

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT FIRST CHURCH

All Are Welcome Here – We Strive For It.

In the Spirit of Jesus Christ, First United Methodist Church of Fort Collins, commits to offering a community in which persons of diverse age, color, culture, sexual orientation and gender identity, economic status, and physical or mental ability are all welcomed and affirmed. To all who have known pain of exclusion or discrimination from church or in society, we ask forgiveness and offer a place of respite and welcome.

If you are new to our church and would like more information, please ask one of our greeters or ushers or visit the **Welcome Center**. They can direct you to classrooms, nursery, restrooms, food, and fellowship, as well as introduce you to our staff. We would be honored to get to know you better and learn about your life and spiritual needs. Our community may not know you yet, but we already love you and hope you will make this your spiritual home. Thank you for joining us today, and God bless you!

Liturgists 8:00 Bill Emslie, 9:30 Joan Carter, 11:00 Jerry Wiese

Flowers are donated in memory of Kathy Louise Bridges (6/15/54 to 5/16/15). We pray that you are riding Sweetie, your favorite horse, under the watchful eyes of Jesus Christ each and every day. Happy Mother's Day.

Nursery/Childcare

A well-staffed nursery is available for infants and toddlers during all worship services. Pagers are available upon request. Preschool and elementary-aged children are invited to our Sunday School programs during the 9:30 a.m. service and are welcome in all worship services or the childcare area during 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. services.

FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES ON SUNDAY MORNINGS

Children's Sunday School Classes – 9:45 a.m.

Please sign in your children at the Children's Ministries check-in desk, south entrance, before the 9:30 a.m. worship service begins. Children sit with their parents/guardians during worship in the Sanctuary until the conclusion of Children's Time. Then, parents of preschoolers escort their children to Room 121, and children in grades K-5 meet their shepherds outside the Narthex. The shepherds will escort elementary children to their classrooms. Parents, please pick up elementary children from the upstairs Village Classrooms following the service.

For children attending our worship services, children's worship bags, bulletins, and notebooks are available in the Narthex, just outside the Sanctuary.

Sunday Morning Adult Groups – Please join us.

8:00 a.m.: Adventures in Faith Men's Group – Village Commons

9:30 a.m.: Samaritan Class – Parlor; Serendipity Class – Village Commons; Upper Room Class -- Upper Room (Room 235)

11:00 a.m.: Open Hearts Class – Village Commons; CrossWalk Community – Wesley Commons

ORDER OF WORSHIP: 8:00 • 9:30 • 11:00

Gathering Music *Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding* J. Biery

Welcome Dr. Melanie Rosa

Prelude *Come Down, O Love Divine* arr. R. Hobby

Invocation Rev. Cynthia Paquette

† **Call to Worship** Liturgist

† **Hymn of Praise** *Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth* TFWS 2050

9:30 Confirmation into Membership

Hymn *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus, v. 1* TFWS 2129
Children may be dismissed to go to Sunday School.

8:00 Anthem *Morning Has Broken*
Susie Land, piano

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer Rev. Cynthia Paquette

Scripture Isaiah 49:13-18 Rev. Cynthia Paquette
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every \$1 bill goes directly to those in need.

8:00 *For the Beauty of the Earth*
Susie Land, piano

9:30 & 11:00 *I Have Felt the Hand of God* C. Courtney
Sanctuary Choir

† **Doxology** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH 94

Scripture John 13:34-35 Liturgist
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Sermon They All Belong to Us Dr. Melanie Rosa

† **Hymn of Dedication** *I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry*
TFWS 2051

† **Benediction**

Postlude *You Shall Go Out With Joy* D. Wagner

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMMUNITY AND WORLD MISSIONS

Putnam Volunteer Needs: Go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d48a4a72fa20-putnam6> to see and sign up for current needs (through May 18). Let's show our commitment and love even during this busy season. Questions, contact Janet Krech at (970) 225-0330 or ajkrech@msn.com. You must be registered to volunteer with Poudre School District.

CHURCH AND SOCIETY

Peace with Justice Sunday will be celebrated at First Church on Sunday, May 27. Information is available at the Church & Society table in Fellowship Hall.

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRIES

The Third Thursday Lunch for May will be held at Simply Thai restaurant at 2531 South Shields in Fort Collins at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 17. Contact JudySayreGrim@gmail.com for more information. This will be our last lunch before the summer break, but we'll resume in September.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Prayer Shawl Ministry May Knit-In: Spring yarns are awaiting knitters and crocheters of all experience levels. Welcome. Saturday, May 19, 9:30—11:30 a.m. in the Parlor.

Grief Group meets every Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. After the meeting, we go to dinner on the second and fourth Tuesdays. This group offers support and discussion with others who have experienced loss.

COLUMBARIUM

Please join us in the Columbarium for a short memorial service on May 27, immediately following the 11:00 a.m. worship service. We will honor those who have passed into the arms of our Lord this past year.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Days for Girls team will meet once per month during the summer: May 22, June 26, July 24, August 14; 9 a.m. to noon. Our missionaries who recently returned from Meru, Kenya said many more kits are needed. We need your help with this important mission.

Do You Like To Eat? We have a painless way for you to buy food and help the church at the same time. Please stop by the table in Fellowship Hall to purchase Grocery Cards for Safeway, King Soopers, or Sprouts. A small percentage of each card sold benefits UMW ministry efforts.

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CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Vacation Bible School: June 11-15 from 9-12

Register for VBS now---Prices go up on May 20! Cost prior to May 20: 1 child \$50, 2 children \$65, 3 children \$75. After May 20 prices go up to \$75, \$90, \$105. Register online at <http://2018.cokesburyvbs.com/fumcfortcollins>. Turn in your fee at the Church Office. Full time volunteers---your children attend free. For more information contact Barb Grauberger at <mailto:childrensdirector@fcfumc.net>.

YOUTH AND COLLEGE MINISTRIES

Congratulations graduating students! We would love to recognize your achievements on Sun., May 20 at the 9:30 service. If you wish to be included, please email officemanager@fcfumc.net no later than Mon., May 14 with the following information: your name, school, degree, and future plans. We are excited to celebrate with you.

FAITH LIBRARIES OF NORTHERN COLORADO

BookTalk: Faith Libraries of Northern Colorado and *Ruminare Magazine* invite you to participate in the 2018 BookTalk Roundtable for Writers and Readers at First Presbyterian Church, 531 S. College Ave., 9 a.m.-noon May 19. Registration and coffee service will commence at 8:45 a.m.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT FIRST CHURCH

First Church is seeking a dynamic and well organized person with strong managerial skills as our **Childcare Coordinator**. Please read the job description at <http://fcfumc.net/about/employment> and send your resume and cover letter to Barb Grauberger (ChildrensDirector@fcfumc.net).

URGENT CARE PHONE LINE: (970) 294-6595

Call if you 1) urgently need to speak to one of the pastors, 2) have a death in the family and need a pastor's visit, 3) need a pastor to pray with you before an unexpected surgery, or 4) are being admitted to the hospital and need a pastoral visit urgently. This phone rotates between the pastors and is to be used only for emergencies.

STEWARDSHIP

Ways to Give to First Church:

- Did you know that you can have your contributions to First Church automatically deducted from your bank account? This provides convenience for you and consistency for the church. Please contact financialsecretary@fcfumc.net or visit fcfumc.net and click "Give Online" for more information.
- Did you know that you can give to First Church easily and securely online? Please visit fcfumc.net and click "Give Online" to get started.
- Did you know that you can text to give at (970) 355-3021? Simply text a message with \$ and the amount you would like to contribute. Then follow the instructions texted to you to complete the transaction

Pastors

Dr. Melanie Rosa, *Lead Pastor*
Rev. Cynthia Paquette, *Executive Pastor*

Deacons

Rev. Sue Harmon, *Chaplain, Poudre Valley Hospital*
Rev. Kaitlin Elmore, *Chaplain, Suncrest Hospice*

Music Staff

David Adkins, *Director of Music Ministries & Communications*
Karen Stody, *Organist & Associate Director of Music Ministries*
Anthony Weber, *Director of Children's Choir (Joyful Noise Choir)*
Brenna Martin, *Director of Children's Choir (Cherub Choir)*

Program Staff

Barb Grauberger, *Director of Children and Family Ministries & Childcare Coordinator*
Rebecca Dunagan, *Director of Youth Ministries*
Rev. Scott Grantland, *Wesley Foundation Director*
David Reid, *Director of Adult Faith Formation & Library*
Liza Judd-Salimbeni, *Kids' Closet Coordinator*
Laura Lechtenberg, *Director of Preschool*
Gail Farnum, *Director of Mother's Day Out*

Administrative and Facilities Staff

Scott Schroeder, *Business Manager*
Jim Doser, *Worship Technology Lead*
Elise Harkey, *Office Manager*
Catherine Pawlikowski, *Membership Secretary & Volunteer Coordinator and Interim Financial Secretary*
Henry Reyna, *Facilities Manager*
Juanita Cruz, *Custodian*
Josh Osterbur, *Custodian*
Max Reyes, *Custodian*
Kathy Suiste, *Custodian*

Coming Next Week: May 20
Pentecost

"Winds of the Spirit"
Romans 8:22-27; Acts 2:1-21
Music: 8:00 Ivy Taylor, soprano
9:30 & 11:00 Sanctuary Choir



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May 13, 2018
Ascension Day
"They All Belong to Us"



We are delighted to have you with us today.

Sunday Worship: 8:00 in the Chapel, 9:30 and 11:00 in the Sanctuary.

Faith Formation opportunities listed on the next page.

Food and Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall just south of the Sanctuary.

May you be blessed because you joined us today!