

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 Karen Waldron, 9:30 Rev. Scott Grantland, 11:00 Cindi Ross-Bell, 5:00 Christopher Bandy

Flowers are given in celebration of First Church Ministries by Jean & Lloyd Helper.

Nursery/Childcare

A well-staffed nursery is available for infants and toddlers during all worship services. Pagery are available upon request. Preschool and elementary-aged children are invited to Sunday School during the 9:30 a.m. service and are welcome in worship services or childcare during 8 and 11 a.m. services.

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 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-4 meet their shepherds outside the Narthex. The shepherds will escort elementary children to their classrooms. Grades 5th & 6th will meet in the Youth Basement for donut fellowship and Sunday School at 9:30. Parents, please pick your children up from their designated location 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.

Weekly Youth Ministry- Meets every Wednesday evening from 6:30-8pm in the youth wing for students in grades 6-12th. Dinner is provided and friends are welcome. **Small Group Bible Study-** Meets every Tuesday night from 7:45-9pm at Mugs Coffee Shop on College for students in grades 9-12th. Friends are welcome.

Sunday Morning Adult Groups – Please join us.

8:00 a.m.: Adventures in Faith Men's Group – Village 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 – Youth Large Group Room

ORDER OF WORSHIP: 8:00 • 9:30 • 11:00

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| Gathering Music | <i>The Lord's My Shepherd</i> | arr. Hustad |
| Welcome | | Rev. Cynthia Paquette |
| Moving Forward In Faith | | |
| Prelude | <i>Sweet Hour of Prayer</i> | arr. Patricia Lou Harris |
| Invocation | | |
| † Call to Worship | | Liturgist |
| † Hymn of Praise | <i>A Mighty Fortress Is Our God</i> | UMH 110 |
| Blessing our Vietnam Team (11:00) | | |
| Children's Time (9:30) | | |
| Hymn | <i>He's Got the Whole World in His Hands</i> | |
| Baptism (9:30) | | Riley and Elliot Barton |
| Anthem (8:00 a.m.) | <i>Be Thou My Vision</i> | arr. John Purifoy Keilani McConnell, Flute |
| Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer | | Dr. Melanie Rosa |
| Prayer Response (9:30 & 11:00) | <i>Seek the Lord</i> | Lloyd Larson Sanctuary Choir |
| Scripture | Romans 1:8-17 | Dr. Melanie Rosa page 1368 |
| Offertory (8:00) | <i>Simple Gifts</i> | arr. John Purifoy Keilani McConnell, Flute |
| (9:30 & 11:00) | <i>Psalms 46</i> | John Ness Beck Sanctuary Choir |
| | | <i>Give online at fcfumc.net; text to give at (970) 355-3021; every \$1 bill goes directly to those in need.</i> |
| † Doxology | <i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i> | UMH 95 |
| Scripture | Ephesians 2:1-10 | Liturgist page 1388 |
| Sermon | "Spiritual Literacy: Commitment" | Rev. Cynthia Paquette |
| Blessing our Vietnam Team (8:00 and 9:30) | | |
| † Hymn of Dedication | <i>Here I Am Lord</i> | UMH 593 |
| † Benediction | | |
| Postlude | <i>Toccata in D Minor</i> | J.S. Bach |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SERMON SERIES: "The Measure of Life"

November 4—"The Measure of Life: Who You Love", Matthew 13:1-9; All Saints Sunday, Holy Communion; Daylight Savings Time Ends

November 11—"The Measure of Life: What You Give", Matthew 25 14-19; Veterans Day

November 18—"The Measure of Life: Who You Serve", Mark 10:35-37, 41-45; Commitment Sunday

November 25-- "The Measure of Life: Who You Follow", John 18:33-37; Christ the King Sunday

CONGRATULATIONS to the family of Riley and Elliot Barton, baptized today. God bless you!

MOVING FORWARD IN FAITH We are entering stewardship season in the church, a time when we think about the ways we are able to give back to the God who has given all things to us. **Moving Forward in Faith** is the theme of our Stewardship Campaign this year as we seek to fund vital ministry for the year ahead. You will soon be hearing more about ways that you can support and further that ministry through your generous financial support. As you know, we rely almost entirely upon the voluntary support of our members and friends to fund our ministry. Without it we cannot pursue life changing, thought-provoking, hope radiating ministry in our community. Thank you!

CONNECT WITH US! If you would like to receive our weekly church email or our monthly newsletter by email please sign up by going to our website at www.fcfumc.net, click Media/Communications and sign up for the newsletter or weekly e-news.

MISSIONS

 October is the time for **RED DOT DAYS**, a fundraiser to support the **FUMC DAYS FOR GIRLS PROJECT**. **Days for Girls** helps girls all over the world receive reusable feminine hygiene kits that will allow them to stay in school and become all they can be! Each kit costs \$10.00 in materials. Any amount is very welcome! Please make checks to FUMC with DfG on memo line. More information? See display in Fellowship Hall or contact Kate Norton at (970) 402-6783 or flf67@live.com. Thanks for your support!

HIGH SCHOOL MISSION TRIP REGISTRATION is open until **Oct. 31**. This summer the High School students will have the opportunity to travel to Fairbanks, Alaska to serve with Group Missions from **June 15-22, 2019**. Upon registration there is a non-refundable \$100 deposit required. For more information please contact Rebecca Dunagan at youth@fcfumc.net. A registration form is located outside the youth office or you may register by emailing Rebecca.

BUCKHORN CAMP 2019 SUMMER CAMP schedules are available in Mission Corner, Fellowship Hall. For information please contact Diana Burkholder at dcburkholder@hotmail.com

SAVE THE DATE

November 4 – All Saints Sunday/ Holy Communion/Love Feast

November 17 – Annual Meeting

November 18 – Celebration and Pie Sunday

December 2 – Advent Workshop

December 16 – Messiah 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Joy – A Modern Gospel Musical 5:00 p.m.

December 24 – Christmas Eve Services at 2,5,7, and 11 p.m.

JOIN US TODAY

Please join us this afternoon for our annual **TRUNK OR TREAT** from 3:30-4:30 p.m., followed by our **MODERN WORSHIP** service at 5 p.m. and a **CHILI COOK-OFF** at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Suggested donation is \$5 per person or \$15 per family - proceeds go to support First Church Youth Ministry.

TODAY is UNITED METHODIST STUDENT DAY. The Special Offering is in support of College Scholarships and Student Loan funds that are available to qualified United Methodist students. Please make checks payable to FUMC, memo: Student Day. Come to the Church and Society table in Fellowship Hall for information about these scholarships and loans.

CELEBRATE THE LIBRARY, hear a few words from Rev. Melanie to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Northern Colorado Faith Library at **10:30 this morning in Fellowship Hall.** There's cake and swag for everyone!

59TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS GREENERY SALE. Today is the last Sunday to place your order for UMW Christmas wreaths and greenery! Don't miss this opportunity to beautify your home at Christmas and support United Methodist Women in mission locally and around the world. Thank you so much for your orders! Questions: Dea 222-5545, or Joan at joanmgr4972@q.com

FAITH FORMATION

HAGEN LECTURE EVENTS The lecture by Dr. Amy Oden entitled "Radical Hospitality in a Time of Fear" is set for **7 p.m. Nov. 19** and will be followed by a book signing. In preparation, a one-time "Introduction to Amy Oden" class will be held at **7:00 p.m. Oct. 30** in the Parlor with Martha Conant, Rev. Cynthia and David Reid facilitating. The Open Hearts class will have its own session on Oden at 11:30 a.m. Nov. 11 in Village Commons.

NEW SMALL GROUP Small groups are where we can reconnect with our dreams, our purpose and with God. Sign up for the new small group in Fellowship Hall or contact David Reid at davidreid24@gmail.com

THEOLOGY ON TAP will meet on Tuesday, **November 6 from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.** at the Moot House on College just south of Drake. Join us for our monthly conversation about the intersection of faith and life. October's topic is "What's on your spiritual bucket list?" We look forward to having you join us – if you know for sure you'll be there, let us know! Questions: Kate Norton, fif67@live.com or Martha Conant, marthaconant@gmail.com

AN AMAZING BOOK That's what *Publisher's Weekly* says about the touching and even humorous memoir of Kate Bowler, a Duke Divinity school professor who was diagnosed with stage IV colon cancer at age 35 and still finds joy in life. We'll study *Everything Happens for a Reason and Other Lies I've Loved* at **noon and 7 p.m. Wednesdays Nov. 7, 14, and 21** (or an alternative to avoid Thanksgiving activities).

MEN'S STUDY GROUPS Did you know we have two weekly men's study groups? Rev. Dr. Bob Firebaugh leads the group at The Egg and I, 2809 S. College Ave., at 6:30 a.m. every Thursday morning. Nick Rohrbacker leads the group that meets in Village Commons at 8:00 a.m. Sundays. For information, contact Bob or Nick or drop by the Adult Faith Formation table in Fellowship Hall.

ADVENT STUDY We will focus on Joseph by looking into his life and his role in the birth and life of Jesus. The text is *Faithful: Christmas through the Eyes of Jesus* by Adam Hamilton. Come on **Nov. 28, Dec. 5, 12, and 19 at noon-1:00 OR 6:30 – 7:00 p.m.** Sign up for a book and this class at the Adult Faith Formation table on Sundays or e-mail Rev. Cynthia Paquette at c.paquette@fcfumc.net

Pastors

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

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Karen Stody, *Organist & Associate Director of Music Ministries*
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Brenna Martin, *Director of Children's Choir (Cherub Choir)*

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Coming Next Week: November 4
Twenty-fourth Sunday After Pentecost
All Saints Sunday/Holy Communion

MESSAGE

Sermon Series: "The Measure of Life: Who You Love"
Psalm 24:1-6; Matthew 13:1-9

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October 28, 2018

**Twenty-third Sunday After Pentecost
Reformation Sunday**

"Spiritual Literacy: Commitment"

BY GRACE
BY FAITH
BY SCRIPTURE
IN CHRIST
GLORY TO GOD

ALONE

We are delighted to have you with us today.

Sunday Worship: 8:00 in the Chapel, 9:30 and 11:00 in the Sanctuary, 5:00 in the Fellowship Hall followed by dinner

Faith Formation opportunities listed on the next page.

Food and Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall just south of the Sanctuary.

May you be blessed because you joined us today!