

## 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>All Glory, Laud and Honor</i>	Healey Willan
Welcome		Dr. Melanie Rosa
Prelude	<i>O Lamb of God Most Holy</i>	J.S. Bach
Introit	<i>Joy on that Day</i> Children’s Choir	Ruth Elaine Schram
Call to Worship		9:30 Pam Raab 11:00 Jerry Wiese
*Hymn of Praise	<i>Hosanna, Loud Hosanna</i>	UMH # 278
Chorus (9:30)	<i>Tell Me the Stories of Jesus (vs. 3)</i>	UMH #277
Children’s Message		Barb Grauberger
Chorus (9:30)	<i>Tell Me the Stories of Jesus (vs. 3)</i>	UMH #277
Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer		Rev. Cynthia Paquette
Scripture	Luke 19:28-40	Rev. Cynthia Paquette
Anthem	<i>When I Survey the Wondrous Cross</i> Sanctuary Choir	arr. Gilbert Martin
Offering Our Gifts to God		

**Ways to give to First Church:**

1. Give online at <https://fcfumc.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>Lift High the Cross</i> The Carillon Handbell Choir	arr. Kathy & David Moglebust
*Doxology	<i>Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	UMH #95
Scripture	John 6:66-71	9:30 Pam Raab 11:00 Jerry Wiese
Sermon	“A Parade Good Enough”	Dr. Melanie Rosa
Choral Benediction	<i>Pie Jesu</i> First Church Singers Ivy Taylor and Alyssa Banister, <i>soloists</i>	Andrew Lloyd Weber
Benediction		Dr. Melanie Rosa
Postlude	<i>O Sacred Head Now Wounded</i>	J.S. Bach

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### A PASSOVER SEDER EXPERIENCE

Jesus celebrated the Passover Seder with his disciples on the night before he was betrayed and sent to his death. Join us on **Thursday April 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of First Church** to experience the celebration of a Passover Seder for everyone. For more information or to volunteer to assist, contact Cindi Ross-Bell at [falcor@frii.com](mailto:falcor@frii.com) or (970) 481-0921.



### COMMUNITY NOON SERVICES DURING HOLY WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 531 S COLLEGE AVE.



- Monday, April 11 | 12 noon**  
*Cynthia Paquette, First United Methodist*
- Tuesday, April 12 | 12 noon**  
*Rob Cowles, Genesis Project*
- Wednesday, April 13 | 12 noon**  
*Gray La Fond, LuMin Ministry*
- Maundy Thursday, April 14 | 12 noon**  
*Jane Anne Ferguson, Plymouth UCC*
- Good Friday, April 15 | 12 noon**  
*David Williams, Abyssinian Christian Church*

### RECOGNITION FOR 20 YEARS OF SERVICE

Please join us on **April 24**, for a cake reception in the Fellowship Hall to thank, honor, and recognize **HENRY REYNA**, our **FACILITIES MANAGER** for 20 years of service at First Church... and to many more!





## TODAY AT FIRST CHURCH

### USHERS

9:30 a.m. Joe Ahlbrandt, Jeff Johnson, Judy Kinner

11:00 a.m. Daphne Bear, Bonny Thomas

**9:30 WORSHIP CARE TEAM MEMBER:** Susan Massa

**WE CARE ABOUT YOUR HEALTH:** Wearing a face mask at FUMC is now at your discretion.



### The Seven Last Words of Christ

for Chorus and Soloists  
by Theodore Dubois

presented by  
**The Sanctuary Choir**  
with  
Organ, Harp, Flute, and Timpani

**Friday, April 15, 2022**  
**7:00 p.m. Sanctuary**

Dubois composed **The Seven Last Words of Christ** in 1867 for Saint Clotilde in Paris, where he was the choir director (Maitre de chapelle). He scored the work for full orchestra, chorus, and soloists, but later revised his orchestration to include only organ, timpani, and harp, the version most often heard today.

Please join us for this moving service of Tenebrae sung in English, interspersed with readings and prayers. Throughout the service the Sanctuary will become increasingly dark symbolizing the death of Christ on the cross. Experiencing a service of Tenebrae serves to make the celebration of Easter an even more joyous event.

### EASTER FLOWERS—CELEBRATING LOVED ONES

#### DEADLINE IS TODAY, APRIL 10!

If you would like to purchase flowers in honor or in memory of someone to be displayed in the Sanctuary on Easter, **you may place your order between services in Fellowship Hall**. The cost is \$8 and you may pay online (preferred) or with a check. When paying online please select EASTER FLOWERS from the drop down fund menu. The flowers (there are samples around the church and at the order table in Fellowship Hall) will be 6.5 inch potted mums in white, yellow and purple (no choice of color). You may pick up your flower after the 11:00 a.m. service on Easter Sunday, or on Tuesday, April 19 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Any flowers remaining after April 19th will be taken to our homebound members and friends. The flowers pictured here are samples of the actual flowers that will be placed in our Sanctuary. Thank you for helping make our Sanctuary festive and joyous for Easter Sunday!



## 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**, *Community Builder*

**Laurie Elliott**, *Childcare Coordinator & Interim Pre-School Director*

**Liza Judd-Salimbeni**, *Kids' Closet Coordinator*

**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*

**Sauna Bjork**, *Accountant*

**Julie Iven**, *Financial Secretary*

**Gail Wells**, *Membership Secretary & Volunteer Coordinator*

**Henry Reyna**, *Facilities Manager*

**Max Reyes**, *Custodian*

**Michael Shestak**, *Custodian, Sunday Hospitality Coordinator*

### Coming Next Week: April 17, 2022

**Easter Sunday**

**"Foolish Faith"**

**Luke 20:1-18**



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## Palm/Passion Sunday

**April 10, 2022**



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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!