

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 8:00 Karen Waldron, 9:30 Stephanie Lane, 11:00 Rae Batch

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 childcare 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 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.

Youth Confirmation Class 8:00 a.m.

Coffee Talk 9:30 a.m., 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. Join us this evening for Youth Group at 6:00 p.m.

Sunday Morning Adult Groups – Please join us.

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP: 8:00 • 9:30 • 11:00

Gathering Music *Prelude in the Form of a Carillon* Dubois

Welcome

Prelude 8:00 *The Old Rugged Cross* arr. D. Wood
9:30 & 11:00 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* arr. Innes
Brenna Martin, piano; Karen Stoody, organ

Invocation Rev. Cynthia Paquette

† **Call to Worship** Liturgist

† **Hymn** *Just a Closer Walk With Thee* TFWS 2158

9:30 Children's Time Barb Graubeger
Hymn *Where Children Belong* TFWS 2233

Anthem 8:00 *Were You There?* arr. Larry Shackley
Brenna Martin, piano

9:30 & 11:00 *Abide With Me* Gilbert Martin
Sanctuary Choir

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer Rev. Cynthia Paquette

Prayer Response *Christ, We All Do Adore Thee* Dubois

Scripture Psalm 51:1-10 Rev. Cynthia Paquette

Offering

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

8:00 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* arr. Innes
Brenna Martin, piano; Karen Stoody, organ

9:30 & 11:00 *Not Ashamed* Dan Forrest
Sanctuary Choir

† **Doxology** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH 95

Scripture Matthew 26:14-16, 47-50; 27:3-5 Liturgist

Sermon "Changed by Christ: Judas" Dr. Melanie Rosa

† **Hymn of Dedication** *Jesus Calls Us* UMH 398

† Benediction

Postlude *Tocatta in the Style of Scarlatti* G. Young

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Week at First Church

Easter Egg Hunt—Saturday, March 24, 10:00 a.m.

Palm Sunday—March 25

*Worship services: 8:00 a.m., Chapel; 9:30 & 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Maundy Thursday—March 29

*Service of Holy Communion: 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary

Good Friday—March 30

*Tenebrae Service: 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary

Easter Sunday—April 1

*Worship Services: 8:00, 9:30, & 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary

*nursery available

Lent Sermon Series: "Transformed: Encounters with the Divine"

- Mar. 25—Palm/Passion Sunday "**Changed by Christ: Pilate**" Mark 11:1-11; Mark 15:1-15
- April 1—Easter "**Forever Changed by Christ**" John 20:1-18; Acts 10:34-43

The Foundation Board is pleased to announce the **2018 Grant Program**. Grant money is available for church committees and groups for programs, services and equipment not funded through the church operating budget. The Foundation was formed in 1986 and has distributed approximately \$350,000 in grant money since that time. Guidelines and an application form are available at fcfumc.net. If you have questions contact JudySayreGrim@gmail.com

A Disciple's Path: Deepening Your Relationship with Christ and the Church is an exploration of what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. Two weekly classes will be offered on Thursdays (noon–1:30 p.m. or 6:30–8 p.m.) starting on April 5 for six weeks. Please sign up on Sundays at the Adult Faith Formation table in the Fellowship Hall or e-mail Rev. Cynthia at c.paquette@fcfumc.net.

Bonus World Wisdoms Project: Jim Reid and Maria Cox will continue the discussion they started in February with "Metaphors: A Doorway to the Sacred" at 6:30 p.m. April 5 in the Parlor. This presentation will explore how metaphors function in our ongoing and evolving relationship with the Sacred in our lives. A \$10 per person donation is suggested for this event.

Days for Girls is starting up again. This fun group needs more helpers with various skills. We will be meeting two times per month. Our next meeting is March 27. If you have a lightweight sewing machine to loan or donate, we could put it to good use. For information: jodhop@hotmail.com

Spring Lay Servant Classes will be held April 7 & 8 and Berthoud UMC. For information and applications, please stop by the Church Office.

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Thanks to your generosity while recognizing loved ones, the **Memorials Committee** was able to grant almost \$6,000 in needed funds to various committees during 2017. If you are a recognized group or committee in need of funds for a worthy purpose please fill out a grant application for our consideration.

First Church will participate in the **Habitat Thrivent Stone Soup Build** on Saturday, April 14 at 8 a.m. The location is at the Harmony Cottages on the SE corner of W Harmony and Taft Hill roads. Information and signup sheets to build or provide lunch are available at the Mission Corner on Sunday mornings. We are allotted only 10 build positions, so please get on the list soon.

First Church Habitat Build in Vietnam - Interested in building a Habitat for Humanity home in Vietnam later this year? Join Rev. Cynthia, Rich Fisher, Jim Collinson, and trip leader Erika Nossokoff (from our local Habitat affiliate) from November 1-11, 2018. Cost is about \$1,900 per person plus airfare and visa for this trip of a lifetime: a "Big Build" with hundreds of volunteers from around the world! More information is available at the Mission Corner. An information meeting is scheduled for April 25 at Erika's home.

Faith, Family, Hospitality: Join our **At Home Mission** as we welcome four families experiencing homelessness from **Sunday, April 15 through Sunday, April 22**. Needed are Dinner Cooks, Evening Hosts, Overnight Hosts, Saturday Pancake Breakfast Cooks, and set-up & take-down assistants on both Sundays. Job descriptions & Sign-up sheets & Sign-up white board are in the Mission Corner, Fellowship Hall.

Feeding the Homeless at Catholic Charities Mission Kitchen:

Monday, March 19:

- 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. – 4 people to cook, serve, & clean up dinner

Thursday, March 29:

- 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. – 4 people to cook, serve, & clean up dinner

Saturday, March 31:

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

Must be 16 years of age or older unless with parent, then 13 is okay. Sign-up sheets are in the Mission Corner, Fellowship Hall.

Church Directories may be picked up in the Church Office. All who had their photos taken receive one directory free of charge. Otherwise, directories are \$5 each.

Communications from First Church: Please visit our website at www.fcfumc.net to sign up to receive the monthly newsletter as well as our weekly E-News. (Click Media/Communications to sign up.) You may also click the link called "In Our Prayers" to receive updates on recent deaths.

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 between the pastors 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

Barb Grauberger, Interim Director of Children's Ministries & Nursery Coordinator
Rebecca Dunagan, Director of Youth Ministries
Rev. Scott Grantland, Wesley Foundation Director
David Reid, Director of Adult Faith Formation & Library
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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Elise Harkey, Office Manager
Catherine Pawlikowski, Membership Secretary & Volunteer Coordinator
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Henry Reyna, Facilities Manager
Juanita Cruz, Custodian
Josh Osterbur, Custodian
Max Reyes, Custodian
Kathy Suiste, Custodian

Coming Next Week —

Palm/Passion Sunday

Changed by Christ: Pilate

Mark 11:1-11; Mark 15:1-15

Music: 8:00 Nick Louis, baritone

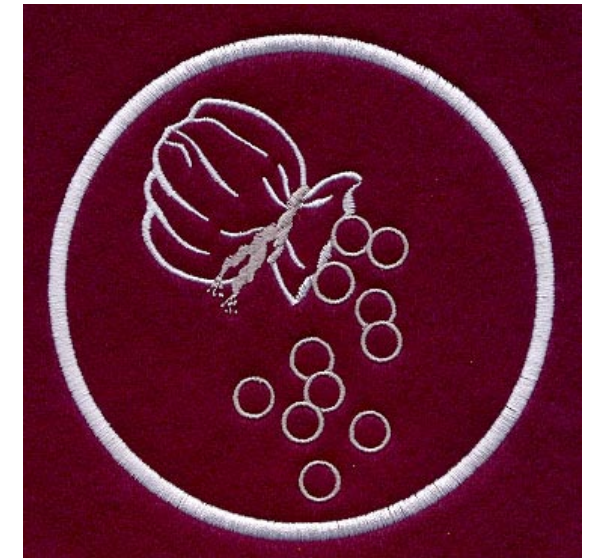
9:30 & 11:00 Sanctuary Choir, Carillon Handbell Choir
Children's Choirs



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March 18, 2018
Fifth Sunday in Lent

"Changed by Christ: Judas"



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.