

The Rico Community Church

March-April, 2005 Newsletter

From the Pastor's Desk...

If you were to ask me what is outstanding about the Rico Community Church, I would answer:

"We are a fellowship where relationships are growing and flourishing. A relationship with Christ our Savior is most important. We seek to nourish this relationship through our regular Sunday morning Worship Services, our weekly Bible Study, and the times for Younger Believers within the Worship Service. We also are building relationships within our church family through our prayer times during the Worship Service and coffee and fellowship time following. Realizing that our relationship with the Rico Community is also an important part of our life we participate in many community-wide activities. And we invite the Community to our activities. We will hold a brief Good Friday Service (Tenebrae) on March 25th from 6:00 to 6:30 PM. The monthly Youth Night will follow with supper and egg dyeing and an Easter Egg hunt for all the children and youth of the Community.

John and I feel we are becoming a part of this welcoming community. I have participated in some of the women's activities throughout the winter months, as well as the festivities held at the library (Sue Eleison's Valentine's and Easter Parties) for the children. Judy Schaeffer's classes on silk scarf dyeing techniques were great. And we all enjoyed a Ladies Night Out at Deana Youngblood-Ireland's home on this past Saturday evening.

We celebrated the first day of Spring here with another blanket of snow. All of us appreciated the quietness of God's creation even through it meant slow driving.

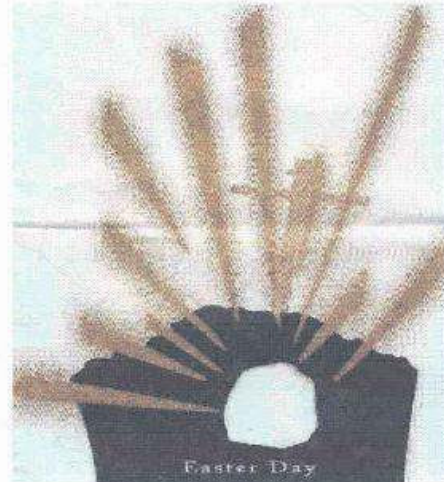
May God continue to bless all of us as we work together in faith.

With love and Joy in the Risen Christ,



Pastor Carol Burgeson

Lorna Lu Williams, mother of Connie Cannon, Rico's Postmistress, passed away on March 20th. A memorial service will be held at the Fellowship Baptist Church in Cahone at 10:00 AM Saturday, March 26th, with Pastor Carol Burgeson officiating.



Easter Sunday Worship -- 10:30 AM

The Rico Steering Team meeting,
March 6, 2005



Eight members of the Rico Steering Team met for lunch and to conduct business and programs for the church.

The next meeting will be at noon on Sunday, April 24.

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Rico Community Church to support a medical mission to Bolivia



Rico's own Dr Gerald and Marilyn Griebel will be on a team of 20 Coloradans this July who will give medical care to those in need among the indigenous Quechua people in Mallco Rancho, Bolivia.

We will be collecting items at the church for CARE kits (toiletries, tooth brushes, soaps, washcloths, aspirins, vitamins, baby clothes, etc). The church youth will be packing these CARE kits during Youth night on April 29th.

Checks for this mission, which will be used to purchase much-needed medicines and medical equipment, can be sent directly to the Boulder United Methodist Mission Partners (BUMMP), c/o Arnold C. Scheer, 304 Sandler Dr, Lafayette, CO 80026. All donations must be in by April 29th.

Our youngest member, Sarah Youngblood-Ireland, sits on Kaitlin's lap.

Blue, Carol and John's faithful lab, likes the attention.

Sarah, just four months old, performed in her first church play (Moses strikes the rock) this month.

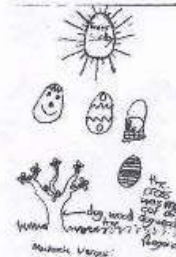


Youth News

There will be egg dyeing and a Easter Egg hunt at the church Friday, March 25th, at 6:30 PM (following the Tenebrae service). The entire Rico community is invited. There will also be pizza and games.

The April Youth night will be on the 29th. One of the activities will be to pack CARE kits for the Bolivian mission trip.

In March, the church youth were invited to design the church worship covers. Here are the covers for the 6th (Lee), 13th (Kaitlin), 20th (Kelby) and 27th (Mac).



What happens at Youth Night?

