering goes to Local Church Expense.**

CHURCH BOARD MEETING: The next regular board meeting will be Sunday, 5/12/2019 at 5:00 p.m. at the church.

	Budget	Received	Still Needed for April	Balance 4/19/2019
	\$1,900	\$950.86	\$949.14	
Expense				-\$876.40
Evangelism	--	\$781.26	--	\$4,644.07
Parking Lot	--	\$58.24	--	\$19,834.06

WOMEN'S RETREAT: Don't miss the ANCHORED IN CHRIST women's retreat April 26-28 at Glacier View Ranch with Beverly Sedlacek. Deepen your walk with Jesus and have fun! New this year: TEEN TRACK, especially for teen girls 13-17! View the brochure and link to registration at www.rmcsda.org/women

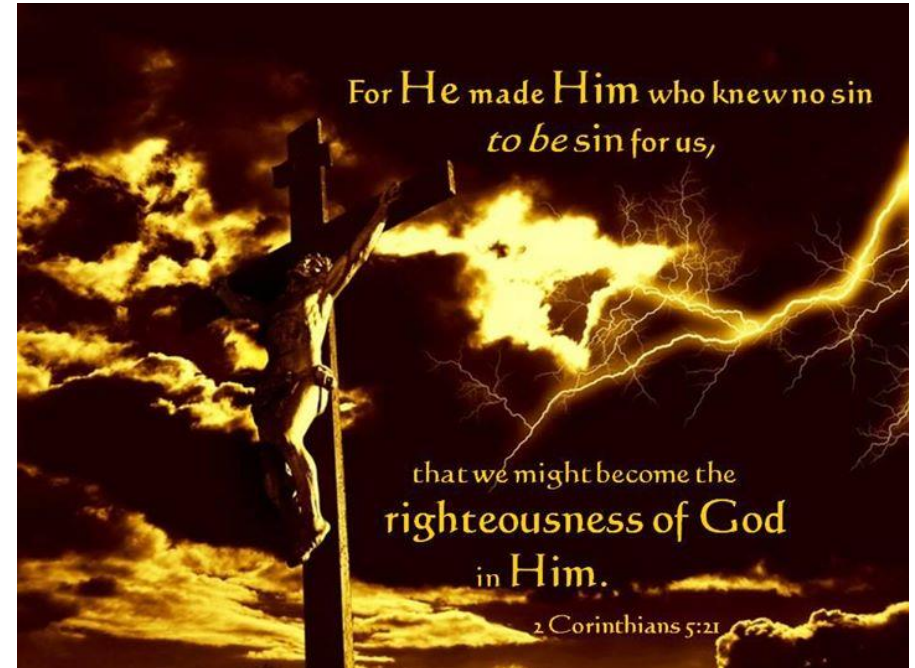
HERITAGE SINGERS CONCERT: Saturday, May 4, 2019 at 7:00 pm at LifeSource Adventist Fellowship, 6200 West Hampden Avenue, Denver. Admission is free!

WORK BEE: We will have a work bee on Sunday, May 19th. We need as many people as possible to help clean the church. Many hands make light work! We'll start at 8:00 a.m. and will have some refreshments on hand for those who join in!

NEXT WOMEN'S MINISTRIES GATHERING: Sunday, June 30th, at Jacqueline Fredrickson's home in Greeley. Save the date. More details to come.

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK: Happy Anniversary Monday to Nathan & Selena Salazar! Happy Anniversary Wednesday to John & Mary Fernandez!

Welcome Fort Lupton Seventh-day Adventist Church



Pastor Nathaniel Gamble
4/20/2019

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War Room
9:30 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.

Our Church at Study
10:00 A.M. - 10:50 A.M.

Superintendent Program
Teacher
Lesson Study:

Sandy Akins
Sandy Akins
Preparing for Change

Kindergarten/Primary: Wanda Balmer *Junior/Earliteen:* Karen Fernandez

Pastor's Notes

We are now almost upon the season of Easter, and I want to do something a little different in this reflection piece. I want to take some time to reflect on the implications of a statement Paul makes in Romans 8 about the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. In Romans 8:32, Paul says, "He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all - how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?" (NIV). The "he" in this verse is God the Father and the "Son" is obviously Jesus. What is interesting, however, is the verb Paul uses to describe the Father's actions with respect to the Son: "gave him up." The Greek word for "gave him up" has two meanings: "to hand on" (like passing on a family tradition or heirloom) and "to hand over" (like betraying a friend or a trust); in fact, when this word is translated as a noun, it can either mean "tradition" or "traitor/betrayer." One thing Paul is NOT saying in this passage is that the Father betrayed Jesus. But it is interesting that Paul uses this word (rather than others) to describe the Father's involvement in the meaning of Jesus' death. Why does Paul use this term to describe the "handing over" action of God in giving the Son for us? It seems to be due to the nature of God's grace. In this verse, Paul ties together the Father's act of "giving Jesus up for us" and the Father's act of "giving us all things along with him." The Father gives Jesus up to death, according to Paul, so that he can give us the living Jesus - along with all other blessings that God desires to lavish upon us in Christ. Paul apparently wants us to understand that the only way God is able to give us all things along with Jesus, is if he first hands Jesus over to death on our behalf. Have you ever thought about Easter in this way: that God wants us to receive a treasure-trove of gifts - his Son the most precious among them - but that he can only give us these gifts (along with the resurrected Christ) if he first purposely hands Jesus over to die? This is the exciting and scandalous nature of the gospel! Jesus is handed over to death so that we can receive all things from God - and, somehow, Jesus' death results in us getting him alive again forever. This is wondrous, amazing love indeed, and it boggles the mind to grasp it (as it should)! I hope this weekend affords you substantial time to reflect on how eager and willing the Father was to "give up" his Son, so that you could receive his Son and all his other blessings. God bless.

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Our Church at Worship
11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

Interlude

Musical Selections

Welcome/ Announcements

Karen Fernandez

Worship in Praise

Songs & Praises

Lexi Contreras

Our Children at Worship

Evangelism Offering

Storyteller: Pastor Nathaniel Gamble

Call to Worship

Responsive Reading
Invocation

764 - Reconciliation

Martin Pope
Pastor Nathaniel Gamble

Worship in Stewardship

Call for Offering
Offertory Prayer

Local Church Budget

Local Church Budget
John Fernandez

Worship in Song

Opening Hymn

"I Will Sing of My Redeemer" # 343

Worship in Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

"Surely the Presence" Martin Pope

Worship in the Word

Scripture

2 Corinthians 5:14-21 John Fernandez

Special Music

Sandi Patty & Larnelle Harris Video
"I've Just Seen Jesus"

Sermon

Pastor Nathaniel Gamble
"The Scandal of Salvation"

Closing Hymn

"Jesus Saves!" # 340

Benediction
Postlude

"God Be With You" Pastor Nathaniel Gamble
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Sundown Today 7:42 PM

Next Friday 7:48 PM