

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WELCOME** to all our guests and friends this week. If you are searching for a church home, we cordially invite you to make the Ft. Lupton Seventh-day Adventist Church your church home.

**FELLOWSHIP MEAL** today after church. Please join us.

**BIBLE STUDY** today after the Fellowship Meal. We're studying the Prophecies of Hope series from the Cracking the Prophetic Code evangelistic series we hosted in 2018.

**ADRA HOMES FOR ORPHANS PROJECT** this year. Drop your spare change in the donation box hanging in the foyer. \$487.94 has been received through the end of September. Money is sent when \$100 has been received.

**NEXT WEEK:** Lynn Harris will have the worship service. Don Schraeder will have the lesson study. The offering will be for Rocky Mountain Conference Advance. **Loose and undesignated offering goes to Local Church Expense.**

**CHURCH BOARD MEETING:** The next regular board meeting will be Sunday, 11/03/2019, at 4:00 p.m. at the church.

October	Budget	Received	Still Needed	Balance 10/18/2019
	\$1,900	\$823.42	\$1,076.58	
Expense				<b>\$1,342.69</b>
Evangelism	--	\$33	--	\$1,507.38
Building Fund		\$211.43		\$406.43
Repair/Air		\$2,820.64	\$1,179.36	Goal: \$4,000

**MICHAEL & LYNN HARRIS:** We are so excited that Michael and Lynn Harris will be presenting a series of ministry events next weekend, October 25th and 26th. Please put this on your calendar. Just be sure to reserve Friday evening, 10/25 through Sabbath evening, 10/26, for some wonderful, inspiring talks and music! Invite your friends.

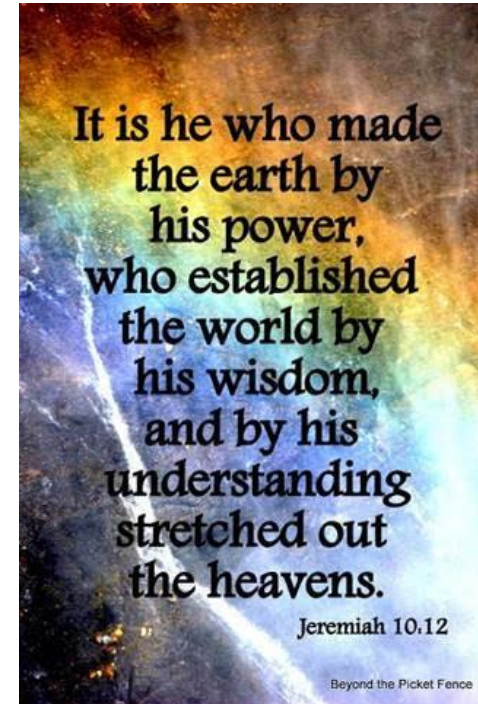
**SABBATH SCHOOL NEEDS:** We need one or more volunteers to decorate the cradle roll room. Julia Muñoz has volunteered to do the cradle roll program. We have supplies, felts, etc., to use. Please coordinate with Julia to see how she would like the room decorated.

**ADVENTSOURCE:** Whether you're an elder, deacon, greeter, or have been asked by the Nominating Committee to serve in another area of ministry, AdventSource can help. Visit [AdventSource.org](http://AdventSource.org) to find the latest ministry resources, training events, free downloads, and more. You can also call 402.486.8800 for help with your questions about church ministry.

**CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK:** Happy birthday Monday to Madison Rogers!

**KEEP GOD'S HOUSE CLEAN:** When you leave the sanctuary, please do not leave trash/bottles/etc.in the pews. Take them with you and put them where they belong. Thank you very much!

# Welcome Fort Lupton Seventh-day Adventist Church



Pastor Nathaniel Gamble  
10/19/2019

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**War Room**  
**9:30 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.**

**Our Church at Study**  
**10:00 A.M. - 10:50 A.M.**

Superintendent Program  
Teacher  
Lesson Study:

Chuck Strong  
Chuck Strong  
God's Call

*Kindergarten/Primary:* Wanda Balmer *Junior/Earliteen:* Karen Fernandez

### **Pastor's Notes**

Second Thessalonians 2:13 states, "But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth" (NRSV). We've been spending this year looking at the idea of holiness, and this is the first instance where a biblical passage in English talks about holiness without using the word "holiness." If you look up 2 Thessalonians 2:13 in any of the English versions of the Bible, you will be hard pressed to find one that says "holiness by the Spirit"; generally, they all use the word "sanctification." The Greek term Paul uses in this verse is the same basic term for holiness in the New Testament (i.e., *hagiasmos*), which can be translated in English as either "sanctification" or "holiness." But to all appearances, the translation doesn't seem to make any difference. Whether it is holiness by the Spirit or sanctification by the Spirit, it looks like 2 Thessalonians 2:13 is saying the same thing! And that is exactly the point I want us to think about today. Sometimes we get so caught up with the words of the Bible that we forget what the Bible is actually saying to us. I've encountered a few Christians who believe that 2 Thessalonians 2:13 should say "God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through HOLINESS by the Spirit," because it's vitally important that we live holy lives; to them, the phrase "sanctification by the Spirit" ignores this truth. But this is the response I always give to this argument: no matter what word you use, whether it is "holiness" or "sanctification," 2 Thessalonians 2:13 stresses that God gives us the gift of holiness - and he does this by the power of the Holy Spirit, who sanctifies us and makes us holy. Arguing over words is an easy and often-repeated way for believers to avoid the experience of holiness/sanctification that the Holy Spirit wants to convey to us from the Father and through Jesus. As we worship God today, let us always give thanks to God for each other and for what he is doing in each other's lives, recognizing that God loves us, has chosen us, and saves us by his grace and holiness, which is experienced through the power and sanctifying work of the Holy Spirit. God bless.

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### **Our Church at Worship**

**11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.**

Interlude

Musical Selections

Welcome/ Announcements

Karen Fernandez

### **Worship in Praise**

Songs & Praises

Karen Fernandez

### **Our Children at Worship**

Evangelism Offering

Storyteller: Karen Fernandez

### **Call to Worship**

Responsive Reading  
Invocation

760  
*Times of Beginning*

Brent Balmer  
Don Schraeder

### **Worship in Stewardship**

Call for Offering  
Offertory Prayer

*Local Church Budget*

John Fernandez  
John Fernandez

### **Worship in Song**

Opening Hymn

"This is My Father's World" # 92

### **Worship in Prayer**

Pastoral Prayer

"Surely the Presence" Brent Balmer

### **Worship in the Word**

Scripture

Genesis 1:1 John Fernandez

Special Music

12 – Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee  
Congregation

Sermon

"Where is God?" Don Schraeder

Closing Hymn

"Hail Him, the King of Glory" # 202

Benediction  
Postlude

"God Be With You" Don Schraeder  
# 65

Sundown Today 6:14 PM

Next Friday 6:05 PM