



# CORONA CORNER

CORONA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, DENVER, CO

SEPTEMBER 2008

## New worship times begin in September

The Session has approved a change to two Sunday morning worship services, with different adult sunday schools taking place at 10 and 10:45 a.m. The Friday night worship service has been discontinued.

**Heritage Service ..... 9 - 10 a.m.**

Nursery and Infant Care Available Until Noon

**Sunday School for all ages ..... 10 - 10:40 a.m.**

**Coffee/Fellowship ..... 10 - 10:30 a.m**

**Contemporary Service ..... 10:45 - Noon**

Children released to Children's Church/Puppets

**Adult Sunday School ..... 10:45 - Noon**



More information on the changes in worship times was mailed to people in August. Copies are available on the credenza by the library.



# From my mind's eye . . .

The summer is over. It has been a fine first summer in Denver! Actually, it has been much cooler than in The Dalles, Oregon. Vacation went well for us as we visited family and friends. I was able to put my feet in the Pacific Ocean while my children experienced much more than just their feet in that cold ocean. It was a good visit, but it is really good to be back home in Denver.

I want to share a great moment of connecting with God on vacation. I had wondered what it would feel like and what thoughts would be running through my mind as we visited our former church (Gateway) in The Dalles. Would I have regrets and would I wish I was still there? My family and I certainly miss the relationships that were built over those years, but at the same time something quite encouraging happened to me.

Upon entering the sanctuary, God confirmed and spoke in my heart that though Gateway was a great place to have ministered for a number of years, God's plan and place for my family and I is at Corona. It was reassuring to come away with the sense of God reaffirming our calling at Corona. It is comforting to know that we are in the right place at the right time. Following after God can be tricky — yet there is tremendous peace to be found in seeking after Him and seeking to be in His will.

Other thoughts:

- I'm very excited about the upcoming fall season. It obviously is a season of change for Corona as we have a new Sunday morning schedule. Please be patient as we iron out any kinks in the new schedule. Session's real hope is to give honor to each expression of worship.



- We also are in the process of hiring a new choir director, accompanist and contemporary worship leader.

- For those of you who have not heard, Friday night worship service has been discontinued as of August 29. With the beginning of a new worship service on Sunday morning and attendance on Friday nights around 20 people per week, Session has concluded that retiring this service is the way God is leading us.

- In light of all these changes I want to invite you to be praying for our Elders and other church leaders as they seek to follow God's will for our church. Please ask God to move in our lives as we gather at 8th and Downing.

In the amazing grip of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,

*Pastor John*

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## Classes Galore! - Adult Sunday School News!

Beginning September 7 at 10 a.m. sharp we'll be presenting a challenging and thought-provoking video series, "They Like Jesus but Not the Church: Insights from Emerging Generations."

Mike Wenger and Scott Kingry will facilitate this discussion, and we'll wrap up in time for you to make it to the contemporary service.

From 10:45 - Noon David Sawyer will continue teaching his ever-popular Bible studies. He'll finish with "Fresh Insights from the Book of Luke" on September 14, and we're looking forward to a new series on apologetics right after that. Watch your bulletins for more!

## Help harvest crops for the hungry

Project Glean has a volunteer opportunity that will get you out in the fresh autumn air. COMPA, a foodbank ministry we support, distributes food to over 150 local food banks with food donations from our Sunday collections. We will again participate in Project Glean where during harvest season COMPA is granted the opportunity to bring volunteers onto local fields to harvest produce. This is a tremendous source of fresh produce for COMPA each year. We are looking for volunteers to help with the harvest. The date is Saturday, October 11 in the morning. Please contact John Walbert at 303-328-7239 if you are interested.

## Bultema family visits Corona August 17

Rev. Jim Bultema and his family visited Corona August 17 where he preached and gave a presentation. His sermon encouraged people to share the gospel. The Bultemas attended Corona while Jim was in seminary and have been in Turkey as missionaries since 1990. They are returning to Turkey this fall after being in the U.S. this summer.

Corona helps support the Bultemas through the missions committee of session, and members support and pray for the Bultemas.

Jim serves as pastor of a church in Antalya, Turkey, and directs a community center. His wife, Renata, directs a youth camp in Turkey. The couple's three children will be attending school outside of Turkey this year.

Corona held a luncheon for the Bultema's after the worship service. For more information on the Bultema's work in Turkey see: [www.stpaulcc-turkey.com](http://www.stpaulcc-turkey.com).



*Jim Bultema*

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# Youth group ends summer, plans for fall

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Corona's youth group ended a fun summer with a campout at Twin Lakes near Leadville August 8-9. The youth braved a rain shower after arriving, but soon had their tents pitched, frisbees and footballs in the air, and food cooking on the campstove. They stayed up late for a campfire and smores.

The following day included a hike up the Mount Elbert trailhead with a time of teaching and reflection. Youth Director Matt Syrdal taught from the Book of John about what it means to be a Christian, using the parable of the vines and the branches.

Afterwards the youth spent time at the lake and played capture the flag.

The youth group also held a lock-in July 1-2 at which they spent the entire night at the church with adult volunteers.

Some of the parents got together August 23 to plan for the youth group in the coming year. Matt presented an exciting idea about a mission trip in the summer of 2009.

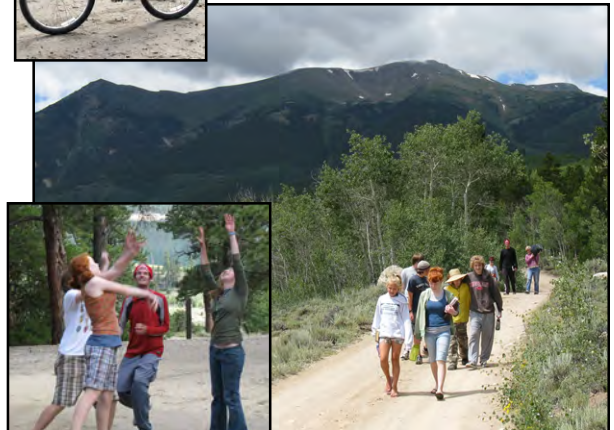
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## Youth Group Meets Sundays 6-8 p.m. at Corona

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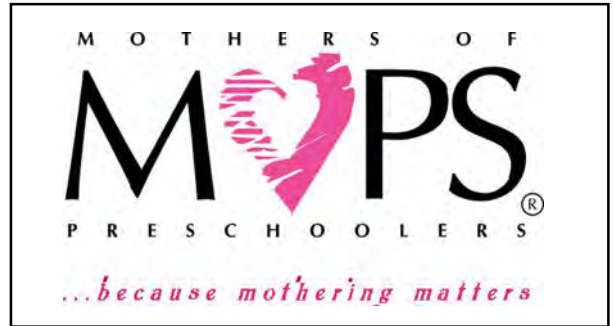
# MOPS seeks workers, mentors for new season

**M**OPS starts again on September 5. We look forward to a wonderful year of interesting discussions, close friendships, and meaningful fellowship.

There are three things that we really need:

**1. Moppets workers** — We need people to provide child care during MOPS meetings, during steering team meetings, and during special evening events. We pay \$10 per hour, so if you or anyone you know is interested, please call Renee Walbert at 303-328-7230.

**2. MOPS mentors** — These are women whose children are past preschool age and who can come to MOPS meetings to provide spiritual support, advice, and emotional support to our members. If interested, please call Heather Hack



at 720-941-2696 or Tracy Ro at 303-859-5266.

**3. Your prayers** — Please pray that we are able to meet the needs of our MOPS members with wisdom and graciousness and that we are able to reflect the love of Jesus to others within our group and to those around us. Thank you.

## All Church Retreat Oct. 24-26 in Estes

Save the date, and set aside your spare change for the All Church Retreat, "Everything You Wanted to Know About Prayer, but Were Afraid to Ask!"

Dr. Frank Cirone of Ravencrest Bible School in Estes Park will be our speaker, and we'll gather at the YMCA Snow Mountain Ranch. October 24-26. Watch for more details soon!

## Corona Connections!

Be sure to pick up your copy of the new Corona Connections! to learn about the many small groups we have at Corona. There's something for everyone - men, women, kids, and special gatherings!

A decorative invitation graphic featuring a purple and green floral border. The text is centered and reads: "You're Invited Open House at The Geiter's 3228 S. Dayton, Denver Saturday, Sept. 27 1:30-4:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served". At the bottom right of the graphic is a simple illustration of a house with a red roof, a yellow door, and a chimney.

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# September 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1 LABOR DAY</b> OFFICE CLOSED  (6p Young Adults)	2  6:30p Trustees	3  7p Choir 7pGigglin' w/ God	4 10a Sewing  12n Corp. Prayer	5 9a MOPS	6 7a Prayers 7a Men's Small Group, Library
7 , Food drive <b>9 &amp; 10:45 Worship</b> 10a Fellowship, 12:30 Deacons, 1:00 Puppets, Multi 3-5 Oromo, Parlor 6 Youth Group & Bible Study	8  (6p Young Adults).	9  6:30p Session	10 6:30 a Men's Prayer  7p Choir 7pGigglin' w/ God	11  12n Corp. Prayer	12 9:30 MOPS Steering	13 7a Prayers  6p Puppets, Multi
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# Corona small groups help people connect

Corona has a number of small groups, prayer groups and special interest groups that meet at various times at the church and throughout the city. The session recently published a listing of the groups in “Corona Connections.” Get your copy at the church or find it under the “ministries” link on [www.coronachurch.com](http://www.coronachurch.com).

Here are some of the groups available:

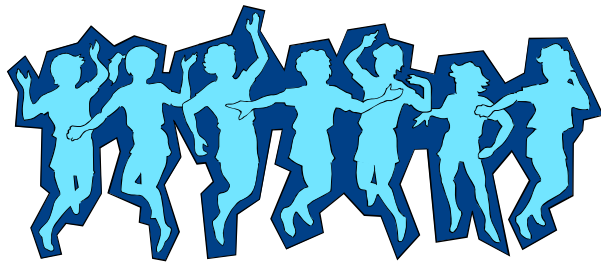
## Groups for Women

Sunday Evening Bible Study: 6 p.m. at the church. Mostly mother’s of the teens. Studies are usually related to issues of marriage, children, mothering, aging parents and what the Bible has to say about these things. Call Jan Goellner 303-777-3671 and Jessica True 303-756-3761.

Women’s Sewing Group: 1st Thursday each month, 10 a.m. - Noon in the church basement. Mostly we work on creating quilts for new babies in the church. No experience necessary, and we have materials for the quilts. Bring your project and knit or crochet with us, too. Call Kathy Moeller 303-365-0992. Child care on request.

MOPS - Mothers of Pre-Schoolers: Meets 1st, 3rd and 5th Friday mornings at the church. Child care is a special part of these mornings! Come laugh, learn and grow with other moms! Call Tracy Ro 303-859-5266.

Women’s Ministry Group: Meetings vary. Watch for announcements or call. A variety of activities and programs to bless the women of Corona, as well as an annual retreat. Call Jessica True 303-756-3761, Renee Walbert 303-328-7230, or Pam Marsh 303-355-2415.



## Groups for Men

Men’s Fellowship Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesday mornings at 6:30 a.m. in the church parlor. We share a light breakfast, and then talk and pray about personal needs. Others are welcome, but talk with us first to see if this is a good fit for you. Call Mike Wenger 303-733-1365.

Men’s Breakfast Meets the last Saturday of each month at 8 a.m. in the church multi. Food, fellowship and prayer for the needs of the church and the men of the church. Call John Reece 303-722-0104.

Men’s Group Meets 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month at 7:30 a.m. in the church library. We discuss readings from books relevant to growing in faith and service. Call Ed Ho 303-329-3161.

## Groups for Children and Youth

Giggling with God Meets each Wednesday 7-8:30 p.m. at the church. Teen girls, grades 6-12. The name says it all! Call Melissa Wright 303-373-1844.

Youth Group Meets each Sunday evening at the church. Contact our youth minister, Matt Syrdal 303-832-2297 x 110.

That Puppet Team! Meets each Sunday afternoon, and performs every other Sunday morning for Corona’s toddlers and Sunday School children. This is a very committed group! Call Gary Wong 303-598-6530.



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Contemporary Service ..... **10:45-Noon**

Children's Church/Puppets and an  
Adult Sunday School available

## Staff

Senior Pastor ..... **Rev. John Geiter**

Youth Director ..... **Matt Syrdal**

Secretary ..... **Nancy Rowley**

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