

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. **Thank you for wearing your mask inside the building and remember to social distance.**

PRAYER MEETING is on Zoom every Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. We are studying the book of Galatians with Aspen Park.

ADRA FEED HUNGRY CHILDREN PROJECT this year. Drop your spare change in the donation box hanging in the foyer or write a check and place it in an offering envelope indicating it is for ADRA Project. \$989.76 was received through the end of December.

NEXT WEEK: Doug English will have the worship service. The offering will be for Local Church Budget. **Loose offering goes to Local Church Expense and undesignated offerings in envelopes go to Insurance.** Online giving is now available 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, 2/12/2021 at 9:00 a.m. at the church.

| January | Budget | Received | Still Needed | Balance 1/8/2021 |
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| | \$1,400 | \$278 | \$1,122 | |
| Expense | | | | \$2,835.96 |
| Evangelism | -- | \$1 | -- | \$658.96 |
| Insurance | | \$5,129.10 | \$1,106.60 | Goal: \$6,235.70 |
| Building Fund | | \$0 | | \$917.85 |

CHURCH MISSION PROJECT: If you wish to donate to our mission project, Hope at Miracle House, mark your gift as HOPE.

LA VIDA MISSION: We are collecting paper towels, toilet paper and oatmeal over the next year. Take your donations to the cradle roll room.

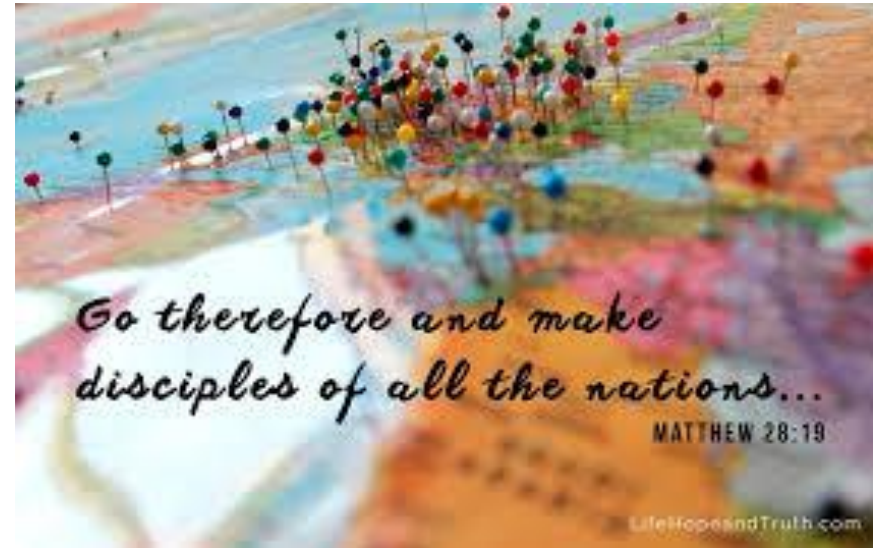
TUITION ASSISTANCE: Mark the offering envelope TUITION to help with tuition.

PASTOR'S DEPARTURE: It is with great sadness that we will be saying farewell to Pastor Nathaniel Gamble as our Pastor. His last Sabbaths with us will be the 23rd and 30th of January. He will begin serving 3 churches in the Colorado Springs area on February 1st. If you have not received a copy of the email message he sent, please see Karen. We will have fellowship meals with the Pastor on those Sabbaths and are working out details to have a more normal fellowship meal for those Sabbaths while still remaining safe. We will keep it very simple with a couple of entrees, a salad, a dessert and some bread. Please speak to Jackie or Karen if you would like to help. The people bringing entrees will set up and serve to those who stay.

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK: Happy Birthday today to Helen Lopez! Happy Anniversary Tuesday to Al & Helen Lopez and Don & Cindy Schraeder!

KEEP GOD'S HOUSE CLEAN: When you leave the sanctuary, please do not leave trash/bottles/etc.in the pews. Use the Clorox/Lysol wipe and wipe down the back of the pew in front of you and the arm of your pew. Take trash with you and put in the trash can at the end of the table outside the sanctuary door.
Thank you very much!

Welcome Fort Lupton Seventh-day Adventist Church



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1/9/2021

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Pastor's Notes

Last week we looked at how the wilderness temptation of Jesus in Matthew 4 shows the Savior to be the Son of God. This week we're taking a look at another interaction Jesus has with a demonic power in Matthew 8: the story of Jesus healing the Gadarene demoniacs. Jesus arrives in "the country of the Gadarenes" and is immediately confronted by two tomb-dwelling men who are possessed by demons (verse 28). When he gets there, Jesus is peppered with questions and statements by the demons. They ask him a two-punch question: "What business do we have with each other, Son of God? Have You come here to torment us before the time?" (verse 29). If you think about it, these two questions are incredibly odd - and very revealing for who the demons perceive Jesus to be. The demons address him as "Son of God"; apparently, Jesus' divine identity from his wilderness temptation has gotten around in the demonic realm. And yet, they ask about what their relationship to Jesus is (their literal statement is, "What is to us and to you," which is a Hebrew way of asking what two parties have to do with each other) - and then immediately show that they know what their relationship is to Jesus by asking whether or not they are to face judgment now rather than in the future! Jesus either doesn't engage in this conversation or the demons don't give him any time to respond, because the next line is again made by the demons: "If You are going to cast us out, send us into the herd of swine" (verse 31). They know God has designated pigs as unclean, and they would rather keep company with unclean things than stay in Jesus' presence. So Jesus tells them to go - and the demons kill the pigs by drowning them in the Sea of Galilee (verse 32). The response by the onlooking people is troubling, however. The herdsmen run away and tell the surrounding villages what Jesus has done (verse 33). You'd think people would rejoice, but instead they decide that the problem is Jesus, not the demons - so they beg Jesus to leave the area (verse 34). Friends, Jesus' treatment of the demon-possessed men shows he's the Son of God. The question for you is, What would you like to do with Jesus: stay with the Son of God or fear him and run away from him? God bless.

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

Superintendent Program Martin Pope
Teacher Martin Pope
Lesson Study: Crisis of Leadership

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

Welcome/ Announcements Karen Fernandez

Worship in Praise

Praise Song Karen Fernandez

Call to Worship

Responsive Reading 768 Susan Watson
Mission of the Church

Worship in Prayer

Pastoral Prayer Martin Pope

Worship in Stewardship

Call for Offering *Rocky Mountain Conference Advance* Martin Pope

Worship in Song

Opening Hymn # 573
"I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go"

Worship in the Word

Scripture Martin Pope
Isaiah 6:8 and Psalm 91:11,12

Special Music "I Will Never Be The Same Again" Video
Taiwan Adventist College

Sermon Brent & Wanda Balmer
"Peter Broke the 4th Commandment"

Benediction Brent Balmer

Closing Hymn # 623
"I Will Follow Thee"

Sundown Today 4:53 PM Next Friday 4:59 PM