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# Shepherd's Staff

APRIL 1. 2021

# A FLOWER IN THE SNOW

Last month's winter storm was amazing. I have never seen so much snow in my life. After Sunday worship, I went out to clean up the snow, but when I saw the accumulation, I didn't know how to take care it, so I went back inside. When afternoon arrived, the snow had subsided a bit, and I went out again to start shoveling. I have cleared snow before, but this time it was much harder. I think I shoveled for almost 2 hours by myself.

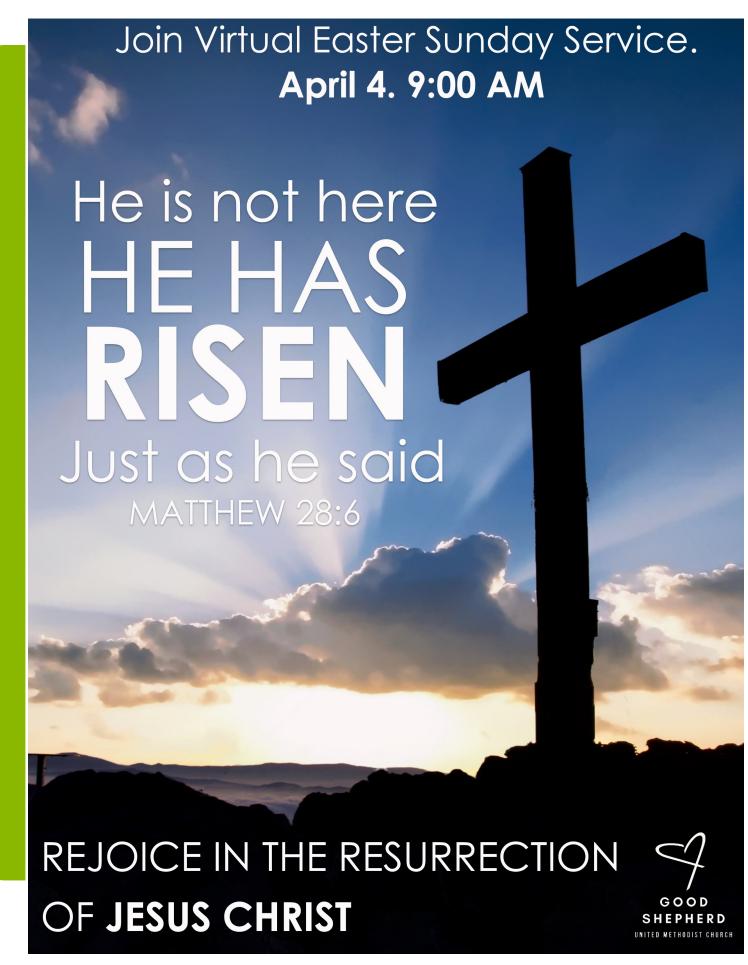
It was hard. I even took a break and sat down on the front porch. While I was sitting, I saw something on the edge of the lawn where I had cleaned earlier. It was yellow. As I looked closer, I realized that it was a yellow flower in bloom. So much snow came and covered everything. The world looked white, but there was a yellow flower blooming in the corner of my lawn. It was amazing that a flower bloomed in the cold and snow, so I carefully removed snow around the flower by hand.

Now that the snow has melted, the yellow flower is still blooming. I don't know much about plants, so I don't know what kind of flower it is, but I think it is very proud to see that it is still blooming without dying in the cold. Every time I see it, I think, "Spring comes even when there is a winter storm. Life is blooming again even in the cold."

This month, we have such a joyful day to celebrate. On Easter we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ. The resurrection of Jesus Christ is joyous news for all humankind. His sacrifice on the cross gives us freedom from the chains of sin, and his resurrection gives us hope for life. The resurrection of the Lord is like the flower in the snow. Even in the cold, even when our lives feel desolate and seem to have nothing, the Lord shows us the power of the resurrection. Even in lives full many incidents and problems, the Lord plants faith in us through resurrection so that we do not lose hope for true life. Like the flower in the snow, the resurrection of the Lord is greatest motivation of our lives.

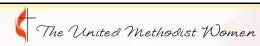
May we thank the Lord for coming to earth to set us free from sin. And may this April be a month to rejoice in the Lord who has resurrected for our true life. Like the flower in the snow. I pray that you will find the Lord of hope in the midst of your lives.

- Rev. Yo Han Han



## REGISTRATION FOR PDO FOR 2021/2022

Save the date! PDO fall registration for the 2021-2022 school year begins in April. Children must be 2 ½ to enroll, and will need to be potty-trained or in a pull up. Classes are on Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00-11:30. For more information, please contact Natalie. nhiggins.gsumc@gmail.com



United Methodist Women will meet on Wednesday, April 21, at 7 pm on Zoom. We will have a special guest speaker!

#### **DIVERSITY TEAM**

Diversity team will meet at 7 pm on Thursday, April 15, via zoom.

### **RUTH CIRCLE BIBLE STUDY**

#### My Story

By Linda Anderson

The pandemic - a challenge to me.
Bad news is about all I can see.
Good times with my family and friends,
But in COVID lockdown it all ends.
Then an invite for Bible studies.
These ladies make great study buddies,
But this wasn't work, it brought me joy.
"Welcome to Thursdays at one, enjoy.
Doesn't matter if you miss a week,
Want to just listen or get to speak."
March and April the Bible, God's book,
Jesus' Final Week, a closer look.
Women on Zoom sharing their insight
Into how great God is and His might.

#### YOU ARE INVITED......

To join the Ruth Bible Study 1- 3pm every Thursday. Please send Kathy Bollfrass an email address and you will be invited to join! Kathy will be happy to send you the information on the book they are currently using for their study.

Kathy Bollfrass kgboll99@gmail.com

### **RESUME IN-PERSON WORSHIP**

GSUMC is scheduled for **Re-Open 04-11-2021** which means that we will need 2 cleaning volunteer crews. One at 9:00 and one at 10:30 and we will need a crew leader for each team.

Please consider assisting on our weekly teams and we are looking for 2 team leads to manage the cleaning events for the 9:00 and 10:30 AM services. If you can head up one of these teams please contact Pete Finnie.

We will be posting a online sign up for the team support for cleaning the church public area and Sanctuary for each service. Watch the website and e-blast for coming information

#### **GSUMC MISSIONARY KUTELA KATEMBO**

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4 Communion Sunday  9:00 am Zoom Worship 10:30am Adult Sunday School Zoom 10:30 Children/Bash Youth Zoom  Happy Easter	5 TLC 8:45-1145 Rev. Yo Han Office Hours by appointment only Book club 6:30pm	6 Rev. Yo Han Sabbath PDO 9-11:30 TLC 8:45-11:45	Rev. Yo Han Office Hours 9am –12pm TLC 8:45-1145	Rev. Yo Han Office Hours 9am –12pm PDO 9=11:30 TLC 8:45-11:45 Ruth Circle Bible Study Zoom 1-3pm Bell Practice 4pm-9pm	9 TLC 8:45-1145	10
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Mile High Metro District
Gathering—Registration is
now open - simply click on
this link to
register and find your district's
specific information:
https://mtnskyreg.brtapp.com/2021MSCDi
strictGatherings

Click here for more information on *Where Love Lives*:

https://westernjurisdictionumc.org/where-love-lives-creating-a-

where-love-lives-creating-afully-inclusive-unitedmethodist-church-westernjurisdiction-beginning-yearlong-campaign/

\* Save the Date \*
Mile High Metro District Gathering

April 17, 2021

9:00 AM-12:30 PM

Zoom Meeting

You just never know what might show up in the background...

More details to follow



_	<u>April Birthdays</u>		
3-Apr	Drew Higgins		
4-Apr	Jim Green		
6-Apr	Hailey Krueger		
8-Apr	Sugyeong Yun		
9-Apr	Meghan Gress		
11-Apr	Doris Cook		
12-Apr	Amber Higgins		
13-Apr	Franklin Chan		
13-Apr	Shannon Montgomery		
17-Apr	Maria Monroe		
21-Apr	Kathryn Thirsk		
26-Apr	Melinda Cherrington		
28-Apr	Nick Wayland		
30-Apr	Greyson Monroe		
30-Apr	Debbie Olivas		

# FOOD BANK

# Good Shepherd United Methodist Church Thornton Colorado

In cooperation with the Food Bank of the Rockies.

#### **VIRTUAL FOOD DRIVE!**

Good Shepherd United Methodist Church and the United Methodist Men is hosting a virtual food drive to help Food Bank of the Rockies feed hungry families. Will you help us and contribute to this important cause? Did you know the food bank can provide <u>four meals or five pounds of food for just a dollar?</u>

Even a small donation can make a difference when you give through this virtual food drive.

Together we can solve hunger in our local communities. Thanks in advance for your help!

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