

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 will begin again on January 11th after Fellowship Meal.

ADRA HOMES FOR ORPHANS PROJECT this year. Drop your spare change in the donation box hanging in the foyer. \$641.30 has been received through the end of November. Money is sent when \$100 has been received.

NEXT WEEK: Pastor Nathaniel Gamble 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, January 5th, at 4:00 p.m. at the church.

December	Budget	Received	Still Needed	Balance 12/20/2019
	\$1,900	\$842.62	\$557.38	
Expense				\$3,172.49
Evangelism	--	\$44	--	\$947.76
Insurance		\$3,430.70	\$2,569.30	Goal: \$6,000
Building Fund		\$25		\$717.85
Repair/Air		\$3007.07	\$992.93	Goal: \$4,000

PRAY 2020: Prayer Conference. RMC Prayer Ministries and Campion Church welcome Jerry and Janet Page (GC Ministerial). Focus your prayer life on January 11-12 at Campion Church (300 42nd Street SW, Loveland, CO). All are invited. For more information and potential lodging options, call: (970) 667-7403.

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
12/21/2019

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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:

Martin Pope
Martin Pope
Dealing With Bad Decisions

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

Pastor's Notes

People sometimes ask me, "Wouldn't it be inappropriate for God to be contained in a human body, since God is so great and supreme?" The thrust of this question is concerned with the apparent incompatibility of God and humans. The logic of the concern and question goes something like this: God is totally different from his creation, specifically humans; sinful humans may try to become divine, but they can never become God or take the place of God; God is great and supreme and a bunch of other superlatives which humans are not; therefore, it must be inappropriate or unacceptable for God to become a human and take on a human body as his own. There are lots of people who think along these lines, especially those who disagree that God is triune or who deny that Jesus is the full and complete incarnation of God. But according to Colossians, God and humanity are not incompatible. Colossians 2:9 states, "For in Him [Jesus Christ] all the fullness of Deity dwells in bodily form" (NASB). In Greek, the word for "deity" (which some English translations render "Godhead") means "the actual essence of God" - basically, whatever it means for God to be "God." It does not refer to attributes or characteristics which God has, but rather to God's very self: the essence or being of God, what and who God is in himself. And the Greek word for "dwell" refers to someone being at home because that's where they live - basically, someone who owns a dwelling place and lives there as the legitimate resident and homeowner, rather than as someone just passing through. Consequently, Colossians 2:9 maintains it is entirely appropriate for all the fullness of God - the totality of God, whatever it means for God to fully and completely be God - to take up bodily form as the man Jesus Christ. Colossians 1:19 says the same thing, adding that God was pleased for his deity to be fully manifested in Jesus Christ's incarnation. Friends of Christ, let us rejoice today for the grace that has been given to us: that God has come to us in human flesh, and that God considered it entirely appropriate and in keeping with his good pleasure to become the human man Jesus Christ in order to save us. Merry Christmas.

Pastor: Nathaniel Gamble
Head Elder: Martin Pope
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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: Pastor Nathaniel Gamble

Call to Worship

Responsive Reading
Invocation

730
The Birth of Christ

Susan Watson
Pastor Nathaniel Gamble

Worship in Stewardship

Call for Offering
Offertory Prayer

Local Church Budget

Brent Balmer
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Worship in Song

Opening Hymn

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing!" # 122

Worship in Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

"Surely the Presence" Martin Pope

Worship in the Word

Scripture

Luke 2:13-15 Brent Balmer

Special Music

Lexi Contreras

Sermon

Pastor Nathaniel Gamble
"Incarnation: The Angels' Christmas Song"

Communion

Closing Hymn

"Angels From the Realms of Glory" # 119

Sundown Today 4:37 PM

Next Friday 4:40 PM