

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, 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 Today

8 a.m. Martha Conant; 9:30 a.m. Cindi Ross-Bell; 11 a.m. Jerry Wiese

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

Youth – Coffee Talk 9:30 a.m. in the Youth Wing

Students, grades 6 – 12, are invited to join us for coffee and discussion of the Scripture for this week's sermon. Then we'll head to the Sanctuary to listen to the message.

Youth Worship Team Practice – 5:15 p.m. Youth Wing

Youth Group – 6–8 p.m. Youth Wing

Sunday Morning Adult Groups – Please join us.

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

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

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.

Coming Next Week

"The Journey Is Shared" Ruth 1:11-18; John 15:4-6

Music: 8:00 a.m. Piano & Organ Duets featuring Brenna Martin & Karen Stoodly; 9:30 & 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary Choir

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Gathering Music *When in Our Music God is Glorified* arr. Pethel

Welcome

8:00 Prelude *Lord, Be Glorified* arr. Hayes

9:30 & 11:00 Introit *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* arr. Bartsch
Carillon Handbell Choir & Sanctuary Choir

Invocation Dr. Melanie Rosa

† **Call to Worship** Liturgist

† **Hymn of Praise** *Be Thou My Vision (v. 1-2)* UMH 451

Children's Time Lynette Szanthy

Hymn *Where Children Belong* TFWS 2233

9:30 The Sacrament of Baptism Julia Renee Freeman

Anthem 8:00 *Through All of It* Molly Reed & Ben Glover
Janet Krech, soloist

9:30 & 11:00 Make Me an Instrument of Thy Peace arr. McChesney
Carillon Handbell Choir; Joan Carter, piano; Catherine Pawlikowski, narrator

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer Dr. Melanie Rosa

9:30 & 11:00 Prayer Response *Lead Me, Lord* Sanctuary Choir

Scripture Genesis 37:3-8, 12-24 Dr. Melanie Rosa

Mission Focus Habitat for Humanity

Faith & Service Moment Habitat for Humanity

Offering *Thank you for generously supporting our ministry.*

Offertory 8:00 *How Great Thou Art* arr. Courtney
Janet Krech, soloist

9:30 & 11:00 *Let Everything* Andre Thomas
Sanctuary Choir; Fred Rosa, bass; John Benton, drums

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

Scripture Luke 9:23-24 Liturgist

Sermon "The Journey is Not Easy" Rev. Cynthia Paquette

† **Hymn of Dedication** *Goodness Is Stronger Than Evil* TFWS 2219

† **Benediction**

Postlude *Toccata, Allegro con Fuoco* David Hegarty

† Stand as you are able

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supper in the Spirit begins this Wednesday with a lineup of activities for people of all ages.

- 5:30–6 p.m.: Supper in the Parlor; suggested donation: \$6 per person or \$20 for family of 4 or more; no reservation needed
- 5:30–7 p.m.: Child care in the nursery
- 6–7 p.m.: God's Kids Chime Choir with David Adkins, Rhythm Road
- 6–7 p.m.: Activities for students K through grade 5 with Lynette Szanthy, Educational Wing
- 6–7 p.m.: Echo Groups for students grades 6-12 with Rebecca Dunagan, Youth Wing
- 6–7 p.m.: *The God We Know* book study with Dr. Melanie Rosa, Parlor
- 6–7 p.m.: *Awakening of Hope: Why We Practice Faith*, a drop-in DVD series, Wesley Commons
- 6–7:15 p.m.: Carillon Handbell rehearsal with Karen Stoodly, Choir Room
- 7–8 p.m.: *Martin Luther and the Day that Changed the World* book study with David Reid, Wesley Commons

Our **United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR)** is working tirelessly to help the victims of Hurricane Harvey in Texas and Louisiana. The greatest immediate need is for hygiene kits and cleaning buckets. You can support this work first of all by praying for all concerned and secondly by donating through our church to UMCOR Advance #901670. (Make checks payable to FUMC, memo: UMCOR.) Or you may give online by visiting www.umcor.org. UMCOR is a registered 501(c)3 charity, and all gifts are tax deductible.

In addition to Sunday, there's a good reason to visit First Church this Saturday, Sept. 16. Stop by the **First Church Excess Property Sale**, 8 a.m.–1 p.m. and purchase an item for your home. Each item comes with a First Church blessing!

Faith & Service Moment



Today's video highlights *Ministry through Mission: Habitat* presented by **Stewardship & Generosity Committee**

Thanks to all for the gifts and service that help make it possible to provide for this ministry and all ministries of our church..

Senior Ministry

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

- **Thurs., Sept. 21, Third Thursday Lunch** resumes at 11:30 a.m. at Vern's Place in Laporte. Meet at the church South Lot at 11 a.m. if you would like to carpool. Email judydayregrim@gmail.com to RSVP or just come.
- **Thurs., Sept. 28, Talking about Walking** is now moving each month 8:30–9:30 a.m. on fourth Thursdays. This month we will step out from the west side of the Senior Center for a motivational walk. Open to all.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Serving Our Neighbors

Feeding the Homeless at Catholic Charities Mission

Must be 16 years of age or older unless with parent, then 13 is okay.

Mon., Sept. 18:

- 5:30–7:45 p.m. – 3 to 4 people to cook and serve dinner

Sat., Sept. 30:

- 9:30–11:30 a.m. – 3 people to prepare lunch
- 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. – 4 people to serve & clean up lunch

CROP Walk for Hunger

Sun., Oct. 1:

Join other community participants in a 5K walk around Fort Collins to raise money to combat hunger & poverty here and around the world. (25% of proceeds go to Food Bank for Larimer County; 75% to Church World Service of which the United Methodist Church is a member.) Sign up to walk or sponsor a walker or two.

Sign-up sheets for these opportunities and more information available in Mission Corner, Fellowship Hall. (Youth, check with Rebecca about CROP Walk).

Putnam Elementary

- **Jog-a-thon** fundraiser is Wed., Sept. 13. Help is needed 12:30–4 p.m. or donate \$5 to sponsor a student.
- 2 consistent volunteers to stuff folders, cut laminating, and make copies, **Mondays, 2–3 p.m.**
- 2 First grade **Reading Buddy** volunteers daily 9:40–10:25 a.m. Contact Janet Krech ajkrech@msn.com

Habitat for Humanity Stone Soup Build

Please stop by Fellowship Hall after the service to greet Karla and Adrian Romero, our newest Habitat Family, and Erika, Faith Representative from Habitat. With other local churches and Thrivent Financial, we are building a home for the Romero family in the new Harmony Cottages addition. Please visit the Mission corner to get more information about supporting Habitat and to sign up for the Sat., Oct. 21 build.

World Wisdoms Project: The first program of the year is “Improving the Dialogue Across Lines of Faith and Belief” with Elizabeth Sink, a faculty member at Colorado State University, at 6:30 p.m., Sept. 12, in Fellowship Hall. Suggested donation: \$10.

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.

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

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 Mother’s Day Out*

Administrative and Facilities Staff

Scott Schroeder, *Business Manager*
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Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

“The Journey is Not Easy”



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 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.