



*"Come breathe the fresh mountain air and take in God's wonders at Rocky Mountain High July 31 - August 4, 2021. You'll hear from Stuart Hall, a director of student leadership from Atlanta, and Megan Marshman, a teaching pastor from California."*

Rocky Mountain High will take place at the YMCA of the Rockies in Estes Park, CO. It is for high school students and adult leaders.

A group from our church will be attending.

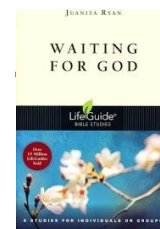
Pastor Randy will accompany Jakob Godtel, Caleb Liesveld, Christian Townsend, and Jake VandeGriend.

### Vacation Bible School

It is with grateful hearts we say "thank you" to parents who sent their children to Vacation Bible School. We had a great week (that was too short) and it was our joy to tell stories from the Bible about God and learn to serve Jesus daily.

We had an awesome staff of mentors, and had help in all areas. Thank you, Judy Nyhof, for your leadership.

We are already looking forward to next year—that's how much Vacation Bible School means to our church.



## Wings

(Women in God's Service)

We will be meeting **IN PERSON** on Tuesday, July 6, at **6:30** (note the new time) Our lesson for July is from Chapter 7 in our book Waiting for God, and is based on Psalm 40. Eunice will lead the Bible Study. Ann will provide the snack.

### June and July Mission projects

Since VBS collected non-perishable food for the Norris Area Food Pantry, we decided to join in and collect food, also. This collection will go during the months of June and July. In addition to canned items, the Food Pantry is in need of personal items, toilet paper, coffee, tea, fruit juices, and cleaning items.



We are also collecting school supplies for the Norris Food Pantry. Typically, Wings hosts a grocery or card shower for those from our church getting married. Rather than doing this, Cole Marolf and his fiancé, Jen Hall, have requested that we collect items to benefit a worthwhile cause. So, the school supplies will be used to honor their request. This collection time will end July 18, because the backpacks are packed in early August.

Following is a list of the supplies needed:

glue sticks, 24 count Crayola crayons, wide lined spiral notebooks, colored pencils, red pens, blue pens, black pens, markers, pink erasers, blunt scissors



# Holland Church News

July 2021



Also called the Fourth of July, Independence Day marks the historic date in 1776 when the Declaration of Independence was approved by the Continental Congress. The written declaration stated that the American colonies were tired of being ruled by Great Britain. They wanted to become their own country. Before the declaration, America was part of the Kingdom of Great Britain. In the 1600s, people came from Great Britain to settle in what is now North America. Between 1607 and 1732, the British founded 13 colonies. As these colonies grew, the people who lived there thought the British government treated them unfairly. The Revolutionary War between the colonists and Great Britain began in 1775. Fighting wasn't enough though. The colonists decided they needed to declare their independence in writing to explain their reasons and gain support from other countries. On July 4, 1776, a small group of representatives from the colonies—called the Continental Congress—adopted the Declaration of Independence. Written by a committee led by Thomas Jefferson, the document was signed by people from all 13 colonies. But the British government didn't accept it. So the colonists continued to fight for independence until they finally defeated Great Britain in 1783.

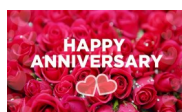
### Your family is invited to attend our:

Wednesday Nights Alive for 2 years old through High School. Our classes have a Bible Class lesson and our younger children have a craft project. A meal is served at 5:30 p.m. until 6:10 when the children go to their classes. There is an adult Bible study and we are considering other options for adults. The meal is a free-will donation, but not necessary. Wednesday Nights Alive will start in September and go to March. Sign up will be available on our web page -[thehollandchurch.org](http://thehollandchurch.org)



### Anniversaries

- 11- Dan and Cindy Lange
- 11- Dick and Cindy Marolf
- 18- Rick and Wendy Essink



### July Birthdays

- 9-Kathy VanCott
- 9-Gracie Vande Griend
- 10-Victor Whaley
- 11-Mike Peters
- 21-Josh Auman
- 23-Drew Marolf
- 26-Cassie Driskell
- 29-Nora Latta
- 29-Jorey Prange
- 31-Chelsi Marolf Gemar



Blood pressure checks will resume on July 4th. Blood pressure checks will be offered every 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month in Education Wing. This month the checks will be on July 4 and July 18.