

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT FIRST CHURCH

The Vision of First Church is to be an inclusive, deeply relational community inviting all people to experience God's presence today.

**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 seek 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 Jerry Wiese

**NURSERY/CHILDCARE** A well-staffed nursery is available for infants and toddlers during all worship services. Pagers 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 outside the Sanctuary. The teachers 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 at the Sanctuary entrance.*

### WEEKLY STUDENT MINISTRY (Friends are always welcome)

**High School** Small Group Study meets every Tuesday night 7:45-9 p.m. at Wild Boar on College. **Youth Group (grades 6-12)** meets every Wednesday 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

<b>Gathering Music</b>	<i>Variations on 'O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing'</i>	M. Helman
<b>Welcome</b>		Dr. Melanie Rosa
<b>Prelude</b>	<i>Canticle of Hope</i>	Dobrinski
<b>Invocation</b>		Rev. Cynthia Paquette
<b>† Call to Worship</b>		Liturgist
<b>† Hymn of Praise</b>	<i>Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth</i>	TFWS 2050
<b>Children's Time (9:30)</b>		Barb Grauberger
<b>Hymn</b>	<i>Up From the Grave He Arose (refrain)</i>	UMH 322
<b>Confirmation into Membership (9:30)</b>		
<b>Anthem (8:00)</b>	<i>Day by Day and With Each Passing Moment</i>	arr. L. Larson Alan Krech, trumpet
<b>Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer</b>		Rev. Cynthia Paquette
<b>Scripture</b>	Isaiah 66:12-14 page 914	Rev. Cynthia Paquette
<b>Offertory</b>		
<b>8:00</b>	<i>Come, Ye That Love the Lord</i>	arr. L. Larson Alan Krech, trumpet
<b>9:30 and 11:00</b>	<i>I Have Felt the Hand of God</i>	C. Courtney Sanctuary Choir
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<b>† Doxology</b>	<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	UMH 94
<b>Scripture</b>	Mark 3:31-35 page 1218	Liturgist
<b>Sermon</b>	"Who Is My Mother?"	Dr. Melanie Rosa
<b>† Hymn of Dedication</b>	<i>In Christ There Is No East or West</i>	UMH 548
<b>† Benediction</b>		
<b>Postlude</b>	<i>Joyful, Joyful</i>	arr. C. Berry

## TODAY AT FIRST CHURCH



**2019 IS A VERY SIGNIFICANT MILESTONE FOR OUR CHURCH.** It is our 150<sup>th</sup> 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.

**May 19 Community and World Mission Fair**  
**August 25 Old Fashioned Picnic**  
**October 19 Service Day**  
**October 20 Grand Celebration**

### DID YOU KNOW?...

A disastrous grasshopper plague in **1873** destroyed all the crops in the Poudre Valley.

**COFFEE FELLOWSHIP** is hosted by Minnie Krueger. Thank you for your valuable service!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THANK YOU REBECCA DUNAGAN!** It is with deepest gratitude that SPRC announces that our Youth and Family Minister Rebecca Dunagan will be leaving this job, effective July 1. At that time she will become the half-time Kindred CSU Campus Minister. This change has been approved by the Kindred Board of Directors and First Church SPRC. We will honor Rebecca for her fruitful ministry with a reception between services on Sunday, June 30. In the meantime be sure to thank her for such a wonderful ministry among us.

### MISSIONS

**BOOKMOBILE/READING VOLUNTEERS:** Please visit [www.pssdschools.org/community/volunteers](http://www.pssdschools.org/community/volunteers) and register to volunteer if you are not already cleared to volunteer in district schools. A Bookmobile Orientation will be held at **6 PM on Thursday, May 30** in Fellowship Hall. The Bookmobile will make stops on Thursdays June 6-August 8 10:45 – 12:30 and 6:30 - 8. Also come read one on one with Summer School kids at 10:45 AM Wednesdays. Contact Janet at [ajkrech@msn.com](mailto:ajkrech@msn.com).

### CONGREGATIONAL CARE

**FAITH COMMUNITY NURSING** An exciting new ministry opportunity, Faith Community Nursing is here at First Church! The focus of this ministry is on the intentional care of the spirit, assisting the members of the faith community to maintain and/or regain wholeness in body, mind, and spirit. We are seeking Registered Nurses and people who are interested in health-related ministry. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please contact Donna Newkirk, at [D.NewkirkANP@gmail.com](mailto:D.NewkirkANP@gmail.com).






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**LOVE IN ACTION COORDINATOR** If you want to offer your service to the church but are not interested in attending meetings, we have an opportunity for you...Coordinator keeps a list of volunteers. When a request for a short-term need is received, coordinator emails the request to the volunteers and coordinates connection. Commitment can vary but is minimally 1-2 hours per month. If interested, please contact Jeri Neely at [jeri.neely@gmail.com](mailto:jeri.neely@gmail.com) or 970-377-9952 or Karen Waldron at [keakw@comcast.net](mailto:keakw@comcast.net) or 970-219-0898.

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY** Knit-In **Saturday, May 18, from 9:30 – 11:00 am** in the Parlor. Please join us as we knit and crochet Shawls and Prayer Squares. Patterns, needles/hooks and beautiful spring yarns are waiting! Should a comfort shawl be needed, please see Rev. Cynthia or inquire at the Church Office. They are lovingly and freely offered.

**GRIEF GROUP** "Moving On" will be meeting the **1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays** of the month (7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> in May). We meet in the Conference Room at **1:30 pm** for an hour. Come share the many ways we journey through the grief process and offer your support. For more information contact JoAn Hopkins at [jodhop@hotmail.com](mailto:jodhop@hotmail.com).

**LIFE LINE SCREENING** is coming to First Church on **May 30, 2019**. This is a reduced cost, preventive health screening program. Advanced registration is required. To receive your appointment and to receive a special \$10 discount, please call 888-653-6450 or visit [www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners).

## FAITH FORMATION

**LIBRARY CONNECTIONS** Is there a book you'd like to review or would you like to hear about a variety of books for church libraries? Contact [flncnetwork@comcast.com](mailto:flncnetwork@comcast.com) or call David Reid at 970-581-2707 to reserve a spot at the **Faith Libraries of Northern Colorado annual Book Talk on May 18 at First Presbyterian Church**. Also, our library will host a **Spirituality Book of the Month study of Joan Chittester's *The Gift of Years* 3 p.m. May 19**. Contact [davidreid24@gmail.com](mailto:davidreid24@gmail.com).

**THIRD THURSDAY LUNCH** will be held at Simmer restaurant located at the northwest corner of Drake and Shields. We'll meet at **11:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 16**. Everyone is welcome to join us. For more information, please contact [JudySayreGrim@gmail.com](mailto:JudySayreGrim@gmail.com).



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JUNE 10 THROUGH 14

Children who are 3 years of age (by September 15, 2018), through grade 5 (completed) are welcome to your children attend free. **Online registration is now open!** Please go to the Children's Ministry tab of [FCFUMC.net](http://FCFUMC.net) to register or volunteer. Contact Barb Grauberger at [childrensdirector@fcfumc.net](mailto:childrensdirector@fcfumc.net) for more information.

# FIRST United Methodist CHURCH

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**May 12, 2019**  
**Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
**"Who Is My Mother"**



**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!