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 Deborah Kohler, 9:30 Martha Conant, 11:00 Kelly McBartlett

Communion Servers: 9:30 Curtis Bridges, Kate Norton, Rick Norton; 11:00 Ellen Bode, Shan Watkins, Martha Sherrod

Flowers: Given in honor of Lloyd & Jean Helper's 65th Wedding Anniversary

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 Sunday School during the 9:30 a.m. service and are welcome in worship services or childcare during 8 and 11 a.m. services.

FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES ON SUNDAY MORNING

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 – Youth Large Group Room

ORDER OF WORSHIP: 8:00 • 9:30 • 11:00

Gathering Music All Hail the Power of Jesus Name arr. D Bish

Welcome Dr. Melanie Rosa

Prelude At the Name of Jesus M. Burkhardt

Invocation Rev. Cynthia Paquette

† Call to Worship Liturgist

† Hymn of Praise Lord I Want to Be a Christian UMH 402

Children's Time Hymn

9:30 **Hymn** Where Children Belong TFWS 2233

Baptism Bridget Niswender

11:00

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Cynthia Paquette

Scripture Psalm 72: 1-7 Rev. Cynthia Paquette

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Offertory

8:00 *My Faith Has Found a Resting Place* arr. B Adams Keilani McConnell. Flute: Karen Stoody, organ

9:30 & 11:00 But for Love Dan Forrest Sanctuary Choir

Give online at fcfumc.net; text to give at (970) 355-3021; every \$1 bill goes directly to those in need.

† Doxology Praise God. from Whom All Blessings Flow UMH 95

Scripture Mark 7:1-8 Liturgist

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Sermon "Rules & Rituals" Dr. Melanie Rosa

Sacrament of Holy Communion Communion Music

Andante from Sonata in D minor Fredrick the Great Cantabile from Concerto in D Vivaldi

Keilani McConnell, flute

† Hymn of Dedication O Thou Who This Mysterious Bread UMH 613

† Benediction

Postlude Laudation G. Martin

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH ORCHESTRA FIRST MEETING

We are forming a new Church Orchestra (Instrumental Ensemble) this fall. If you play a band or orchestral instrument, please join us. All ages are welcome that play at a moderately advanced level. Maybe you haven't played in years – this is a great way to get back in performance condition. We would love to have you as we add instrumental music on a more frequent basis to our morning worship services. Rehearsals are the 1st 2nd and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 5:45 in the Sanctuary. Please email David Adkins for more information at choirdir@fcfumc.net.

THE ALLELUIA HANDBELL ENSEMBLE

The Alleluia Handbell Ensemble will start up again on September 6, at 4:30 p.m. The group will meet downstairs in the choir/music room. Contact Karen Stoody, karestoo@gmail.com for more information.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR BEGIN SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Our Children's choir launch a new year on Sunday, September 9 from 10:30 – 11:00. The children will be learning the musical "Star Search" for Christmas and singing in worship several times this fall.

CHILDREN'S CHIME CHOIR BEGINS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

The Children's Chime Choir for children ages 5K and up will meet the 1^{st} , 2^{nd} , and 3^{rd} Wednesdays of each month from 5:00-5:30 in the Rhythm Road Room.

DOUBLE NICKLE LUNCHEON

Double Nickle luncheon September 14! Do you like to read and find out the latest in literary news? Then come to the luncheon and enjoy a presentation with Judy Sayre-Grim about Fort Collins Reads. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall at noon. Cost is \$4 for the best lunch in town. No reservations are necessary.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

United Methodist Women invite you to stand with them in the "RED ZONE" on UMW Kickoff Sunday, September 9th. There will be a potluck lunch at noon in the Fellowship Hall followed by a program to shed light on an important issue: Human Trafficking! We will focus on how this problem is impacting our local community and what we can do to empower change. Wear red and join us in the "RED ZONE".

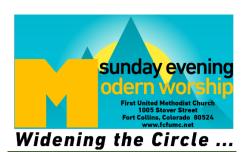
COMMUNITY AND WORLD MISSION

Faith Family Hospitality: Sign up now for our At Home Mission September 2 through September 9. We will host four families experiencing homelessness for the week. We need cooks, evening hosts, overnight hosts, Saturday breakfast cooks, as well as help setting up and cleaning up. More information and sign up at the Mission Table in Fellowship Hall, or call Elaine Andersen, 682-1147.

friends! We also need donated materials. Please see needs in Fellowship Hall. Questions? Contact Kate at flf67@live.com or 970-402-6783.

FOOD BANK FOR LARIMER COUNTY

Our new regular work day is the **2nd Monday of each month**, we will begin work on Monday, September 10, 2018. Come and join us for fun and service. Questions? Call Bonny Thomas 970 232-9879.



NEW WORSHIP SERVICE BEGINS NEXT WEEK

Our Sunday evening **Modern Worship** service begins at 5:00 pm September 9 in Fellowship Hall. Music for this service will be provided by our new Modern Worship Leader, Joseph Noelliste, and the Compass Worship Band. Our theme is **Draw the Circle Wide**, as we hope to attract new people to the life-giving way of Christ. Dinner follows the service, and everyone is welcome. Invite your neighbors and friends.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Grateful Book Study: There's still time to sign up for the study of *Grateful* by Diana Butler Bass at noon each Wednesday in September. Books are \$16 and may be ordered at AFF table. Participants please read chapters 1 and 2 for **September 5.**

Spiritual Gifts Inventory: Have you struggled with how to serve God? Do you know your spiritual gifts? This <u>one-time</u>, <u>one-hour class</u> will be offered at **6:30-7:30 p.m. Sept. 4**; **3:30-4:30 p.m. Sept. 30**; and **6:30-7:30 p.m. Oct. 2**. Sign up at Adult Faith Formation table or email c.paquette@fcfumc.net.

Year-long Bible Study: Here's your chance to read the entire Bible in a year in a program designed by famed biblical scholar J. Ellsworth Kalas. Weekly group meetings will start this fall on Thursdays beginning Sept. 6 Participants can choose 12-1:30 p.m. or 6:30-8 p.m. Info at AFF table or email c.paquette@fcfumc.net.

Theology on Tap will meet on Tuesday, September 4 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Moot House in the Garden Room. Join us for our monthly conversation about the intersection of faith and life. September's topic is Evangelism in a Diverse World. We look forward to having you join us! Questions: Kate Norton, flf67@live.com or Martha Conant, marthaconant@gmail.com.

New Small Group: Sign up at the Adult Faith Formation table or email davidreid24@gmail.com for information about the new small group forming this fall. Dates and times will be set by members.

Wednesday Night Recharge: Here is the lineup of new offerings and contacts. We've dropped meal service on Wednesdays and none of the groups will meet on Halloween.

Financial Peace University – 7-8:30 p.m. Sept. 5-Nov. 7, is sponsored by the Stewardship and Generosity Team. Cost will be \$109 per family and scholarships are available. Advance registration required.

The Path Discipleship Journey is a three-month process. Participants will meet **7-8 p.m. Sept. 5-Nov. 14** and in one-on-one meetings.

Yoga and Spirituality – Rev. Kaitlin Elmore will offer a five-session yoga program **6-7 p.m. Sept. 26-Oct. 24.** Bring your mat; fee is \$5 per session.

NORTHERN COLORADO FAITH LIBRARY

Book of the Week: The American Spiritual Culture and the Invention of Jazz, Football and the Movies by William Dean, 201.7 DEA. Dean, professor emeritus of constructive theology at Iliff School of Theology, finds spiritual meaning throughout American society.

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

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Karen Stoody, Organist & Associate Director of Music Ministries
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Josh Colonnieves, Director of Children's Choir (Joyful Noise Choir)
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Coming Next Week: September 9 Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

New Sermon Series: Seeing the Sacred in Everyday Life "Spiritual Literacy: Attention" Psalm 139:1-4, Hosea 1:2-10

> Music: 8:00 Ivy Taylor 9:30 & 11:00 Sanctuary Choir

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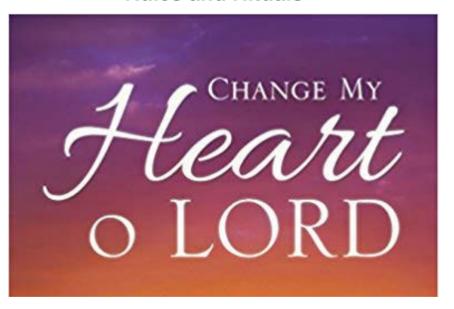
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September 2, 2018

Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost Sacrament of Holy Communion

"Rules and Rituals"



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!