

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 Pam Raab, 9:30 Deborah Kohler, 11:00 Rae Batch

Flowers are given by JoAn Hopkins in celebration of several ministries of First Church: Days for Girls, OK Chorale, Anti-bullying workshops, and Grief Group

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP: 8:00 • 9:30 • 11:00

Gathering Music	<i>Christ is Risen</i>	J.S. Bach
Welcome		Rev. Cynthia Paquette
Prelude	<i>Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now</i>	J.S. Bach
Invocation		
† Call to Worship		Liturgist
† Hymn of Praise	<i>Gather Us In</i>	TFWS 2236
9:30 Children's Time		Barb Grauberger
Hymn	<i>Up from the Grave He Arose</i>	UMH 322
Anthem 8:00	<i>Give Me Jesus</i>	arr. Moses Hogan
	Josh Colonnieves, soloist	
9:30 & 11:00	<i>In Thee is Gladness</i>	arr. Diane Bish
	Sanctuary Choir	
Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer		
Prayer Response	<i>Alleluia</i>	G. Young
	Sanctuary Choir	
Scripture	Isaiah 41:8-10	
Offering		
	<i>Give online at fcumc.net; text to give at (970) 355-3021; every \$1 bill goes directly to those in need.</i>	
8:00	<i>My Tribute (To God Be the Glory)</i>	arr. Jerry Nelson
	Karen Stoody, piano	
9:30 & 11:00	<i>Give Me Jesus</i>	arr. Moses Hogan
	Josh Colonnieves, soloist	
† Doxology	<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	UMH 94
Scripture	Galatians 3:23-29	Liturgist
Sermon	"Clothed and Unafraid"	Rev. Cynthia Paquette
† Hymn of Dedication	<i>The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve</i>	
		TFWS 2241
† Benediction		
Postlude	<i>Toccata on "Thine is the Glory"</i>	G. Young

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Exploring First Church If you would like to learn more about Methodism and the United Methodist Church in general and First Church in particular, you are invited to attend the Exploring First Church gatherings held on Sundays, April 15 and 22 in the Parlor at noon. A light lunch will be served. If you are considering membership at First Church, you are strongly encouraged to attend the gatherings. We will be receiving new members at all three worship services on April 29. To RSVP please call the church office (970) 482-2436 or email membership@fcumc.net

Ways to Give to First Church:

- Did you know that you can have your contributions to First Church automatically deducted from your bank account? This provides convenience for you and consistency for the church. Please contact financialsecretary@fcumc.net or visit fcumc.net and click "Give Online" for more information.
- Did you know that you can give to First Church easily and securely online? Please visit fcumc.net and click "Give Online" to get started.
- Did you know that you can text to give at (970) 355-3021? Simply text a message with \$ and the amount you would like to contribute. Then follow the instructions texted to you to complete the transaction.

Youth Ministry at First Church will be presented by Rebecca Dunagan, Director of Youth Ministries, at **Double Nickel Luncheon** on Fri., Apr. 13 at noon in Fellowship Hall. Lunch is \$4. No reservations are required, and all are welcome.

Native American Ministries Sunday: On Sun., Apr. 22 we will have a special offering to empower the contributions of Native Americans to church society. Money collected will go toward the Native American festivals in Thornton and Rye, seminary scholarships for Native American Methodists, and other programs that impact native populations in the U.S. More information is available in the Mission Corner, Fellowship Hall.

Job Opening for Financial Secretary: First Church is seeking a part-time financial secretary to work with our Business Manager to maintain contribution records, assist with stewardship campaigns, and produce quarterly statements of giving to our contributors. To view the job description and/or apply, please visit fcumc.net/about/employment.

United Methodist Women will be meeting on Apr. 12 at 11:30 a.m. for a luncheon and program. JoAn Hopkins will speak on "The Sacred Space of Grief and Hope." We would welcome you to attend, whether it is your first time or you have been coming for a long time.

Communications from First Church: Please visit our website at www.fcumc.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.

The **Third Thursday Lunch** group will meet at the Cabana restaurant, 2310 Harmony Road (just west of Snow Mesa Drive) at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, April 19. Parking is adjacent to the restaurant.

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Morning Has Broken

A Symphony of Hymns

*composed and arranged by
Diane Bish*

Presented by the Sanctuary Choir

Sunday, April 15, 2018

9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

**Karen Stody, Organist
Scott Grantland, Narrator
David A. Adkins, Conductor**

Vacation Bible School – Please join us!

June 11-15, 9 a.m.–12 p.m.

Registration in Fellowship Hall: Sundays, April 8, 15, and 22 or go to

<http://2018.Cokesburyvbs.com/fumcfortcollins> beginning April 3. Register early for reduced pricing. After May 20 prices go up.

Buckhorn Camp Summer Schedule is available in Mission Corner.

Faith Family Hospitality: Join our “At Home Mission” as we welcome four families experiencing homelessness from **Sun., Apr. 15 through Sun., Apr. 22**. Needed are dinner cooks, evening hosts, overnight hosts, Saturday pancake breakfast cooks, and set-up and take-down assistants on both Sundays. Sign up in the Mission Corner, Fellowship Hall.

First Church will participate in the **Habitat Thrivent Stone Soup Build** on Sat., Apr. 14 at 8 a.m. at the Harmony Cottages on the SE corner of Harmony and Taft Hill roads. Information and sign-up sheets to build or provide lunch are available at the Mission Corner on Sunday mornings. We are allotted only ten build positions, so please get on the list soon.

First Church Habitat Build in Vietnam: 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.

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
Jim Doser, Worship Technology Lead
Elise Harkey, Office Manager
Catherine Pawlikowski, Membership Secretary & Volunteer Coordinator
Sarah Rathbun, Financial Secretary
Henry Reyna, Facilities Manager
Juanita Cruz, Custodian
Josh Osterbur, Custodian
Max Reyes, Custodian
Kathy Suiste, Custodian

Coming Next Week —Third Sunday of Easter

8:00 “Grounded and At Peace”

Psalm 56:3-4; Philippians 4:5b-7

Music: Janet Krech, Dawn Rohrbacker, Ken Nicolai,
Mario Sosa

9:30 & 11:00 Morning Has Broken by Diane Bish
Sanctuary Choir, Organ, and Narrator



April 8, 2018

Second Sunday of Easter

“Clothed and Unafraid”

THERE IS NO LONGER JEW
OR GENTILE, SLAVE OR
FREE, MALE AND FEMALE.
FOR YOU ARE ALL ONE IN
CHRIST JESUS.

GALATIANS 3:28

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.