



"I am only one, But still I am one.

I cannot do everything, But still I can do something;

And because I cannot do everything, I will not refuse to do the something that I can do."

This quote is attributed to Helen Keller who overcame life's adversities as a blind-deaf person to become an inspiration for so many. She became the first such person to earn a bachelor's degree and went on to be an activist, lecturer and author.

Everything starts with ONE - someone said it; someone did it. That which one said or did could be either good or evil.

There is power, wisdom and strength in everyone. One idea, one kind word, one kind action from ONE person can create a ripple effect and continue for generations. The ripple effect may not be worldwide or nationwide. But that's OK. It does not have to be. The effect can be from one person to another and then on to another – one person at a time. Affecting many in a good way at once might not be possible for most of us, but impacting one person at a time is doable for everyone.

We can all be that someone. We need more someones, especially in a small church like ours. Instead of looking for someone, everyone needs to become that someone. Someone needs to stand up; someone needs to say, "I will do it." Someone needs to say, "If not me, who? If no ONE wants to do it, I will do it?" Someone needs to say, "I may not be much, but I am one, and I am willing to do my part."

I like Paul's metaphor of a church as a body. His most elaborate discussion of this analogy can be found in 1 Corinthians 12. A human body, he says, has many different parts with different functions, which together make up the whole body. It is so with the church. You are ONE part in the whole body. If ONE part fails, all suffers, because ONE is vital to the whole. This is how God has designed both your body and your church to function. All these different parts are necessary for the whole body to function effectively and meaningfully. Remember, you are ONE but an important ONE.

Shalom – Be Well Always!

Tezenlo Thong, Pastor

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR AUGUST;

We invite you to read and study these passages in preparation for our Worship Services.

August 2

2 Samuel 11:26– 12:13a; Psalm 51:1-12; Ephesians 4:1-16
John 6:24-35

August 9

2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33; Psalm 130; Ephesians 4:25-5:2;
John 6:35, 41-51

August 16

1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14; Psalm 111; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58

August 23

1 Kings 8:(1,6,10-11), 22-30, 41-43; Psalm 84; Ephesians 6:10-20; John 6:56-69

August 30

Song of Solomon 2:8-13; Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9; James 1:17-27; Mark 7:1-8, 14-15,
21-23



THANK YOU SIMPSON!

We had such a great time seeing and visiting with everyone. The fellowship hall was the perfect place to get together and enjoy family, friends, food and laughter. We had such a wonderful day and even though my grandmother doesn't remember much, she sure remembers her party! Thank you to everyone that attended Ruth Yamauchi's 100th birthday party, she received so many wonderful, heartfelt cards and they are truly appreciated.

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Pianist	Chen Wu	Trustees	Dennis Kitayama
Choir Director	Debbie Willeford	O.N.E.	Jane Fujioka and Charlotte Namba
Nichigo Pianist	Sadako Hasegawa		
Japanese Language Instructor	Miwa Steuben		

Nichigo News

On Sunday, August 2, 2015 Nichigo will be hosting a Japanese speaking Preacher. Please welcome Rev. Becky Hirata from West Los Angeles Methodist Church in California.

A potluck will follow the worship service. Everyone is invited to attend.

Arigato, Nichigo

You are Appreciated!

Thanks to a great team of volunteers that gathered on June 23, 2015 to prepare the July Newsletter for mailing. You are appreciated more than you will ever know. Really could not do it without your help! A very big thanks to: Mary Nishiyama, Grace Tochiara and Yoshie Tanita. We will prepare the September Newsletter for mailing on Tuesday, August 25th.



In the Good Old Summertime

I hope you are enjoying our summer here in Colorado. Lots of rain or lots of heat!! You can always find a cool place on Sunday in our sanctuary!

Sometime in August we are going to have a good time singing all the "old" songs, i.e. In the Good Old Summertime, Bicycle Built for Two, Take Me Home Country Roads, If I had a Hammer, etc. There may even be pie & coffee/tea!!!

Stay tuned for more details.

Chancel Choir Returns!!

We are so thankful to all our members & friends for providing special music for our worship services this summer. However.....I don't know about you, but I am reading for some choral singing by our own SUMC Chancel Choir!!! Our singers will be back in the choir loft on the first Sunday in September. Watch the Sunday bulletin for exact day & time. If you are considering joining the choir this Fall, please contact Debbie Willeford. She is hosting a WELCOME BACK BARBECUE the end of August.

For more information, call or text Debbie at 303-550-5066.

IN MEMORY OF:

Stephen K. Osuga & Hisako Osuga
 Gerri Ota
 Jane Shioshita
 Ruby Sagara
 Albert Wells
 Walter Fujimoto

BY:

Sumiko Osuga
 Russell Ota
 Masako Furuiye
 M/M Ken Namba
 Karen Wells
 M/M George Fujimoto
 and Donna Cole



*Thank you to everyone
 For your gifts and contributions!*

Bazaar Meat Donation:

Dorothy Okita

Jane Nakama is **Grateful for:** The flowers placed on the altar every Sunday by Mrs. Powell

Wider Mission Giving:

Imagine No Malaria: Grace Tochiara

Nepal Earthquake: Grace Tochiara

Peace with Justice: Julia Kamura; Jane Nakama

Thank you to everyone who prayed for Miyoko Wells during her illness. Your prayers helped her to heal and to be able to go back home to the arbors. A special thank you to Masa and Yasuko Nonaka, Masa Nishimura, Mary, Grace Tochiara and Pastor Tezenlo. Words cannot express our most sincere gratitude for your kindness and being the hands and hearts of Christ.

Karen Wells

OUR CARE CORNER

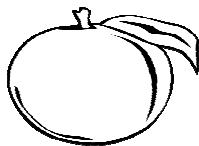
The families of: Marjorie Kawano, Jane Shioshita,

Others to be Held in Prayer: Emily Mori, Wil Porter,
 Ruth Yamauchi, Ruby Hada,
 Janet Snider, Agnes Matsuda and Helen Goto



FIFTY PLUS

Come and join us for fellowship on Wednesday, August 19th at 11:30 am. As is our summer custom, we will have our annual Summer harvest. Be sure to mark your calendar. We look forward to seeing you. - Grace Tochiara



PEACHES!

Orders and Money due by Sunday August 2nd. Sorry no plastic or IOUs! Make checks payable to Simpson United Methodist Church. Peaches ready for pick up on Saturday, August 8 at 6001 Wolff Street, Arvada, from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. **There will be a \$3.00 surcharge per box for any orders not picked up on the 8th of August.**

DU AMACHE RESEARCH PROJECT

*Connecting the Pieces:
Dialogues on the Amache Archaeology Collection*

A student and community collaborative exhibit, Connecting the Pieces features objects from the DU Amache Research Project. These items help tell the story of Japanese American internment during World War II. Exhibit will be on display **May 22—September 18, 2015**, and is **free and open to the public**.

Location: Museum of Anthropology, University of Denver, 2000 E. Asbury, Sturm Hall 102. Gallery open 9 am—4 pm, Monday—Friday. For more information, call 303.871.2687.

SIMPSON SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES

An afternoon at the theater is being planned for **Sunday, September 6, 2015 at 2:00 pm.** to see *The Book of Mormon*, a musical/comedy. The show starts at 2:00 pm so we plan to have lunch after church and then it's show time! It is strongly recommended to google and listen to a few songs from this musical on you tube so you have an idea of what the show is about. We need at least ten people to sign up in order to get the discount.

Board Game/Bingo—Taco Bar/Ice Cream Bar

No date certain set as of yet...probably in August or late September.

HAPPY 100TH BIRTHDAY

Ruth Yamauchi was born on June 26, 1915 and on June 27, 2015, friends, family and other guests gathered to celebrate her life. Ruth was born in Los Angeles, California to Tomi and Yuzo Honda, who immigrated from Yamagata Ken, Japan. She is one of seven children. Ruth has four children and is very proud of her children. Ruth and her husband spent time in Tranforan Race Track assembly center and had to spend their honeymoon living in horse stalls. Ruth worked for the State Home for Retarded Children in Wheat Ridge, CO and retired after 20 years of service. Ruth now welcomes friends at her home at Cedars Health Care Center.

Help North Cheyenne community improve fire protection

The Rocky Mountain Conference of The United Methodist Church is partnering with United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) and the Northern Cheyenne Tribe in Montana to buy a fire engine, build garages and send Volunteers in Mission to help improve the community's fire protection.



In a continuing effort to build healing relationships with our indigenous brothers and sisters, the Rocky Mountain Conference is partnering with the Northern Cheyenne Tribe for community fire protection. The Northern Cheyenne are of the tribes that suffered significant loss during the Sand Creek Massacre.

The Northern Cheyenne Fire Protection Department (NCFPD) has primary responsibility for fire protection of structures on the reservation. The reservation comprises approximately 444,000 acres of pine forest and grassland, including the populated areas of Lame Deer, Birney, Busby, Ashland and Muddy. Currently the Northern Cheyenne's existing fire engines are located in a single garage in Lame Deer, Montana, near the northern-center of the reservation. Considering snow, mud and unpaved roads, the engines can take up to an hour to reach the remote settled areas from Lame Deer. For better fire service, fire-fighting capacity, and response times, the plans are to both decentralize its trucks and acquire an additional four-wheel drive truck suitable for the wildland-urban interface.

We need a total of \$22,200 to purchase and transport the fire engine and four Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) packs to the Northern Cheyenne Reservation. During Annual Conference, churches and individuals pledged more than \$9,000 to help purchase this fire engine. UMCOR provided a matching grant of \$10,000 so additional donations of \$3,200 are still needed. An additional \$4,800 in donations will allow for the purchase of miscellaneous supplies, more SCBA packs, and spare tanks to help keep fire-fighters safe.

Please prayerfully consider making donations. Donations can also be sent to the Rocky Mountain Conference, 6110 Greenwood Plaza Blvd., Greenwood Village, CO 80111, with a memo for "Northern Cheyenne Fire Protection". Thank you for your support and generosity!

聖句暗唱

みことばの戸が開くと、光が差し込み
わきまえのない者に悟りを与えます。

(詩篇 119・130)

禁酒について、世界で最も偉大な講演者ジョン・B・ゴフは、敬けんな母によって聖句をおぼえさせられていましたが、それは彼にとって、地中に埋められた宝のようなものでした。

というのは、彼が放蕩にふけていた七年という長い年月の間、それは彼の心のうちに隠されていたからです。

やがて彼は心に隠されていた聖句「キリストによって神に近づく人々を、完全に救うことがおできになります。キリストはいつも生きていて、彼らのために、とりなしをしておられるからです」(ヘブル7・25)ということばによって救われたのです。

伝道は聖霊による

私のことばと私の宣教とは、説得力のある知恵のことばによって行なわれたものではなく、御霊と御力の現われでした。それは、あなたがたの持つ信仰が、人間の知恵にききえられず、神の力にききえられるためでした。

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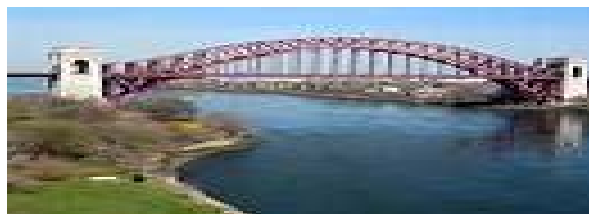
世界を舞台に、大衆伝道で大いに活躍しているアメリカのビリー・グラハムは、若い頃には説教の時、説得力にたよっていましたが、年とともにだんだん聖霊の力にたよるようになっていきました。

一九六四年二月、ハーバート大学神学部での講演で、そのいきさつをこのように述べています。「以前私は、伝道において自分の力をつくせば良いと考えていました。けれどもいま私は、伝道にまったく異なる態度で臨みます。

第一に私は、どんな人でも聖霊によって心を整えられた人でなければ、キリストのもとに行くことができないと信じます。

第二にどんな人でも、神様が引き寄せくださらなければ、誰もキリストのもとに来られないと信じます。私がするのは、神様のメッセージを伝えるだけです。あとは聖霊の仕事です。それで私は今、自分の力を抜いて楽な気持ちで伝道に臨むのです。」

2015 BRIDGE TO THE FUTURE SUNDAY



August 16, 2015: *Was Jesus a Christian?*

September 20, 2015: *Traditionalist vs. Modernist: "In All Things, Charity"*

October 11, 2014: *A Jew, a Christian and a Muslim Walk Into a Room:
Appreciating Our Commonality and Learning from Our Differences*

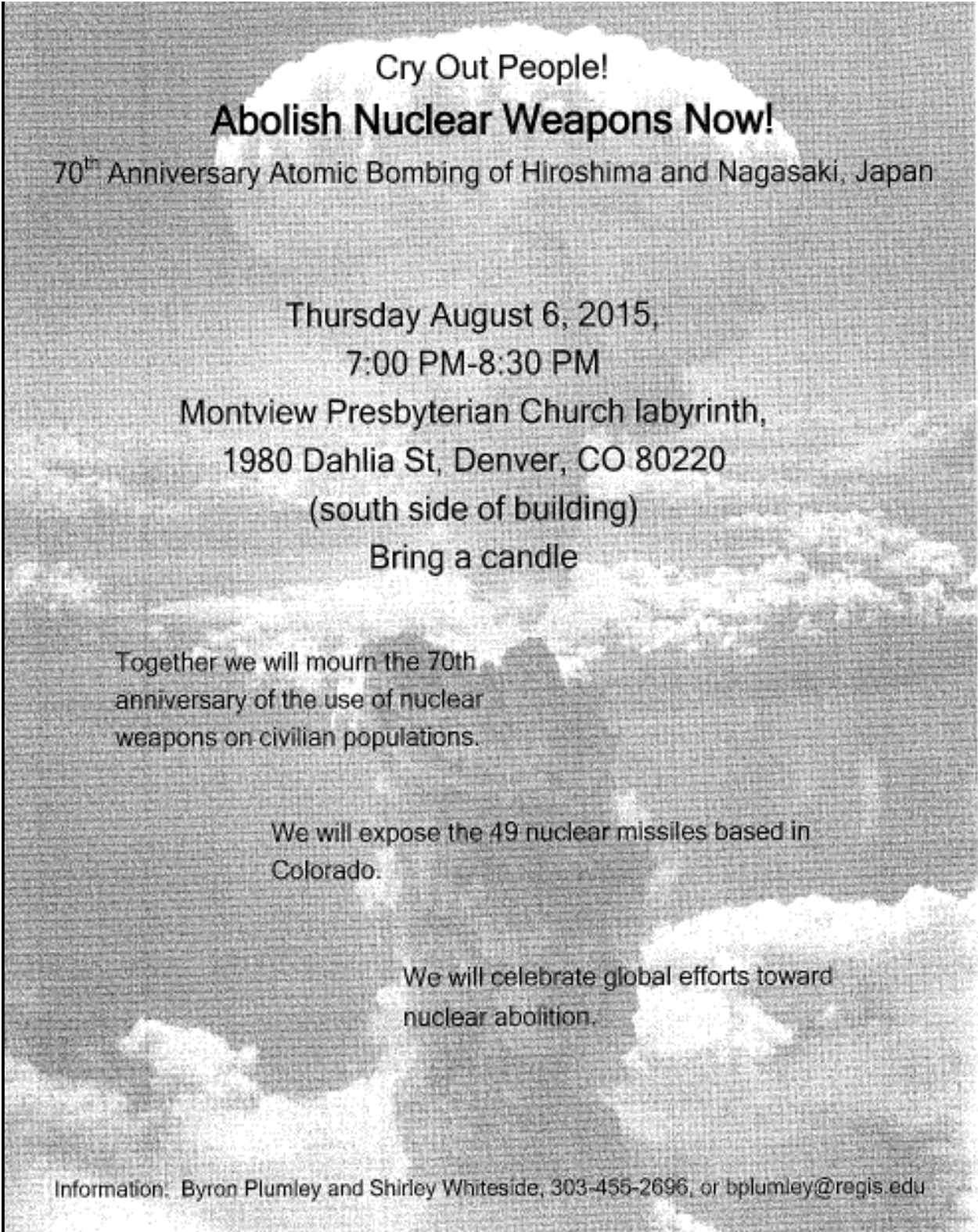
November 2015: *Thanksgiving*

December 2015: *Christmas*

Each month, we dedicate one Sunday for what we call ***Bridge to the Future Sunday***. The worship services will be informal and informative. The above is a tentative schedule for our monthly special Sunday services for 2015. In the monthly newsletter, you will read a brief introduction to the topic or event for each month. So keep an eye on it, and come and join us for these special worship events, which will be held mostly on the third Sundays. We hope to make the year ahead a productive one for you to grow spiritually, intellectually and in your service to the community and beyond.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

We've merged our **Facebook Pages**. Like our organizational page on Facebook. Find us at: www.facebook.com/simpsonumcarvada. We also have a new **Twitter** feed – follow us: @SimpsonUMArvada. We now have a **YouTube Channel**. We'll be uploading video of our events to our new YouTube Channel. Go to YouTube.com and search for "Simpson United Methodist Church, Arvada."



Cry Out People!
Abolish Nuclear Weapons Now!

70th Anniversary Atomic Bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Japan

Thursday August 6, 2015,
7:00 PM-8:30 PM
Montview Presbyterian Church labyrinth,
1980 Dahlia St, Denver, CO 80220
(south side of building)
Bring a candle

Together we will mourn the 70th anniversary of the use of nuclear weapons on civilian populations.

We will expose the 49 nuclear missiles based in Colorado.

We will celebrate global efforts toward nuclear abolition.

Information: Byron Plumley and Shirley Whiteside, 303-455-2696, or bplumley@regis.edu

Background image of atomic bombing of Nagasaki on August 9, 1945. Charles Levy from one of the B-29 Superfortresses used in the attack. - <http://www.archives.gov/research/military/ww2/photos/images/ww2-163.jpg> National Archives image (208-N-43888)

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	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
							1 9:00 am Taiko, Yoga
2 10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE Communion Knit & Crochet Nichigo Potluck Peach Orders Due	3	4 7:00pm Yoga	5	6 10:00 am Staff Mtg.	7	8 Pick Up Peaches 9 am - 2pm 9 am Taiko, Yoga	
9 10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE/SS O.N.E. Trustees	10 10:00am Ukulele	11 7:00pm Yoga	12	13 10:00 am Staff Mtg.	14 10am-3pm Game Day	15 9 am - Taiko, Yoga Japanese Language Class	
16 10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE Bridge to Future Sunday Knit & Crochet	17	18 7:00pm Yoga	19 11:30 am - 50+ 6:00pm Finance 7:00pm Ad Council	20 10:00 am Staff Mtg.	21	22 9 am - Taiko, Yoga Japanese Language Class	
23 10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE/SS Prayer/Card Group S.P.R.C. 30 10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE	24 10:00 Ukulele	25 9:00am Assemble Newsletter 7:00pm Yoga	26	27 10:00 am Staff Mtg.	28	29 9:00 am - Taiko, Yoga Japanese Language Class	

LITURGISTS

August 2 Nancy Shock
 August 9 Allyson Goto
 August 16 None
 August 23 Cindy Kondo
 August 30 David Powell

GROCERY CERTIFICATES

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Honoring our Elders

Will be held on September 13, 2015 after worship service. We will honor our elders, 80+ young, with food, favors and entertainment. This will be a potluck luncheon and we ask that friends and members with last names beginning with A through M bring main dishes and N through Z bring salads or side dishes. Dessert and drinks will be furnished by the church.

Hope to see you all at the luncheon!