

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 Joan Carter, 9:30 Kelly McBartlett, 11:00 Bill Emslie

Flowers are given by Bill and Judy Rice in memory of Bryan Rice

Communion Servicers 9:30 Cindi Ross-Bell, Pam Raab, Kelly McBartlett; 11:00 Martha Sherrod, Ellen Bode

Nursery/Childcare

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

WEEKLY FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

First Kids' Club – 9:45 a.m.

First Kids' Club is offered on the first Sunday of each month for K-6 graders during the 9:30 a.m. service. Join us for an all-in-one service just for kids, led by Barb Grauberger and some of our amazing youth. Meet us in the Narthex after Children's Time, and we'll head to the Cinema Center for great music, fun skits, short engaging videos, Bible learning, and lots of worship. We will bring children back to their parents and guardians in the Sanctuary so families can participate in Communion together. 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.*

Weekly Youth Ministry – Youth activities will resume Jan. 6, 2019.

Youth Group- meets every Wednesday evening from 6:30-8 p.m. in the youth wing for students in grades 6-12. Dinner is provided and friends are welcome. **Small Group Bible Study**- Meets every Tuesday night from 7:45-9pm at the Wild Boar on College for students in grades 9-12. 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

ORDER OF WORSHIP: 8:00 • 9:30 • 11:00

Gathering Music *O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright* Paul Manz
Fanfare For a New Day Lani Smith

Welcome Dr. Melanie Rosa

Prelude *Jesus, Priceless Treasure* J. S. Bach

Invocation
(9:30 and 11:00) Dr. Bob Firebaugh

† **Call to Worship** Liturgist

† **Hymn of Praise** *This is a Day of New Beginnings* UMH 383

Children's Time (9:30)
Hymn *Jesus Loves Me, verses 1 & 3* UMH 191

Pastoral Prayer Dr. Bob Firebaugh

Scripture Isaiah 60:1-5
page 906 Liturgist

Offertory
(8:00) *The Brook* F. Schubert
Calvin McConnell, violin; Nancy McConnell, piano
(9:30 & 11:00) *The Work of Christmas* Dan Forrest
Sanctuary Choir

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

Scripture Matthew 2:1-12 Dr. Bob Firebaugh
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Sermon "All Things New" Dr. Melanie Rosa

Sacrament of Holy Communion
Everyone is welcome to receive communion in our church.
(8:00) *Romance, Opus 49* F. Mendelssohn
Calvin McConnell, violin; Nancy McConnell, piano
(9:30 and 11:00) *Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine* P. Keveren
Karen Stody, piano

† **Hymn of Dedication** *We Three Kings* UMH 254

† **Benediction**

Postlude *Toccata Classique* D. Janzer

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

FAITH FORMATION

CHRISTIAN MINDFULNESS Start the new year right by enrolling in a course on Christian mindfulness with Martha Conant facilitating. The class will use Amy Oden's *Right Here, Right Now: The Practice of Christian Mindfulness* and will be held at **7 p.m. Wednesdays Jan. 23-Feb. 20**. Books can be ordered for \$12.

A BIGGER TABLE: Author John Pavlovitz says no one likes to eat alone and be told there isn't room for you. Yet that's exactly what the church has been saying to far too many people for far too long. *A Bigger Table: Building Messy, Authentic and Hopeful Spiritual Community* will be offered at **noon and 7 p.m. on Wednesdays Jan. 23-Feb. 20**. Copies of the book are available for \$12.

DEVELOPING AN EXIT STRATEGY: Rev. Linda J. Battello will help people plan for a medical disability or death in a **half-day class on Jan. 24**. People of all ages need to be prepared, she noted. The class is free but advance registration is required. Suggested reading: *Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End* by Atul Gawande. Contact davidreid24@gmail.com, call 581-2707 or sign up at the AFF table.

OTIS MOSS III: The road trip to Boulder is on for Jan. 25 to hear Otis Moss III deliver the MacKenzie lecture at First Congregational United Church of Christ Boulder. We'll depart at 4, have dinner near the Pearl Street Mall and attend the 7 p.m. presentation. Moss is senior pastor at Trinity UCC in Chicago. His ministry of black theology calls attention to problems of mass incarceration, environmental justice and economic inequality. Sign up in Fellowship Hall or contact davidreid24@gmail.com

WELCOMING, HOSPITALITY, AND DISCIPLESHIP

EXPLORING FIRST CHURCH Would you like to learn more about the United Methodist Church in general and First Church in particular? Are you considering membership in this vibrant community of faith? If so, Rev. Melanie and Rev. Cynthia invite you to attend the Exploring First Church session on January 20 at noon in the Parlor. We will have a light lunch followed by a session on the United Methodist Church and the many ministries to be involved with at First Church. To RSVP, please email officemanager@fcfumc.net or 970-482-2436. Childcare will be provided if requested ahead of time. New members will be received at all worship services on February 3.

MISSION

AN EVENING OF VIETNAMESE DESERTS AND STORIES FROM THE VIETNAM BIG BUILD MISSION TEAM Please join us for Vietnamese deserts and stories from the big build mission on **Jan. 16 at 7 p.m. in the Parlor**. Do come and share in our excitement through the stories we have to tell!



2019 IS A VERY SIGNIFICANT MILESTONE FOR OUR CHURCH. It is our 150th year of serving this community. The church was officially established in 1869 and was the very first church in Fort Collins. We have some wonderful events planned all year, including giving back to our community. Please join us often this year as we celebrate 150 years and look toward the next 150.

DID YOU KNOW...?

In February, 1858, Congress set aside the lands west of Nebraska as the Territory of Colorado.

MOVING FORWARD IN FAITH

We have received 235 estimate of giving cards for a total amount of \$706,972. Our anticipated budget for 2019 is \$1.1 million. Several of you increased your commitment for 2019, thank you! If you have not returned an estimate of giving card, **please do so soon** so that we can plan realistically for staffing, programming, and outreach for the coming year. You can pick up a card at the church or we are happy to mail you one. Thank you for generously supporting First Church as we move forward into our 150th year.

GET YOUR BAKE ON TODAY at the FCFUMC Youth Bake Sale, hosted in the Fellowship Hall! All the proceeds will go toward summer mission trips. Last month we raised almost \$1000. Thank you for your support!

JANUARY WORSHIP

January 13— Baptism of the Lord / Remembrance of Baptism, “Come to the Water”, Luke 3:15-16; 21-22

January 20— Second Sunday After the Epiphany “Let the Celebrations Continue!”, John 2:1-11

January 27— Homecoming Sunday, NO 8:00 service “Which Way Does the Carillon Lean?”, Luke 4:14-21, Dr. Charles Shuster preaching
Light brunch served from 9 to 11

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

DOUBLE NICKEL LUNCHEON is January 11 at 12 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Our guest speaker is Dr. Melanie Rosa, “FCFUMC 2019 and Beyond”. Best lunch in town, \$4. No reservations are necessary.

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Please join the **UNITED METHODIST WOMEN** on January 10 at 11:30 a.m. in the Parlor. Margaret Hotze will give an update on “The Way Forward” and the commission’s proposal being given at General Conference on February 23-26, 2019. Margaret is a reserve delegate to this very important conference. Contact Beverly Winsett at bevwins1124@gmail.com for more information.

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
Joseph Noëlliste, Modern Worship Leader
Josh Colonnieves, Director of Children’s Choir (Joyful Noise Choir)
Brenna Martin, Director of Children’s Choir (Cherub Choir)

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Barb Grauberger, Director of Children and Family Ministries
Rebecca Dunagan, Youth and Family Minister
David Reid, Director of Adult Faith Formation & Library
Laurie Elliott, Childcare Coordinator
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Laura Lechtenberg, Director of Preschool
Gail Farnum, Director of Parent’s Day Out

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URGENT CARE PHONE LINE: (970) 294-6595

Coming Next Week: January 13
Baptism of the Lord / Remembrance of Baptism
“Come to the Water”; Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

5:00 p.m. Modern Worship,
followed by dinner. All are welcome.



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January 6, 2019

Epiphany Sunday / Holy Communion

“All Things New”

The Work of Christmas

When the song of the angels is stilled,
When the star in the sky is gone,
When the kings and princes are home,
When the shepherds are back with their flock,
The work of Christmas begins:

- To find the lost,
- To heal the broken,
- To feed the hungry,
- To release the prisoner,
- To rebuild the nations,
- To bring peace among others,
- To make music in the heart.

-Howard Thurman

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 are 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!