

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!

WEEKLY FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

CHILDREN’S SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES—9:45 A.M.

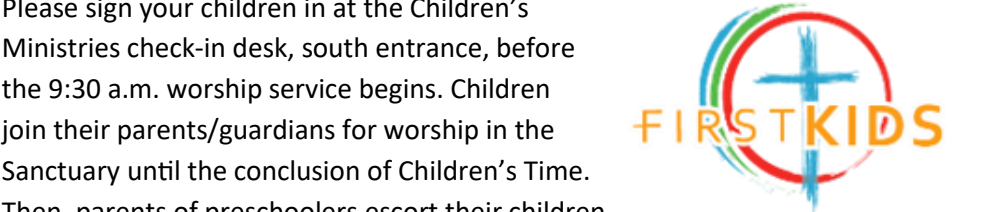
Please sign your children in at the Children’s Ministries check-in desk, south entrance, before the 9:30 a.m. worship service begins. Children join their parents/guardians for worship in the Sanctuary until the conclusion of Children’s Time. Then, parents of preschoolers escort their children to Room 121, and children grades K-5 meet outside the Sanctuary. The teachers will escort elementary children to their classrooms.

Parents, please pick your children up from their designated location following the service.

SUNDAY MORNING YOUTH GROUP: If you are a teen, we have something for YOU! Youth (grades 6-12) are welcome to participate in our Sunday Morning Youth Group that happens at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday. Join our Youth Director and leaders in the Youth basement for a time of fellowship and spiritual growth that are fun and relevant to students!

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT GROUPS—Please join us.

- 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

*Please stand as you are able		
Gathering Music	<i>Trio and Fugue in C</i>	Josef Rheinberger
Welcome		Dr. Melanie Rosa
Prelude	<i>He Comes to Us as One Unknown</i>	Robert J. Powell
*Call to Worship		9:30 Bill Emslie 11:00 Joan Carter
*Hymn of Praise	<i>When Morning Gilds the Skies</i>	UMH #185
Chorus (9:30)	<i>Walk with Me</i>	TFWS #2242
Children’s Message		Barb Grauberger
Chorus (9:30)	<i>Walk with Me</i>	TFWS #2242
Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer		Dr. Melanie Rosa
Anthem	<i>How Firm a Foundation</i> Sanctuary Choir	arr. Tom Trenney
Offering Our Gifts to God		Dr. Melanie Rosa

Ways to give to First Church:

1. Give online at <https://fcfmc.net/> or on the First UMC App (Click on Give).
2. Text to give 1 800 364 GIVE (4483) (Text Message FirstChurch).
3. Automatic draft through online giving.
4. Check or cash
(Every loose \$1 bill goes to those in need).

Offertory	<i>O Love</i> Sanctuary Choir	Elaine Hagenberg
*Doxology	<i>Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	UMH #94
Scripture	Luke 4: 14-21	9:30 Bill Emslie 11:00 Joan Carter
Sermon	“Who Is This Jesus?”	Dr. Melanie Rosa
*Hymn of Dedication	<i>Fairest Lord Jesus</i>	UMH #189
Benediction		Dr. Melanie Rosa
Postlude	<i>We Are Marching in the Light of God</i>	Robert Buckley Farlee

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL CARE



The 2022 Flower Calendar is posted on the bulletin board across from main church office. You may sign up to donate flowers for a Sunday of your choosing in honor or in memory of someone, or to celebrate a life event. You may take the flowers home with you following the 11 a.m. service, or you may donate them to the flower ministry and they will be divided up into smaller arrangements and taken to members who are ill, homebound, or otherwise are in need of some extra cheer. Worship is greatly enhanced with the addition of a floral arrangement on our altar, so please consider providing an arrangement for a date or season significant to you. Sign the calendar beside the date you want, and complete the flower request form (also located on the bulletin board) and turn it in with your check to the church office. Please remember the following when signing up:

- First come, first served
- The church florist will be used
- The cost is \$50

Thank you for helping to enhance our worship space! If you have any questions, please contact Shelley in the church office at Administrativeassistant@fcfmc.net.



Save the Dates
2/10/22-Family dinner pick up. Back by popular demand! We will be providing a to go meal to our First Kid families. Take a night off from cooking for the family. Limited spots available. Look for the sign up, coming soon!

3/2-4/13-The Lenten Journey for kids. This class is for Kindergarten-5th grade. Each Wednesday evening we will participate in an activity in preparation for Lent. New activities this year! Space will be limited. Look for the sign up and more details, coming soon.

6/6-6/10-Vacation Bible School from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. The theme this year is Food Truck Party! Before you fill up your Summer calendar, make sure you block out this week. Your kids will not want to miss it. Look for information regarding registration, coming soon.

TODAY AT FIRST CHURCH

USHERS 9:30 a.m. Rich Raab, John Allum, Pam Raab
11:00 a.m. Pam Metzger, Amy Librant

9:30 WORSHIP CARE TEAM MEMBER: Lisa Cole

WE CARE ABOUT YOUR HEALTH: We at First Church are vigilant about protecting all who enter our building from the spread of illness in light of the coronavirus. We take your wellness seriously and will do all in our power to minimize any risk of infection or transmission. Please wear a mask and maintain safe practices. Thank you.

FAITH FORMATION

Transition Reception for David Reid on February 13.



We will be celebrating David Reid's 10-year ministry at First Church as Director of Adult Faith Formation and NoCo Faith Library before he transitions to his new calling, passion, and role in Community Organizing. A cake reception to honor David Reid will be held between worship services (10:30-11:00) on February 13 at the Fellowship Hall. Although David Reid will continue to be on staff and around at First Church, it is important to celebrate and thank

David for his commitment, dedication, and a job so well done for the last decade. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, DAVID!

MUSIC AT FIRST CHURCH

Music for Black History Month

During February, in recognition of Black History Month, the music ministry at FUMC will include at least one musical selection in each worship service taken from the genre of music known as Negro Spirituals. These songs, to the best of our knowledge, originated from the population of those brought from Africa to serve as slaves in our country. African Americans have contributed greatly to many genres of music including gospel, neo-spirituals, jazz, and pop music, but the songs that were sung by African slaves, and later their descendants, are unique. They tell the story of suffering in this world and hope for a better world to come. They were sometimes a code for methods of escape. We will sing (play, ring) this music in recognition of the injustice done to those who were brought to this country in slave ships, and to their descendants who continue to suffer injustice, both openly and covertly.



OUR CHURCH STAFF

Pastors

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

Music Staff

David Adkins, *Director of Music Ministries & Communications*
Dr. Joel Bacon, *Organist/Artist in Residence*
Brenna Martin, *Children's Choir Coordinator*
Abigale Gilson, *Children's Choir Director*
Karen Stooddy, *Organist Emeritus*

Program Staff

Barb Grauberger, *Director of Children and Family Ministries*
Victoria Burkett, *Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries*
David Reid, *Director of Adult Faith Formation & Library*
Laurie Elliott, *Childcare Coordinator*
Liza Judd-Salimbeni, *Kids' Closet Coordinator*
Kelly Boettger, *Director of Preschool*
Gail Farnum, *Director of Parent's Day Out*

Administrative and Facilities Staff

Jim Doser, *Worship Technology Lead*
Nathan Abrahamson, *Worship Technology Assistant*
Shelley Nelson, *Administrative & Communications Assistant*
Shauna Bjork, *Accountant*
Julie Iven, *Financial Secretary*
Gail Wells, *Membership Secretary & Volunteer Coordinator*
Henry Reyna, *Facilities Manager*
Jake Kinner, *Custodian*
Max Reyes, *Custodian*
Michael Shestak, *Custodian, Sunday Hospitality Coordinator*

Coming Next Week: February 6, 2022

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany
The Sacrament of Holy Baptism
The Sacrament of Communion

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Fourth Sunday after Epiphany January 30, 2022

“Who Is This Jesus?”



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Sunday Worship Services are at 9:30 and 11:00. There are many opportunities for spiritual growth and connection for all ages.

Thank you for joining us today!