

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 Martha Conant, 9:30 Theresa Holbrook, 11:00 Jerry Wiese

Flowers: Given in honor of the United Methodist Women of the world standing in the Red Zone to fight human trafficking.

Nursery/Childcare

A well-staffed nursery is available for infants and toddlers during all worship services. Paggers 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 SUNDAY A.M.

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

Please sign your children in 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-4 meet their shepherds outside the Narthex. The shepherds will escort elementary children to their classrooms. Grades 5th & 6th will meet in the Youth Basement for donut fellowship and Sunday School at 9:30. Parents, please pick your children up from their designated location 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.

Weekly Youth Ministry-- Meets every Wednesday evening from 6:30-8pm in the youth wing for students in grades 6-12th, dinner is provided and friends are welcome. **Small Group Bible Study**- Meets every Tuesday night from 7:45-9pm at Mugs Coffee Shop on College for students in grades 9-12th, friends are welcome.

Sunday Morning Adult Groups – Please join us.

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

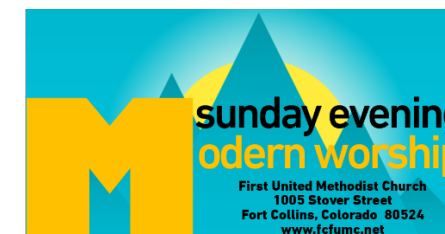
9:30 a.m.: Samaritan Class – Parlor; Serendipity Class – Village Commons; Upper Room Class – Upper Room (Room 235)

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	<i>Fantasia in C Major</i> <i>Fantasia in A Minor</i>	J. S. Bach J. S. Bach
Welcome		Dr. Melanie Rosa
Prelude	<i>With High Delight</i>	John Leavitt
Invocation		Rev. Cynthia Paquette
† Call to Worship		Liturgist
† Hymn of Praise	<i>Be Thou My Vision</i>	UMH 451
Children's Time Hymn		
9:30 Hymn	<i>Where Children Belong</i>	TFWS 2233
Anthem		
8:00	<i>Come and Find the Quiet Center</i> Ivy Taylor, soloist	S. Murray
9:30 & 11:00	<i>To Love Our God</i> Sanctuary Choir	M. Hayes
Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer		Rev. Cynthia Paquette
Prayer Response		
9:30 & 11:00	<i>Seek the Lord</i> Sanctuary Choir	L. Larson
Scripture	Psalm 116:1-7 page 757	Rev. Cynthia Paquette
Offertory		
8:00	<i>God Is Seen</i> Ivy Taylor, soloist	A. Parker
9:30 & 11:00	<i>Sometimes I Hear God's Music</i> Sanctuary Choir	J. Martin
	<i>Give online at fcfumc.net; text to give at (970) 355-3021; every \$1 bill goes directly to those in need.</i>	
† Doxology	<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	UMH 95
Scripture	Matthew 6:22-23; 27-30 page 1174	Liturgist
Sermon	"Spiritual Literacy: Attention"	Dr. Melanie Rosa
† Hymn of Dedication	<i>Open My Eyes, That I May See</i>	UMH 454
† Benediction		
Postlude	<i>Prelude in G Major</i>	J. S. Bach

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Widening the Circle ...

NEW WORSHIP SERVICE BEGINS TODAY

Our Sunday evening **Modern Worship** service begins at **5:00 pm TODAY 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.

Children Kindergarten-5th grade are welcome to join us upstairs in the Theater room for **Club 252** (Luke 2:52) after the introductory part of the MODERN service.

Children Newborn-Preschool are welcome to check in to the fully staffed Nursery in the Southwest wing. Of course, you are also welcome to have your children stay with you during this family friendly service.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN KICKOFF TODAY

United Methodist Women invite you to stand with them in the "**RED ZONE**" on UMW Kickoff **TODAY** 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**".

CHILDREN'S CHOIR BEGINS TODAY SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Our Children's Choir launches a new year **TODAY** 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.

COMMUNITY AND WORLD MISSION

Days for Girls ministers to millions of girls in the world who have no access to sanitary products. Please join us September 18 from 9 am to 12 pm to learn how to make Days for Girls sanitary kits and enrich the lives of these girls. If you are planning to attend please RSVP to Kate Norton at fif67@live.com. Please state if you prefer to sew, serge or cut. We need hundreds of kits for our Kenya friends! We also are in need of donated materials; we have a list in the Fellowship Hall. For more information please contact Kate Norton at fif67@live.com or call 970-402-6783.

COMMUNITY AND WORLD MISSION (con't)

Food Bank for Larimer County Warehouse: Our new regular work day is the **2nd Monday of each month**, beginning tomorrow, on **Monday, September 10, 2018**. Come and join us for fun and service at their new warehouse in Loveland.

Signup sheet and maps are in Mission Corner. Questions? Call Bonny Thomas 970 232-9879.

First Church is participating in **CSU's Cans Around the Oval** campaign to benefit the Food Bank of Larimer County. Food collection will begin September 10th and ends October 17th. Come to Mission Corner, Fellowship Hall to learn more about the Food Bank's three major programs.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Spiritual Gifts Inventory: Have you struggled with how to serve God? Do you know your spiritual gifts? This one-time, one-hour class will be offered at **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.

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: *What Truth Sounds Like: RFK, James Baldwin, and Our Unfinished Conversation about Race in America* by Michael Erik Dyson, 305.8 DYS. The cultural commentator shows us what it means to speak truth to power.

DOUBLE NICKEL LUNCHEON

Double Nickel 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.

THE THIRD THURSDAY LUNCH

The Third Thursday Lunch will resume this month for our sixth year of getting together in area restaurants. We will meet at The Moot House on Thursday September 20th at 11:30 AM. To join us or for more information, please contact JudySayreGrim@gmail.com

Sermon Series: "Spiritual Literacy: Seeing the Sacred in Everyday Life"

September 16—"Spiritual Literacy: Beauty" Psalm 139:1-14; Hosea 1:2-10
September 23—"Spiritual Literacy: Discipline" Psalm 42:1-8; 2 Timothy 1:3-7
September 30—"Spiritual Literacy: Rest" Hebrews 4:3-11; Matthew 11:27-30

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
Joseph Noëlliste, Modern Worship Leader
Josh Colonnieves, 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
Rebecca Dunagan, Youth and Family Minister
Rev. Scott Grantland, Wesley Foundation Director
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Laurie Elliott, Childcare Coordinator
Liza Judd-Salimbeni, Kids' Closet Coordinator
Laura Lechtenberg, Director of Preschool
Gail Farnum, Director of Parent's Day Out

Administrative and Facilities Staff

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Juanita Cruz, Custodian
Josh Osterbur, Custodian
Max Reyes, Custodian
Kathy Suiste, Custodian

Coming Next Week: September 16
Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost

New Sermon Series: Seeing the Sacred in
Everyday Life

"Spiritual Literacy: Beauty"
Psalm 139:1-4, Hosea 1:2-10

Music: 8:00 Anthony Weber, vocalist
9:30 & 11:00 Sanctuary Choir
5:00 p.m. Joseph Noelliste & COMPASS Band

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September 9, 2018

Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

"Spiritual Literacy: Attention"



*Consider the lilies of the field.
They do not labor or spin.
Matthew 6:28-30*

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!