

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT FIRST CHURCH

The Vision of First Church is to be an inclusive, deeply relational community inviting all people to experience God's presence today.

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 seek 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!

WEEKLY FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

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 join their parents/guardians for worship in the Sanctuary until the conclusion of Children's Time. Then, parents of preschoolers escort their children to Room 121, and children grades K-5 meet outside the Sanctuary. The teachers will escort elementary children to their classrooms.

Parents, please pick your children up from their designated location following the service.



SUNDAY MORNING YOUTH GROUP: If you are a teen, we have something for YOU! Youth (grades 6-12) are welcome to participate in our Sunday Morning Youth Group that happens at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday. Join our Youth Director and leaders in the Youth basement for a time of fellowship and spiritual growth that are fun and relevant to students!

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT GROUPS—Please join us.

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Please stand as you are able

Gathering Music *Laudamus Te* Carl F. Mueller

Welcome Rev. Cynthia Paquette

Prelude *Deck Thyself, My Soul, With Gladness* Johann G. Walther

*Call to Worship 9:30 Cindi Ross-Bell
11:00 Rick Norton

*Hymn of Praise *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* UMH #140

Chorus (9:30) *Jesus Loves the Little Children*

Children's Message Barb Grauberger

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Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer Rev. Cynthia Paquette

Anthem *The Prayer* David Foster & Carole B. Sager
Ivy Taylor & Josh Colonnieves, vocalists

Offering Our Gifts to God

Ways to give to First Church:

1. Give online at <https://fcfumc.net/> or on the First UMC App (Click on Give).
2. Text to give 1 800 364 GIVE (4483) (Text Message FirstChurch).
3. Automatic draft through online giving.
4. Check or cash (Every loose \$1 bill goes to those in need).

Offertory *Arioso* J. S. Bach

*Doxology *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH #94

Scripture Luke 8:26-39 9:30 Cindi Ross-Bell
11:00 Rick Norton

Sermon "What Is Your Name?" Dr. Bob Firebaugh

*Hymn of Dedication *O How I Love Jesus* UMH #170

*Benediction Rev. Cynthia Paquette

Postlude *Cortège* Gordon Young

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Come Celebrate DR. MELANIE ROSA'S RETIREMENT!!

Reverend Melanie's last Sunday before her well-deserved retirement is June 26. There will be one service that day, at 9:30 am, followed by a celebration reception in Fellowship Hall. Light refreshments, music and speakers will be part of this time for all of us to give Melanie, Fred and their family our best wishes for nothing but exciting, eventful and healthy times in this next chapter of their lives.

If you want to bring a card to express your gratitude to Melanie for her great service to our church, please do so and put it in the basket that will be provided.

We look forward to seeing everyone there!

SHOW YOUR LOVE AND SUPPORT FOR REVEREND MELANIE AS SHE STARTS HER JOURNEY INTO RETIREMENT!



Please consider a contribution to a "Love Offering" for Rev. Melanie that will be collected today. You can also mail in your contributions or contribute online any time during June. If you are contributing by check, please make the it out to FCFUMC, with "Love Offering" in the memo line. All of the money contributed will be presented to Melanie as a gift from the congregation during her retirement reception on June 26.

SAVE the DATE!



August 14th • Community & Church Ice Cream Social • 4 - 6 pm
Train rides begin at 3 pm.



August 28th • Community & Church Picnic • 10:45 am - 12:45 pm

TODAY AT FIRST CHURCH

USHERS 9:30 a.m. Karen Kiser, Kristen Roberts, Judy Kinner
11:00 a.m. Erik Wilkinson, Dennis Bode

9:30 WORSHIP CARE TEAM MEMBER: Rob Kiser

ALTAR FLOWERS: Today's altar flowers are given by the Ahlbrandt family in honor of Arlene Ahlbrandt, who would be celebrating her 93rd birthday today.

WELCOME, REV. DR. MARK LEE!

Rev. Dr. Mark Lee started serving as our new Director of Adult Faith Formation, Discipleship, and NoCo Faith Library this week. Mark is an ordained United Church of Christ clergy. He is a graduate of LeTourneau College; he attended Trinity Evangelical Divinity School before earning M.Div. and D.Min. degrees from Iliff School of Theology. He served as Director of Christian Formation for Adults at Plymouth Congregational Church in Fort Collins from 2009-2020. Mark has a small ranch in town with his partner Ivan Loy, a retired math teacher, where they raise gardens and Boer market goats. **Please come meet Mark today in the Fellowship Hall at his Welcome Cake Reception between worship services.**



MISSIONS



MISSION TRIP TO PINE RIDGE RESERVATION AUGUST 5-10

Learn about the culture and history of the Lakota people and what is happening on the reservation today. Informational meeting in the parlor at 7:00 pm on June 22. Call Theresa Holbrook (970-219-5960) or Elaine Karnes (972-225-6720) for more information.

CAN WE GET A CONVOY?

First Church people who want to support our church's effort to start a community organizing group in Northern Colorado are urged to be present when Coloradans for the Common Good issues an invitation to form a new affiliate. The meeting is 6:30-8 p.m. on July 13 at Regis University in Denver. For details, contact David Reid at (970) 581-2707 (phone or text) or davidreid24@gmail.com.

OUR CHURCH STAFF

Pastors

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

Music Staff

David Adkins, *Director of Music Ministries & Communications*
Dr. Joel Bacon, *Organist/Artist in Residence*
Brenna Martin, *Children's Choir Coordinator*
Abigale Gilson, *Children's Choir Director*
Karen Stoodly, *Organist Emeritus*

Program Staff

Barb Grauberger, *Director of Children and Family Ministries*
Victoria Burkett, *Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries*
David Reid, *Community Builder*
Laurie Elliott, *Childcare Coordinator & Interim Pre-School Director*
Liza Judd-Salimbeni, *Kids' Closet Coordinator*
Gail Farnum, *Director of Parent's Day Out*

Administrative and Facilities Staff

Jim Doser, *Worship Technology Lead*
Nathan Abrahamson, *Worship Technology Assistant*
Shelley Nelson, *Administrative & Communications Assistant*
Shauna Bjork, *Accountant*
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Gail Wells, *Membership Secretary & Volunteer Coordinator*
Henry Reyna, *Facilities Manager*
Max Reyes, *Custodian*
Michael Shestak, *Custodian, Sunday Hospitality Coordinator*
Howard Miller, *Custodian*

Coming Next Week: June 26, 2022

Third Sunday after Pentecost
"Too Deep For Words"
Romans 8:26-39; Matthew 28:1-10;16-20



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Second Sunday after Pentecost June 19, 2022



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Sunday Worship Services are at 9:30 and 11:00.
There are many opportunities for spiritual growth and connection for all ages.

Thank you for joining us today!