

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!

LITURGIST 8:00 Bill Emslie, 9:30 Cindi Ross-Bell, 11:00 Rae Batch

FLOWERS are given by Lloyd and Jean Helper in celebration of both of their March birthdays.

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

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 5 and 6 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 STUDENT MINISTRY (Friends are always welcome)

High School Small Group Study meets every Tuesday night from 7:45-9 p.m. at Wild Boar on College. **Youth Group (grades 6-12)** meets every Wednesday from 6:30-8 p.m. in the Youth Wing, Dinner is provided. **Kindred Small Group (College and Young Adults)** meets every Thursday night at 6:30 p.m. at Wild Boar on College, coffee and food provided.

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	<i>St. Anne Fugue (O God Our Help in Ages Past)</i>	J.S. Bach
Welcome		Rev. Cynthia Paquette
Prelude	<i>O God Our Help in Ages Past</i>	arr. D. Bish
Invocation		Dr. Bob Firebaugh
† Call to Worship		Liturgist
† Hymn of Praise	<i>O Zion, Haste (Vs. 1,3, & 4)</i>	UMH 573
Children's Time (9:30)		Rebecca Dunagan
Hymn	<i>This Little Light of Mine (Vs. 1)</i>	UMH 585
Anthem		
(8:00)	<i>To Everything There Is a Season</i>	Ed Harris
	Ivy Taylor, soloist	
(9:30 and 11:00)	<i>Abide with Me</i>	Gilbert Martin
	Sanctuary Choir	
Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer		Dr. Bob Firebaugh
Scripture	Psalm 27 page 682	Dr. Bob Firebaugh
Offertory	<i>Pie Jesu</i>	G. Faure
	Ivy Taylor, soloist	
† Doxology	<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	UMH 94
Scripture	Luke 18:9-14 page 1276	Liturgist
Sermon	"The God of Second Chances: The Humble"	Rev. Cynthia Paquette
† Hymn of Dedication	<i>Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service</i>	UMH 581
† Benediction		
Postlude	<i>Toccata on 'O God Our Help in Ages Past'</i>	G. Young

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TODAY AT FIRST CHURCH



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.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP will be hosted by the Orr Family.

CAN WE TALK? TODAY immediately after church, join us in the Parlor from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. A light lunch will be served. Come and participate in a panel discussion: "What is our role as members of a faith community to positively affect the culture of our political system?" Come to the Church and Society table in Fellowship Hall this morning to get more information.

FLAMINGO FLOCKS FOR SALE TODAY in Fellowship Hall. For just \$100, we'll place a flock on the yard of your choice for 24 hours. Want to avoid the unsightly yard ornaments from gracing your lawn? Purchase anti-flocking insurance for \$25 before someone "flocks" you. **Flocking will take place the week of March 8-15th.** All proceeds go to support youth mission trips.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FAITH FORMATION

THIRD THURSDAY LUNCH will meet at **11:30 a.m. on March 21 at Longhorn Steakhouse at the Foothills Mall.** All are welcome to join us. If you have questions please contact JudySayreGrim@gmail.com

THE PARTNERSHIP FOR AGE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES in Larimer County is sponsoring a free showing of the film "Quartet" at **1:30 p.m. on Thursday March 28 in the Cinema Center** here at First Church. Attendees will be asked to complete a short 5 minute survey before and after watching this charming movie. Because space is limited, please sign up with David Reid, davidreid24@gmail.com. Bring a friend.

HAGEN LECTURE PREP Get acquainted with Hagen Lecturer Willie Jennings, of Yale Divinity School, at this one-session class. Class sessions at **noon or 7 p.m. April 1** with David Reid. **ORDER JENNINGS BOOK** If you'd like Dr. Willie Jennings to autograph your copy of his prize-winning book, *The Christian Imagination: Theology and the Origins of Race* for \$25 at the AFF table. Books will not be sold at the **April 8 lecture.**

LAY SERVANT CLASSES April 6, 8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m., April 7 1:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m. at **First UMC Loveland.** The "Basic Course" and "Discover Your Spiritual Gifts" will be offered. The cost for each class is \$15, lunch and snacks are included in this fee. Please contact Judy Stout at jstout@lpbroadband.net or 303-956-2080 for information and/or to register. Note: Pastor's recommendation is required for the "Basic Course".

WELCOMING, HOSPITALITY AND DISCIPLESHIP

EXPLORING FIRST CHURCH If you are interested in learning more about the United Methodist Church in general, First Church in particular, or you are considering membership at First Church, please join us **March 24 at 12:00 p.m. in the Parlor** for an informative gathering. A light lunch will be served. Childcare is provided if requested in advance. Contact officemanager@fcfumc.net or call 970-482-2436 for information. New members will be received at all worship services on March 31.

MISSIONS



2019 HABITAT FAITH BUILD A duplex town house is being built for two families with support from First Church and several other local churches. Natasha and daughter are our Stone Soup family. First Church will participate in the Stone Soup Build on **April 6**. Signup sheets are in the

Mission Corner of Fellowship Hall. Builders will be guided by a construction manager and are not required to have any special skills. We will also provide lunch for everyone on the build site.

UMCOR SUNDAY is **Sunday March 31**, there will be a special offering. UMCOR Sunday, formerly known as One Great Hour of Sharing, underwrites the administrative and operational costs of UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) so that 100% of designated funds go to the intended projects in the U.S. and around the world. Together, we do more!

FOUNDATION GRANTS

The **2019 Grant Program of the Foundation for the First United Methodist Church of Fort Collins** will begin on **March 1**. Grant money is available for church committees and groups to be used for programs, equipment and services that are typically not funded through the church operating budget. **Grant Application Timeline March 1-29:** Grant applications may be picked up in the church office. Applications will also be placed in committee mailboxes. **March 29 Deadline:** Completed grant applications with the **required** necessary signatures completed and submitted. **April 24 Review:** and decisions. **May 2-May 5 Notification:** of application status and determination of funding amount. If you would like additional information about the Foundation Grant Program, please contact Judy Sayre Grim at JudySayreGrim@gmail.com. If you would like to make a tax-deductible contribution to help the Foundation grow in capability, please contact Rick Norton at RickNorton14@msn.com

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.

LENTEN SERMON SERIES: "THE GOD OF SECOND CHANCES"

March 24: Third Sunday in Lent, John 4:4-18
"The God of Second Chances: Samaritan Woman"

March 31: Fourth Sunday in Lent, Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32
"The God of Second Chances: Prodigals"

Pastors

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

Deacons

Rev. Sue Harmon, Chaplain, Poudre Valley Hospital
Rev. Kaitlin Elmore, Chaplain, Pathways Hospice, Poudre Valley Hospital

Music Staff

David Adkins, Director of Music Ministries & Communications
Karen Stoody, 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)

Program Staff

Barb Grauberger, Director of Children and Family Ministries
Rebecca Dunagan, Youth and Family Minister and Kindred CSU Minister
David Reid, Director of Adult Faith Formation & Library
Laurie Elliott, Childcare Coordinator
Liza Judd-Salimbeni, Kids' Closet Coordinator
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: March 24

Third Sunday in Lent
"The God of Second Chances:
The Samaritan Woman"
John 4:4-18

5:00 p.m. Modern Worship in Fellowship Hall,
followed by dinner.
All are welcome!

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March 17, 2019

Second Sunday of Lent
**"The God of Second Chances:
The Humble"**



You are most welcome at First Church.

We are a fully inclusive, deeply relational community inviting all people to experience God's presence today.

Sunday Worship Services are at 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.
and 5:00 p.m.

There are many opportunities for spiritual growth and connection for all ages.

Thank you for joining us today!