

## *Dennehotso Project Team 2011*

On May 22, four members of Family in Christ and one member of Cross Timbers Church left for the 2011 Project Team trip. This was a very productive trip. We went down with the intention of texturing/painting walls and installing floor tile in the new room that will be used as a Sunday School room, as well as painting the kitchen. We also planned to fix the entry door to the church and seal off the new siding on the house. When we arrived, the texturing and painting of the new room were already done. We prepped the floor in that room so the tile could be laid and accomplished that task. We also installed base cove to finish off the room. Virginia is so excited about getting it done so she can begin teaching the pre-schoolers in that room. She has 5 kids to get started with. This is one **HUGE** step from our first trip down there, only a few short years ago.

Another task was to put weather seal on the new siding on the house. This was challenging due to the winds that we had while we were there. Also, because of the strong winds, the church was getting water and a lot of sand into the building from under the front door. We installed a door sweep which took care of this problem. The biggest task we had was to finish off the kitchen, which had large holes in the ceiling, some places where insulation had not been put into the walls, and no dry-wall in these areas. Most of the drywall had been taped, but we had to finish the taping and mudding, along with patching the holes in the ceiling. Before the holes in the ceiling could be fixed, we had to finish insulating the attic. After this work was completed, we textured and painted the kitchen.

It was wonderful to again be able to get more things done than originally planned. How great it is to know that God is with us on these trips and that we are able to accomplish the tasks that He has set out for us to do, not just what we plan. The team that God chose to go on this trip had a great time, along with getting our tasks done. It is so wonderful to share God's love with others in this way.

Next year's Project Team's projected tasks will be to replace a decayed wall in the church, finish the ceiling in the church's kitchen and remove, then replace, the tile in the bath, kitchen and fellowship area that is attached to the kitchen.

If you have ever wanted to go on a work trip, next year may be the year for you to go.



## *Social Days of Summer*

This summer at Family in Christ, we're facilitating a number of opportunities for you to engage community in a new way. Over the course of the next three months, you're invited to take a hike, take in a ballgame, a concert, or a museum, or serve the community by picking up trash, serve the homeless, or do some other "good neighbor-ly" act. These, of course, name only a few of the events in the planning stages for this summer. Please keep a lookout in the weekly bulletin and an ear out for verbal announcements - we want you to join us, but we also want you to invite a friend (or three) who aren't connected to a church. This is a great way to engage your friends in a non-threatening, easy-going environment while participating in something everyone can enjoy. It's going to be a great summer. Let's get social!

Here's an opportunity coming up! Broomfield is hosting free concerts this summer at their outdoor amphitheater (3 Community Park Road—one block north of 1st between Main and Lamar). Make plans now for a fun evening of **Knight Groove**, a funk/blues band on **June 22** at 7 pm. Begin gathering at the park about 6:15; be sure to bring your own chairs/blankets and dinner, if you like!



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What songs come to mind when you think of summer? The exquisite harmonies of the Beach Boys as they intone “Good Vibrations”? Perhaps the heart-pounding rhythm as Bono belts out “It’s a Beautiful Day”? Summer is a time for songs. In the park. On your Ipod. And from the Bible. That collection of 150 Psalms is, after all, the very first songbook ever compiled. And so join us in worship, as we take a look at some summertime hits that still speak to us today.



## Mothers of Preschoolers

Our MOPS Group is officially on summer break, but here are a few summer activities we have scheduled that we wanted you to mark on your calendar:

- **Friday, June 10** from 4 pm-7 pm and **Saturday, July 9** from 9 am – 12 noon - Bring your kids to Little Monkey Bizness located at the Orchard Town Center (14693 Orchard Pkwy. in Westminster). This is a great way to socialize with other moms and let your little ones run wild. The bonus is that MOPS will receive 25% of any sales.
- **Tuesday, June 14** - What’s better than a Dairy Queen Blizzard on a hot evening? Knowing that \$1 from each Blizzard purchased goes to our MOPS group! Come out to the Dairy Queen at 120<sup>th</sup> and Huron from 5 pm – 7 pm for a yummy cool treat.
- **Friday, June 24** and **Saturday, June 25** - MOPS will be having their annual garage sale from 8 am – 4 pm located at 6630 E. 120th Pl, Brighton. This garage sale will focus solely on children’s and maternity items. If you have any items that you would like to donate please contact Lori Keegan @ 303-949-8395.

Even though we are on summer break, we are busy trying to get next year planned. If you are interested in being in the group next year and have not filled out a registration form, please contact Janice Hunter at janicehunter@gmail.com. You don't have to pay now, and it's not a commitment, but would be a great way to stay in touch during the summer.

For more info, please send your email to [MOPS@familyinchrist.com](mailto:MOPS@familyinchrist.com).

## Sermon Series

June 18 & 19  
“A Song for Help”  
Psalm 46

June 25 & 26  
“A Song for Rest”  
Psalm 23

July 2 & 3  
“A Song of Relief”  
Psalm 39

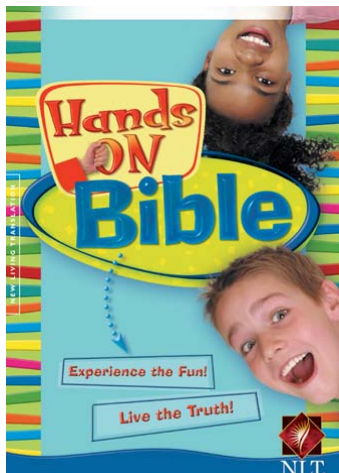
July 9 & 10  
“A Song of Praise”  
Psalm 8

July 16 & 17  
“A Song for Parents”  
Psalm 127

July 23 & 24  
“A Song of Joy”  
Psalm 34

# Sunday Morning Children's Ministry

Susan Faltinson & Sheila Shea 303-466-7770 ext. 209



## Summer Sunday School

Our summer Sunday school program begins June 5 using the Hands-On Bible curriculum. This material presents simple Bible truths in a fresh, interactive setting that capitalizes on children's need to experience life with all their senses. Children participate in a variety of fun and memorable learning experiences that help them understand one important point. We will explore several Old Testament stories and take a fresh look at the life of Christ. There will be 2 classes at the 9:00 service: preschool / kindergarten and grades 1,2 & 3. There are 3 classes at 10:30: pre-K, kindergarten & 1st grade, and grades 2 & 3.

## Fabulous Fridays

This VBS-based program provides non-stop fun as we learn about God in wild and wacky ways while parents enjoy a relaxing evening out. Each Friday evening starts at 6pm with a tasty dinner, followed by Party Time Sing and Play, Bamboo Blast Games, Crazy Crafts and Missions, Chadder's Movie Mania, Wild Bible Adventures and Tree Top Treats before wrapping it up by 9:15 with the Rowdy Wrap-up. Kids ages 2 1/2 (must be fairly consistently potty trained) through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join in the fun. Energetic teens and adults lead each "Crew" of 5 or 6 kids as we visit the bamboo forest in a faith-filled adventure. We meet the third Friday night of each month. Save these dates for a great opportunity to experience God's love in a fun, safe, environment: **June 17, July 15, August 19, & September 16.** To register, visit our website: [Familyinchrist.com](http://Familyinchrist.com) and fill out the registration forms under the Children's Ministry/Special Events links. Volunteers are always welcome--grandparents and parents can earn two free nights for your kids by volunteering to help run activities, help in the kitchen, or assist with the preschool program. For more information, contact Susan at 720-371-3890. See you in the Bamboo Forest!



## Summer Sunday School for Grades 4 and 5:



Buzz is offered at the 9:00 service. This is a hands-on, game-based curriculum with interactive activities that help students dig deeper into God's Word.

Grapple is offered at the 10:30 service. Children will learn Bible truths through group activities and God-sightings. They will also be able to share with each other through computer activities.



## Nursery Ministry

infants & toddlers  
0-4 years of age

Angela Schenk, Director  
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Nursery is offered at all services for your child. There they will experience an evangelistic, interactive story program that includes reading Bible stories, singing praise, learning through play and experiencing prayer.

Summer is here and children are playing outside as weather permits. Please apply or bring sunscreen, if desired.

# Family in Christ Student Ministries - Grades 6 – 12

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**Middle School**  
6th - 8th grades

What are we doing this Summer ?



**Our goal: RESPECT**

We will

**R**each and  
**E**quip teens to  
**S**erve,  
**P**raise, and  
**E**xperience  
**C**hrist  
**T**ogether

Aside from our regular Sunday morning gatherings, we will have fun youth group meetings. On Wednesday, June 8, we will have "Treat Night", where each group will be going out for desserts (bring a few dollars), and on Wednesday, June 15, we'll have Recharge groups (where everyone is invited to come and meet in a small group with their age range)! We will be off for June 22, 29, and July 6.

**July 10 will be our grand kickoff for Sunday night youth gatherings from 4 to 6 pm. Don't miss it.**

## New Sunday Series

We're doing a new series with fun games and an exciting study on the book of 2 Timothy. Paul and Timothy experienced some of the same frustrations we face: friends falling away from the faith, people making fun of our faith, and more. The great news is 2 Timothy shows how we can overcome all these situations.

## 5th graders promote to Youth Group?

In August, we're excited to promote all the current 5th graders up into both our Sunday morning programs, as well as our activities and nightly programs. We'll have a special party to welcome them in during that month. Look for details in the bulletin and next newsletter.

## Get more info on the web and Facebook

Make sure you check us out on our website [www.familyinchrist.com](http://www.familyinchrist.com) under Students. All the updated information for our events and weekly gatherings can be found there. Also see the latest postings and pictures on our facebook page (search for Fic LiveWire High Voltage or link to it from our webpage).

## Mark your calendars

Plan on joining us **August 27 and 28** for a fun Christian festival called "**Rock the Range**". It will have great music, BMX competitions, art and more.

## Getting to Know your Family in Christ Council Members

At our Congregational Meeting in May, new Council members were affirmed.

Here's a brief bio from Ian Schlesinger, one of our new Elders.

I was born and raised in Orange, CT, and spent my entire life in the same house and town until I moved to Colorado, for the first time, in 1997, for college at CU - Boulder. It was during my time at CU that I came to know Jesus Christ as my savior, and became involved in a campus ministry...certainly not the stereotypical picture of Boulder many people have, I'm sure. When I graduated in 2001, I received a commission in the US Navy, and made my way to San Diego, CA for my first two tours of duty. While in San Diego I met my wonderful wife, Jessica. A few short weeks after we were married, we picked up and moved to Washington D.C., where we lived for a

few years before we moved back to Colorado and became a part of Family in Christ. Jess and I are blessed by our 16 month-old son, Coren, who loves his time at Family in Christ as much as we do.

God had blessed me with a heart for service and I have been given numerous opportunities to serve, from my time on campus ministry leadership, active tours of duty, and here at Family in Christ. Both Jess and I are excited to see what God has in store for FiC, and what role we will be called upon to play in those plans.

## Custodial Position for the 2011 - 2012 school year

In August when school gets started, we will be in need of someone to take care of cleaning and setting the church up for all the activities we have here at Family In Christ. This job will require 12 hours per week. On Monday, the church will need to be cleaned and set up for the week. On Wednesday afternoon, about 2 hours of cleaning will need to be done between when school finishes and Wednesday night activities start. On Friday or Saturday, another 4 hours of cleaning will be needed to get ready for weekend activities. If interested, please contact Denise at [denise@familyinchrist.com](mailto:denise@familyinchrist.com) or 303-466-7770 ext. 207.

## *The Table: Serving Nourishment, Fellowship and Grace*

A new Denver church plant by God through Craig and Jeanine Broek

After six and a half years as the pastor of a church in Ridge-wood, NJ, my wife, Jeanine and I sensed that God was moving us into a new direction. Last October, we paid a visit with our then one-year-old Ellen to Denver to see and listen to what God might say. We connected with several local church leaders, including Paul Jorden, who encouraged us, asked us some tough questions, and prayed for us. Once we returned to New Jersey, we sensed that God was very clearly moving us to a new thing in Denver.

So in the middle of February, we packed up all of our earthly possessions to set out on an adventure. We took two months to arrive in Denver, meeting with as many friends and family members as we could find to talk about our new ministry and to ask for their support in prayer and fund raising. Finally we arrived here in the middle of April and have begun working on location to get this new ministry, The Table, under way.

We envision The Table to be a community of people who are following Christ where nourishment, fellowship, and grace are served. Jeanine recently received a Master's degree in Public Health and has a passion for growing food in unsuspecting places. One aspect of the ministry will focus on personal health. By being a part of a community garden or some other form of gardening, we aim to help put healthy food on the tables of our community - serving nourishment. We have a high value for healthy living and so nourishment will include the components of good physical health (eating and exercising), as well as spiritual and relational health. We aim to equip individuals with the tools necessary for their development as Christian leaders in today's society.



We will also serve fellowship at The Table. One of God's gifts to mankind is the ability and desire to live in community. However, in our experience, we have seen families and neighborhoods missing out on community. We plan to make meals an essential part of worship and community life, placing a high value on doing life together in mutual support and accountability. We believe that people were made to live in relationship and our goal is to model healthy fellowship so as to positively impact all relationships of those who participate in the life of the church.

Finally, we will serve grace at The Table. The central and foundational part of what it means to be a follower of Christ is to both receive grace from Jesus and to extend grace to others. We will work together to understand what it means to be children of

God and to live in to that grace. We will worship in a way that values the gifts of the community and depends on the gifts of God.

We invite you to join us in the adventure by checking out our website ([www.denvertable.org](http://www.denvertable.org)). There you can participate in three key ways: 1) support us in prayer by signing up for our e-newsletter; 2) support us financially by donating online or by mail; 3) follow our blog and participate where God leads you to get involved. We're so thankful for the gift of Family in Christ and we look forward to our partnership with you in the years to come!

Are you, or do  
you know  
someone  
who is in their  
20's or 30's?



The Ascent is a group of young adults at Family in Christ Community Church who grow and have fun together. This summer, we will be meeting during our regular time on Mondays from 6:30–8:30 pm. You are welcome to come any Monday. We will also be engaging in a great deal of fun this summer, with camping trips, hikes, outdoor film screenings at Film on the Rocks, BBQs, game nights and plenty more! We hope you can join us for any or all of these things!

Let me know if I can answer any questions for you. My name is Phil Christie and you can contact me at [phil@familyinchrist.com](mailto:phil@familyinchrist.com) or 720-212-9135.

## Come fill the stands on Sundays and cheer for the Family in Christ men's softball teams.

Here is the link to the game schedule: [www.whosinfirst.com/broomfield/standings.cfm?leagueID=1079](http://www.whosinfirst.com/broomfield/standings.cfm?leagueID=1079) or watch the bulletin. Bring your cooler and meet/make some new friends from church. All games are played in Broomfield near 1st and Lamar. For more information, contact Brian Mapes or Harley Evans.

### Faith Day AUGUST 21



Family in Christ has reserved 70 seats in the lower section of 321 for \$25 each (seats in this area usually range from \$32 to \$60). Game begins at 1:10; **Casting Crowns** will provide the post-game concert.

RSVP to Terry or Margie Bessler at 303-431-2988 or [bessler@comcast.net](mailto:bessler@comcast.net). It's way okay to invite your friends, too. Final payment is due August 1, but please help us plan by letting us know now that you want to be a part of this popular event. You can make checks payable to Family in Christ with "Faith Day" in the memo blank. Please give your payment to Margie or Terry or place in the Bessler mail folder.

## Book Club News

The Book Club will meet Monday, June 20 at 7:00 at the home of Amy Rens (303-604-2437) to discuss any favorite book(s) you have read the past year.

Our July Book Club will meet July 18 at the home of Trudy Pfannenstiel (303-427-6601) to watch a movie based on a book that was read this past year.

We will meet August 15 to discuss "Anne of Green Gables" by Liz Montgomery. All are welcome!

## Community Sew-In

Join us at Make It Sew (120th & Main in Broomfield behind Burger King) from **10 am - 3 pm** and meet others who share a common love of sewing and giving to the community. We make simple quilts; all levels of sewing experience are welcomed. Stay for the whole day or just an hour or two. We meet again on the following **Fridays: June 24, and July 22**. For more information, please call Cheryl Holliday at 303-438-9081.



## Can you offer a handshake with a smile?

That's the basic qualification you need to have to help make Family in Christ a welcoming place to worship. Greeting and ushering duties involve arriving about 15 minutes before worship starts, welcoming and offering direction as needed to people at the main entrances or handing out bulletins at the Sanctuary doors, then being available to pass the offering plates. Those on the First Sunday team also pass the elements during Communion.

Whether you are new to Family in Christ or have been coming for years and have been wondering about a way to serve your church, this could be the perfect ministry for you! Generally, you would serve in this role no more than one worship service a month. For more information or to get involved, please contact Chuck Hutchcraft, Margie Bessler or Philip Jongejan. Let us know which service you usually attend, if there's a particular weekend of the month that works better for you, and we will get you in the rotation.

## What is a Life Group to you?

For some, being a part of a Life Group is the highlight of their week. It is a place to be refreshed and find encouragement from friends to meet the challenges that come in life. A Life Group can be a place of help and joy, and a safe place to ask our questions about God that we might feel embarrassed to unveil otherwise.

If you are a part of a Life Group like this, consider inviting others to join you and experience the joy that you regularly have. If you are not part of a Life Group, then visit one this week.

You can sign up online at  
[www.familyinchrist.com/life-groups](http://www.familyinchrist.com/life-groups).



## Men's Ministry

### The next Men's Gathering is Tuesday, June 14

Come join us for our next Men's Gathering and look for social events yet to come! We are currently studying 'Fearless' by Max Lucado. Be encouraged by growing together with other men through the study of God's Word and the fellowship of the Body of Christ.

We meet from 6:45–8:15 pm at the church on the second Tuesday of every month. We are in the process right now of scheduling a second night for this study also. This will be led by our own Freddy Castano.



Bing & Rainer Cherries will be in the last week of June. Apricots will be available the first of July, with early peaches in the end of July to first week of August. For any questions or to order, please call Virginia Johnson @ 303-233-7290.



## Women's Ministry

### Mark your calendars:

#### Women's Connection

Connecting Women to God and to each other in honest relationships  
July 24, 2011 @ 4:54 pm

#### Fall Retreat

October 21, 22, 23

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**Worship Services:**

Saturday, 6:00pm

Sunday, 9:00 am & 10:30 am

Children's Programs, Nursery,  
as well as a family room  
available at all services

**Wednesday Evening Programs**

on summer hiatus



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**American  
Red Cross**

## Blessed to be a Blessing

"The American Red Cross Mile High Chapter thanks Family in Christ Church for your support of the 2011 Japan Earthquake and Pacific Tsunami Relief."

Our thanks to Rachel Kurtzberg for facilitating this fundraiser. Family in Christ donated a total of \$839.00 which will provide relief to those impacted so dramatically by this devastating event.

## Enjoy the Convenience of Electronic Giving



### A Special Message for Summer Travelers

Would you find it helpful to have your offerings debited directly from your bank account as you probably do with other obligations? We offer electronic giving for those of you who wish to contribute in that way. If you have plans to travel this summer, electronic giving gives you a convenient way to keep up with your intended offerings. Simply visit our website [[www.familyinchrist.com](http://www.familyinchrist.com)] and click on the **Donate Online** link. Online giving lets you set up an automatic donation plan, change your donation plan, make a one-time donation or view your online donation history. Choose the best option for you.

- **Direct Debit Giving** is used to automatically transfer funds from your checking or savings account to the church's bank account.
- **Credit & Debit Card Giving** lets you make offerings automatically on a predetermined schedule using a credit or debit card.

## Quarterly Giving Statements

In early July, we will start sending out quarterly giving statements via email. Please email Carmen in the office ([carmen@familyinchrist.com](mailto:carmen@familyinchrist.com)) with your current email address so that you will continue to receive these statements. If you have any questions about this or our online giving please give her a call at 303-466-7770, ext. 201.

### Our **MISSION** as a Family in Christ:

With Prayer and God's Spirit as our source of power, we will work toward turning the unchurched into attenders, attenders into members, members into disciples, disciples into ministers, and ministers into reproducers.

All to the glory of God.

### Our **VISION** as a Family in Christ is to build a Christian community where others can come to

**SEE** Christ  
**KNOW** Christ  
**GROW** in Christ  
**SERVE** Christ  
**SHARE** Christ

so that we might fully become a  
Family in Christ.