

Life Group Leader Bios

Men

Joe Dionisio (Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.)

Joe has served as Chairman of Christian Ed. and has been a part of Big Blue. Joe enjoys playing golf, sailing, hiking, classic cars, and being surrounded by his grandchildren and wife Joanie.

David Swingley (Wednesdays, 8 a.m.)

Dave and his wife, Carol, have 3 children and 10 grands. Dave is the bi-lingual Chaplain for the Colorado Springs Sky Sox. He also is a corporate trainer for Accenture. He plays basketball and enjoys birding.

Women

Donna Ash (Thursdays, 1 p.m.)

Donna has been a member of First Pres for almost 2 years. She is married to Glen has two grown children and two grandchildren. Donna is a Stephen Minister and serves on the prayer team.

Linda Boyles (Thursdays, 12 p.m.)

Linda has been a member of First Pres since 1978. She is a recent graduate of Denver Seminary. Linda enjoys walking, reading, sewing, serving as a mentor in MOPS, and being a grandmother!

Rebecca Hawkins (Tuesdays, 5 p.m.)

Rebecca has been a member of First Pres since 2012. She is married and has two grown children. She loves food, football, yoga, skiing, hiking and long chats over coffee.

Pat Robertson (4th Monday, 10 a.m.)

Pat is a retired Associate Executive Director of Community Bible Study. Pat loves antiquing, reading, small groups, Bible Study, and discovering God's blessings in our life.

Leigh Saulsbury (Thursdays, 6:15 p.m.)

Leigh has been a member of First Pres since 2004 and is a past deacon. She is a counselor and volunteers as a shepherd in our children's Sunday School.

Couples

Jun and Dorothy Harada (Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.)

Greg and Ashley Hartnett-Young Couples, kids welcome (every other Tuesday, 6 p.m.)

Greg and Ashley have a one-year-old son, Judah. Greg is a "pastor-in-training" at First Pres and is regularly involved in leading worship. Ashley is a fourth-grade teacher. They love biking, eating good food, Netflix, and traveling!

All Adults

Bill and Pat Alexander (Mondays, 7 p.m.)

Bill and Pat are both retired Presbyterian ministers who became Christians, met and were married at First Pres. They served churches around the country and have been involved in overseas missions. They enjoy travel, golf, shooting, reading and getting to know others.

Keith and Martha Brown (Tuesdays, 7 p.m.)

Keith and Martha have three grown sons. They both work with SeniorCare which helps seniors with care management and guardianship needs. They both love the outdoors and traveling.

Craig and Kathi Bubeck – Young Adults (Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.)

Kathi has been a teacher, and is now a practicing artist. Craig was a theological editor and writer in Christian publishing, and now continues as a writer and professor of rhetoric at UCCS. They have four young adult children (and two dogs).

Dave and Victoria Dziezawiec (Thursdays, 6:30 p.m.)

Dave and Victoria have 4 children and one grandchild. David is retired from United Parcel Service. Victoria is a sales manager at REI. They enjoy mountain biking, hiking, golf, tennis, yoga, cooking and entertaining.

Mike Ellis-All Adults (once a month on Thursdays, 6 p.m.)

Charles and Jean Fowler (Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.)

Charles is retired from police communications and Jean works in ministry development for The Navigators. Charles attended Knox Seminary and now is finishing his degree with Regent University.

Pam Grove (Tuesdays, 11 a.m.)

Pam is married and has four children and 5 grandchildren. Pam is involved with the Pikes Peak Youth Ringers. She hikes and is an avid skier. She also enjoys camping, fishing, bike riding, and reading.

Chris andCarolynn Halton (Mondays, 7 p.m.)

Chris and Carolynn are both retired Navy officers. Chris is a government contractor. Carolynn is a homeschooling mom for their high schooler and they have a daughter in college. Carolynn loves to sew and teaching sewing classes. Chris enjoys reading, soccer, college football and working out.

Alan and Lucy Jacobs (1st and 3rd Thursdays, 6:30 p.m.)

Alan is a retired Navy Captain and currently works at Schriever AFB. He and Lucy Jacobs with two children. Recently went to India with FPC and am on the India prayer and discernment team.

Stu and Tonya Lark-kids welcome (Sundays, 6:30 p.m.)

Stu is a partner at Sherman & Howard Law Firm and Tonya volunteers with a variety of local non-profits. They enjoy traveling, reading, and cheering on their children Peter (17), Katie (15), and Ellie (12).

Christie Lee (2nd and 4th Thursdays, 7 p.m.)

Christie is a Marriage and Family Therapist. She loves to climb mountains and has climbed all the Fourteeners in Colorado. Christie also enjoys tennis, golf and skiing.

Jerry and Marsha Livingston (Mondays, 6:30 p.m.)

Jerry is a retired contractor and Marsha has recently retired as a sales representative. They have 3 children and 5 grandchildren. They share their home with their highly intelligent Border Collie.

Matt and Kim Lockhart (Thursdays, 7 p.m.)

Matt and Kim have two teenagers and a dog. Kim is an accountant by day and Matt worked in Christian publishing for 25 years. Both are relatively new to both Colorado Springs and First Pres.

Shelley McBride and Michelle Swanson (Wednesdays, 6:15 p.m.)

Shelley loves being outside in CO, including hiking and biking, and sharing life with husband, Charlie, and their 3 grown kids and 3 grandkids.

Michelle and her husband, Doug, have 3 children and 5 grandchildren. She is Director of Family Connections. Michelle loves hiking, traveling, Missions, and kayaking.

Paul and Diane Passno (Thursdays, 6:30 p.m.)

Paul was a football coach and college math professor, and remains involved in coaching as a "mentor coach". Diane was with Focus on the Family for 30 years. They enjoy traveling in their vintage Airstream, Bambi.

Susan Pattee (Mondays, 3 p.m.)

Scott and Jenny Robinson (Wednesdays, 7 p.m.)

Scott is a physician and Jenny is a teacher. They have three children. They both enjoy hiking, skiing, photography and off-roading with their jeep on the weekends.

Julie Sheppard (2nd and 4th Sundays, 3:00 p.m.)

Julie is a retired middle school teacher. she and her husband Mike have 3 daughters and 3 grandsons. Julie enjoys golf, camping, studying the Word, and spending time with Mike and Linnie Lou, their dog.

Steve and Lynn Wheeler (twice a month on Sundays, 2:30 p.m.)

Steve and Lynn moved to MacKenzie Place in 2015 from Monument, Colorado. They enjoy outdoor activities, travel, and cultural events: theatre, Philharmonic Orchestra and ballet.

Intergenerational**Rona Culp (Tuesdays, 6 p.m.)**

Rona has been at First Pres for three years. As an introverted engineer, she is stretching and growing into building relationships that are real with truth and grace.

Katie Fowler/Sara Lee (Wednesdays, 6:15 p.m.)

Katie has served at First Pres for nearly 10 years and is currently serving as Pastor of Discipleship. Katie and her husband, Chuck, have a little boy and another child on the way!

Sara and her husband Tracy have 2 grown children and 2 grandchildren. Sara is a nurse. She enjoys hiking, cooking and has recently taken up watercolor painting.

Charlie and Kathy Upton-kids welcome (Sundays, 3:30 p.m.)

Charlie volunteers for A/V for MOPS at First Pres and is a tour guide at Glen Eyrie. Kathy is a Mentor Mom for MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers). Between them they have 5 children, 12 grandchildren and 3 great grands. They enjoy reading, walking and family time.

Ray and Carol Wallander (1st and 3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m.)**Margaret Zimbrick (Tuesdays, 7 p.m.)**

Margaret started the "RISE AND SHINE" tutoring program at First Pres and enjoys reading, traveling, sushi, teenagers, painting, and music.

Families**Dave and Alyssa Dillard -Young Families, kids welcome (1st and 3rd Thursdays, 5:30 p.m.)**

Dave and Alyssa Dillard have three children: Samuel (8), Ella (5), and Addy (2). They are both elementary school teachers and enjoy camping, skiing, and playing games with friends.

Chuck and Annie Moore-Young Families, elementary older kids welcome (Sundays, 10 a.m.)

Chuck and Annie moved to Colorado Springs in 2011 and have 3 children. We enjoy taking hikes, riding bikes, skiing, camping, exploring and doing just about anything to get outdoors.

Jon and Debbie Noetzel (Tuesdays, 7 p.m.)

Jon is retired from the Air Force. They both served for 19 years in drama ministry producing and acting in pageants and plays in their church. Debbie is a theatre major and Jon has a gift for singing and writing.

Greg and Heather Sharp (Wednesdays, 6:15 p.m.)

Greg and Heather are both family doctors. Heather volunteers as a teacher in the K-4 Sunday School. They have a 15 year-old daughter, Lexi, and 13 year-old son, Evan, and enjoy getting outdoors- hiking, biking, and camping.