

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT FIRST CHURCH

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, fellowship, and 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!

† Stand as you are able

Liturgists Today

8 a.m. Cindi Ross-Bell; 9:30 a.m. Jaden Putman; 11 a.m. Joan Carter

Flowers today are given by Peter Gomm in memory of Beryl Gomm.

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 child care area during 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. services.

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 after 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 children to their classrooms. Parents, please pick up elementary children from the upstairs Village Classrooms following the service.

Sunday Morning Adult Groups – Please join us!

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

11:00: Open Hearts Class and Crosswalk Community – Parlor for Pakistani Cultural Program

All Are Welcome Here - We Strive For It!

In the Spirit of Jesus Christ, First United Methodist Church, 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.

Coming Next Week

“Creating Christian Community: Welcome to Abundant Life”

Isaiah 55:1-3a; John 10:10b-16

Music: Kimberli Render, soprano

ORDER OF WORSHIP: 8:00 • 9:30 • 11:00

Gathering Music	<i>Kum-ba-yah Suite</i>	Robert Hobby
Welcome		Passing the Peace
Prelude	<i>Reflection</i>	Robert Lau
Invocation		Rev. Cynthia Paquette
† Call to Worship		Liturgist
† Hymn of Praise	<i>Father, We Have Heard You Calling</i>	W&S 3150
Children's Time		Lynette Szantho
Hymn	<i>We are the Church</i> (refrain only)	UMH 558
Anthem	<i>Welcome</i> Emily Gehman, soloist	Mark Miller
Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer		Rev. Cynthia Paquette
Scripture	Leviticus 19:33-34	Rev. Cynthia Paquette
Offering	<i>Thank you for generously supporting our ministry.</i> Dollars for Mission: All loose \$1 bills placed in the offering plate will fund mission work beyond our walls.	
Prayer of Dedication		Liturgist
Offertory		
8:00	<i>A Welsh Blessing</i> Emily Gehman, soloist	B. Harland
9:30 & 11:00	<i>Hungarian Rhapsody</i> Sasha Chappell, cellist	David Popper
† Doxology	<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	UMH 94
Scripture	Hebrews 13:1-2	Liturgist
Sermon	<i>“Welcoming Strangers”</i>	Dr. Melanie Rosa
Faith and Service Moment		Welcoming Ministries
† Hymn of Dedication	<i>Help Us Accept Each Other</i>	UMH 560
† Benediction		
Postlude	<i>Carillon Toccata</i>	D. Wagner

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Text to give: Simply send a text to (970) 355-3021 with the amount you would like to contribute. Be sure to include the dollar sign before the amount (ex: \$25). Within a few minutes, you'll receive a text with a registration link. Click on the link and enter your cardholder name and credit or debit card info. Once your registration is complete, you will receive a text verification and a receipt via email. For future giving, send a text with the amount you wish to give, and it will process automatically.

Faith & Service Moment

Today's video highlights *Welcoming Ministries*.

For more information about how to serve in our Welcoming Ministries, contact Martha Conant, Mike Kohler, Connie Mahan, or Pam Metzger.



Presented by **Stewardship & Generosity Committee**.

Thanks to all for the gifts and service to our church that make all of our ministries possible!

Senior Ministry

Contact Linn Zink at (970) 689-3047 or lczink@gmail.com

- **Fri., Aug. 11, Double Nickel Senior Lunch:** Our new Lead Pastor, Dr. Melanie Rosa, will present *Leading with Grace - One Woman's Journey*. \$4 for lunch. All are welcome, and no reservations are required.
- **Fri., Aug. 18, Outing to the Denver Museum of Art** special exhibit: *The Western: An Epic in Art and Film*, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., departing from the south church lot. Cost is \$20 per person for admission and transportation, plus additional money for lunch. RSVP required to Linn Zink.
- **Mon., Aug. 21, Movie** from 1 to 3 p.m., *Florence Foster Jenkins*, in the Cinema room. Free; all ages welcome.

We extend **sympathy** to the family of Don Hutchins, who passed away on July 24 and the family of Don Willson, who passed away on July 26.

Pakistan Culture Day: Drop by the sale of jewelry, crafts, toys, and more this morning in Fellowship Hall and enjoy the presentation on Pakistan by Danny Bhatti and Sehar Danish at 11 a.m. in the Parlor.

David Wohl Trio: Enjoy classic rock, jazz, swing, and blues music on the north lawn 5:30-7:30 p.m. Aug. 2. Bring lawn chair or blanket and picnic dinner. We will provide dessert and water. This Summer of the Arts presentation is sponsored by Adult Faith Formation. The show moves inside in case of rain.

Book of the Week: *Hagar Poems* by Mohja Kahf, 811.6 KAH. This brilliant collection of poems captures the story of Hagar, Abraham, and Sarah – the ancestral feuding family of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam.

Youth: July 30, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.: lunch (\$10) and hike; Aug. 6, 4:30-6 p.m.: Pinball Jones and ice cream (\$5).

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Exploring First Church: Would you like to learn more about the United Methodist Church in general and our church in particular? Are you considering membership in this promising community of faith? If so, Pastors Melanie and Cynthia invite you to attend informational gatherings on Sundays, Aug. 13 and 20 at noon to learn about the history of Methodism and the many ministries available in our church. A light lunch will be provided, as well as child care if needed. Please email OfficeManager@fcfumc.net if you plan to attend. New members will be received at all 3 services on Kickoff Sunday, Aug. 27.

Volunteers Needed for Sunday Fellowship Time to prepare coffee and lemonade and cleanup afterwards. Prep shift is 8-9 a.m.; Cleanup shift is 12:30-1 p.m. Sign up at fcfumc.net

Serving Our Neighbors

Our Food Drive is now up to over 2,500 pounds! Today our youth will be turning in their neighborhood collections along with other donations, which can be made until 4:30 p.m. today. *Thanks to everyone for your steady and growing number of donations for the Food Bank for Larimer County!*

Thank you for supporting our **bookmobile** by shopping at Barnes & Noble! Sales totaled \$13,000 for the weekend, so we should receive around \$2,000 on a gift card to use for books later. We also received many generous donations of new books.

Anti-Bullying Workshop: On Aug. 4 and 5, Carol Miller will lead a community workshop on bullying here at First Church. Middle school youth and parents are welcome to attend. Questions, call JoAn Hopkins at (970) 222-5925.

First United Methodist Church Foundation recently received a generous bequest by Joe and Joan Looper, who were longtime church members. Both remembered their church in their wills. Their bequest will be used to support the church music program, community outreach, youth mission work, membership, and evangelism.

Church Foundation Grant Awards 2017: An additional \$19,890 of grant money has been awarded to groups and committees within First Church. Please refer to the August edition of the *Carillon* for additional information. Grant money is generated each year by the general fund of the Foundation. Tax deductible donations may be made to the general fund or to any of the restricted funds that the Foundation holds.

How can YOU be involved in First Church's new **Welcoming, Hospitality, and Discipleship Ministries**? Find out by joining us for lemonade or iced tea at one of these times: 10:30 a.m. Wed., Aug. 2 or 7 p.m. Thurs., Aug. 3 at First Church. Come be a part of welcoming guests to our church, just as God continues to welcome us!

Pastors

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

Deacons

Rev. Sue Harmon, Chaplain, Poudre Valley Hospital
Rev. Kaitlin McMichael, 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

Lynette Szantho, Director of Children's Ministries
Rebecca Dunagan, Director of Youth Ministries
David Reid, Director of Adult Faith Formation & Library
Barb Grauberger, Nursery Coordinator
Liza Judd-Salimbeni, Kids' Closet Coordinator
Laura Lechtenberg, Director of Preschool
Gail Farnum, Director of Mothers' Day Out

Administrative and Facilities Staff

Scott Schroeder, Business Manager
Jim Doser, Worship Technology Lead
Elise Harkey, Office Manager
Henry Reyna, Facilities Manager
Sarah Rathbun, Financial Secretary
Andrew Thorne, Handyman
Juanita Cruz, Custodian
Angel Holm, Custodian
Max Reyes, Custodian
Joshua Rodgers, Custodian and Sunday Hospitality

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 among the pastors and deacons and is to be used only for emergencies.

FIRST United Methodist CHURCH

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July 30, 2017

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost
"Welcoming Strangers"



We are delighted to have you with us for worship today.

We have three worship services each Sunday at 8:00 a.m. (in the Chapel) 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. (in the Sanctuary). Sunday School classes are offered at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. and fellowship and food are available in Fellowship Hall adjacent to the Sanctuary. May you be blessed because you joined us in worship today.