

March 2024
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*Agape Potluck Meal—the first Sunday of each month. The next one is on March 3.

Mission—Beginning March 3

Supporting Los Pobres and Family Promise.

In March during Lent, we'll be collecting \$25 Gift Cards to Walmart.

We also will be serving dinner to the families on March 18. Check the bulletin board for the sign up (after March 4).

In April, Family Promise is having a fundraising event on April 10; Breakfast for Hope at The Antlers.

The Wider Church – An Ecclesiastical Council

The Rocky Mountain Conference of the United Church of Christ acting as an Association and First Congregational UCC/Colorado Springs invite you to an Ecclesiastical Council to consider the ordination of Joshua Rumble March 11, 2024 at 7 p.m. via Zoom. All members with standing in the RMC and Lay Delegates from every member church in RMC are encouraged to attend and offer support to this candidate as he continues the journey toward ordination in the United Church of Christ. All ordained, lay, and commissioned ministers who have their standing in RMC shall be entitled to vote. In addition, ordained persons of any other denomination who are serving a member church and who have received "privilege of call" status shall be entitled to vote except on matters of membership and ministerial standing. Please register [here](#).

Marks Portfolio click [here](#). Quorum: A quorum of 10 RMC Churches (at least 1 from each of the 5 Associations) with a minimum of 6 clergy present to proceed with an Ecclesiastical Council.

Flamy Grant: Did you miss the opportunity to get Flamy Grant tickets for their show here in Colorado Springs? Good news! More were released due to a venue change! If you didn't know, Vista Grande has been instrumental in bringing Flamy to town! This is a show you don't want to miss! [Get your tickets here.](#)

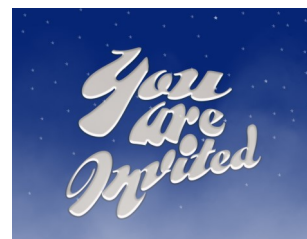
FAMILY PROMISE Breakfast for Hope Fundraiser Don't Miss It!

This April we are hosting our biggest fundraiser of the year! Mayor Yemi Mobolade will open our event and share the City's initiatives on the challenges and progress of supporting the unhoused people in our community. Come join us at The Antlers on **Wednesday, April 10th from 7:30 am - 8:30 am** to learn about our programs and services made possible by our amazing volunteers, donors, and staff.

***Calendar Events:**

Sundays - Percolate – our Sunday morning Adult Faith Formation. Feel free to join us Sunday mornings at 8:30 a.m.

- March 3 – Agape Meal
- March 4 – 6 – 8 p.m. – Private function
- March 10 – Council Meeting
- March 13 – Men's Breakfast at The Urban Egg; (Powers and Dublin)
- March 16– 10 a.m. – Sandwich making
- March 17 – Delivering sandwiches
- March 24—Palm Sunday
Lunch and Learn
- March 28—6:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday
- March 29—Movie at The Druelinger's
- March 31—Easter



Birthdays and Anniversaries.

March Birthdays

- 10 Gideon Cross Happy 1st
- 17 Amy Gunning
- 20 Jon Forshee



Happy Anniversary!

- March 20 Carol and Richard Burbank
- April 1 Dave and Denise Lee
- April 27 Luke and Audrey Cherney

April Birthdays

- 16 Donna Bristow
- 17 Carolyn Gunning
- 18 Jax Hyatt
- 22 Robin Lamoreaux
- 24 Dave Nath

2024 Executive Council:

Open Position: Treasurer,

Newly Elected: Clerk: Dana Zimmerman

Continuing Positions: Moderator: David Lee; Assistant Moderator: David Nath; Financial Secretary: Denise Lee; Members-at-Large: Linda Allen and Carol Burbank

Our core values as discerned by the executive council:

- Connecting with the Divine
- Engaging in community
- Fostering diversity
- Embodying our values
- Leading with care

Vista Grande's Vision Statement – adopted April 13, 2020

"We covenant together to imagine and live into a world where God's Kingdom vision of human and planetary flourishing comes to pass through the work of love, justice, peace, equality, and extravagant hospitality. We envision nothing less than a world restored to wholeness, wellness, joy, and gratitude for all of God's Creation."