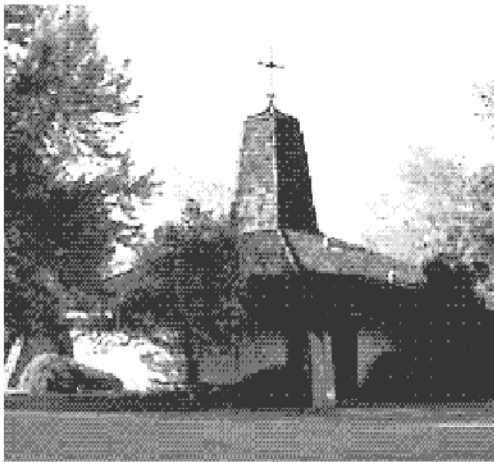


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Church Identity and Mission Statement

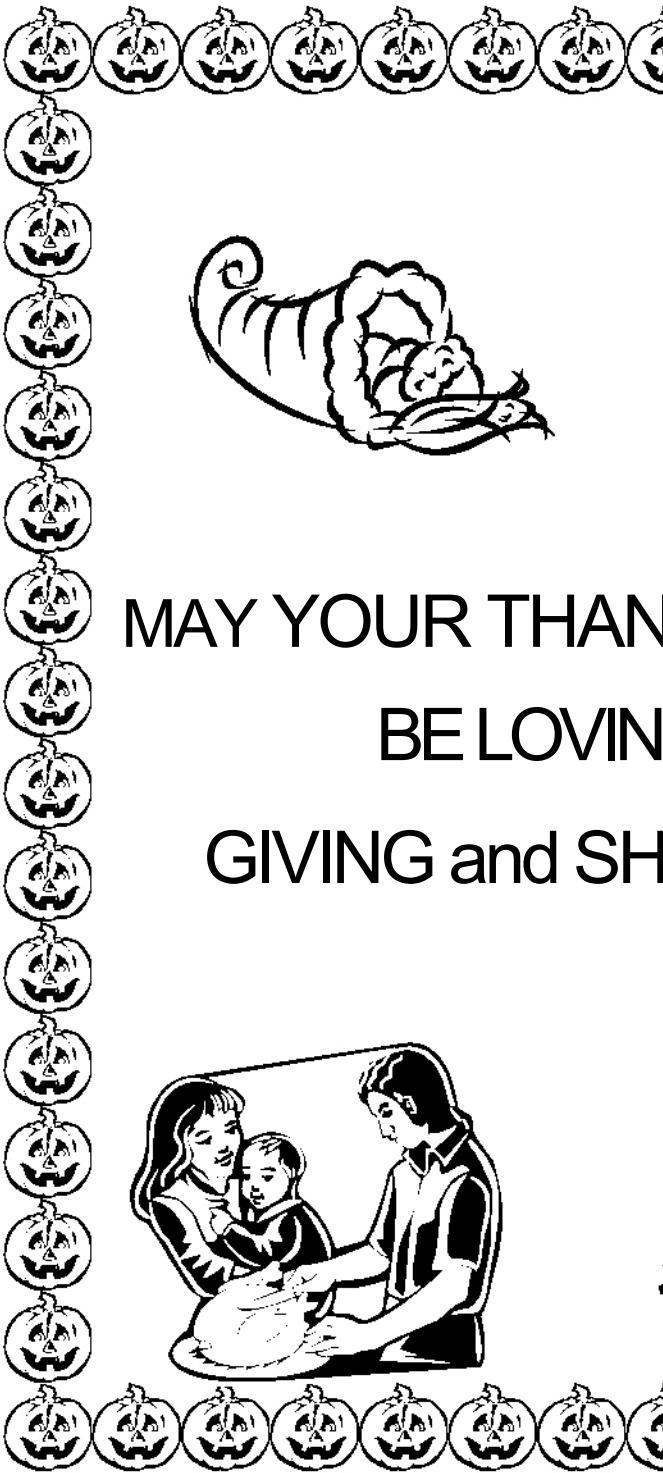
WELCOMING, CARING, AND CELEBRATING CHRISTIAN CONGREGATION OF THE
LEARNING, AND WORSHIPPING COMMUNITY OF FAITH. **WE WELCOME**
ALL DIVERSE, JUSTICE-PROMOTING, TRADITION-AFFIRMING, FUTURE-
ORIENTED. **THE MISSION OF OUR MINISTRY IS ON OUR NEIGHBORHOOD AND TO THE LARGER**
COMMUNITY. **ATTENTION TO THE NEEDS OF THE GLOBAL COMMUNITY.**

On the desk of Beth Robey Hyde
As expected, this will be my last Caller article to you.
When I am coming to serve you was to hand you over to a
new pastor as a healthy, self-motivated, highly func-
tioning, ready for a new partnership and a new
beginning. This is happening after only fifteen months is an in-
credible — you and I — have done our job well.

Write this article. It has been a distinct privilege and
honor to come to love and respect you and I will miss

In this phase of your life, the only thing certain is that
you will embrace change, not as a duty, but as an adven-
ture as you look to a bright but distinctively different
future for you. Two which especially stand out for me
are the warm atmosphere, and your new-found sense of
the love of greeting new friends of any congre-
gation of the courage you value by continuing to be
one another, by reaching out into the world and
firm your other progressive and inclusive values. God's
work is here. Life is good here.
Welcome our new pastor. Remember who you are:
a loving community of faith, nourished and
inspired by the Spirit of God.

A loving farewell, Beth
Robey Hyde





PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE

The committee recommends Reverend John Henderson as senior minister of Christ Congregation as senior minister of Christ Congregation. He is currently serving as chaplain at St. Anthony's Hospital. His previous positions include that of Pastor at Christ Congregation, Henderson, CO, Minister of Pastoral Care at Christ Community Church near Golden, and In-

We plan to hold a "meet and greet" session at 7:00 PM on **October 6**, at the church. This session will be a time for you to meet with church members and to discuss issues of interest. Then, **Sunday, November 7**, John will lead

a sermon. Immediately following this service, we will discuss the question of accepting the recommendation that John become the pastor of Christ Congregation.

John Henderson is available to members and friends

WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

Hello everyone. Council did not meet in October, so I have some highlights to share with you. So I think I would like to start with about Stewardship. By the time you read this, you will be in delivering the sermon on October 24th and your annual Stewardship letter and pledge card. I am excited to look forward to welcoming a new called pastor to the sanctuary (hooray!). But, often folks feel a sense of stewardship that is not entirely comfortable (myself included). How much CAN I give?

Genesis 4:1-16 is the story of Cain and Abel. But I wanted to share with you part of a commentary on giving stewardship. The following is from "The Big Secrets in Life and Church" by William C. Green in an article titled "Gladly".

"The way we give reveals our inner hearts, and the hearts of all of us. According to Jewish tradition, God's offering and rejection of Cain's was a result not of the kind of gift it was. Cain's very name comes from the Hebrew word for acquisition or possession. His offering was both given and taken, as if to say to God, 'I work under your curse as long as you provide me with a good harvest.' All that is God's due, the selfless sacrifice of the firstborn, is what is God's due, the selfless sacrifice of the firstborn. It is significant that the root meaning of breath, and breathing is also associated with giving. Good giving is like good breathing - something essential that can't happen with an uptight disposition. If you have the spirit in you and you will live!" (Ezekiel 37:14) This is what once empowers and relaxes us to 'let go and let God'.

So, I'm going to let myself feel uncomfortable with this challenge. What of my earthly treasure can I let go of? Can I give just a bit more than I did last year - or the one before that? Financially, can I give a bit more of my time and my

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oes not want from me anything that I cannot
art. So, please, sit with me in discomfort for
ow to respond to God's challenge to give
gratitude for our abundant lives

**IVING BASKETS FOR
FAMILIES AT
UNITY MINISTRY
S FOR CHRISTMAS**



Thanksgiving Baskets for families in need
The families will pick them up on Sunday,
e. Sue Duncan is coordinating this effort.
e baskets for 10 families at Christmas AND
Yes!! Community Ministry suggests \$30
st with names, ages, etc. and you'll get to

by donating to this effort, but haven't been
i call at 303 989-4348 or just mail a donation
e able to give gift certificates along with the
o have volunteers to shop if you aren't able.



**THE RE-DEDICATION o
Sunday, N**

Everyone is invited to atte
Flanders Library following
Nov 21. With the help of many volunteers we no
inviting space. We want to honor and acknowle
spent by Virginia and Robert Flanders to establi
the benefit of all of us.

EBOOK COUPON BOOKS FOR SALE

Lots of coupons for only \$10 dollars. This is a fundra
\$6 for each book we sell. They are available on Sun
church office. Merchants include King Soopers, Dair
Bread, Tony's Market, Arby's, Grease Monkey, and L
others. Come get your bargains!!!

PRAYER LIST

During the month of October, the following peop
prayer list.

Vi Engelking, on the death of her s
Virginia Flanders
Gladys Lansing

HIP THEME 2010: Matthew 6:21

**"WHERE YOUR TREASURE IS,
YOUR HEART WILL BE ALSO"**

WIP SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 14



NOTES FROM

AL

I'll dedicate our pledges to Christ Congrega-
an to join us as we celebrate new life in our
exact details on how the Sunday schedule will
ided to forego our traditional potluck on
e still worshipping in the fellowship hall. But
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**on to you the following note I received from
or of Church World Service. Beth**

istic group of people at Christ Congregational!
ches in our five states, and I must say that
e door, I felt like this was one of the best, most
isited.
g, from the Worship Band to Sandy Maben. I
eone in the Worship Band would consider writ-
Service, and I'd arrange for someone to video
earing on the CWS web site.
too!

Thanks,
Art

Our mission emphasis for November is Nei
mission offering of the UCC that supports ministrie
throughout the United States.

Two-thirds of NIN supports program initiati
the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries (JWM) to
tions for a variety of justice initiatives, community
and direct service projects. JWM funds directly su
outreach efforts with a significant portion of these
of hunger and poverty.

One-third of NIN supports the work of the U
Indian Ministry (CAIM) which is the voice for Amer
CAIM supports the work of local churches and the
and young adults; supports persons preparing for
American Indians who are members of non-Indiar
for justice on issues affecting American Indian life.

Today there are 19 UCC congregations on
inter inter-tribal congregation in Minneapolis. The
viduals from dozens of other tribes and nations sc
ence in the UCC. Our contributions to NIN directly
support American Indian ministries and congregati

