



# CORONA CORNER

CORONA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, DENVER, CO

MARCH 2009

**"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead..."**

**1 Peter 1:3**



# From my mind's eye . . .

Believe it or not, our newsletter has just had its first birthday. One year ago in March 2008 we launched this project. A special, special thanks goes out to our very own Bob True. He has been the creator and the mastermind of the "Corona Corner". The idea behind this newsletter is for communication to take place in such a way that it supports the mission and vision of our church.



the keys to helping our church stay in touch with each other and to stay in touch with where we believe God is leading and what God is doing in our midst.

## **Mission:**

To be a Christ-centered community of people reaching beyond themselves.

## **Our Vision:**

To be in relationship with Christ

To love others in Christ

To grow in Christ

To delight in Christ

To reach beyond ourselves in Christ

Bob and I meet to discuss the newsletter, but that only goes so far in helping to support these ideas. The best way for our newsletter to have substance is for you to share or 'report' what needs to be remembered or celebrated from the recent past. What has taken place in the life of Corona Presbyterian Church that we should pay attention to and recall? What needs to be promoted? What is taking place now and also in the future?

So I want to encourage you to take some ownership in this newsletter. The newsletter is one of

## **Life in the Kingdom**

As we draw near to Holy Week and Easter we are looking at the 'kingdom of God' in our Sunday morning services. The 'kingdom of God' is where God's will is taking place. It is where we live in the virtues of Christ. As we live out the qualities of Jesus the world around us engages with the kingdom of God. Living in God's kingdom brings life, hope and meaning to everything we do and everywhere we go.

In God's amazing grip, because His is the strong one,

*Pastor John*

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Mark your calendars for Good Friday (April 10) as this year we will be having a traditional Sedar (Passover) meal and learn the symbolism of this Jewish custom which points to our Savior's coming, crucifixion, and resurrection. Jesus gave John and Peter



**Maundy Thursday, April 9:  
Service 7 p.m.**

**Good Friday, April 10:  
Seder Dinner 6:30 p.m.**

the responsibility of preparing the Passover dinner in the upper room. Luke 22:8 The Worship Committee is seeking a few interested persons to be our "John and Peter" committee for our Passover dinner. Call Jary Dailey at (303) 755-0668 or Susan Gibbs at (303) 274-7756 if you would like to be our John or Peter for this celebration.

**Easter Sunday, April 12:  
One Service: 9:00 a.m.  
Fellowship time: 10:15 a.m.  
Cantata: 10:45 a.m.**

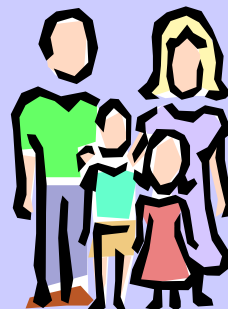
## Adult Sunday school offers two classes

Here is what you can expect for the remainder of March.

- **Scriptural study:** David Sawyer leads an in-depth look at of the book of Acts. This is a great opportunity to learn more about this fascinating book that chronicles the formation of the early church. This class meets in classroom B-2.
- **Faith Café:** A 13-week topical series entitled, "The least of these," centered on groups of people that the church tends to overlook. This class meets in the multi-purpose room and you are sure to find intriguing discussions as we try to relate these lessons to our church and community.

## Young Family Fellowship offers new small group for those with children

If you have young children, be sure to connect with Charles or Tracy Ro to learn more about the Young Family Fellowship group that has recently formed. To find out more call Tracy at (303) 859-5266.



# Deacons Corner

## Adopt a Loving Care Person

Love One Another! First John 4:11 says "Dear Friends, since God so loved us we also ought to love one another."

Did you know that our congregation has folks we call our Loving Care People? Many in our congregation can no longer get outside their homes. Some are elderly, some are frail. We have many faithful saints who can no longer join us in weekly worship. The deacons are asking every home fellowship and any individuals who may feel called, to adopt one of our

Loving Care folks. What does this require? Just an open and loving heart and a willingness to send a card once a month and make a phone call or a visit once a month.

If you are interested in adopting one of our church family, please let Laura Anderson or Renee Walbert or any one of the deacons know.



# Missions Corner

## Victor and Elaine Rodriguez and Latin missions

We plan to highlight one of the Missionaries each month so you can get more familiar with the missionaries that we support and also to remember them in your prayers. This month we would like to tell you about Victor and Elaine Rodriguez. Victor attended Denver Seminary and attended Corona for a number of years. Currently Victor and Elaine are with Latin America Missions, an organization that primarily works with Latin Churches in Central and South America. However they have been serving for 16 years in the Miami, FL, area, where there is a large population of people from that area of the world. They give "Matters of the Heart" workshops for couples in Spanish with teaching and interactive exercises on having a Christ-centered relationship. Victor also provides bilingual counseling for couples. Their current prayer requests are for their health and protection, and wisdom about



*Victor and Elaine*

possible workshops in 2009.

### Local Missions Opportunity

Do you have a heart for local missions? The Missions Committee is looking for someone to organize groups of people to serve dinners on Sunday evenings at some local ministries. Contact John Walbert at 303-328-7239 if you're interested.

### Fish Banks Help the Poor

A reminder that in March, Sunday School teachers will be distributing the familiar "fish bank" to the children for One Great Hour of Sharing. This is a ministry of the PCUSA that has been providing disaster relief, access to clean water, hunger relief, and self-development of people all over the world living in poverty. We will be taking a special offering and collecting the fish banks on Palm Sunday.

## MOPS hosts date night, other events

Corona will provide our MOPS families with a very inexpensive date night on Saturday, March 7 from 5:30-8 p.m.. Corona volunteers provide childcare while MOPS couples get a much appreciated night out.

### Blood Drive

Corona MOPS will be hosting a blood drive through Children's Hospital at the church on on Saturday, March 14 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. We are hoping to have many of our MOPS moms and dads donate blood that morning. Anyone is welcome to come and give blood. This is our chance to support families in their time of crisis and to possibly save the life of a child.

### Jim the Garden Guy

We hope to have a big crowd at our March 6 meeting as one of our very favorite speakers will be speaking to our moms. Jim, the Gardening Guy, spoke to Corona MOPS two years ago and the



moms couldn't stop raving about him or the gardens they planted with their kids.

On March 19 we will have a more laid-back meeting with no speaker. Our moms will have time to catch up with each other and also to build resurrection eggs. Resurrection eggs are an amazing way to make Easter and what Jesus did for us on the cross very real to young children.

Thanks Corona for all your support! Our moms loved our brunch provided by the deacons in January.

If you are able to help out with childcare for our Date Night on March 7 or a training we are hosting on April 4 in the morning, please contact Heather Hack or Tracy Ro.

## Audio-visual helpers needed

Elder Sean Morris schedules sound and projector operators. Corona needs several additional operators for both activities. Volunteers

would be trained. Call Sean at (720) 570-8919 if either of these opportunities is of interest to you.

## Ushers needed

Virginia Tidwell will schedule ushers for the next six months (April through September). Ushering is a great way to welcome and meet others. Ushers serve for one month, but there is a crew of substitutes if a conflict arises, so don't be concerned if you would like to usher but could not serve on all Sundays of a month.

Call Virginia at (303) 766-3017 if you would be willing to serve in this way.

## Kitchen shower on March 8

Don't forget the Kitchen Shower to benefit the Denver Rescue Mission's Homeless Mentor Store and to replace some worn out and missing items in Corona's own kitchen. Please join us for cake and ice cream in the parlor, following the second service on Sunday March 8. Look for a list of needed items on the credenza in the foyer. If you can't join us but would like to contribute, please feel free to leave your 'gift' in the parlor. If you have any questions

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# Youth News

## Youth Group at Corona

### 6-8 p.m. Sundays



**Coordinator: Jan Goellner**

**Support team: Todd Krantz, Holly Miller, Melissa Wright and the parents of our young people.**

## Committee conducting interviews for youth director

After the recent resignation of Matt Syrdal, a youth director selection committee formed. Members include Jessica True, Mike Wenger, Elyse Miller, Lloyd Henderson, and Pam Marsh (chair). The committee considered a number of characteristics in an ideal candidate including communication skills, ability to form relationships with youth and families, faith and biblical understanding, and the capacity to be a team player.

After screening resumes and prayerful consideration, the committee began interviewing potential candidates. Through a semi-structured interview process designed by Mike Wenger, we easily got to know potential youth workers and their goodness of fit for our teens and congregation. We hope to have interviews completed by mid March.

Please pray for wisdom for the committee in the selection process. We are certain that God has the correct candidate to inspire and encourage our youth, teach practical applications of our faith, and grow our youth group member-

ship. Should you have any questions or concerns, please speak with any member of the committee. As well, you may contact Pam Marsh at 303-355-2415 or [ptmarsh@mac.com](mailto:ptmarsh@mac.com).

### Parents and volunteers help with youth program

Parents and volunteers have begun filling in now that Matt Syrdal has left as youth director. Jan Goellner is in charge of Youth Group. John Kumar and Mike Wenger are teaching Middle School. Pastor John Geiter and Ed Ho are teaching High School. Melissa Wright and Holly Miller are alternating helping out and leading in the games.

We also have other parents who are filling in, as well as bring-

ing a light supper for the youth.

Add in all the teachers and volunteers in the children's Sunday school and in the nurseries, and we have a lot of wonderful people who are helping to make the Children and Youth programs at Corona run smoothly. We really want to thank all of you who are helping out, and to let everyone else know that we have plenty of room for anyone else who has an interest in this area.

## March 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1 (Food drive) (Deacon's Fund) (Communion)</p> <p><b>8:45 &amp; 11 Worship</b> 10a Sun. School</p> <p>12:30 Deacons</p> <p>1:00 Puppets, Multi</p> <p>6 Youth Group</p> <p>&amp; Bible Study</p>	<p>2</p> <p>(6p Young Adults)</p>	<p>3</p> <p>6:30p Trustees</p>	<p>4 9a Watercolors</p> <p>10a Psrs Spirit migs, pallor</p> <p>7p Choir</p> <p>7p Gigglin' w/ God</p> <p>7p Praise Band Rehear.</p>	<p>5</p> <p>10a Sewing</p> <p>12n Corp. Prayer</p> <p>7p Praise Singers Rehear.</p>	<p>6</p> <p>9a MOPS</p>	<p>7</p> <p>7a Prayers</p> <p>7a Men's Small Group, Library</p> <p>6p Puppets, Multi</p> <p>5:30p Childcare for MOPS date night</p>
<p><b>8 (Daylight Sav. Begins)</b></p> <p><b>8:45 &amp; 11 Worship</b></p> <p>10a Sun. School for all</p> <p>12:30 (approx) Kitchen Shower, Prt</p> <p>1:00 Puppets, Multi</p> <p>6 Youth Group &amp; Bible Study</p> <p>7p Bullama Grp. Par.</p>	<p>9</p> <p>(6p Young Adults).</p>	<p>10</p> <p>6:30 &amp; 7p Committees</p>	<p>11</p> <p>6:30 a Men's Prayer</p> <p>9a Watercolors</p> <p>7p Choir</p> <p>7p Gigglin' w/ God</p> <p>7p Praise Band Rehear.</p>	<p>12</p> <p>12n Corp. Prayer</p> <p>7p Praise Singers Rehear</p>	<p>13</p> <p>9:30 MOPS Sleeting</p>	<p>14</p> <p>7a Prayers</p> <p>9-1 MOPS Blood drive</p>
<p>15</p> <p><b>8:45 &amp; 11 Worship</b></p> <p>10a Sun. School for all</p> <p>1p Puppets, Multi</p> <p>6p Youth Group &amp; Bible Study</p>	<p>16</p> <p>(6p Young Adults)</p>	<p>17</p> <p>6:30p Session</p>	<p>18</p> <p>9a Watercolors</p> <p>7p Choir</p> <p>7p Gigglin' w/ God</p> <p>7p Praise Band Rehear.</p>	<p>19</p> <p>12n Corp. Prayer</p> <p>(7p WGA, Intro, Multi &amp; Other)</p> <p>7p Praise Singers Rehear</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Corona Corner</p> <p>9a MOPS</p>	<p>21</p> <p>7a Prayers</p> <p>7a Men's Small Group, Library</p> <p>6p Puppets, Multi</p>
<p>22</p> <p><b>8:45 &amp; 11 Worship</b></p> <p>10a Sun. school for all</p> <p>1:00 Puppets, Multi</p> <p>6 Youth Group &amp; Bible Study</p>	<p>23</p> <p>(6p Young Adults)</p>	<p>24</p> <p>7-8:30p Puppet Comm.</p>	<p>25</p> <p>6:30 a Men's Prayer</p> <p>9a Watercolors,</p> <p>7p Choir</p> <p>7p Gigglin' w/ God</p> <p>7p Praise Band Rehear.</p>	<p>26</p> <p>12n Corp. Prayer</p> <p>7p Praise Singers Rehear</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <p>7a Prayers</p> <p>7a Men's Breakfast</p>
<p>29</p> <p><b>8:45 &amp; 11 Worship</b></p> <p>10a Sun. school for all</p> <p>1:00 Puppets, Multi</p> <p><b>5:30 CPC Prayer Meeting</b></p> <p>6 Youth Group &amp; Bible Study</p>	<p>30</p> <p>(6p Young Adults)</p>	<p>31</p>				



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## Sunday Worship

Heritage Service ..... **8:45 a.m.**

Childcare and nursery available until Noon

Sunday School for all ..... **10-10:45 a.m.**

Contemporary Service ..... **11 a.m.**

Children's Church/Puppets

## Staff

**Rev. John Geiter**

Senior Pastor

**C.J. Garbo**

Choir Director

**Paul James**

Accompanist

**Nancy Rowley**

Secretary

**Jim Watson**

Contemporary Worship Director

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