



Loving God.  
Serving others.  
Changing lives.

This quarter,  
we officially welcomed  
a new disciple  
into our community of faith:

The Rev. Dr. Bryant Badger

## Generosity Matters

I will remember my first mission trip for many reasons.

It is amazing how different problems you've known since you were 4 can look. The daunting problems of poverty and homelessness looks so different when you forced to come out of your bubble. How those are just people who need basic things to live.

On World Communion Sunday, we celebrate the fact that we believe in the good work of God with people all over the globe; and that we work to help people all across the world.

This summer I learned how incredible mission trips are for both the people serving and those served. It is amazing everything we can do when we stand together as Christians. Thank you for making this happen with your support.

[Your generosity] helps us serve all across the world and benefit from these special opportunities to wash the world's feet.

Written by Daniel Mitchell

*thank you for your  
generosity this quarter!*

- Our **CYF (grades 9-12) mission trip** leaders & participants spent a week in Texas with Connect Fort Worth. They prepared housing for refugees arriving in Fort Worth from all over the world and led kids in VBS songs; where love was needed, they were there.
- Seven representatives from Heart of the Rockies spent nearly a week in Des Moines, IA, at the **2019 General Assembly**. Daniel Lyvers participated in the children's time during worship; Ella Johnson presented a resolution during a business session, and Jeff & Janet Wright were commissioned to continue their work as Global Ministries Co-Workers.
- A crew spent the day working on Iman's house as part of this year's **Habitat for Humanity Multi-Faith Build**. We raised over \$6,000 to contribute to the build.
- Our **Chi Rho (grades 6-8) mission trip** leaders & participants partnered with agencies in Laramie, WY, committed to serving those in need of nourishing food, warm clothing, and a place to belong.

# July



# August

- We partnered with Plymouth Congregational UCC to host 4 families without housing overnight through **Faith Family Hospitality**. Thanks to our coordinator, Lynnette Thayer, who also put together a potluck and training for our volunteers in September. Thanks to those who continue to prepare the Sherwood House for families in transition.
- Daniel Lyvers visited **Nogales, Mexico**, for two days to meet with a Disciples of Christ mission partner to explore the potential of our congregation working on a house being built there in 2020.
- Our Board and representatives from our Outreach and Property Teams and Stewards met to continue working with consultant Laura Nelson on next steps for **The Next Big Thing**.
- After our annual **pulpit swap** with First Christian Church - Loveland, we shared in an **all-church picnic** at Fossil Creek Park on the hottest day of summer!



# September

- We began a new sermon series "**This Is My Story, This Is My Song**" based on the songs that have shaped your faith. Each week, we heard stories about how the songs you love to sing have deepened your understanding of who God is.
- After worship on Kick Off Sunday (Sept. 8), we sang nearly 50 of your favorite hymns at a **Hymn Sing**.
- Our **Harvest of the Heart Community Garden** kept going strong with harvesting, weeding, and beginning to prepare for the end of the season. Thanks to Erica Wharton, our garden coordinator, and her dedicated, hard-working team, over 1,400 pounds of produce were donated to the FoCo Cafe and the Food Bank.
- Our **Handbell Choir** has begun meeting regularly, using brand new handbells made possible through a generous donation from Kay Hartley.
- **Club 456** (grades 4-6), **Alpha&Omega** (pre-K - grade 3) and **Youth Fellowship** (grades 6-12) resumed with a special kickoff for each. Thanks to our adult leaders who plan, prepare, and participate in faith formation with our kids.

