### 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 Amazing Facts "Storacles of Prophecy" series.

**ADRA FEED HUNGRY CHILDREN PROJECT** this year. Drop your spare change in the donation box hanging in the foyer. \$125.69 has been received through the end of January. Money is sent when \$100 has been received.

**NEXT WEEK**: Harold Williams will have the worship service. Dennis Dunkin will have the lesson study. The offering will be for Local Church Budget. Loose and undesignated offering goes to Local Church Expense. Online giving is now available at by clicking on the Online Giving link at the church website (see Karen for more information).

**CHURCH BOARD MEETING**: The next regular board meeting will be Sunday, 3/8/2020 at 4:00 p.m. at the church.

February	Budget	Received	Still Needed for February	Balance 2/21/2020
	\$1,900	\$889	\$511	_
Expense				\$3,218.06
Evangelism		\$62		\$927.46
Insurance		\$5,643.85	\$591.85	Goal: \$6,235.70
<b>Building Fund</b>		\$15		\$767.85
Repair/Air		\$3,032.07	\$967.93	Goal: \$4,000

**WOMEN'S MINISTRIES** Valentine Tea Party is tomorrow at 11:00 a.m. at Wanda Balmer's, 203 Graefe Ave in Ault. Wear a hat. If you don't have one, there will be extras available. We will have a wonderful brunch and lots of fun!

**HOLY SPIRIT STUDY:** The pastor is conducting a mini mid-week series in February on the Holy Spirit as a time for us to be spiritually refreshed in our relationship with Christ. The next session will take place at our church building at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday February 26. Please come for a time of learning more about how the Holy Spirit relates to the Father, Jesus, and us, followed by a time of praying together that will be fitted to your personal comfort level. Bring your friends!

**ACS DISASTER RESPONSE TRAINING:** March 29th, Lifestyle Center, 2520 S Downing, Denver (formerly the Adventist Book Center). See bulletin insert.

KEEP GOD'S HOUSE CLEAN: When you leave the sanctuary, please do not leave trash/bottles/etc.in the pews. Take them with you and put them where they belong. Thank you very much!

# Welcome Fort Lupton Seventh-day Adventist Church



Pastor Nathaniel Gamble 2/22/2020

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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: Martin Pope Martin Pope

From the Stormy Sea to the Clouds of Heaven

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

### **Pastor's Notes**

Last week we looked at the role which Jesus and the Holy Spirit play in our repentance. In this week's reflection, we examine the relationship between repentance and the Christian life. In any conversation among believers concerning repentance and "living a Christian life," the guestion arises sooner or later, "Okay, but how do I go about being a better person? How am I supposed to start living the way God wants me to?" What stands behind the question is usually a twofold belief: 1) whatever repentance is, it must be what will cause me to be holy; and 2) I don't know how to make myself be holy, so maybe if I try really hard I'll somehow start being holy. But the fascinating truth is that repentance isn't the CAUSE of us living changed lives, but rather it is the sign that we ALREADY are living changed lives! Ellen points out in "Steps to Christ" that repentance is longing for pardon from sin and a desire for purity of heart: basically, "to be restored to harmony and communion with God" (13; 1977 edition). On a human level, this is a tall order! It is one thing to recognize the holiness of God's law and the rightness of obeying God, but it is quite another thing entirely to somehow will yourself to change from the inside and make yourself come into alignment with God's priorities and God's character! But Ellen makes clear that this kind of repentance "is beyond the reach of our own power to accomplish; it is obtained only from Christ, who ascended up on high and has given gifts unto men" (14). For those who think that they need to clean themselves up with repentance before they can come to Jesus or obey God, Ellen reminds them repeatedly that only Jesus can make them clean (14-15). Continually using themes from Ephesians 4:7-13 and Romans 2:4, she makes clear that Jesus is the great Pardoner (which is the first part of repentance) as well as the great Empowerer (which is the second part of repentance) - and this means that, from first to last and everywhere in between, repentance only comes from Jesus and never from us (14-15)! Friend, do you long for forgiveness AND power to live a Christian life? Seek it in friendship with Jesus. Get lost focusing on Jesus, instead of focusing on your own so-called "power" or "ability" to live a godly life. God bless.

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 (303) 733-3771

 Adventist Book Center
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# Our Church at Worship 11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

Interlude Musical Selections				
Karen Fernandez		Welcome/ Announcements		
Karen Fernandez	Worship in Praise	Songs & Praises		
Pastor Nathaniel Gamble	<b>Our Children at Worship</b> Storyteller	Evangelism Offering		
Martin Pope Pastor Nathaniel Gamble	<b>Call to Worship</b> 875 Matthew 11:28-30	Responsive Reading Invocation		
Brent Balmer Brent Balmer	<b>Worship in Stewardship</b> Rocky Mountain Advance	Call for Offering Offertory Prayer		
# 457	Worship in Song "I Love to Tell the Story"	Opening Hymn		
Martin Pope	Worship in Prayer "Surely the Presence"	Pastoral Prayer		
Brent Balmer	<b>Worship in the Word</b> Luke 9:11-17	Scripture		
Video	24.0 0.11 17	Special Music		
Sermon Pastor Nathaniel Gambl "Helping Others Follow Jesus"		Sermon "I		
# 152 S"	"Tell Me the Story of Jesus	Closing Hymn		
Pastor Nathaniel Gamble # 65	"God Be With You"	Benediction Postlude		

Next Friday 5:50 PM

Sundown Today 5:43 PM